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TWENTIETH YEAR

CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO, FRIDAY DECEMBER, 22, 1911.

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HORTICULTURAL COMMISSIONERS OF EDDY COUNTY

Eddy County Board of Horticultural Commissioners Organization Affected and First Meeting Held at Artesia on the 29th of Nov.

MINUTES OF MEETING

The statute covering the appointment of this board provides that the first board appointed shall decide among themselves, by lot or otherwise, as to which of the said members shall serve for the different periods. All members shall serve for the term of three years, except the members first appointed and they shall decide as above on this matter. In accordance with this provision it was decided that L. A. Swigart, of Carlsbad, should serve the one year term; W. P. Riley, of Hope, the two years; and J. B. Cecil, of Artesia, the three years.

W. P. Riley was elected president. J. B. Cecil was elected secretary. L. A. Swigart was elected Treasurer.

The statute provides that the Treasurer shall give a bond satisfactory to the Board of County Commissioners in the sum of \$500.00. L. A. Swigart is hereby instructed to furnish such bond on, or before, the January meeting of the County Commissioners.

By acclamation the following resolution was passed:

Resolved; it is declared the sense of this board, in meeting assembled, that the rules of action of the Chaves County Horticultural Board be secured and the same used in toto as a basis of action by this board until such time as experience shall show cause for changes, or additions.

The secretary is empowered to take such steps as shall be necessary to secure the rules of the Chaves County Board.

By unanimous vote each member is authorized to call in expert assistance, or appoint or employ such inspector or inspectors as shall be required to carry out the provisions of the law, and the orders of the board under such provisions.

The Board asks and expects the assistance of every person who owns fruit trees, acts as agents for others who own trees, buys or sells fruit and nursery stock, or in any way comes in contact with the same.

The board recommends the use of such materials for insecticides as shall have been approved by the United States government and the various state experiment stations to the end that the utmost efficiency be obtained for the least amount of expense. Details of such reports will be kept on file with the secretary and the same shall be free to all who request the same.

Aphis. It is also quite inexpensive and easily applied.

The secretary is ordered to get literature on this and all other insecticides recommended, and to keep the same for free distribution. In sending requests for literature and other information it will be necessary to send stamp for reply, as there has been no provision made, so far, to defray the expense of the board.

The secretary is instructed to endeavor to get a line of Arsenate of lead, lime and sulphur, and Bordeaux mixture that may be carried here and turned to growers at cost. If such material can be handled in this way it will be of material help to all as otherwise everyone would be compelled to ship in his material in small quantities.

The board recommends that all peach, cherry, plum and pear trees be sprayed with lime and sulphur. This is to be used as a dormant spray in the late winter. This will ward off such insect pests as are peculiar to these trees and will probably make unnecessary compulsory spraying during the growing season when every one is busy. The same spray is excellent for apple trees at the same time. It kills all classes of scale and fungus growths that appear on the leaves.

The board orders that all nursery stock shall be examined before the same is heeled in or planted. This examination will be made by one of the board or by an inspector appointed by them. Any stock that shall not pass inspection shall be condemned and turned back to the nursery selling the same. And all such stock shall be dipped in a 1 to 10 mixture of lime and sulphur. This dipping will exterminate all of the insect pests. The roots to be completely immersed.

Notice is hereby given to all who shall have such nursery stock arriving during the coming season to notify the members of the board nearest them of the date of the expected arrival of such stock. This member will then make preparations to inspect the same.

COMPULSORY SPRAYING AGAINST THE CODLING MOTH.

All apple trees that bloom next season shall be sprayed with arsenate of lead of some standard make at the time the petals are falling, and a second spraying to follow about ten days later. This spraying should be carried on at a pressure of not less than 180 pounds. In the event that anyone shall not spray at this time the Board will take the necessary steps to have such person's trees sprayed, and the cost shall be assessed against the property as a lien. And it is further stipulated that at the expiration of sixty days the same shall be taken to the district court and said lien foreclosed.

The same spray is recommended for the tent caterpillar whenever found. This is the only way in which this pest can be successfully handled.

On motion, seconded and carried, the board adjourns to meet at Carlsbad at the time of the first meeting of the board of county commissioners in 1912, unless further notice is given.

(Signed) W. P. Riley, President.

(Signed) J. B. Cecil, Secretary.

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AGRICULTURAL DEMONSTRATION TRAIN RUN BY SANTA FE

Six Cars, Carrying Livestock, Agricultural Exhibits and Ten Experienced Lecturers, to Visit Every Town Along Santa Fe Lines in New Mexico During the Month of January, 1912

One of the most interesting announcements made recently to the people of New Mexico is that of J. I. Tinsley, agricultural demonstrator of the Santa Fe railroad, that the big railroad system has determined to operate a thoroughly equipped agricultural demonstration train to every point on its lines in New Mexico during January, next. The train will carry absolutely complete equipment for agricultural demonstration work and will be the equal of any train of the kind that has been used in the United States. The Santa Fe will bear all expense of the enterprise, but will have the active cooperation of the New Mexico Agricultural College

lecture staff will include President W. E. Garrison of the Agricultural College, Director Luther Foster of the Experiment Station at Mesilla Park, and eight or more department heads, who will be in a position to discuss and advise with the farmers upon every subject of farming which may be brought up.

In addition to the lectures, ample opportunity will be given to the farmers and others to meet the experts, ask them questions and get advice upon problems which may confront them. The train will be in every sense a traveling school.

The exact date for running the train has not been decided as yet, but probably the start will be

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which will furnish all exhibits, as well as ten or more lecturers from the college staff.

The announcement of this train is significant. It means that the Santa Fe system has come to realize thoroughly the importance of agriculture in the new state and that it is prepared to expend large sums of money in aiding the farmers along its lines and in encouraging farm development. Similar trains have been operated in the older agricultural states with most beneficial results to the farmers and upon the general development of the territory served. This train will, in effect, carry our Agricultural college right to the farmer, and at a season when, with no crops to tend, he can give his entire attention to the lectures and exhibits offered him. Every farmer in New Mexico, who can do so, should arrange to meet the train when it reaches his district.

The train will consist of three cars. Car No. 1 will be a 40 foot automobile car, fitted out as a traveling stable, and will carry specimens of dairy and beef cattle. Car No. 2 will be a 40 foot flat car, to be used for exhibiting the live stock. Car No. 3 will be a 40 foot automobile car carrying hogs, poultry and dairy equipment. Car No. 4 will be a 70 foot baggage car fitted out as an exhibit room and carrying all material necessary in lecture and demonstration work. Car No. 5 will be a coach fitted out as a lecture room. Car No. 6 will be a Santa Fe business car for the use of the members of the lecture force accompanying the train. The train will be in charge of J. D. Tinsley, agricultural demonstrator of the Santa Fe, and the

made on or about January 15th. The train equipment will be completed in the Albuquerque shops and will be run solid to Mesilla Park where the agricultural and livestock equipment will be installed. Thence the train will run to La Tuna on the Texas border, where the first stop will be made. Stops of an hour or more will be made at every station, and in the larger towns night meetings will be held. The train will be on the road seventeen to eighteen days, and will be in active service fifteen days, since Sundays will not be used. The first day the train will run from La Tuna to Rincon. Second day Rincon to Deming, then to San Marcial. Third day San Marcial to Albuquerque, with night meeting at Albuquerque. Fourth day Albuquerque to Las Vegas via Santa Fe. Fifth day Las Vegas to Springer. Sixth day Springer to Raton. Seventh day Raton to Las Vegas with night meeting at Las Vegas. Eighth day Las Vegas to Albuquerque. Ninth day Albuquerque to Vaughn. Tenth day Vaughn to Taiban. Eleventh day Taiban to Clovis via Texico. Twelfth day Clovis to Roswell with night meeting at Roswell. Thirteenth day Roswell to Carlsbad. Fourteenth day Carlsbad to Malaga and Loving, thus covering every point on the Santa Fe system in New Mexico. Ample notice will be given of exact time of arrival at each station so that all farmers and others may be able to attend.

A most important feature of the campaign will be the preliminary organization of Children's Industrial Clubs, along the lines of the Corn Growing Clubs in other states. This is one of the

essential objects of the enterprise and to insure success teachers in all schools are urged to have their pupils present at every stopping place.

A Big Tumor.

The removal of an ovarian cystic tumor this week from Miss Emma Frazier was probably one of the most remarkable operations on record—it weighing 89 3-4 pounds. The operation was performed by Dr. Doepp, assisted by Drs. Parr and Quierly, and is reported to be very successful. The patient came here from Toyah, Texas, and is a sister of Mrs. W. P. Lucas. At last accounts Miss Frazier was doing well, with hopes.

From California Friends.

Long Beach, Cal., Dec. 11, 1911. To the Editor of the Current, Carlsbad, N. M.

Dear editor: As we are so much interested in the local items of the Current each week we thought you might like to know something of our life in California.

Mrs. Stone and myself have just returned from a trip to San Diego, made on the Pacific Navigation steamship line. This company has two large steamships—the Harvard and the Yale—that make the run from San Diego to San Francisco, and there connect with the Alaska Pacific steamship company that stops at all of the Puget Sound ports.

While in San Diego, I called at the office of Chas. L. Hardy, the man who controls largely the beef interests of that city. I found him very pleasant in business conversation. As he sends his buyers into Arizona, I thought it possible that he might sometime see fit to send them to New Mexico—our beautiful land of sunshine. It seems to me that the cattle men of eastern New Mexico might be able to do some business in southern California.

We also looked into the Normal school in view of placing our daughters there another year.

Our trip was very pleasant with the exception of a bad case of sea sickness, which we both had.

We arrived in Long Beach just in time to see Aviator Rogers finish his flight across the continent. On the last eight miles of his flight he was accompanied by two other aviators. It was very interesting to watch these three air ships circling and soaring above our heads like fowls of the air. There was probably 70,000 people collected on the beach to see the end of this sensational flight.

The scenery of this country is beautiful, but, nevertheless, my old ranch life appeals to me the most.

Very sincerely,

M. T. STONE.

The management of the High School Lyceum Course announce the coming of the Meister Singers. This is one of the greatest musical entertainments ever given at Carlsbad. In addition to their quartet singing, they have one of the best sets of musical chimes ever used in the United States. It is guaranteed to be the best entertainment of its kind now being given on the American stage. The date will be announced later.

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ROSWELL-MALAGA ROAD

Roswell-Malaga Good Roads Committee Met at Club Rooms in Carlsbad Official Minutes

The Roswell to Malaga good roads committee met at the club rooms in Carlsbad at 2 p. m. Wednesday and was attended by Wm. Atkinson and Tom D. White, of Roswell, E. C. Cook, of Lakewood, W. W. Galton and H. Tipton from District No. 2, besides Mayor McLennan and R. M. Thorne. Several citizens were present and a general discussion was had.

The meeting developed several very interesting features concerning the much talked of thoroughfare, there being among those present some from every portion of the proposed road, Mr. Atkinson being well posted on that portion which will be constructed in Chaves county. It developed that the most difficult portions would be found between Carlsbad and Lakewood, and Lake Arthur and Artesia. It was the sense of the meeting that the state engineer's office be asked to make a survey and look over the route with a view of learning first the most favorable route and that which can be built with the least expense. While it is proposed to follow the railway, this will not be done if other routes present less obstacles and make a better road for less expense. The committees of the various towns have been appointed and it is believed there will be something doing early in the coming new year.

Following are the official minutes of the meeting of the Roswell-Malaga Good Roads Convention held in Carlsbad, Dec. 20, 1911, at Commercial Club rooms:

Present: W. M. Atkinson, president; R. M. Thorne, secretary; E. C. Cook, of Lakewood; W. W. Galton, of Otis; C. H. McLennan, of Carlsbad; and a number of citizens from Carlsbad.

The following resolution was passed:

"Resolved, that the executive committee of the Roswell-Malaga Good Roads Convention request engineer of the Good Roads Commission of New Mexico to make an examination of the proposed route and recommend its location, the kind of material to be used, and the best method of construction; taking into consideration the money and time available, with the ultimate object of eventually making a first class, modern, good road from Roswell to Malaga."

Moved and seconded that the 8th day of January, 1912, be the date designated to start the work on that portion of the road between Carlsbad and Malaga. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the management of the work between Carlsbad and Malaga be turned over to the committee of that district to work out plans to push this work.

Mr. Henry Tipton was made a member of this committee.

Moved and seconded that Mr. W. M. Atkinson be appointed a committee to draft a bill to be submitted to the next legislature to enable counties to issue bonds for the purpose of constructing permanent good roads. Carried.

Mr. W. H. Woodwell was elected vice president of the whole committee. He then took the chair.

Moved and seconded that the chair appoint a committee of three to work with Mr. Cook, of

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Official Paper of Eddy County.

The coming spring election for town officials, in Carlsbad, bids fair to be a hummer. The advocates of restriction and high license will be pitted against those of prohibition.

The express office in Carlsbad receives, each day, \$100 worth of booze and beer, the money for which, of course, is sent away. This amounts to about \$2,500 per month, or \$30,000 per annum, and still some people say taxes are high.

The Santa Fe is running an advertisement in many of the agricultural and horticultural journals. The ad. exploits the advantages of this section for growing fruits. The following is a portion of the matter continued in the advertisement—and is not in any way overdrawn or exaggerated:

The reputation of the Pecos Valley of New Mexico and Texas for fertility of soil, abundance of irrigation waters, variety and quality of produce and salubrity of climate long has been established.

The apples from this valley have won favor in the markets of the East and command a premium in London and other European Cities. The famous pea-green alfalfa is in demand everywhere and commands a premium of from \$1 to \$1.50 a ton wherever offered. Herebefore the area over which these and other crops could be grown has been restricted by the fact that gravity water and the artesian flow would not carry above the second bottom. Thousands of fertile acres lying on benches just out of reach of the gravity canals were undeveloped. But a change of methods has come about. Wells have been put down and pumping plants, individual and communal, have been established, with the result that an immensely larger area has been brought under water and several thousand acres of new apple land and as much more alfalfa land is awaiting the advent of industrious, ambitious men.

Those lands are capable of the most intensive cultivation and they will pay large returns on the prices now being asked. There is still considerable land to be had in the valley proper, with water obtainable from the established canals built by private enterprise or by the government reclamation service; also from flowing wells in the artesian belt.

You should investigate this splendid valley, learn at first hand what has been done by others and what you can do if you will. There's big money in the Pecos Valley for the man who will work. We invite you to take advantage of the information we have in this office concerning the valley. It is yours for the asking and at no expense to you. Write today. Do not wait until the price of land goes up. Get that extra profit yourself. Better still, go down and see. You can go on the first and third Tuesday of the month and the railway fare is very low.

A Studied Insult.

They are a thrifty, provident people down in Eddy county, the Democratic radicals, in which one precinct east twenty-two votes at the Democratic primary, but which a month later is declared to be an illegal precinct, and a county in which an attempt was made to play hooky upon with the printing of the tickets for the election. It seems the Democratic county committee had appropriated \$25 to every precinct in Eddy county for a big dinner on election day. It is one of the recognized methods of kindling the flames of patriotism in the breasts of voters and when the cash fund is so big that the central committee do not know what to do with it, they give free dinners so that the hungry may be fed and their thirst slaked on election day. But the voters of Ots precinct seemed to have had enough to eat and drink anyway on election day, and they stored the \$25 for some future pow-wow, a political ratification banquet, which was held at the public school house on the eve of Thanksgiving. Of course, there was loud praise for the generosity of the Central Committee and patriotism bubbled over in spirit as well as in word. Great is Eddy county and greater still are its Democratic majorities.

The above from the Santa Fe New Mexican shows how far ignorance and malice can go. The primaries in Eddy county were held by the democratic party and there were many voting places for the primaries not made voting precincts for elections just the same as a caucus of the leading politicians of Santa Fe have, except the whole democratic rank and file vote in the primaries. As for

the central committee giving a dinner to voters who come a great distance, if there is any thing wrong about it just spit it out. No voter is asked to vote any particular way, because the dinner was provided for all. A bare faced lie is the answer to the charge about the tickets for no tickets were sent out with the little error found in the proof, over which so much fuss and feathers was stirred up and we defy any one to show a ticket sent the judges in which a mistake can be found.

What has become of the big orchard project that the Commercial Club had up some time ago? That proposition always looked feasible and would be a good thing for Carlsbad as well as its projector.

Christmas Program.

Christian Sunday School will render the following Saturday evening, Dec. 23, at 7:30 o'clock: Song by school.

Reading of Christmas lesson and prayer by the pastor.

Recitation by Horace Wilson Jr. Song and drill, "Silver Bells."

Recitation, Lester O'Neil. Solo, "Cradle Hymn" by Frances Etter.

Song by school. Recitation, Roscoe Etter.

Duet, Willie Mathewson and Grace Daugherty.

Exercise, "Christmas Greeting"

Arrival of Santa Claus and unveiling of Christmas tree.

Malaga Items.

Dr. Miller and niece, Miss Carson, went to Roswell last week.

John Gardner was in town Monday.

Marvin Livingston is showing his face around Malaga again.

Miss Effie and Alta Crowder gave us a pleasant surprise Wednesday morning by dropping in unexpectedly. The twins have been teaching school at Lakewood. They will spend the holidays here.

Sheriff Stewart was in town this week.

John Kennedy was in town from the ranch this week.

Misses Grace and Pearl Crochran drove to Carlsbad Wednesday.

Mr. Crochran's little daughter is on the sick list this week.

Mr. Cochran went to Orle today.

Representative J. W. Gaines, of Tennessee, craved roars of laughter in the house during the closing days of session by reciting "When Democracy Will Die."

"When the lion roars like an ass,
And the falconer smokes the whips,
When the terrapin sits under rocks,
And the hare is eaten by the snail,

When serpents walk upright like men,
And duffels buzz travel like frogs,
When grasshoppers feed on the hen,
And feathers are found on the hog;

When Thomas rats swim in the air,
And elephants roost upon trees;
When insects in summer are rare,
And snuff never makes a people sneeze;

When the fish creep over dry land,
And mules on velocipedes ride,
When foxes lay eggs in the sand,
And women in dress take no pride;

When Dutchmen no longer drink beer,
And ants get to preching on time,
When the hills grow hot from the rear,
And treason no longer is crime;

When the humming bird brags like an ass,
And lumberjacks smell like cologne;
When pinches are made out of glass,
And hounds of Tennessee are stone;

When some groves in republican bonds,
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Supplementary.

It appears that the city council of Carlsbad are bringing up the matter again of trying to force parties to make connections with the sewers of said town in accordance with the city ordinance. Sometime ago, during the time when the undersigned was justice of the peace, several cases were brought before the justice's court, of this precinct, against several parties to enforce said ordinance, which were decided against said town. The town appealed two of the cases to the district court. The district court dismissed the appeals, thereby showing that the town had no grounds of action, consequently sustaining the decision of the lower court. Section 2403 compiled laws of 1897 says: "City councils may pass ordinances not inconsistent with the Territorial laws." The town ordinance states that a fine of not less than five, nor more than twenty-five, dollars shall be assessed against all owners of lots not connecting with the sewers. This ordinance is inconsistent with the Territorial laws. The territorial laws of 1909 state that if parties fail, or neglect, to connect with the sewers the board of health may enter upon the premises and let the construction of sewer connections to the lowest bidder, and have the same assessed as a lien against the property so connected. The present action of the council looks like malicious prosecution, false arrest, or contempt of court. The town, thereby, being liable for an action for malicious prosecution or contempt of court. It has, also, been said that some of our city board are agents for lots in Carlsbad. Agents for property also are liable under the same laws. The statute also provides that officers, or other persons, shall not swear to a complaint unless they have knowledge of the facts. Every person owning property in said town have to pay their share of the taxes to pay these sewer bonds whether they connect with the sewers or not. The costs of connection with the sewers is paid to the plumbers, who reap the benefit. Justices of the peace, as well as other officers, are sworn to abide by the laws of the Territory, and not a city ordinance that is inconsistent with the Territorial laws.

N. CUNNINGHAM.

Carlsbad, N. M., Dec. 20, 1911.

Woodmen Elect Officers.

Eddy Grove Camp W. O. W. elected the following officers for 1912 at their regular meeting Thursday night, Dec. 14: A. R. O'Quinn, consul commander; J. J. Kircher, adviser lieutenant; J. B. Leck, banker; R. N. Hamblen, escort; H. E. Robb, clerk; L. Rayroux, watchman; Dolph Vest, sentry; Wm. H. Mullane, manager three years, R. Ohnemus two years, and Rev. Jasper T. Moses one year.

The district deputy, Mr. J. H. Cornett, who has been here for a month, left for his home in Livingston Wednesday.

B. F. Rose and Horace James were initiated into the mysteries of the order.

For Sale:—600 boxes of fine juicy mountain grown apples from the famous Thayer Ranch. Carefully picked and packed. Get them now. See or address F. E. Downs Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Frighten Hawks.

Where hawks are troublesome, butt old leather in or near the chicken run. The smoke and smell together are sure hawk scatters, as several who have tried it can testify. Save a few old shoes for this purpose.

Grain Pasture for Hogs.

No farther can have complete success raising hogs unless he has a good grain pasture, and young hogs can be fattened more profitably than those that are older.

Growing a Broiler.

It requires three months or more to grow a broiler, much depending upon the weight desired, the stock and the care. Broilers shrink about a half-pound each when dressed.

Our Apportionment.

The legislative apportionment of the state of New Mexico was the subject of an editorial in this paper last summer, during the special session of congress. In that editorial attention was called to the fact that Indians were counted in large numbers in some of the republican counties as a basis of representation.

This week the official bulletin of the population of New Mexico was received at this office from the census bureau at Washington and we are now able to make a somewhat more accurate comparison than was possible last summer.

Under the apportionment provided in the constitution the county of McKinley, a republican county, is given one senator and two representatives. The total population of that county as given in the census bulletin was 12,963. Of this total 5,527 were Navajo Indians and 1,752 were Zuni Indians, living respectively on the Navajo and the Zuni reservations. The total Indian population of the county was 7,279, or considerably more than half of the total population. These Indians are not citizens, are not permitted to vote and have no voice in the government of the state. Deducting these from the total population there remain but 5,684 citizens who have a representation of one senator and two members of the house of representatives.

The county of Curry is a democratic county and it had a population of 11,443 at the time the census was taken. That county has more than twice the number of citizens than McKinley county, yet it gets less representation. Curry county has one senator and one representative when, according to the basis of representation in McKinley county, it should have at least two senators and four representatives.


The county of Eddy is a democratic county. It has one senator and two representatives in the state legislature and it has more than a thousand more than twice the number of citizens than there were in McKinley county, yet it has the same representation. Its citizens have less than half the representation in the legislature that McKinley county has in proportion to population.

Roosevelt county had a population of over 12,000 or more than 600 more than twice the number of citizens that were found in McKinley county and Roosevelt county has only one senator and one representative. On the same basis as the apportionment was made in McKinley county, Roosevelt county should have at least two senators and four representatives, but Roosevelt county has not.

Quay county is credited with a population of 14,912, or more than two and a half times the number of citizens that are found in McKinley, yet it has no larger representation in the legislature than McKinley county.

Chaves county has a population of 16,850, almost three times as many citizens as are contained within the boundaries of McKinley county and it has one senator and three members of the house of representatives. It should have three senators and six representatives on the same basis as McKinley county. All of the above counties which have been compared with McKinley county are democratic counties and there is not a reservation Indian residing in any of them.

The county of Valencia is credited with a total population of 13,320, but of this number there are 1,583 residents of Laguna pueblo and 823 of Acoma pueblo, leaving a population of 10,809 exclusive of Indians. This county has one senator and two representatives, a larger representation than either Curry or Roosevelt counties, each of which has a larger citizenship. It has the same representation as each of the counties of Eddy and Quay



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None of the above mentioned counties is joined with any other county for legislative purposes so that the comparisons can be made direct. More glaring manipulation is found in the republican counties of Taos and Rio Arriba and in the, until recently, republican county of Sandoval in each of which counties there are numbers of Indians.

It is surprising that none of the democratic members of the constitutional convention saw these tricks of the republicans. It remained for the Eagle to bring this matter to the notice of the public and now, since the exact figures are available, we are again placing it before thoughtful democrats for their consideration. — Santa Fe Eagle.

Episcopal Bishop Kendrick died last Saturday at Pasadena, Cal. He was well known and had many friends in Carlsbad.

Cream Shipping Station.

There will be a public meeting, under the auspices of the Farmers' Union, at the Otis school house on the afternoon of Wednesday, December 27th, at two o'clock, with the purpose in view of establishing a cream shipping station. A representative from Roswell creamery will address the meeting, and will be prepared to answer all questions that may arise in connection with the project.

All who are interested in the keeping of dairy cows in the valley are wanted, and expected, to be present and make the enterprise a success.

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For all that in completeness blends;
They have brought comfort, all of these—
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These are the things that make me rich;
My heart where faith still holds its place,
My hands that have no miser-itch
To grasp the prize before the race.
My soul that waits its day, serene,
A hope that falters not, nor ends
When life seems sordid, crude and mean—
These, and my company of friends.

As some worn pilgrim tells his beads
I count today my scanty store
That is sufficient for my needs;
But deep within my being's core
There is a truer thankfulness
For this rare goodness that life sends.
I would not ask for more to bless
Than this, my company of friends.

Though I might heap up gold and gear
And, prideful have a ruler's sway,
Without my friends, I know my year
Would not have held a happy day.
Though I am grateful for what gain
My simple toiling comprehends,
I know my life would be in vain
Without my company of friends.

Lord, bless them all, for I am glad
Because today I call them mine—
I would not give them up to add
Unto my store of corn and wine.
I thank Thee for this year of peace,
But am one who now commends
To Thee for blessings without cease
His goodly company of friends.

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LITERARY BEAUTIES

Byron, Scott and their school
praised the maiden with glossy hair
clustering over a bright, smooth brow,
eyebrows like arches, glowing cheeks
and constant blushes—"a beautiful

Rhyme of the Man Shopper



It is a pallid, weary man;
He stoppeth one of three
"By thy white cheek and bluish eye,
Now, wherefore stoppest me?"
"Oh, sir," the worried man exclaimed,
"I fain would have thee tell
Where I may find within this store
The things they have to sell."
For it was in a Christmas store
That all of this took place.
"Twas there the frenzied man was seen
With hopeless, troubled face.
The stranger man would fain begone
From him of haggard eye;
Besides, the aisle was crowded with
The folks who would go by.
"I pray thee," said the stranger man,
"Go chase thyself from me."
"Ah, sir," the other man implored—
"A woeful wight was he.
"A tortoise comb, a pair of skates,
A whole carload of toys,
Some things beside for all my friends
And for their girls and boys.
"And here I am; and I am here;
The things—oh, where are they?
For male and female clerks conspire
To hide from me the wry.
"But this I know, and this alone;
Three aisles across, then back,
Four counters down, one counter up,
Then double on your track.
"The elevator takes you next,
To land you otherwhere,
And when you weary of the crowd,
You amble down the stairs.
"But still—but still, my honest friend,
You do not reach the goal.
"Tis always 'on the other side,'
It is, upon my soul!
"So here am I, and I am here,
And you are standing by,
I care not where the things may be,
But where the deuce am I?"
They led him to an ambulance,
Although he did resist,
And now in padded cell he cons
His Christmas shopping list.
He shrieks upon the midnight clear,
And on the noonday air:
"Three aisles across, two counters back,
Then up and down the stair!"
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"Got nothing in my stocking until I put it on."

"Poems about the soldier boy so far away, who weeps over his hardback and sees visions of the folks at home." (Like as not he has lorged a better dinner than he ever got at home and has won all the money in his mess at poker.)

"Anything and everything about calling the doctor on the day after Christmas." (This joke has appeared regularly since 1774 and should have been superannuated fifty years ago.)

"Boardinghouse turkey. Consists of neck and giblets." (The average boardinghouse turkey also has wings.)

"Turkey appearing in hush for three weeks." (Turkeys are not elephants.)

"Kissing old maid by mistake under mistletoe." (Nothing of the kind ever occurred.)

"Any combination of colored man, farmer's dog and hencoop." (This idea has been worked over until it is old enough to appear in London Punch.)

"All allusion to the sultan, to the partition of Turkey, and to the combination of Greece and Turkey." (Let the poor man alone in his troubles.)

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By Wilbur D. Nesbit

It was Christmas eve. Andrew Hillington, with a neat little package in his breast pocket and a throbbing heart beneath the same pocket, had been trying for a full hour to muster up enough courage to take out the package, and offer it, together with his throbbing heart, to Amabel Tuttle.

Amabel was just such a young woman as just such a young man as Andrew would ardently desire to present with his throbbing heart and the contents of the neat package. The latter contained a ring, set with a single diamond. The throbbing heart contained what Andrew was ready to promise should be life-long devotion to Amabel.

Why go into detail regarding the whole year during which he had laid siege to the heart of Amabel?

There had been moments this Christmas eve when Andrew's fingers nervously sought his breast pocket. Amabel knew he was on the verge of proposing. Gracious mercy! The woman who cannot diagnose a threatened proposal is no woman at all. The stammering speech, the flushed brow, the hesitant remarks, the fidgety stare—all these and many other symptoms are to the average woman what temperature and respiration are to the specialist in fevers.

For some unexplained reason women like to postpone a proposal. They prolong the agony. They enjoy the sighs, the awkwardness, the anxiety, of the swain. They revel in his abject willingness to sacrifice himself, if need be, to gain their promise.

It may be that instinct teaches them this is the only moment when the man will be a slave.

At last, however, it became time for Andrew to say good-night. It was Christmas eve, and he knew Amabel's family would have some little preparations to make for the festivities of the morrow. He did not think for a moment of the tremendous fact that when a young woman allows a young man to spend Christmas eve with her she is writing "Yes" in large letters on the wall. No man can realize anything at such times.

Andrew said he must be going, after Amabel had begun to wonder if he was going to talk about the weather and the latest book all evening.

"Must you go, really?" she asked, brightly. "Wait just a moment. I have something for you."

She went into another room, then came back with a small package, which she handed to him.

"Just a little Christmas remembrance," she smiled. "You won't mind getting it ahead of time, will you? Such good friends as you and I needn't wait for Christmas day to say 'good night'."

She carefully stood immediately beneath a spray of mistletoe when she said this, but Andrew did not notice it. This is further proof that love is blind.

"Thank you," Andrew mumbled, nervously. "I—I wish you a merry Christmas, Amabel."

"That's nice of you, and I hope you like the little gift. It really isn't a gift, Andrew. It's just a nookie I made for you myself. I wish it could have been something nicer—but you'll let the sentiment that goes with it count for what it lacks in value or beauty, won't you?"

She carefully reached up and adjusted the spray of mistletoe, smiling also at Andrew. Andrew stood there, staring at her, and over in his hands, blind as ever. What Amabel thought he never will know. There must be times when a woman is handing a man that she is so engaged with his obtuseness that she would enjoy thumping him on the head with a shovel.

Andrew got his eyes away from hers long enough to ask:

"Are you going to have a Christmas tree?"

"No. We're old-fashioned, you know. We're just going to hang up our stockings in front of the grate, and let Santa come right down the chimney. I love those old customs, don't you?"

As she spoke of the old customs she once more pushed the spray of mistletoe up into place. This time Andrew saw it, and away down deep in his heart he wished he were just a good friend of Amabel's.

You see, under the mistletoe, things may be done by good friends which would call on the troops if attempted by a lover who has not yet declared his love in speech, but whose every action tells what is affecting him.

He told her he had spent a pleasant evening, he thanked her for the little gift, he promised to come again, and he got out and away—and then he realized that he had not given her the present he had meant to hand to her with a few well chosen words which should cause her to fall into his arms and promise to be his forever.

Also, he realized that he had not even wished her a merry Christmas in the way he had planned to wish it.

All the way home he abused himself for being such a fool. Why, any man with a spark of self-confidence, he told himself, would have told the girl what he had in his heart and in his pocket for her—would have made a neat but effective little speech of presentation, and would have concluded his peroration with her head against his shoulder and her plump white hand in his.

There came to him a flash of inspiration.

Why not play Santa Claus, take the ring to Amabel's home, climb in a side window from the porch, deposit the ring and a note in her stocking? This would make her feel that he had planned it all as a real Christmas surprise for her. A Christmas gift and a Christmas proposal all at once would certainly appeal to the romantic side of any girl.

So he wrote his note, wrapped it about the ring, replaced the ring and the note in the little box, wrapped it up, and betook himself to Amabel's home.

The porch from which he planned to effect his surreptitious entrance was a side one. He remembered that last summer Amabel's father had said he must have the catch on the window repaired. He knew perfectly well Amabel's father hadn't done so—for he knew Amabel's father was like all men.

Through the side yard and over the porch rail he went. The window he found unfastened. Carefully he raised it and felt his way into the room. To his astonishment he saw a ray of light beneath the door and heard voices in the adjoining room—where the stockings were to be hung.

"Well, Amabel," her father was saying, "what did Romeo have to say to-night?"

The reply was a snuff from Amabel, which Andrew interpreted as being a suggestion to her father that he mind his own affairs.

"Did you give him the necktie?" Amabel's mother asked.

"Yes."

"Did he like it?"

"He never looked at it."

"Well, I must say! In my time a young man would have shown more gallantry."

"Not a Hillington, mother," Mr. Tuttle said. "They never think of what to say until a week later."

Andrew grated his teeth. This was true, but not pleasant.

"Well, you couldn't expect him to tell how he liked it when he hadn't seen it," Amabel said, stoutly. "And it wouldn't have been polite for him

to look at it right there—besides, I shouldn't have given it to him to-night."

"No," her mother said. "That made it look as though you expected something from him."

Andrew was standing in the darkness, in the middle of the room. He wished the family would quit talking—especially as they were talking of him—and go to bed and allow him to drop his gift into Amabel's stocking. He did not dare to move, for fear of running into some furniture. He hardly dared breathe.

Suddenly from down street came the clang of a gong. Also the clatter of horses' hoofs on the frozen highway and the rumble of wheels. The noise increased as the horses drew near, to subside and cease in front of the house. The Tuttles heard it.

"Must be a fire, or the patrol wagon," Mr. Tuttle exclaimed, throwing open the room where Andrew stood. Andrew darted behind a bookcase just in time. Mr. Tuttle went through the room to the hall and opened the front door. Mrs. Tuttle followed him, despite Amabel's remonstrances that she would catch cold.

There was the sound of hurried footsteps up the walk.

"What's the matter?" Mr. Tuttle asked.

"Where is he?" said a voice.

"Where's who?"

"Patrolman Jones telephoned that he saw a man breaking into your house."

Andrew shivered with alarm. This was a predicament. To be arrested as a burglar, to be carted off to jail, without a chance to explain. He peered from behind the bookcase and saw Amabel dreamily hanging her stocking. He swiftly came from his hiding place, and silently hurried to her side. Taking the package from his pocket, he whispered:

"Amabel! I—I forgot to tell you I love you, and here's my proposal, and the engagement ring, too!"

The mere fact that he had appeared thus mysteriously at her side did not appeal to Amabel. She did not think of that at all. She said:

"Oh, Andrew!"

And she then allowed herself to fall into his arms.

That there was much excited conversation in the hall, that men were running around the house and peering into dark corners in the basement and in the upper rooms was something of which Andrew and Amabel were entirely unaware. Mr. and Mrs. Tuttle came back, after the officers had gone away utterly bewildered. Even they had been so excited that the presence of Andrew struck them as nothing unusual. Amabel's shy but delighted announcement of her engagement was received merrily, however. In fact, father and mother Tuttle and the young people got so deep in their plans for the future that they almost forgot the incident until suddenly Mr. Tuttle said:

"I wonder who the dickens that burglar was, anyhow?"

"I'll bet it was me!" Andrew stammered.

"Well, I must fix that window tomorrow," Mr. Tuttle decided.

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Jethro Jones: Sales Manager

By Wilbur D. Nesbit

MISS SABINA PENNELL counted the turkeys in her flock.

Not that she expected to discover that she had any more or less than she had the day before.

But for a month she had counted those turkeys, estimated what they would bring in the market, and vainly endeavored to make that sum equal the amount she needed to pay the interest on the mortgage held on her little place by Elijah Green.

Elijah was the local money lender and note shaver. When Elijah had concluded the preliminaries of a loan with you, you began to realize why he was rich. He could bind you to more different impossible agreements than any one else. Elijah owned farm after farm—all the result of his shrewdness in the money-lending line. As to shaving notes, he was credited with cutting out everything but the date and adding that to his discount.

When he induced Miss Sabina Pennell to borrow five hundred dollars from him and to give him a mortgage upon her little place, he had really acted more decently than ever before. He did not want Sabina's place. What he wanted was Sabina herself. He had proposed to her—proposed in about the tone and with about as much sentiment as he usually manifested when he offered to lend one-third the value of a farm for a mortgage on the whole thing. Sabina had refused him, promptly.

She had refused him several more times, and then Elijah apparently resigned himself to his fate. But he knew Sabina's circumstances; he knew that when her father died and left her entirely alone in the world she would get into debt. So he kept track of her debts, which was not a hard thing to do, when every dealer in the town was a debtor of his.

At the psychological moment he offered to lend her five hundred dollars, secured by the mortgage. He pointed out to her that he didn't need the money and wanted to invest it, and that so long as she paid the interest on it she need never bother about repaying it.

"It's just putting that much money out at interest, for me," he smiled. "And it will relieve you of worry over what you may owe, so you can manage your place and make it pay you."

When Sabina signed the mortgage notes and received Elijah's check she had her first almost-tender feeling toward him. And when she went to him and asked him to give her a little more time on the interest, she had been really affected by his generous agreement.

"Don't let it worry you a minute, Sabina," he said. "Pay it when you can. I don't consider it a real business matter—between me and you, you know."

But now Sabina owed him ninety dollars, just for interest alone.

Now, Sabina was not the conventional maiden lady in reduced circumstances. She was not a haggard, thin, weebegone woman of uncertain years, eking out an existence. She was just twenty-five years old, neat and pretty, and it took all she made teaching school to keep her. She had relied on her turkeys to pay the interest at least. How in the world she should ever pay the principal of the mortgage had not occurred to her.

But Elijah, with ninety dollars interest coming to him, was not the Elijah who had so generously loaned her the money. Elijah was telling her that times were hard and money was close, and although he hated to do it, he simply had to have money to meet his own obligations. So, since the mortgage was overdue, and the interest was unpaid—why—

"I'll do the best I can to raise the money, Elijah," Sabina said. "I've got forty-nine turkeys, and when I sell them—"

"But forty-nine turkeys won't bring you over sixty dollars," Elijah said. "You'll get about ten cents a pound for them, and mighty few of them weigh more than twelve pounds."

Sabina looked out into the orchard, where her turkeys were strolling about. Elijah leaned toward her:

"Haven't you changed your mind, Sabina?" he asked.

"Changed my mind? About what?"

"About marrying me."

Sabina turned to him, with her eyes flashing.

"Well, Elijah Green! So that was why you made me let you lend me that money, and that was why you were so nice about the interest, and that was—"

"No, no, no!" Elijah cried, squirming. "I never thought of that. I lent you the money because I loved you."

Elijah sneezed vigorously, but the

"And now you want your money back because you love it," she said, coldly.

Elijah arose, with an air of grossly injured innocence.

"After such an insult as that," he said, "you cannot expect me to consider the mortgage a personal matter, or one between friends. I shall have to place it with my attorney unless you make a satisfactory settlement by—by Thanksgiving day." This with a malicious glance toward the turkeys, which were pursuing the even tenor of their ways, little thinking of the part they were playing.

Elijah got as far as the door, then turned. He saw Sabina looking hopelessly out of the window.

"Sabina," he said, softly, "I didn't mean that. I don't want to hurt your feelings. I want to make you happy. Haven't I shown you how much I think of you?"

"Yes," she replied, "five hundred dollars worth, with interest."

Elijah slammed the door as he went out. At the gate he met Jethro Jones, who was turning in.

"Good morning, Elijah," Jethro said, cheerfully. "Trying to cut me out?"

"Huh!" growled Elijah, hurrying on. So it came that when Sabina opened the door for Jethro her eyes were red and her face was pale. Jethro's prompt inquiry as to what was wrong was answered by a taut, anxious account of the whole affair.

"And as you expected your turkeys to pay the interest?" Jethro smiled.

"Yes," faltered Sabina.

"Well, excuse the language, but darn Elijah's skin and his skin name, too! I wish there was a way for you to trip him up."

Jethro's sympathy led him on to other statements and remarks having

nothing to do with the turkeys or the mortgage or Elijah Green, but he did not find Sabina any more responsive than she had been to Elijah. In fact she was not even as responsive.

He pointed out to Jethro that if she married him people would say he simply took her out of pity because she had lost her home. Jethro went away marveling greatly at the unreasoning powers of women.

Next day he hurried up the walk to Sabina's door, while she was putting away her breakfast things preparatory to going to the schoolhouse.

"I've got it, Sabina!" he exclaimed. "I've got the idea. Now, you let me sell your turkeys for you, and don't interfere with me at all, and I'll make them bring the money you want."

To this, after much persuasion, Sabina agreed. She went to her school with a lighter heart than she had had for some time. It was true that Jethro was going to do this because of his friendship for her—but then there were friendships and friendships, she told herself.

Acting under Jethro's instructions, Sabina did not sell a turkey until a week before Thanksgiving. People who called and asked for one were told that she was not yet ready to sell.

When Jethro Jones got Elijah Green to change five hundred dollars in bank notes into gold coins for him, Elijah asked:

"Like gold better than greenbacks, Jethro?"

"Yep," Jethro answered. "Gold is always money, you know."

Elijah, at his request, gave him fifty ten-dollar pieces.

"What are you going to do with it?" he asked.

"Well, I'm going to invest it in turkeys," Jethro answered. "I've bought Sabina Pennell's flock, and I thought of buying up a whole lot here and there and making a little speculation on the Thanksgiving rush."

"That's the way to make money, Jethro," Elijah smiled. "How much did you pay Sabina for her turkeys?"

"Well, I've really taken them on commission," Jethro explained. "I've got them over at our place now, in the back yard. Maybe you'd like to pick out a nice fat one for your folks."

Elijah was willing, and accompanied Jethro. Into the back yard they went, and walked among the turkeys. Elijah was trying to decide which one he would have, when Jethro pulled out the package he had in his pocket.

"Gold is tolerably heavy," he said to Elijah. "I'll just parcel this around in my—"

At this he slipped, his hands flew up and the air was filled with a shining shower of bright pieces. The turkeys ran in a mass to the scene.

"Shoo! Shoo!" Jethro yelled. "Shoo them away, Elijah!"

Elijah sneezed vigorously, but the

turkeys were busy, and by the time they were driven to the end of the yard not one of the bright pieces was visible.

"What do you think of that?" Jethro cried.

"Five hundred dollars in gold swallowed by those turkeys!" Elijah said. "What will you do?"

"I'll have to kill them all and get the money out of their crops."

At this moment, Henry Tuttle, whose huckster wagon had been standing down the street, drove up. With just a flicker of a wink he called to Jethro:

"Ready to sell them turkeys?"

"Not now," Jethro said. "Guess I'll have to keep 'em myself."

"Well, tell you what I'll do. I'll give you three dollars apiece for them. Turkeys is gold 'up."

"Can't do it, Hen. I hate to try to use them all myself, too."

"Give you three-twenty-five."

"I don't suppose all of 'em got those pieces," Jethro said, in an undertone to Elijah. "I believe I'll take him up on that and let him have ten of 'em."

"I'll give you five dollars apiece for my choice of fifteen of 'em," Elijah declared, promptly.

"Elijah has offered me five dollars apiece for his choice of fifteen," Jethro called to Henry.

"Elijah must be tryin' to corner turkeys," Henry grinned. "Tell you what—I'll give you seven-fifty apiece for the bunch."

"Does he know about what just happened?" Elijah asked.

"He wasn't here. How could he?" Jethro said.

"I'll give you eight apiece for the whole lot."

"Turkeys are in demand, Henry," Jethro laughed. "Elijah bids eight."

"Well, I'm busy. I've got to be movin' on," Henry asserted. "I'll give you ten."

"They're goin' to be killed and picked for market," Elijah said. "You must remember that, Jethro. I'll give you eleven-fifty apiece for 'em just as they stand."

"Elijah bids eleven-fifty," Jethro called to Henry.

"Little too steep for me," Henry decided, clucked to his horse and drove on.

"The turkeys are yours," Jethro said.

"Well, now, let's understand this deal," Elijah said. "I'm payin' you eleven-fifty apiece for the turkeys—and their contents. No monkey business about that, is there? I get the turkeys and their insides, and all, not specklyin' what is inside of 'em."

"That's the agreement," Jethro answered. "No specifications whatever, Elijah. It's a plain business transaction."

"Can I kill the turkeys here?"

"It would clutter the place up too much. You can put them in crates and haul them off."

"Well, I've got your five hundred in greenbacks in my pocket yet. Here it is, and here is sixty-three-fifty more. Is that right?"

"Right as a trivet," Jethro agreed, and the deal was closed.

That evening he turned over to Sabina five hundred and sixty-three dollars and fifty cents, telling her what he had done.

"It wasn't honest, Jethro," she objected. "You've got to give it back to Elijah."

Further discussion of this ethical point was interrupted by Elijah, who burst into the house angrily.

"You—you scoundrel!" he shouted, shaking his fist at Jethro. "You robber! You bunco man! There wasn't a thing in those turkeys' crops but brass pool checks! You swindled me. I'll have the law on you."

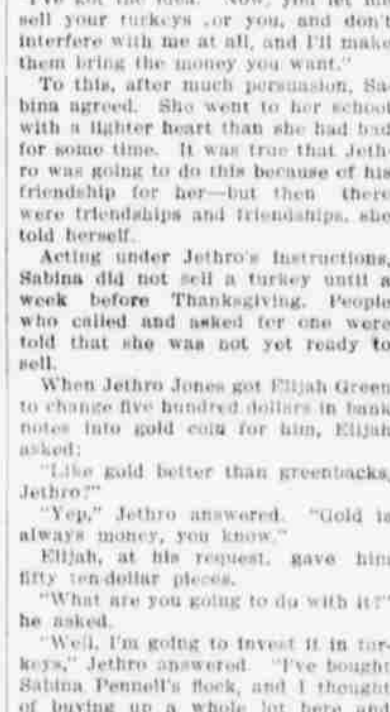
"Well, Elijah," Jethro smiled, easily, "Sabina and I have just been talking the matter over, and we agree with Sabina that it wasn't quite fair to make you take your own medicine. Now, if you'll agree to be reasonable and to take Sabina's turkeys for the interest that is due you, I'll give you back your money. And, of course, she'll have to have plenty of time to pay off the mortgage, because if people found out about your turkey deal they'd make so much fun of you—"

"All right," Elijah snapped. "But how's she goin' to pay the principal?"

"That," Jethro replied, dropping his arm about Sabina's waist, "is something I'll have to advise her about when we are married."

As the gate clicked after the departing form of Elijah Green, Jethro lifted Sabina's chin again, but before kissing her he observed:

"You ought to have had me as sales manager long ago, Sabina."



LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Cuno Scheel, Tuesday, Dec. 19, a son.

Geo. Dublin and wife were in town from the Mountains yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Howard, of Malaga, were among the numerous shoppers this week.

Mrs. W. G. McArthur, of Monument, has returned home after a month's visit in the east.

J. A. Froman was sick during the latter part of last week but is to be seen about again now.

Lee Donald has returned from his short vacation in Newton, Kansas City and other northern cities.

J. W. Tulk and daughter, Nettie, and Miss Walker, the school teacher, came in from Queen Wednesday.

Miss Ella Frazier and nephew, George Riggs, of Toyah, Texas, are visiting Miss Frazier's sister, Mrs. Geo. Lucas.

W. P. Mudgett was down on Black river this week and reports the country there in the very best of condition.

Charlie Ward is in from his ranch, in the mountains, investigating the merchants' stocks of Christmas goods.

R. I. McCulley was up from Draper's ranch Tuesday, and says they got more snow down that way than we did here.

Marvin Livingston was in town this week looking over the new things for Christmas and no doubt has made his selections.

Dolph Lusk was in town Monday and Tuesday of this week looking after business. He returned to the ranch Wednesday morning.

A party was up from Malaga Tuesday to see the show. Mr. and Mrs. Shadinger were the only ones whose names we were able to get.

Buster James was in from the ranch Wednesday, and reports cattle fat, plenty of water in the lakes and good grass for the rest of the winter.

Eugene Hedgecoxe is down from Roswell this week visiting. Eugene went to Las Vegas with the militia and still likes to come down and see the boys.

Miss Mae Pendleton came in from Monument, Saturday, where she has been teaching school, and says she is very much pleased with the place.

W. G. Brown was "under the weather" a few days this week, owing to a very severe cold. He has one satisfaction however, and that is that he is not alone.

Mrs. Johnson and daughter, Edna, of Black river were in this week shopping. Edna is teaching at the Black river school house and likes it very much.

Deatron Campbell, a graduate from the Carlsbad High School and at present teaching at T. A. Gray's ranch has returned for a short vacation during the holidays.

M. C. Stewart returned from Santa Fe Sunday, where he has been to see how the counting of the votes is progressing. He has much of interest to tell the voters of Eddy county.

Tom McLanthen, who has been attending Boone's University in California, returned home to spend his Christmas vacation among his many friends, who are glad to welcome him back.

Earnest Clenart, of Pecos, Texas, was up on Tuesday to attend "The Lion and the Mouse." Earnest is an old resident of Carlsbad and has many friends here who were glad to see him.

First Whiskey Case.

There was a trial in Justice Walker's court last Saturday of more than ordinary importance when Ed Woerner was convicted of illegally selling whiskey to one John Rice, a negro sixty-seven years of age. Woerner was tried before a jury composed of the following: J. B. Leck, W. M. Hannah, Ike Richards, W. A. Craig, J. W. Gamel and W. E. Smith.

The evidence of the negro and Town Marshal Carl Gordon was to the effect that Woerner sold the negro a pint of whiskey. Carl Gordon swearing to having seen the bottle handed to the negro by Woerner while Gordon was hid behind a board fence in the rear of the Woerner cold drink and pool room. Gordon arrested the negro and took the bottle from him. The defendant was his only witness and stated that the negro had handed him the bottle first and he simply returned it. The jury was only out eight minutes and brought in a verdict of guilty. Judge Walker assessed a fine of \$250.00. The ordinance under which the prosecution was brought provides that the fine may be \$300 and ninety days in jail.

Mr. Woerner's attorney, Judge Armstrong, made the following points and was overruled by Judge Walker. Exceptions were taken in order to appeal the case. First, the jury should have been summoned by the sheriff and not the marshal.

Second, the fine could be as much as \$300 and the justice only had authority from the territory of New Mexico in cases involving \$100.

Third, the mayor who signed the ordinance was a stockholder in the Public Utilities Co., while he was holding the office of mayor, and said corporation had contracts for light and water with the city.

In summing up, Judge Walker stated that he was in favor of enforcing the law and had no sympathy with any manner of law breaking. If the law was unjust it should be repealed, but while it stands he intends to enforce it.

Wm. McGowan, of Bristol, Conn., came in Tuesday night. He will remain for some time to test the climate cure for lung trouble.

At the school board meeting held on Dec. 18th Prof. W. A. Poore was re-elected Superintendent of Schools for the year 1912-13. School closed for Christmas holidays Dec. 21 and will resume work Jan. 2nd.

It is something unusual for it to be warmer at Roswell than here, but the government register shows that there was a difference of 32 degrees on Thursday morning and that Carlsbad was the colder.

A theatre party from Lakewood consisting of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Pate, Miss Hettie Fanning and Mr. Robert Epperson came down to the play Tuesday night. They were very much pleased with the play and did not return until Wednesday's local so they could get a peep at the city.

The mail from Queen was delayed one day the past week on account of snow. The mail carrier, R. Middleton, starting Thursday, as usual, but his mules were unable to pull the hack; the snow on the mountains being above the axels of the rig. He returned and started Friday, arriving at dark after a hard drive, and returning to Queen Saturday with the mail.

I have a nice selection of Diamond rings, ranging from \$12 to \$47 come in and see them. It will cost you nothing to look. Milton Smith, Jeweler, Corner drug store.

Christian & Co., Insurance.

A light, misty rain, Monday night, melted all the snow in this vicinity and Tuesday the roads outside of town were quite passable. The mail autos made regular trips to, and from, the Plains—106 miles—arriving here each day at about 3 p. m. Considering the heavy snow, and rain, this is remarkable and demonstrates that an auto mail route is as reliable as any when properly handled as is the present route from Carlsbad to the Plains.

The Pecos Valley Teacher's Association meeting, to be held at Clovis 22 and 23 of Dec., has been postponed until some time in February. We will give details next week.

FOR SALE:—Good coach horse colt, coming 3, large for age. Good style and action. 5 or 6 colonies of bees. A few hens and pullets. Will book orders for thoroughbred Brown Leghorn eggs.

W. G. FORCE, La Huerta.

Christian & Co. Insurance.

Sickly children need Whites Cream Vermifuge. It not only destroys worms, if there be any, but it acts as a strengthening tonic in the stomach and bowels. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by Eddy Drug Store.

F. B. Kinney—"Shorty"—of the "Fatty" Pool Room left yesterday for Vaughn to spend Christmas with home folks.

Call at the Current office for all kinds of printing. Charges less than foreign traveling men. Patronize home.

R. D. Brown has a very bad boil on the back of his neck and finds it very much in the way when he has to do anything. Those who have had the same experience can readily sympathize with him.

A Fountain Pen makes a last gift and one of service. The Famous Conklin Dry Filling Fountain Pens, fill from any ink well; \$2.50 to \$6.00, at Milton Smith's Corner drug store.

W. G. Force has moved from seven miles south to La Huerta; having purchased five acres of improved land, which he will set to peaches. He will continue to farm his original forty.

W. F. Cochran, at Malaga, keeps the following: Kentucky Comfort, Guzzenger Rye, Cane Spring, Old Oscar Pepper, and Cream and Apple Brandy bottled in bond. Also imported Port Wine. Phone 41R.

WANTED:—Two young heifer calves. Address this office. It For Sale.

WANTED:—A woman or girl for cook and housework, by Mrs. R. H. Field at the Hull residence.

Baled hay—three bales for one dollar, rear of Current Office. Also fine threshed hay in the field.

LOUIS LANGE.

Douglas chocolate creams. Cherry chocolates. Cream De La Creams. Four hundred assorted. Fruit-nuts, for those who care and want the best candy. For sale at the Corner Drug Store.

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MALAGA, N. M.

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Runaway Girls.

Two young ladies, of Artesia, the Misses Olive Shockley and Therna Dye ran away from home last week and came down to hide in Carlsbad.

Duty sheriff Duncan was notified and he soon placed them under arrest. They seemed satisfied but by unexpected trickery they left the room they were held in by a back door and were not heard of until the next day when Mr. Duncan found them and turned them over to Miss Dye's father who had come down for her. They went back contentedly and it is quite strange that they should ever have left. Neither had ever been mistreated at home and always had what they needed. Care will probably be taken to see that they do not leave again.

The latest from the canvassing board at Santa Fe shows no material change in the result as first announced on state officers. Four precincts in the state are not counted because of irregularities in the vote and count. Until a decision is reached on those precincts the supreme court judges as to Hanna and Parker will be in doubt.

Work on the Avalon pier is progressing fast the excavation for the concrete having been completed. The trenches are five feet wide and thirty feet deep and about 300 feet long with wings. This great work in heavy rock has been done by Foreman Tom Pope with about forty Mexicans in about fifty days, and it is not too much to say that there is not another man in this valley who could get that amount of work out of Mexicans in the same time.

Christian Church.

Sunday school is at 10 a. m. Preaching and communion at 11 o'clock. Vesper service at 5 p. m. There will be special Christmas music at the Vesper service. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. All are cordially invited to attend these services. J. T. MOSES, Minister.

Yes, in all the papers. What? Community Silver, Guaranteed for 50 years. See the display in Milton Smith's window. Corner drug store.

When in need of visiting cards either engraved or printed call at Current Office.

Misses Julia and Eula Thayer came down from school at Artesia to be at home for the holidays.

Miss Mabel Wilson, of Roswell, daughter of Pearl Wilson, is visiting Mrs. Y. R. Allen during the holidays.

Lewis Means and friend, Mr. Beauchamp, came down from the Methodist college at Artesia last night to spend the holidays with Mr. Mean's parents on the Mountain. They were met here by Orrin Means.

Earl Hansen accidentally left his corral gate open last Saturday and when he next noticed it his horse was gone. He hunted for him Saturday afternoon but was unsuccessful. Sunday the horse wandered back close to town and Earl brought him home.

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THE STAR PHARMACY

"THE REXALL STORE"

Mass Meeting.

The Eddy County Hospital Association will hold their annual mass meeting on Saturday afternoon December 30th, 1911, at the City Hall.

Meeting will be called to order at 4 o'clock.

Julia K. Cunningham, President.
Sara B. Klauder, Secretary.

Send, write or phone W. F. Cochran Malaga for Christmas liquors, wines or beer.

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HURRY UP AND SEE US

H. B. JOHNSON

Office at SCHLITZ HOTEL.

"The Lion and the Mouse" one of the most popular plays on the road was given Tuesday night to an audience of 400 people at the Peoples Theatre and sustained its well earned reputation for a high class play. Manager Linn has been making a record for securing good companies of actors, and if the shows of the past are a criterion for the future Carlsbad theatre goers may look for many more good ones. The average traveling show contains, as a rule, one or more very indifferent actors, but the Tuesday night aggregation was an exception, for each actor showed the professional in every turn.

"Fatty" Lee Donald of the pool room returned from Kansas City Tuesday night.

McMillen-Reiff.

A pretty wedding took place Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Leonard Tabor, when John Joseph McMillen, of Central, and Miss Mary D. Reiff, of Carlsbad, N. M., pledged their troth before a few intimate friends. The solemn words uniting the pair were said by Rev. E. M. Wilson, a Baptist minister who is stopping temporarily in the city seeking the benefit of the climate.

The happy couple have gone to housekeeping at Central, where the groom holds a responsible position with Murray Bros., and is widely known throughout this section, being the son of the late John McMillen, of Cliff, and is a lieutenant on the general staff of the New Mexico National Guard. The bride has attended summer Normal School in Silver City, and is well known among a large circle of friends. She is the daughter of W. C. Reiff, a prominent citizen of Carlsbad, and has been the teacher at White Signal during the present term.

Both have many warm friends who wish them all happiness and prosperity in their wedded life. —Silver City Enterprise.

The above will be news to the many friends of Miss Mary who, from a little tot of four years, has grown up in Carlsbad, where her genial, amiable and sunny disposition made many dear friends who much regret that her home will be so far away, and wish for her a future as full of sunshine as her girlhood.

Paul Gray was in town Wednesday from his Texas ranch fifty miles south-west.

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Lakewood, and Mr. Thorne, of Carlsbad, to build that section of the road from Carlsbad to Lakewood. Committee to be appointed in the near future. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the chair appoint a sub-committee of four from Artesia and four from Dayton to assist the committee-men from those districts to push the work in the north end of the county. Carried.

W. M. ATKINSON,
President.
R. M. THORNE,
Secretary.

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Resolutions of Respect.

To the memory of Mrs. R. J. Welch
By Carlsbad Rebekah Lodge No. 13

WHEREAS, Saturday, Dec. 9, 1911, the hand of death removed from our midst Mrs. R. J. Welch, a beloved member of Carlsbad Rebekah Lodge No. 13, of Carlsbad, New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, our deceased sister was a firm believer in the principles of our order and lived a life consistent therewith, always helpful, patient, loving and true; therefore, be it resolved:—

That in the death of Mrs. R. J. Welch the order loses a sister whose every-day life very consistently exemplified the teachings of the Rebekah Degree—Friendship, Love and Truth; that the memory of her kindly presence among us will ever be helpful and inspiring until we shall again be united in that Lodge Eternal.

That the community in general loses a woman whose unpretentious though thoughtful and loving acts will forever live, and be fondly cherished in the hearts of those who knew her best.

That a copy of these resolutions be spread at large upon the minutes of the order; that copies be furnished the Carlsbad newspapers; and that the original hereof be furnished the family of the deceased sister.

Fraternally submitted,
MRS. M. F. CHAYTOR,
MRS. ELLA RAY HICKS,
JOHN W. ARMSTRONG,
Committee.

Presbyterian Church.

Services Sunday Dec. 10, 1911.
Sunday School 10 a. m.

A. A. DAVIS, Pastor.

Wheezing in the lungs indicates that phlegm is obstructing the air passages. Ballard's Horehound Syrup loosens the phlegm so that it can be coughed up and ejected. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Eddy Drug Co.

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