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STATE LEGISLATIVE NEWS

THE STAND PAT LEADERS HELD COUNCIL OF WAR AND PLAN TROUBLE FOR GOVERNOR MEMBERS OF GANG FINAL ARRANGEMENT FOR FUNERAL

The members of the old gang have been busy for a couple of weeks making the final arrangements for the funeral obsequies of what remains of the stand pat republican party in New Mexico. The decidedly questionable tactics which were used in the election of Senator Fall to succeed himself have been followed since the senatorial election and this week the thinly disguised attempt to make trouble for the governor became apparent to all. This is but a renewed attempt to carry out the programme which was mapped out at the last session of the legislature by a two-thirds majority so that bills could be passed over the veto of the governor. The work was commenced in the senate and Abelino Romero was thrown out of that body for no other reason than that he refused to work with the stand pat republicans. There was no doubt of his election, but he was summarily unseated and a stand pat republican was seated in his place. It was believed that the unseating of Romero would give the republicans a two-thirds majority in the senate, but there were one or two members among the republicans who did not look with favor upon such practices and the plan failed.

The same plan which was adopted in the senate had been outlined for the house. Three legally elected democrats were marked for slaughter, but, owing to a peculiar condition of affairs in the house of representatives, a number of republicans refused to vote to unseat members who had been legally elected and the plan failed in the house. The result of the last election ought to have given the brilliant leaders of the stand patters a tip that their methods were not sanctioned by the voters of the state, but it did not and the attempt to make the legislature republican by two thirds in both houses was renewed. Republican bosses have been holding "conferences" and an innocent suggestion was made about a week ago that it would be a good idea to "revise" the rules of the house. Speaker Baca suspected the presence of an Ethiopian in the fuel and when it was suggested to him to call a caucus of the republican members of the house, he refused to do so. An attempt to get the republican members of the house together on Tuesday evening for the purpose of getting enough votes pledged to revise the rules and, incidentally, throw out three or four democratic members and depose the speaker, was unsuccessful. In response to a signal of distress, some of the leaders appeared on the scene on Wednesday and a caucus which proved to fizzle was called on Wednesday night.

At the session of the house on Monday afternoon the resolution ratifying the income tax amendment to the constitution of the United States was passed by a unanimous vote. The resolution had been previously passed by the state senate where but one vote, that of Gregory Page, was cast against it. New Mexico was the thirty-eighth state to ratify the income tax amendment. The house also passed a resolution ratifying the amendment providing for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

The Senate.
Feb. 7.—The senate met at 10 o'clock.

Senator Pankey introduced his public utilities bill, which was Senate Bill 108.

The committee on judiciary reported favorably on the Pankey kidnapping bill, as amended, and the mines committee reported favorably on the bill defining the duties of the state mine inspector, but unfavorably on the bill to amend section 2278 of the compiled laws of 1897.

A petition from the miners and citizens of Elizabethtown was presented and read. It asked the enactment of House Bill 25, creating a state mineralogical bureau and commission.

On third reading, Senate Bill 89, by Mr. Holt, was passed, 23 to 1. This bill provides that commissioners in municipal condemnation proceedings must take into consideration the benefit done to condemned property as well as the injury.

Senate Bill 94, relative to the recording of seals, by Mr. Holt, was passed unanimously.

Senate Bill 95, by Mr. Holt, amending the law regarding writs of venire, that mailing a writ, registered, constitutes legal service, was passed

unanimously.

The senate postponed action upon Senate Substitute for House Bill 27, increasing the number of judges in the Fifth district, until Tuesday at 3 o'clock.

The senate adjourned to meet at 2:30 o'clock.

The House.

Feb. 7.—The house met at 2 o'clock and immediately heard the governor's message relative to the expositions in 1915. Speaker Baca tabling it to come up with the bills on the question Tuesday.

A message from the senate announced the passage of Senate Bill 89, relating to condemnation proceedings by cities, Senate Bill 91, amending the law relative to the selection of venires and Senate Bill 95, amending the law relative to the service of venire writs.

A communication from Secretary of State Antonio Lucero to Speaker Baca was read, announcing formal acceptance on the part of the Vice-President-elect Thomas R. Marshall of the legislature's invitation to address it, and fixing February 17 as the date.

Major Llewellyn and Blas Sanchez then introduced the following resolution, which was adopted unanimously:

Be it resolved by the legislature of the state of New Mexico, that

Whereas, The Hon. Thomas R. Marshall, vice-president-elect of the United States, has graciously accepted the invitation of the legislative assembly of New Mexico to honor us with his presence and deliver an address to the legislative assembly, and

Whereas, This distinguished citizen has designated Monday, February 17, as the time at which he will deliver the aforesaid address, therefore be it,

Resolved, That the speaker of this house is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a committee of five members to act with a like committee to be appointed by the senate to constitute a joint committee to arrange for the reception and entertainment of the vice-president-elect during his visit to the capital of this state.

It was agreed that the speaker be one of the committee.

A petition from eighty-seven residents of the plains section in Quay county asked that a bounty of 5 cents be placed upon prairie dogs and one of \$1 a dozen be placed on jackrabbits. It was referred to the committee on agriculture.

Messrs. Toombs and R. L. Baca introduced the following resolution which was adopted unanimously:

Whereas, Mrs. Ambrosia Lujan, wife of our esteemed assistant land commissioner and mother of our reading clerk, Edward L. Lujan, departed this life on the 6th day of February, 1912, and whereas, it is with deep regret that this house learns of the death of this noble wife and mother therefore, be it

Resolved, That this house render its condolence to the bereaved husband and children, and be it further

Resolved, That a certificate copy of this resolution be sent to the Hon. Mateo Lujan, the bereaved husband.

The following bills were introduced and referred:

House Bill 136, by Mr. Toombs, amending Section 2 of Chapter 38 of the acts of the first state legislature.

House Bill 137, by Mr. Sanchez, appropriating \$6,000 for the repair of four roads centering at Mora.

House Bill 138, by Mr. Sanchez, appropriating \$6,000 for a bridge across the Cebollita in Mora county.

House Bill 139, by Mr. Trujillo, appropriating \$5,000 for a bridge at Espanola.

House Bill 140, by Mr. Chavez, prohibiting trespass on railroad property.

House Bill 141, by Messrs. Gurule and Garcia, appropriating \$10,000 for the erection of permanent state fair buildings at Albuquerque, and creating a state fair.

House Bill 142, by Mr. Gurule, relating to criminal proceedings.

Major Llewellyn announced that the committee of five appointed to investigate the coal industry had examined a number of witnesses and would likely be ready to report next week.

The following committee reports were presented:

By the judiciary committee: House Bill 44, validating acknowledgements made before United States commissioners, favorably.

By the corporation committee, House Bill 86, defining trusts and combinations in restraint of trade, favorably as amended; Senate Bill 22, requiring state officers to give bonds, favorably.

By the internal improvements committee: House Bill 95 and 108, by

Mr. Burg, prohibiting certain uses of police power and prohibiting corporations from attempting to discriminate against members of unions, favorably. These bills are the American Federation of Labor measures.

By the education committee: House Bill 61, establishing the Pan-American institute at or near Santa Fe, favorably; House Bill 111, providing free scholarships at state institutions for one person to be named by each legislator, favorably; House Joint Resolution 7, requiring reports from state institutions, favorably; House Bill 109, requiring the teaching of the Spanish language in certain schools, favorably; House Bill 107, providing for boards of education in cities and towns and prescribing the form of their election, favorably.

By the finance committee, House Joint Resolution 11, appropriating \$500 for the payment of certain expenses connected with the alleged bribery investigation last year, favorably; House Bills 23 and 88, the state fair bills, without recommendation.

By the committee on railroads, House Bill 19, an employee's liability act, favorably; House Bill 39, a two-cent fare bill, favorably; House Bill 47, prohibiting the sale of liquor on trains in the state favorably; House Bill 84, a two- and one-quarter-cent fare bill, unfavorably; House Bill 98, repealing section 3713 of the compiled laws of 1897, favorably.

On the third reading House Joint Memorial 1 was amended slightly and passed 41 to 2. Messrs. Evans and Rogers voted nay.

A message from the governor announcing the signature of Senate Substitute for Senate Joint Resolution 3, the income tax ratification measure, was read.

Another joint resolution born in the senate which is slated for a lot of attention by Senators Holt and Walton. Still others are the Hartt amendment which would make the terms of county officers two years instead of four. Barth's recall amendment and several others, which have been in committee for some time.

The regular bills in the senate last week included a number of measures of more than ordinary import. These number, among others, the public utilities bill introduced by Senator Pankey, the district attorney and county salary measures which have not yet been placed on the calendar in the senate but which ought to come up for action tomorrow; Pankey's election law and franchise law, the bar association's temporary tax commission bill, the Hinkle bill which provides for increased taxes in cities where the object is municipal improvement, the Coronado county bill, which appears doomed to defeat and others.

The house last week was the scene of a number of small appropriation bills looking toward the building of bridges, improvement of county roads and such matters. There were a dozen or more of these measures each carrying an appropriation of \$5,000 or \$6,000 designed to endear the legislator to the heart of the constituent. Then there were a number of bills for state-wide roads including Tully's two measures for highways such as were mapped out by former State Engineer C. D. Miller when he was in office, for two great thoroughfares across the southern end of the state, the Baca bills for the completion of the scenic highway and that portion of the Camino Real between Albuquerque and the capital, and others. The last named pair have already

U. S. R. S. OFFICIALS CHARGED

the present bill because they think they are not properly compensated by it.

Legislators in both houses have declared themselves against the bill in such numbers that there is small doubt that it will fail of passage, although it may be sent back to committee for amendment. If it is not at once tabled, as seems likely, it will probably be so amended that a complete redraft will be necessary.

If the house gets through with the salary bill in time, the state fair bills, except that of Messrs. Gurule and Garcia, which has not yet been reported out of committee, will be up for consideration.

The exposition appropriation question regarding which the governor Friday sent a special message to the house, will be considered Tuesday when the Baca bills appropriating \$50,000 for each of the two Pacific coast expositions in 1915 are a special order.

AUTO TOURISTS ARE VICTIMS OF FATAL ACCIDENT

W. H. Hansen and Wife, of Denver, Terribly Burned in Gasoline Explosion Seventy Miles West of Magdalena.

Magdalena, N. M., Feb. 7.—As the result of an explosion of a tank of gasoline, which completely destroyed a large White steamer in which they were traveling overland from Denver to California, W. H. Hansen and wife, wealthy residents of Denver, were frightfully burned early Wednesday morning seventy miles west of here. Mrs. Hansen's injuries are fatal, while Mr. Hansen's are serious.

News of the accident to the tourists reached here early today, when a courier, dispatched on horseback from Quemado, near where the accident occurred, arrived to summon medical assistance for the two victims. The courier stopped at Datil, thirty miles west of Magdalena, on the way here, and notified people there of the plight of the Hansens, and a conveyance was immediately sent to the scene and the two injured persons taken to Datil for emergency treatment.

According to the details brought by the courier, which were told him by Mr. Hansen, the couple were preparing to resume their journey westward over the Ocean to Ocean highway early Wednesday morning. They had just finished cooking breakfast over a campfire built under some cedar trees, and Mrs. Hansen had climbed into the tonneau of the car. Sparks from the overhanging branches of the trees, which had caught fire, dropped into a large tank of gasoline attached to the back of the car, causing the gasoline to explode. The car was enveloped in flames.

Burning fluid was thrown over Mrs. Hansen and her husband, who was standing beside the machine. Before they could extinguish the flames each had been frightfully burned.

Mrs. Hansen was so badly burned as to be rendered unconscious, and though her husband succeeded in rescuing her from the burning car at the risk of his own life, she sustained fatal injuries. Though suffering intense agony as a result of his own injuries, Hansen rendered what aid he could to his wife and then collapsed from exhaustion. The two lay by the roadside for some hours. Their plight finally was discovered by a cowboy and he immediately rode with all possible speed to Datil, forty miles away, to summon aid, and then on to Magdalena to summon doctors.

This is the first serious accident to occur on the Ocean-to-Ocean automobile highway.

LARGE NUMBERS CONTINUE TO GO TO TOYAH VALLEY GOLD FIELDS.

Interest Growing in Field and Many Outsiders Writing for Information.

The automobiles were busy Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, taking people from Pecos and other points who had congregated here, to the Toyah Valley gold field near Saragosa. Many of the people who went out to stake claims were from other points than this city, and a letter received here by a private citizen from Fort Worth, states that a party from that city and section are coming out to Pecos to inspect the field and file claims.

The gold field continues to be the general topic of conversation throughout the business section of the city, and letters continue to come here, asking for data.—Pecos Times.

BILL NOW IN CONGRESS ASKS FOR THE REMOVAL FROM OFFICE OF THREE PROMINENT OFFICERS

A bill filed in Congress recently by the committee on interior affairs, contains some severe strictures on the United States Reclamation Service and an appropriation of \$25,000.00 is requested for a congressional inquiry that will deal broadly with reclamation projects.

It is also recommended that during the time the proposed inquiry is being made the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, Samuel Adams, F. H. Newell, directing engineer, and L. C. Hill, supervising engineer of the reclamation service, be removed from office.

The bill was presented by Representative Hensley, of Missouri, chairman of a sub-committee that has been investigating Indian affairs, which the report says, "have been outrageously intermingled with the work of the reclamation service."

It is charged that the above mentioned officials discriminated against the farmers and in favor of landholders and corporations in the Salt River Project; and it is also alleged that the Reclamation Act provides that only the estimated cost of construction may be recovered by the government. That the estimate made by the secretary of the interior in the above project was \$3,550,000; while the expenditures to date have been over \$10,000,000. The government's loss on this project alone appears to be over \$6,000,000.

The officials accused, vigorously deny all charges and claim the criticisms are unfair and partisan, and made by the enemies of conservation. All the accused are well known here they having frequently visited the project.

The statement in the complaint at Washington that the government will lose \$6,000,000 was answered at the time by Director Newell in the following words:

"The statement that the government will lose \$6,000,000 on the Salt River project is absurd. It will collect every dollar it has invested there if the present law is not changed. As for the charges against reclamation officials, any man mentioned will welcome investigation by honest and competent men. Not one charge has been made on this report but what can be refuted. Probably no bureau has been investigated oftener. Its structures are among the great works of our time; its efficiency and economy of administration has received the praise of the investigators."

The War in Mexico.

Sunday afternoon, Feb. 9.—Soldiers of the Mexican army revolted and took possession of all public buildings in the city of Mexico.

The insurgents released Felix Diaz and Bernardo Reyes and in the fighting that followed Reyes was shot in the head and killed as well as about 200 others, the federals under Madero making a hot fight against the insurgents.

For the next four days fighting continued in the streets and up to date over 1000 have been killed including two American women.

President Taft has ordered out the navy and 25,000 soldiers and it is expected that intervention may occur at any moment.

New Mexico Pueblos Appeal for Aid.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Fifteen bronzed leaders from eleven of the nineteen Pueblo tribes in New Mexico, some of them gay with varicolored blankets, red and white moccasins and big silver earrings, presented themselves today at the interior department to ask the secretary to accept their 600,000 acres of land in trust that it might avoid state taxation. Assistant Secretary Adams in reply told them he thought that would require congressional action.

Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs Abbott, who also heard their cases, said he was in favor of having the federal government obtain entire control of the Pueblo's rights, but rather than have a divided authority he would favor turning them over entirely to New Mexico.

The Indians will appear tomorrow before the senate committee on Indian affairs to urge, including in the Indian appropriation bill a section giving the secretary power to accept the lands in trust.

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The House adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock Monday, the salary bill being made a special order for that hour.

Santa Fe, Feb. 9.—Many important bills which have been introduced are yet to receive attention at the hands of the legislature, there having been a total of 267 joint resolutions, joint memorials and ordinary bills introduced to date. The sentiment that it is now time to get some of them acted upon is very strong. Of course a large number have already been tabled or passed in one or both of the houses, but there is plenty of work to keep all legislators busy for a week or so without any more measures being introduced. A dearth of new bills is likely as a consequence.

So far, the senate has been the birth place of 108 bills and ten joint resolutions. Of these there are yet many important ones to be considered. Among them are the two proposed amendments to the state constitution, introduced by Senator Page, which provide for state and county short ballots. These have met with a good deal of approval especially the county short ballot resolution, and something tangible is quite apt to result from them. The introducer has now changed his mind relative to the state short ballot idea, and wants to have the elected officers include the governor, secretary of state and attorney general. There are others who think that all positions requiring technical skill should be left to the appointment of the executive and the lieutenant governor made the third elective state officer. The state short ballot idea is considered generally as a trifle too advanced for present day adoption, but the county short ballot plan has many friends. This would make the three commissioners the only elected officers of a county, and would vest in them the power to select such clerks, etc., as would properly carry on the business of the county.

passed the house and been referred to committee in the senate.

The joint resolutions in the house last week numbered four of which one, that relating to Pueblo Indians, has already been adopted in both houses. The direct election of senators resolution was also passed in the house, and is now in senate committee.

The bills in the house to date number 135. Those introduced last week were fifty-seven in number. The house joint resolution number four. The senate joint resolutions number two. The senate bills number twenty. The total of measures thus presented for consideration last week is eighty-nine. The total to date is 267.

Salary Measure up in the House Today

This morning at ten o'clock the house will begin formal consideration of the salary bill, House Bill 123 introduced last week by the committee on finance. This measure, it is believed, will fail of passage, because there is so much dissatisfaction with different provisions embodied in it.

For instance, there is a provision which permits the sheriffs of all counties having an area of over 12,000 acres to have an extra deputy. Now, a single township contains more than 300 acres, and there is not a county in the state which does not contain numerous townships. Bernalillo the smallest of the twenty-six, contains a dozen.

Then there is dissatisfaction with the district court allowance made for the county clerk until he is relieved by the law of the handling of that office. In no case are the clerks satisfied with this, so far as is known here. In some places, as in Bernalillo, they are convinced that the bill is unjust, as the \$1,200 allowed there would barely cover half of what it costs to run the office for a year. County clerks generally, with the amount of help they have to employ are against

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NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Owing to the fact that many of the valued subscribers to the Current commenced to take the paper during the dates of the first week in April and the 25th of that month their subscriptions will expire at that time this year that being the date of the big contest in which an auto was given. While we would gladly send the paper indefinitely and trust to the fairness and honesty of our many friends who so kindly patronized the Current and paid their cash for the paper for one year, the rulings of the Post Office Department require that all subscriptions must be paid in advance. Therefore, if you fail to receive the Current after April 9th or the 25th as the case may be, do not blame the management, but send a check or money order for \$1.50 and the Current will visit you regularly for the next year. The serial story now running will be followed by another and all the local news as well as the legislative, congressional and the happenings of the world generally will be found in the Current. For a family residing in Eddy county there is generally no necessity to take any other paper than the Current, for all county news as well as state and general news will always be found in its columns. To our old subscribers who have taken the paper for the past twenty years or more the discontinuance of the paper need be only for a week or two and will be a reminder that the subscription is due and the back numbers can be had on application at the office, for it is better to have a bill for only \$1.50 than to let it run to \$10.00 or more as many have done in the past, therefore, do not be offended when the paper does not come for Uncle Sam has said that the country newspaper man has not sense enough to know who to trust.

The county salaries bill has not passed the house and from all reports will hang up in the senate even if it gets through the house. It is said it will be killed in committee, for a large majority of the senators are against the measure as it is at present. It would seem that the rational thing to do under the circumstances would be to refer the whole matter of county officials salaries to the people, each county to determine what shall be paid each official, for the difference in the work of the offices varies much in the various counties. In Eddy county the county clerk is compelled to hire three assistants, all of whom work faithful and are unable to keep up with the business of the office. This is caused to a great extent by the oil filings and various transfers of real estate much of which business does not come up in other counties. It is an absolute impossibility to conduct the county clerk's office of this county on \$3,200 per year while the salaries for the other officials are in some cases excessive. The people would be the best judges of what to pay and the salary matter should be left with them.

Some of the postmasters are worrying about the new parcels post regulations, declaring that as the law says packages can weigh eleven pounds, there are any number of turkeys, chickens and live animals that can come within that limit, even when properly packed and crated. They are also concerned about butter and eggs, for they are of the opinion that if there is much traffic in these products it will be necessary for postoffices to be equipped with refrigerating plants, or at least with an ice box of suitable capacity.—Exchange.

Another Expense.

Las Cruces, N. M., Feb. 10.—Work of inaugurating a campaign to bring about a celebration and exposition in El Paso in 1915 to celebrate the completion of the Elephant Butte dam and irrigation project in the Rio Grande valley is on here in earnest.

In addition to passing formal resolutions that the celebration should and would be held, the Fibab club, the "booster" organization of this city, has named a committee to go before the New Mexico legislature at Santa Fe and ask that an appropriation of \$15,000 be made by the state to aid the New Mexico portion of the Rio Grande valley in doing its share in promoting a celebration and exposition.—El Paso Times.

Wonder what will be the next thing hatched to get money from New Mexico tax payers.

OUT OF JAIL AFTER 32 YEARS; SURPRISED BY AUTOS, ETC.

Illinois Man Views Streetcars and Automobiles for First Time; No Faith in Wireless.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 12.—Rip VanWinkle's exploits after a little nap of 29 years have been more than eclipsed by the adventures about to be experienced by Tucker Ballard, who returned to everyday existence today after a lapse of 32 years.

Although Ballard's lost time has not been due to a desire to sleep, he has been kept away from the world just as effectively. He was a prisoner behind the stone walls of the penitentiary at Joliet, where he could not see, feel or even talk about the rush of modern progress that was going on all around him.

When Ballard walked out of the penitentiary this afternoon he was given a present day suit of clothes and \$10. The value of the money was as great a mystery to him as any of the inventions that have been made during his incarceration.

Here are just a few of the wonders of Ballard's new life that to others are trivial things: Autos, aeroplanes, street cars, telephones and wireless telegraphy.

The first thing Ballard did when he was convinced that he was a free man was to rush out into the street and stop a passing street car.

"How much does it cost to ride on one of these things?" he demanded, holding out his \$10 bill.

"Say, are you trying to kid somebody?" asked the conductor.

When the conductor finally found that his passenger never before had been on a street car he explained the mysteries of the transfer system and escorted the man to a seat.

Next, Ballard wanted to use a telephone.

"I saw one in the penitentiary once, but I never heard a voice over a wire," he said, "can it really be done?"

We went to a telephone and spent part of his remaining money to telephone to Mrs. J. C. Nelson, of Danville, who was responsible for his pardon.

"Stand up close to the telephone and let me try to look at you," he said, as he sought to learn the limitations of the instrument.

"I want to ride in an automobile and see an aeroplane meet, and then I guess I'll be about ready to die," said the man. "This thing of telegraphing without wires I don't take any stock in. I talked to a man on the street car who said he didn't believe it, either."

"It seems funny and sort of worries me not to know where I'm going to sleep tonight or have any body to see that I keep at work right along. Somebody has been looking after me so long I don't know whether I really ought to be out on the street alone or not."

Ballard was sent to the penitentiary for killing a companion in a saloon in Braidwood in 1879.

W. W. Crockett Dead.

The body of W. W. Crockett, who died Sunday morning at El Paso, was shipped here, arriving on the morning train from the south, Tuesday, and was laid to rest in the City cemetery the same afternoon at two o'clock.

Mr. Crockett and family had been residents of this county for many years, and were well known by all the older residents. His health had been much impaired for some years, he suffering from Bright's disease which was the cause of his death.

The children of the deceased and other relatives reside in the Hope community and seventeen of his immediate family were in attendance at the funeral. Mrs. Crockett was with her husband at the time of his death. He was a man well advanced in years although we have been unable to learn his exact age.

The family desiring that the remains be interred in Carlsbad, and the deceased being a member of the Masonic Lodge, at Hope, that lodge requested Carlsbad Masonic lodge to take charge of the burial which was accordingly done.

A large number of Masons and other citizens attended the services which were held at the cemetery.

Tobacco Penalties.

The shah of Persia, in the seveneenth century, proclaimed that every soldier in whose possession tobacco was found should have his lips cut while in the same century Massachusetts ordered that "no person shall take tobacco publicly, and any one shall pay 1 penny for every time he is convicted of taking tobacco in any place."

GRUMBLING.

Grumbling is a potent cause of ill health. It keeps the sensitive nerves vibrating with discordant emotions and not only hurts the grumbler, but every one who hears it. It really prepares the system of the grumbler for an attack of any malady that happens to be prevalent.

LAND OF LOST MEN

Scores Mysteriously Disappear From Far Southwest.

In Country of Swift Changes Customs Are Opposed to Asking Strangers Personal Questions—No Trace Is Left Behind.

El Paso, Tex.—Is there a "port of missing men?" That is a question to be answered as your fancy dictates, says a writer, but that there is a country from which men are constantly "missing" allows of no contradiction. A section of this great United States of America there is which literally swallows up human beings and leaves no inkling of their fates or their whereabouts. Such a section and such places are found throughout the great southwest from western Texas to the Pacific coast.

Not one man or one woman, but scores of men and women, come, are seen and vanish in this section of the states each year. To disappear from off the face of the earth as completely as if one had never existed is not a feat easy of accomplishment even in the great centers of population in the eastern states. And in this country of missing men it happens so frequently that only a case of extraordinary interest commands the attention of the natives. A grunt or a shrug of the shoulders dismisses the matter as soon as it is mentioned. One must be rich or one must be influential if one would have the arm of the law stretched forth in succor. The penalty of obscurity here, as elsewhere, is indifference. "Who cares?"—who, indeed?

But indifference alone is not responsible for the lack of interest in so small a matter as the mere disappearance of a man. No, there is that in the attitude of the average native of the southwest which makes him hesitate to show any interest or concern in the affairs of another man. In the east such questions as "Where are you from?" or "Are you in business here?" are common enough. And such questions are asked with no purpose or intent of prying into another's affairs. It is a part of the social customs of the "polite" east to show some interest in another's well-being. But such personal intimate questions never fall from the lips of the man born or reared in the great southwest.

Only a few days ago the proprietress of one of the largest and finest boarding houses in El Paso furnished me with convincing evidence of the fact that men disappear all too often in these parts. Taking the correspondence up to a spacious garret she pointed to a pile of trunks and other effects and said:

"You see all these trunks here? Well, they belong to men and women who have come to my place, taken rooms and suddenly departed. Do I never hear from them? Not in a single instance have I received one line from one of them, or from any one knowing them. All I know about them, as a rule, is their last names. I don't ask them anything about themselves. I know what you are thinking," she added. "You are thinking these are the effects of 'board jumpers.' But you are wrong. I make them all pay from the day they get their rooms—a week in advance. I'm too used to keeping a boarding house to be 'taken in' by men with empty trunks or trunks loaded with bricks and the like. If you will look you will see that some of these trunks are not even locked. They are full of clothes—more or less good. Sometimes one finds the relatives of a person who has disappeared by letters and sometimes by cards and other things left in the trunks."

"This trunk here," she said, pointing out a rather new trunk, "belongs to a young man who left here only about three weeks ago. The Lord only knows where he is. I've not had a line from anybody about him. I'm holding the trunk, but, of course, some one is in the room he had. I used to bother about such things, but it happens so often that I have about got used to it."

Some time later a group of men were chatting together on this topic. It seemed to be a common enough occurrence all throughout the southwest. Many reasons were given for the mysterious disappearances, but none seemed quite good enough to answer satisfactorily the big query, "What becomes of the scores of human beings who disappear each year in the great southwest?"

ANGRY BOY STARTS FIRE

Led Ignites Straw Under Mules and Barn Is Burned—Animals Are Cremated.

Jamestown, N. D.—G. W. Wilson's "hired man" would not let the five-year-old son of his employer, who lives west of Montpelier, N. D., lead the mules to water, so the lad piled straw under the animals and set fire to the straw. The flames not only cremated the mules but the barn. The mules belonged to the "hired man," who had left for Iowa.

Threw \$50 Into the Fire.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa.—Engaged in conversation, Miss Hattie Carpenter unthinkingly crumbled an envelope her father had handed her and threw it into the stove. Her father, who had neglected telling her the envelope contained \$50, made a quick grab and recovered sufficient to make the bills redeemable.

FARMERS TOO CONSERVATIVE

More Knowledge and Better Business Methods Needed in South—Urged to Rotate Crops.

I have been in the farming business and associated with others who dig their living out of the ground for a long time, and I know the conditions and the shortcomings of the people in this line of business.

And the thing that impresses me most is that most of us are so apt to go along in the beaten track, doing the things we have been doing and that our neighbors are doing, without even thinking about making any change in the regular program. And there is a good reason for this, too, says a writer in the Farm Progress. When we branch out and tackle some new kinds of crops and new ways of doing things, we are pretty sure to strike a snag. Where I was raised, in an eastern state, every farmer I knew in a radius of ten miles planted corn and tobacco, and sowed wheat and oats. Some made money and some did not; it depended on the business methods of the farmer.

I thought then, and I know now, that it is foolish for a man to go on doing the same things the others are doing, just from force of habit. And this is notably true of the people in most of the southern states and those bordering on them. But it is quite true also of many farther north. What we need is for men to rise above the level of the daily work and its associations and do some thinking for themselves. I have been in the business most of my life, and my opinion is that the man who gets his living from the soil is more "set in his ways" than anybody in any other business. And there is where we make our mistake.

For a third of a century I have been associating with the same men who own farms in one of the oldest states, and I have never known them to make any material change in their methods. Their crops are composed of wheat, oats, corn and tobacco. Their rotation is oats after corn, wheat after tobacco. Some of them save all the manure; all of them buy some fertilizers for tobacco, and some have them for their wheat.

Almost all of them sow clover on the wheat, and generally get a good growth of both on tobacco land. They may sow some grass on the oats; but most likely they do not. So it is very natural that the "tobacco lots" are keeping up, and the rest of the land is running down. But there are some who are wide awake, and in some neighborhoods they have taken to sowing Canada peas, as well as the common cowpea, on as much of their land as possible, and I do not know of a man who is a crank on cowpeas who is not making his farm better every year. Some, not so many, sow a good many of the Canada field peas, which come earlier and when there is greater need for something to supplement pasture for cattle or hogs.

I have used both these forage crops with great satisfaction, and I am confident that the general adoption of a rotation including one or both of them will do more to cheapen production of pork or of beef and milk than any crop not of the grass or clover kind. If a man is cropping his farm to corn, wheat and oats, with some other special "money crop," he will find that any such crop will make better returns planted on a clover sod or peas than anywhere else; no matter whether it is tobacco, cotton or any of the market crops that prevail in the limits of the corn belt.

Both corn and wheat can be counted on for the best yields when they follow any of the leguminous crops. And, if the owner is wise and up to date, no matter whether his main crop is to be corn, tobacco, potatoes, wheat, oats or something else, he will find that stimulating the soil for the improving crop is by far the best method to secure the largest crop of whatever he gets his profit out of. In some tests I have made with corn I found that where the soil was a little thin in spots, and the clover had to be helped by a good application of fine manure, the clover on such places was almost equal to the rest, and the succeeding crop was even better. I like to see a field in any crop, particularly of grain even in growth, color and yield, and I cannot but feel that a man is a mighty careless farmer who will let this spots in a field mar the beauty of appearance and cut down the actual profits. And it is really surprising how many men seem to be extremely careless about such things.

Perhaps, when all the young men in the agricultural colleges get down to practical farming all over the country, their example will stimulate us older ones to adopting better ways.

Cultivator Pays.

Professor Massay says: "The man who walks across the fields four times, or even two times to cultivate each row of corn or cotton, wastes enough labor in one season, if he has a crop of any size, to pay for a two-horse cultivator." If you doubt this statement just take a day off and figure it out with your pencil and paper.

Vigorous Sires.

It is reasonable to concede that animals which are enfeebled either by disease or age are not capable of siring or producing foals, which at maturity will have as much vitality, strength and endurance as the foals sired or produced by the same animals before their vigor is impaired.

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Defective Vision in Public Schools.

An examination of forty children from two public schools in New York City shows some striking results. The forty pupils examined were the worst that could be found in the two schools; eighteen of them being so stupid that they required three terms to do the work of one term and eleven were delinquent. All of the forty children had defective vision. They were fitted with proper glasses and after six months it was found that thirty-two of them had made astonishing progress. These thirty-two were under as many different teachers. A report of this work has been made to the Board of Education recommending that the entire care of the school children, mental, moral, and physical be vested in one single head and that should be the Board of Education that a sufficient number of doctors be trained to deal with all defects of school children who are at present in the category of ungraded, backward or disciplinary cases; that any child whose work is unsatisfactory for one term should be examined and all defects of

structure and habit corrected as far as possible. A report of the work appears in a recent number of the Journal of the American Medical Association.

If your child is pale and sickly, picks at the nose, starts in the sleep and grinds the teeth while sleeping, it is a sure sign of worms. A remedy for these parasites will be found in WHITES CREAM VERMIFUGE. It not only gets out the worms, but it restores health and cheerfulness. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

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Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, January 10, 1913.

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Claimant names as witnesses: Auguste Rayroux, Washington W. Simpson, John G. Smith, Henry C. Dickson, all of Carlsbad, N. M.

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CO-OPERATIVE IDEA IS GOOD

Formation of Association for Killing and Packing All Hogs Grown in One Community.

(By S. M. HILLER.)

Some of the neighbors are talking about forming a co-operative association to kill and pack all the hogs grown in the community. This strikes me as a pretty good plan and I am going into the combination. We have twenty farmers all signed up and only want two or three more to make the organization complete. I never could see why it was good business for the farmers to sell their hogs at prices fixed by the packers after paying freight, shippers' profits and commission to the Chicago packing houses.

We have a good market for all of our products in St. Louis, Chicago and Kansas City and it is our intention to hire an experienced packing-house man to superintend the slaughtering and curing and then select a man who is a member of the association to attend to the selling. This will be one who lives at the county seat and raises from 75 to 100 hogs every year. Every member of the organization will be paid market price for his hogs when he delivers them and the profit raised from the sale of the porks will be divided at the close of the season.

We will start with a capital of about \$6,000, which we think will be ample to build a snug little packing house, and the banks have agreed to advance whatever money is needed to pay for the live hogs, taking our warehouse receipt on the cured porks for security.

Neighborly Farmers.

Two farmers who are good neighbors can save money by exchanging use of machinery. One man buys one machine, the other a different one and both machines are used for all work required on each farm. If some of the machines require two or four horses, the horses' work can be exchanged in the same manner. Farmers who benefit by exchanging work should not forget there is equal gain in exchanging social life, thus strengthening one of the weak points of country life.

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The Rose In the Ring

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(CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK)

Love That Was Stanch.

THE plaintive note drove all doubt from his mind. His dream had come true. She was incomparably fairer than his waking hours had pictured her during the five years of probation; only in fond dreams had she appeared to him as she now appeared in reality.

"My little Christine," he murmured. "I have been so afraid," she was saying, still searching his soul through his eyes. "I am still afraid, David. It has been a long time. So many things may have happened. We were such young, foolish things. Oh, David, you don't know how I have worked and planned and striven to make myself what you would like if you were ever to come to see me again. I—"

"You are perfect—you are divine!" he cried. "I can't believe it! You really care, Christine? You have not changed. It has always been the same with you?"

"Changed, David," she whispered, her lip trembling, a sudden mist swimming in her sweet young eyes. "Changed?"

"You do love me? I am not dreaming? It is really you?"

Both had forgotten the tall woman who stood over there by the window, her hands clasped, her heart in the eyes that looked upon them.

He quickly lifted the girl's hands to his feverish lips. There he held them for many minutes while he steadied his rioting senses, regaining control of his nerves. He looked down upon the dark, soft hair and worshiped. A red rose rested there. He bent over and kissed her hair—and the rose.

Then she looked up.

"I do love you, David," she said softly. "Are you—are you sure that you— Oh, David, are you sure?"

For answer, his eager arm stole over her shoulder and she was drawn close to his breast. She raised her lips to greet the kiss. Her little hand clutched his with a sudden convulsive ecstasy. He felt the warm, quick breathing—and then their lips met.

"I am very sure," he murmured, his voice husky with emotion. "There never has been a minute in which I was not sure, Christine, my darling."

"You have forgotten—you can overlook those old days when I was Little



They Had but Little to Say to Each Other.

Starbright?" she whispered wonderingly. "They will make no difference—now?"

"I loved you then. You and I and my love have grown older and stronger and dearer with the years that have—"

She broke away from him, putting her hands to her cheeks in pretty confusion.

"Oh, mother, I—I forgot you were there. I forgot everything." Later on, after Mrs. Braddock had gone to her father's room, he sat with Christine on the low, deep sofa under the bookshelf gallery. Her hands were clasped in his. They had but little to

say to each other in words. Their eyes spoke the thoughts that surged up from their reunited hearts. She had thrown aside the light, filmy wrap and the sweet, velvety skin of her neck and shoulders gleamed in the soft light. Her perfectly modeled, strong young arms were as clear and white as marble.

For long stretches at a time he permitted himself to fall into silent, rapt contemplation of this perfected bit of womanhood. Every childish feature that he remembered so well had been subtly vignetted by the soft touch of nature. He was sensing for the first time the vast distinction between fifteen and twenty—the distinction with out the difference, for she was the same Christine after all. A delicate bit of magic was being performed before his very eyes. The slim, girlish sweetheart of other days was being effaced. The soft, insinuating loveliness of young womanhood, with all its grace, all its charms, was being revealed to him as if by some wonderful process in photography—new shades, new lights, new tints, all ineffably joyous in tone. He could not remember that her hair was so soft and wavy at the temples, nor had it ever seemed to caress her ears so adorably. Why was it that he had never

noticed the delicate arch of her eyebrows? Why had he failed to see the limpid sweetness in her eyes? And her hair, too, seemed to cling differently above the slim, round neck. What magic sculptor had chiseled her lips into their present form? Her chin, her nose, her broad, white brow—why had he never observed them before? And what was this strange, new light in the dark eyes—this look that was no longer childish, no longer inquisitive, but steady with understanding?

The girl of fifteen was gone. This was the perfect, well-blown human flower, the woman. The woman! Slender, beautifully molded, sinuous, incomparably fine—the woman! He closed his eyes in sudden subjection to that thing called *captivation*. He held her close, strained to his own triumphant, vigorous body. She was his! The woman!

Once he was saying: "It is too good to be true. I came unbidden, determined to learn how I stood with you. I could not wait. When I saw you to day I said to myself that you had grown away from me. I told myself that I should have to win you all over again. You seemed unapproachable. You were so wonderful, Christine—so utterly beyond anything I had expected to find. I was alarmed, I was actually dismayed. But I told myself that I would win you; I would begin all over again and I—"

"You saw me today—where?"

"I was waiting for you at the station—far back in the crowd. I wanted to see you in that way first. Your mother and I met there. She did not tell you. She asked me to come to night, but she was careful to give me no hope. You will never know the doubts and fears that have beset me all this long evening. And then you came in. I was dazed. I was all a-tremble. And then to find that—I had had all my fears for nothing! Why—why, I could have died for joy! When you kissed me, Christine, I—I—it was as if night had turned to day in—"

"I have gone on loving you, David from the beginning. There never has been a moment in which I have ceased to do so. Ah, you had nothing to fear. But I! Oh, my dear one, I was never free from doubt—never quite certain. You were so far above me that I—"

"Don't say that!"

"That I was sure you would not take our love dream seriously. When you came to be a man, with all that manhood meant to you, I felt somehow that you would forget the little circus girl who—"

He kissed her.

"Your mother was telegraphing me today to come," he said after a time. "Did you know that she intended to do so?"

"No. I only knew that she would do it—soon. She had promised—both of us, you know."

"Have you never asked her to send me the message?"

"Never! How could I? I would not have held you to the compact, nor would she."

"And have you not told her that you cared for me all these years? Didn't she know?"

"Listen, David," she said seriously. "My mother has never spoken of our compact. She did nothing to influence me. She was content to let fate take its course—and nature, too. Ah, how wise she is! But all this time I have been conscious of a strange feeling that she was making the over anew, with but one object in view. She wanted me to be all that you could expect, demand, exact. If you were to come some day to—look me over, to see if I was—was worth the effort. We won't speak of my father. I don't like to think of him. David, as we used to know him, you and I. There was a time when he was different—and I loved him. But that was long before I—I think he has gone out of my life altogether."

David realized then and there that she should not be kept in the dark regarding her father's whereabouts and designs. She was sensible. She could face the conditions, no matter what they proved to be. The thought was responsible for the remark that followed. "I must have a word or two with Mrs. Braddock before I leave tonight."

"A word concerning—you and me?" she asked.

"Yes."

"David," she said, "I trust you know you are stanch and true. And dear, are you considering well? Are you sure that you will never regret this? I was a rider. My father was a rider. Oh, you are going to say that my mother was different. But what has that to do with it? What does it matter that she has brought me here, to this home of plenty and of respectability and—well, let us say it, of position. I am the granddaughter of Albert Portman. That may stand for something—yes, it does stand for a great deal. But do not forget, David, that I am the daughter of Tom Braddock. I am the granddaughter of old Stephen Braddock, who was a—a—"

"Don't say it, dearest! Why should you be saying all this to me? You, an angel among—"

"I must, David," she went on reso-

lutely. "Your friends, your people, will welcome me gladly as the granddaughter of Albert Portman, but will they take me, can they accept me, as the granddaughter of Stephen Braddock? As the product of a fashionable convent they may rejoice in me, but as the pupil of the sawdust ring—as Little



Like a Malevolent Gargoyle.

the Starbright, a thing of spangles! Ah! How about that side of me? Who were my childhood friends and associates? Don't misjudge me. I loved them all—I love them now. They were the best friends and the truest. But could they ever be the friends of your friends?"

"Dearest, I want you to be my wife. You are not presenting new conditions to me, sweetheart. They are old ones. I do not intend that either of us shall sail under false colors. When you go to Jensen hall as my wife, it shall also be as the daughter of Thomas Braddock, the showman."

"But, David, he may have fallen so low—he may have sunk to the very lowest—oh, you must understand. We have heard nothing from him. We don't know where he is, nor what his life has been."

"Look at me, Christine," he said gently. The light in his eyes held her. "It doesn't matter what he was, what he is or what he may become. I love you, as I have always loved you. You are going to be my wife. That is the end of it all."

His heart was sinking, however, under the weight of the thing he knew. The thing she was yet to know. He would have given all he possessed in the world for the power to shield her from the blow that was yet to fall.

He drew her closer. She trembled in the clasp of his arms. Her firm, full young breast rose and fell in quick response to the driving heart beats. His thoughts shot back to the prophetic, perfect figure of the girl at fifteen.

He fought off a certain delirious, overpowering intoxication and forced himself to a bewildered contemplation of her present powers of resistance to the hard problems of life. She was strong of body, strong of heart, strong of spirit, but was she strongly fortified with the endurance that must stand unshaken through a period of sorrow and shame and—disgrace?

Again he looked into her half-closed eyes. He saw there the serene integrity of Mary Braddock. The light of that woman's character was strongly intrenched in the soul of Christine Braddock. He experienced a sudden sense of relief, of comfort. She was made of the flesh and spirit that endures. Product was she of Thomas Braddock in his physically honest days and Mary, his wife, in whose veins flowed the strain of a relentless elemental purity that the bitterest things in life had proved incapable of destroying a single drop of its sweetness.

"What are you thinking of, David?" she asked, impressed by the look in his eyes and the unconscious nodding of his head.

"Of you," he said, "always of you, dearest."

Soon afterward he prepared to depart. Later on she stood straight and tense in the center of her bedroom, her hands to her breast, waiting for her mother's return. Vaguely she felt that something harsh and bitter was to be made known to her before she slept that night.

In lowered tones David Jensen was saying to Mary Braddock: "She must be told everything tonight. It isn't safe to put it off. She is strong and she knows that I am stanch. Nothing else should matter. We don't know what tomorrow may bring, but she must be as fully prepared for the worst as we are. It isn't fair to her. Tell her everything."

David hurried off toward the car bent on reaching Joey's home before that worthy retired for the night.

At the top of a flight of stone steps leading to the door of an imposing mansion across the street from the Portman home a motionless figure sat in a shadowy alcove, in which it was shrouded. Like a malevolent gargoyle, it glowered out upon the deserted street. A tense, immovable chin rested in a pair of clinched hands, knees supporting the elbows. This desolate, forbidding figure had been there for an hour or more, ever since Christine's return from the concert. Not once were the burning eyes removed from the lighted windows across the way. At last, long after the footsteps of the anxious Virginian had died away in the night and the lights were extinguished in the house opposite, the silent watcher came to his feet.

"Well, they're through discussing me," muttered Tom Braddock. He stalked down from his perch and went swiftly up the street, a gaunt, broad-shouldered figure whose step seemed to suggest purpose more than stealth.

"Hello, Brad!" He betrayed no surprise, no sign of alarm. He did not check his pace nor look around.

"Confound you, Dick," he said, as if pronouncing sentence, "if you don't quit dogging me like this I'll kill you, so help me God! What did you follow me over here tonight for?"

"You know why, Brad."

"This is my affair," went on the big man. "I was doing no harm, sitting across there. Can't a man sneak off for a single look at his own child—in the dark at that—without being hounded by— Say, you must stop dogging me, d'you hear? I'm a human being. I've got feelings. I wanted to have a look at her. That was my girl that said good night to the swells back there—mine! Did you hear how sweet her voice was? I—I— Something came up in the man's throat to cut off the words, and a long silence fell between them.

Half an hour later a cab stopped at a corner not far from a Pell street intersection. Two men got down and picked their way through the vile street, searching out the house numbers as they progressed. A man in his shirt sleeves sat back in the shadow of the tumbledown stoop, smoking a pipe. The uncertain, timorous actions of the strangers in Thieves' alley brought a fantastic smile to his lips.

"Looking for some one, gent?" demanded the smoker, without rising from the stool on which he sat leaning against the wall.

"Is this No. 24?— Hello! It's Dick!" "Ain't you afraid to be seen down here, Joey?" asked the man on the stool, chuckling.

"It's worth an honest man's life to be seen 'ere," said Joey Noskes in hushed tones. "God 'elp 'im as can't 'elp 'isself if 'e ever strolls in 'ere unaware. Wot 'as Brad been up to tonight?" he demanded.

Without changing his position, Dick Cronk, in as few words as possible, told them of Braddock's vigil.

"We've got to handle him carefully," warned Dick.

"The devil's to pay in another direction," said Joey. "Bob Grand 'as 'eard that Brad's out and that he's been 'anging around his 'otel, nasty like. Who should come to my 'ouse in a cab at 9 o'clock tonight but Bob Grand 'isself. I was getting ready to kick 'im into the gutter when he puts a check on my leg, curious like, by remarking that he's looking for Tom Braddock. He came to ask me where 'e could be found. I told 'im I didn't know, and if I did I'd be 'anged if I'd tell 'im. We 'ad some pretty sharp words, you may believe. But 'e took all the impudence out of me by announcing most plainly that 'e understood Brad wanted to kill 'im and that I'd best 'ave a care 'ow I acted, because my 'ouse was being watched by secret service men. 'E's going to 'ave Brad nabbed and put where 'e can't do any 'arm."

Doorstep.

"I'll look out for Brad," said Dick. "You'll hear from me tomorrow."

He turned into the passage with a wave of the hand. They saw him pass up through the shaft of light from the window and disappear in the shadows. Then they hurried away from the foul place, almost running to the cab at the corner.

David did not sleep that night. He tossed on his bed, beset by the direct anxiety and dread, his eyes wide open and staring. He dozed off at 6, but was wide awake before 7, when he arose. It was not likely that he would hear from Dick Cronk before the middle of the forenoon. While he was obliged to stand idle and impotent, the very foundation of all the future happiness of the girl he loved might be irreparably shattered. Silent, deadly, purposeful forces were working toward that end.

He crossed into Madison square, taking a seat where he could watch the entrance to his hotel. He was in the midst of dreful questions when some one tapped him lightly on the shoulder. "Dick!" he exclaimed, leaping to his feet.

"Sit down!" commanded the pick-pocket warily. A thick, white bandage was wrapped around his forehead, partially hidden by the slouch hat he wore. The man seemed faint and unsteady on his feet.

"I say, Dick," cried David, "what has happened? You are hurt. Who?"

With a rigid grin Dick put his hand to his head.

"Braddock," he said succinctly. "He cracked me good and hard, that's what he did. I told you he wouldn't be held down long. He's in no mood to be kind to them that are trying to be kind to him. He means business, Brad does. This morning about 6 he got up. I was watchin' him. He said he was going over to see his wife. He said he wanted to see her before Christine was awake or out of bed. When he started for the door I took hold of him. He—well, he shoved me off. When I jumped in front of the door he picked up a chair and let me have it over the head. I didn't know anything for a long time. When I came to he was gone."

"Where has Braddock gone?" cried David. "You said he started for Mrs. Braddock's? Great heavens, Dick, he may have shot!"

"Easy, easy! He ain't likely to do anything like that until after he's got Bob Grand."

"Then he will shoot Bob Grand this morning, mark my words. He—"

"He won't shoot anybody. He hasn't any gun. He says he don't need one. If he gets Grand it won't be with a weapon of any kind. That's what he says, and he means it. If Bob Grand dies from a bullet you can bet your life it won't come from Tom Braddock. But all this can wait. I stopped off at Joey's. He sent Ruby down to Mr. Portman's at once, and he's gone over to keep watch around the hotel where Grand stops. The thing for you to do is to make tracks for Portman's. I'm

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CARLSBAD LOCAL ITEMS

PICKED UP HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE BY OUR LOCAL HUSTLER.

"Pat" Russell and J. H. Welch of Loving, were in town Tuesday.

Rush Platt, from east of Lovington, has moved his family to Carlsbad.

W. H. Hull and Willard Bates were passengers to Roswell yesterday.

Loy Penny, of Carlsbad, is working in the office of the Lovington Leader.

Mrs. Rosa Kroeger was in the city last week from her home in the Seven Rivers district.

Mrs. Josephine Camp is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Millman, in Dayton, this week.

Mrs. Chas. A. May and daughter, Florence, left Monday night for an extended stay in Los Angeles.

A. M. Ellis, J. T. Garrett and E. D. Oliver, Jr., were among the Lovington people in Carlsbad last week.

Prof. Bunch and family will move tomorrow to the second story of the Fant building on Canyon street.

W. H. Mullane editor of the Current is confined to his bed this week, at his home one mile west of the city.

Dr. A. A. Dearduff, of Lovington, recently purchased a new Buick four-passenger auto, of the local agents.

Paul Ares is the latest to purchase an automobile, he purchasing a Chalmers of the local agent, Bert Sands.

Attorney Poorter, of Roswell, coach for the debating team of that school, accompanied the team to Carlsbad Friday.

Mrs. Ida Cooper and little son, Clarence, are spending the week in Loving with friends, going down Monday night.

Messrs. Prude and Teal, of Hope, were in the city the first of the week in attendance at the funeral of W. W. Crockett.

C. H. Billings of Malaga was in town Tuesday. Mr. Billings is a poultry fancier of the Short Comb Rhode Island Reds.

The many friends of John W. Price are glad to note that he is able to be out on the streets again, after his serious injury.

T. E. Williams received word yesterday of the death of his father, which occurred yesterday, at Renfro, Oklahoma, at 12 M.

Tom Pendleton, who has been in Arizona the past two weeks buying horses is expected home the last of this week or the first of next.

C. W. Ausley, of Lovington, was in Carlsbad, last week, and spent a few days here previous to leaving for points in California.

Mrs. Kinney Reed returned Friday from Purcell Oklahoma, where she had been for five weeks, attending the sickness and burial of her father.

C. N. Jones was a north bound passenger on the morning train last Monday, spending the day in Artesia and returning home the same evening.

S. D. Stennis, Jr., returned Saturday from Washington, D. C., where he went to deliver the electoral vote of New Mexico, to the electoral college.

Mrs. W. M. Howell, of Lakewood, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ole Gossett, returned to her home last week, accompanied by Mrs. Gossett and baby.

Mrs. W. G. MacArthur, of Monument, who was in Eddy County Hospital for a week or so, has been removed to the home of Rom Holt, where she is convalescing.

Percy Forke, who lives with his parents about four miles south of town, was taken to Eddy County Hospital yesterday morning suffering from an acute attack of appendicitis.

Porter W. Dent, examiner for this district, of the reclamation service, came in Monday on business in connection with the Carlsbad and Hondo projects. His headquarters are in El Paso.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Tracy is on the sick list the present week, and the family have taken rooms at the Anderson Sanitarium, that the little one may be nearer a physician and under the care of "Grandma" Anderson.

Arbor Day will be suitably observed this year by Carlsbad Public schools. Although the exact date of such observance has not been definitely decided upon, it will probably be held on Friday, the 21st, instant. It is thought wise to observe the birthdays of Washington and Lincoln on the same date as Arbor Day. A program is being prepared which will be announced later. Trees, shrubs, etc., will be planted on the High school campus, and it is hoped the hedge along the front of the school grounds can be completed. Arbor Day is now being celebrated in nearly all, if not all, of the states, the northern states celebrating it as late as April, in the south and west, of course, an earlier date is observed. It is gratifying to note that our schools are up-to-date on matters of this kind as well as in scholarship and athletics.

George Pendleton gave the Current office a call Wednesday, of this week, and is very enthusiastic over the Guano cave, which he, in company with Messrs. Stokes and L. A. White, recently located in the hills some 35 miles southwest of town. The company consisting of the three gentlemen above named, are now ready for operation, having their engine, and car ready and track laid. Mr. Pendleton says they have an unlimited amount of fine guano and will have specimens constantly on hand in Carlsbad where it may be examined by all interested. The gentlemen seem to have struck a mighty good paying proposition.

The Methodist Sunday School were favored last Sunday morning by a select reading by Mrs. Robbie Bowden entitled, "The Architect", which was well rendered, and much enjoyed by all present. Next Sunday Miss Inez Hatfield will sing a solo. The superintendent of the school, Edwin Stephenson, has taken this plan of specials each Sunday in order to get the members of the school out on time. So far, the plan is working very favorably. The time for the opening of school is 9:45.

Work is moving along again at Eddy County Hospital although for some few days the last of last week and first of this but little was accomplished owing to the bad weather. The roof has been shingled and the electrician's have been busy doing the inside wiring, or rather all that could be done in the present state of the building. Should the weather get warm again it will not require long until the structure will be enclosed and Carlsbad will soon have a building the equal of any town its size in the west, or anywhere else, for that matter.

Mrs. J. W. Thomas, of Pearl, mother of Mrs. A. E. Bailey, returned to Carlsbad Tuesday morning, after a trip to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. J. W. Crawford, at Abilene, Texas. Mrs. Crawford, who was upward of seventy years of age, died half an hour after the arrival of Mrs. Thomas. The latter lady will remain in Carlsbad a few days awaiting the coming of Mr. Thomas from the family residence near Pearl.

Miss Lorene Powell celebrated her thirteenth birthday anniversary last Tuesday by entertaining a few of her most intimate friends to supper. The favored guests were: Ruth Daugherty, Dorothy Swigart, Gracie Stephenson, Pauline Johnson and Lucile Johnson. A most delightful evening was spent with this little girl by her friends and schoolmates and a fine supper was served by her grandmother Mrs. Beels.

The Knowles and Lovington schools have closed—they having only had five months session, each, and being the first in the county to close. The last named place has planned an addition to the school building the present one being very inadequate and it is expected that by next year a much longer term of school can be held.

Forest Ranger Johnson and wife, and Miss Julia Thayer, of Queen, came in Monday and were met here by W. E. Thayer, of that place, and taken out to the Guadalupe, Tuesday morning. The party had been in and near Alamogordo since before the holidays.

Mrs. O. G. Patterson, chief operator at the local telephone exchange, has been on the sick list this week. During her illness the work was looked after in a very efficient manner, by Miss Leck, the present relief operator.

E. E. Hartshorn and David Geer left by automobile last Friday for the Davis Mountains where the gold excitement is rife. The gentlemen left with the intention of taking up a claim in that locality, if reports prove true.

Mrs. Gard and sons wish in this manner to express their thanks to all their neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted them during the sickness and death of their husband and father, F. C. Gard.

High School Debate.
Last Friday evening at the Auditorium the Carlsbad High School made its initial entry into the field of inter-scholastic debating, when it met and defeated the debating team representing Roswell High School.

The question for debate was: "Resolved, that boards of arbitration with compulsory powers should be established to settle disputes between employers and employees."

The team representing Carlsbad High school was composed of Joe Owen leader, Robert Finlay and Arthur O'Quinn.

The Roswell team consisted of Jeff Flora, leader, Don Richardson and Lester Welty.

The judges selected were: Rev. A. A. Davis, R. M. Thorne, and Rev. F. W. Pratt.

In view of the comparatively larger size of Roswell High School, and the fact that it had had previous experience in inter-scholastic debating, the locals hardly more than hoped for victory. They promised the visitors a hard battle but made no predictions. In order to put up that good fight, the debating team and their coach, Mr. Seder, worked almost day and night in preparation. But the evening of the contest showed the results of their earnest work. The decision of the judges went unanimously to the negative, supported by Carlsbad, but there was no question in the minds of any of the audience as to the result. From the very beginning the superiority of the local team was apparent. The argument was well thought out and supported by facts and statistics, while the delivery was pleasing and effective showing the result of much drill.

The general opinion was that the Carlsbad team was exceptionally strong, undoubtedly the equal of any High school in this part of the country and certainly a worthy product of the local High school.

In the windows of the Star Pharmacy is on exhibition the handsome silver cup won by the debating team as a result of their victory over Roswell. This cup was donated by the business men of Roswell to be held by the championship High school debating team of the Pecos Valley. The cup becomes the permanent property of the school which first wins it three times. The cup was won by Roswell last year when they defeated Clovis High school. This year Clovis refused to debate with Roswell, leaving the possession of the cup between Roswell and Carlsbad. Next year the local High school will have to defend the possession of the cup against any High school in the Pecos Valley which desires to try it.

The prize offered by Mr. Sellers for excellence in oratory will be competed for by all the members of the graduating class some time in the future.

Carlsbad Commercial Club Reorganize.
Carlsbad Commercial Club lately reorganized with the following officers for the ensuing year:

President—F. G. Tracy.
Secretary—Scott Etter.
Treasurer—C. M. Richards.

The various committees appointed are as follows:

Membership committee—C. H. McLenathen, R. M. Thorne, and E. E. Hartshorn.

House committee—Scott Etter, W. T. Reed, and A. G. Shelby.

Social committee—W. A. Craig, H. I. Braden, and H. M. Christian.

Booster committee—A. N. Pratt, Geo. M. Cooke, and C. M. Richards.

Dr. R. J. Boatman has purchased what is known as the Sheltnock property on North Halagueno street. The former owner being Miss Lennie Osborn, of Kansas City. The dwelling will be remodeled completely newly papered and painted, as well as wired for electric lights. The two rooms in the rear will be raised to the same height as the others and when completed will be one of the nicest cottages in Carlsbad. The house has already been rented to Conductor Shannon.

The Carlsbad order of Rebekahs at their regular session last Monday, enjoyed a social time after the business of the evening had been transacted. John W. Moore gave a solo, "Sing Me to Sleep," which was followed by a reading from Mrs. J. W. Armstrong, entitled, "The Usual Way". Both numbers were much enjoyed by all present. An open meeting and musical will probably be held in the near future.

Mrs. F. A. Moore left for California last Monday night. She will stop for a short visit in Los Angeles with the family of C. W. Lewis, formerly of this place, after which she will visit relatives in San Diego, and other points in the Golden state.

The Public Utilities company installed a new three-horse power motor in the Current office this week to run the big press. The improvement is great in more ways than one.

The frame part of the Hospital building is receiving a fresh coat of paint this week so as to be more in harmony with the new addition.

Superintendent's Report to Board of Education.

Carlsbad, N. M., Feb. 13, 1913.—The following is my statistical report on the condition of the Carlsbad Schools for the month ending January 31, 1913:

Grades or Departments	Enrollment	Attendance	Per Cent of Attendance	Number Not Tardy	Number Absent	Cases of Tardiness
First Grade	58	52.5	90.5	41	6	5
Second Grade	46	42	91.3	26	2	6
Third Grade	39	37	94.9	15	4	4
Fourth Grade	35	34	97.1	19	4	4
Fifth Grade	51	48.6	95.3	24	20	2
Sixth Grade	29	26	89.7	14	8	2
Seventh Grade	31	28.8	93.2	14	2	2
Eighth Grade	33	32	97.8	23	1	1
Mex. Sch. (L.G.)	79	64.3	81.3	24	6	0
Mex. Sch. (H.G.)	148	141	95.3	20	17	17
High School	51	49.1	96.3	36	3	3

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Average per cent of attendance this month, 93.8.

Average per cent of attendance last month, 94.2.

Enrollment last month, 489.

Number not tardy or absent, 281.

Chicken pox last month and mumps this month have materially affected our attendance. However, our reports show that the average attendance is from five to ten per cent better now than it was this time last year. (I refer, of course, to the per cent of attendance).

It may be of interest to the Board to know that in my next report there will be an account of experiment which I am making to determine the proficiency of the different grades in the subject of arithmetic as compared with other schools throughout the country. This will be the first of a series of studies of the comparative knowledge of the pupils in the different grades of the various school subjects.

Hoping that the members will find time as soon as possible to visit the different grades. I want to invite you especially to be present at the Washington and Lincoln program to be given in the High School Auditorium Friday, February 21, at two P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. POORE.

Loving Citizen Buys a "Reo".

Chas. Tucker, of Loving, recently purchased a four passenger Reo automobile. Mr. Tucker has had much experience with automobiles, having owned several different cars, but he saw the most value in the car for the money.

Mr. J. R. Webb of Lovington, also purchased a new 1913 five passenger Reo car. This is the third Reo car sold in one neighborhood this winter and they are proving they are the best car for the stockmen as by their own statement, they say they run more economically on fuel, lubricating oil and no repairs, and crossing the sands with perfect ease which has always been considered a big bugaboo.

At the annual meeting of Eddy County Artesian Wells owners, held at Artesia, Monday of last week, George Fisk, of that city was elected well inspector for Eddy county. The following board was also elected: District No. 1—J. Kissinger, Artesia; District No. 2—J. W. Sanner, Lakewood; District No. 3—I. V. Whiteside, Artesia.

The school at Loving, left without a teacher by the death of Mrs. Romella Wells, and which has since been supplied, will probably be taken by Troy Jenkins, for remainder of the school year. Mr. Jenkins has a life certificate from Kentucky, and should that be approved, as of course it will, will enter upon his duties at once.

Mrs. Julius Forke and young son, Le Roy, who have been visiting Mrs. Forke's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Daugherty, expect to leave for their home in Yuma, Arizona, Wednesday of next week. Miss Grace Daugherty will accompany her sister and remain for an indefinite length of time.

T. E. Williams returned from his trip to Renfro, Oklahoma, last Saturday, leaving his father slightly improved. Since his arrival in Carlsbad however, word has been received that he was worse again and Mr. Williams is likely to be called to return at any time.

Wilkes Glascock, en route from Lovington, to his home near Queen, was in Carlsbad Tuesday of this week. Mr. Glascock reports the birth of a baby girl to himself and wife, which was ten days old at the time of his visit here.

J. B. McGhee, court stenographer, has returned from Carlsbad where he had been attending district court, which closed there late last week, Judge Neblett, presiding.—Record.

Miss Kate McClure, a friend of Mrs. Victor Harlan, is a new comer in this city, where she will spend the winter. Mrs. McClure comes from Terre Haute, Indiana.

Wedding at Otis.

The marriage of William Hargrave Reeves and Miss Ora Emma Masters both of the Otis community, was celebrated Thursday night, February 12, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Nichols, about six miles south of Carlsbad.

The affair was one of the most brilliant ever held in that neighborhood upwards of sixty guests being in attendance.

The bride was attired in a beautiful blue silk gown, elaborately trimmed with white lace and wore in her hair a very beautiful arrangement of blue maline. She carried a shower bouquet of white sweet peas whose snowy blossoms seemed but to enhance her bridal loveliness. Many remarks were made of her unusual beauty and grace.

Mrs. Arlie Nichols, as matron of honor, was gowned in white with trimmings of blue and carried pink flowers.

Mr. Arlie Nichols was best man both he and the bridegroom wearing the conventional black.

Rev. A. A. Davis pastor of the Carlsbad Presbyterian church spoke the solemn words which united the couple in the holy bonds of matrimony after which refreshments elaborate and toothsome, were served to the guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Reeves went to their own home near Otis amid a shower of rice and followed by the best wishes of their large circle of friends. A number of beautiful presents were received.

Among those going down from Carlsbad were: Misses Roberta and Florence Breeding, Rev. Fred Davis and Arthur Linn and Mr. and Mrs. John Tedwell. Many others would have attended had the weather been agreeable.

This paper joins the other friends of this worthy couple in best wishes for their happiness and prosperity.

Daisy Club Holds Meeting.

At a called meeting of the Daisy Club held Wednesday, of last week, the regular election of officers for the ensuing year was held, resulting as follows:

President—Mrs. Rosa Smith.

Secretary—Miss Lucile McKneeley.

Reporter—Miss Myrtle Harkey.

At the above meeting Miss Catherine Finlay was elected a member of the club. It was, also, decided at the above meeting to entertain the new friends of the club members by a Valentine party to be held at the home of Mrs. M. R. Smith this evening. The members and guests are looking forward to a pleasant evening at this hospitable home.

Daisies Entertain.

At the home of Miss Jennie Linn, on North Halagueno street, Tuesday last, the Daisy club met in regular session.

A very delightful afternoon was spent at play; "42" the club game, being the amusement. Luncheon in two courses was served the guests. In the cut for the souvenir Miss Bura Heard was the lucky person receiving a bunch of beautiful, fragrant sweet peas, which were much admired.

The young folk present who acted as substitutes for the absent members were: Misses Kelton, Kelly and Gladys Eaken; members present were: Misses Linn, Harkey, Heard, Grantam, and McKneeley.

At the High School Auditorium yesterday morning about three hundred pupils from the Grade building and High school were addressed by Mr. R. J. Boatman in an interesting and pleasing manner, his subject being "Mexico". The doctor is well qualified to speak on this subject as he was a resident of Torreon for some years and has kept in touch with the life and customs of the people of Mexico since then, by reading and observation. Extracts from the address will appear in next week's issue of the Current. At the conclusion of the doctor's speech Rev. A. A. Davis led in prayer.

At the meeting of the Macabees last Monday night, after the business session was concluded, Mesdames Daugherty and Wheeler, two of the members, surprised the other ladies of the Hive by serving delicious refreshments: Plain and sweet sandwiches, cake coffee and cocoa.

The family of Paul Ares moved in from their home in the Guadalupe Monday of this week, and are comfortably situated in their new home recently purchased in La Huerta.

Mrs. A. Zeigler was hostess to the last session of the Surprise Club, at her home south of town.

Mrs. Guy E. Benson will entertain a party of friends at her home in the West End this evening.

Scotland's Islands.
There are about 185 inhabited British Isles, of which Scotland claims over 100.

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For Sale.

Baled hay for sale at popular prices. Phone 438. LOUIS LANGE

Day old chicks! S. C. White Leghorns 10 cents each. Rhode Island Reds 12c each. Silver Spangled Hamburgs thirty-five cents each. Indian Runner Ducklings 25c each. H. E. ROBB.

FOR SALE:—A fine lot of Plymouth Rock and Brown Leghorn laying hens 50 cents each. Indian Runner Duck eggs for setting \$1.00 per 13. Inquire of Mrs. H. H. Clark, La Huerta.

Indian Runner Drakes for sale. Also a few young ducks. Eggs for hatching \$1.50 per 13. H. E. ROBB.

FOR SALE:—Big Boll Rowden Cotton Seed (choice) from first picking. Call or address. FRANK WESLEY. Loving, N. Mex.

MONEY SAVED.

By using the Monument-Knowles Telephone Line to points east as far as Midland. No charge for overtime. 7-Feb-13. R. B. KNOWLES, Mgr.

For Sale:—My hotel and saloon business in Loving, New Mexico. A good money maker. H. D. HILL.

Full blood Rhode Island Reds and White Orphington eggs for sale. A. R. LENAUE. Phone 43W. Adv.

Milk cows for sale. Current Office.

Mrs. Roman Ohnemus received word this week of the tragic death of her brother, Coal Wheeler, in Clay county Arkansas. From accounts received it seems that Mr. Wheeler and his wife had gone to a party and a disturbance occurring, he was stabbed to death. The deceased spent eight months here about two years ago and will be remembered by many of our people. He was 29 years old.

Sam Keenan, old-time horse doctor, has returned with his family and will again make this city his home. He has his headquarters at the Club stable and his old friends and patrons will be glad to welcome his return. He is especially fine on treating the teeth of horses.

The plant of the Advocate at Artesia was ruined by fire last Friday night, sustaining a loss of from \$2,000 to \$3,000, partly covered by insurance. Albert Dinnell, a fireman was injured seriously by a pane of flying glass cutting an artery.

Thursday afternoon of next week the Mission study class will hold its second meeting in the Methodist church, taking up the "Book of Marmon". Mesdames Thorne, Hartshorn and Crawford will have charge of the program.

Lewis Means last week transferred his mail contract on the Queen route to Regan Middleton the original contractor. Lewis will move to Oklahoma.

C. H. Sickles, of Socorro, New Mexico, is in the city and will likely locate here, he being an experienced bee man, is figuring on purchasing an abnary.

The Good-Will Circle of Otis have prepared a Mexican supper tonight which will be attended by a number from Carlsbad.

H. F. Christian will leave this week for a visit at the old home in Galveston, Texas, the first visit in ten years.

Regan Middleton has purchased a king his first trip in it last Tuesday.

Christian & Co., Insurance.

Program of Eddy County Teachers' Association.

To be held at Carlsbad, New Mexico, March 15, 1913, at the High school building:

General Theme of Meeting: "THE TEACHER."

SATURDAY, NINE A. M.

THE TEACHER AS A SOCIAL FACTOR:

(a) On the Playground.

F. M. Hatfield, Carlsbad.

Miss Alice Ateberry, Artesia.

(b) In the Community.

C. L. White, Lone Tree.

Miss Carra Hunt, Otis.

PROFESSIONAL ETHICS.

(a) Courtesy Toward Other Applicants, and, After Employment Toward Your Predecessor.

Miss Mabel Henriksen, Artesia.

B. W. Newlin, Malaga.

(b) Proper and Improper Methods of Securing Positions.

Miss Ora Kuykendall, Carlsbad.

Mrs. H. G. Howard, Lovington.

AFTERNOON, ONE P. M.

(c) Loyalty to Superiors.

(1) The Teacher's Standpoint.

Rocky.

Miss Winnie Morton, Artesia.

Mrs. B. F. Kaiser, Dayton.

(2) The Superintendent and Principal's Standpoint.

A. R. Colar, Carlsbad.

Willis Lloyd, Lakewood.

III. Some Causes of Failure in Eddy County.

A. E. Bailey, Carlsbad.

IV. Promotion of Teachers, on What Grounds.

C. E. Grover, Artesia.

V. An Open Discussion Using Ella Frances Lynch's Article in February Number of The Ladies' Home Journal as a Basis.

Led by M. L. Fleming, Artesia.

VI. Discussion of all Subjects.

Washington-Lincoln Birthday Celebration.

The Carlsbad Schools will celebrate Washington's and Lincoln's birthdays both of which occur in this month, on the 21st instant. The exercises will be held at the Auditorium and the public is cordially invited to attend. The program follows:

Song, "Like Washington," First Grade.

Flag Drill, Second Grade.

The Minuet, Third grade.

A Hero Drill, Fourth grade.

Tribute to Washington, Clay Beckett and Myrtle McCollum, (High School).

Song, "Washington," Eighth grade.

Diagrams, "The Lincoln League," Fifth grade.

Tribute to Lincoln, Lila Dodge, (Eighth grade).

Song, "The Lincoln League," (Eighth grade).

Sketch, "The Lincoln League," (Eighth grade).

Music, "The Lincoln League," (Eighth grade).

A Washington-Thomas Drill, Seventh grade.

Song, "The Lincoln League," Sixth grade.

A quart of milk and two quarts of water, drink, this in connection with sugar or lemon juice, is a most effective remedy for indigestion, and it is a most effective remedy for indigestion, and it is a most effective remedy for indigestion.

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Public School Honor Roll.

Following is a list of the pupils neither absent nor tardy during the month of January, 1913.

HIGH SCHOOL.—Fannie Mae Baird, Clay Beckett, Albert Bruce, Paul Collier, Lillian Crawford, Winnie Dishman, Viola Dunaway, Elizabeth Davis, Robert Finlay, Leslie Grantham, Edgar Hackett, Ray Hackett, Obar Hartsborn, Inez Hatfield, Lucile Johnson, Lennie Jones, Lucy Jones, Willie Matheson, Blythe McCollum, Lawrence Merchant, Mabel Mudgett, Zada Mudgett, Frances Nutt, Howard Nutt, Wilma Nutt, Arthur O'Quinn, Joe Owen, Fred Rohmer, Howard Roller, Hubert Ryan, Will Shadrack, Huling Ussery, Chas. Walker, Georgia Wallace, Charles Witt, Fattie Witt.

EIGHTH GRADE.—Thelma Albert, Willie Anderson, Elizabeth Breeding, Seila Christian, Ruth Daugherty, Hale Dodge, Ruth Duncan, John Galton, Grace Harbert, Robert Hare, Mary Hughes, Clifford Lewis, Lytton Lewis, Grace Stephenson, James Stokes, Helen Wallace, Mozella Warren, Clark Barnes, Herbert Force, Cyril Pipkin, Opal Riley, Lee Simpson, Nettie Smith.

SEVENTH GRADE.—Sarah Morrison, Mattie Roberts, Lola Hines, Mary Lee Newton, Gladys Nevenger, Belle Perry, Norma Albert, Lula Anderson, Lloyd Beckett, Geo. Finlay, Jim Walker, Daniel Lowenbruck, Dallas Jones, Everett Grantham, Robt. Davis, Luther Nelson, John Thompson.

SIXTH GRADE.—Billie Albert, Robert Matthews, Edward Purdy, Bert Duncan, Elmore Jones, Sam Morrison, Madge Brown, Pauline Johnson, Mollie Murray, Mildred Walter, Dorothy Swigart, Eugene Tanner, Thelma Toffelmire.

FIFTH GRADE.—Wm. Reed, Willie Wheeler, Vivian Bass, Lee Bloxom, Robert Crozier, Roscoe Etter, Oscar Foster, Lester Nelson, Milo Rohmer, Wayne Riley, Emil Riley, Shafter Ward, Elmore Greer, Elizabeth Purdy, Marion Witt, Helen Lee Baird, Lillian Bearup, Nelly Linn, Mattie Smith, Mary Ussery, Helen Wright.

FOURTH GRADE.—Hubert Easter, Edwin West, Clyde Duncan, Frank Smith, Charles C. Acker, R. L. Collins, Otto Matheson, Lela Harte, Edna Herzog, Mary Lee Pond, Myra Alberts, Anna Belle Hughes, Jewelle Moore, Gladys Jones, Margaret Welpton, Irma Perry, Lillie Mae Nelson, Fay Kidd, Stuart Armstrong.

THIRD GRADE.—Stella Barnett, Claude Brown, Laverta Drumkeller, Goldie Grubagood, Walter Harbert, Ida R. Hines, Glenwood Jackson, Marguerite Logston, Marie Logston, Virgil McCollum, Ethel Pipkin, Katherine Purdy, Mary Reed, Millard Spurlock, George Thomas.

SECOND GRADE.—John Baird, Edwin Hancock, John Lewis, Alvin Allinger, Glenn Vest, Henry Hughes, Luther Bell, Carl Gordon, Jr., John Armstrong, Wilfred Rohmer, Randall Pipkin, Oleta Ballinger, Thelma Beckett, Mary Cruise, Dorothy Dick, Frances Etter, Eleanor Flowers, Elfy Howell, Lucile Pond, Margaret Overton, Grace Barron, Martha Williams, Gertrude Lowenbruck, Hazel Anderson, Isabelle Smith, Sarah Howell.

FIRST GRADE.—Jay B. Leek, Russell Logston, Wathen McCollum, Ida Barber, Leona Allinger, Zephia Bates, Eunice Herring, Sally Overton, Laura Perry, Ruth Price, Eva Thomas, Mildred Zeidler, James Collins, Russell Crawford, Joseph Hare, Willis Moore, Wallace Thorne, Wallace Vest.

MEXICAN SCHOOL, 1ST GRADE.

Emiliano Bustamante, Victor Bustamante, Alvaro Chacon, Jose Contreras, Josefa Domingus, Diego Fierro, Cranseno Fierro, Domingo Leos, Dionicio Leos, Francisco Ortiz, Jose Pando, Delino Poma, Esteban Ramirez, Ceario Rodriguez, Catirino Vera, Maria Chacon, Maria Fierro, Sophia Fierro, Santos Poma, Margarita Poma, Candelina Poma, Savina Poma, Guadalupe Sotelo, Sylvestra Vera.

Aviation.

The French have coined the word "avoyl" to mean a military airplane.

A steel wire has been made for the guys of aeroplanes which is one-fifth of an inch in thickness and has a tensile strength of 350,000 pounds square inch.

As a result of the many accidents among aviators German aeroplanes have formed a union and demand a minimum wage of \$75 a month.

Present they receive from \$25 to \$37 a month and board themselves.

Point Often Overlooked.

There is a difference between conversation and monologue that some gushers fail to grasp.—Atchison Globe.

Demonstration Train.

The agricultural demonstration train of the Santa Fe railroad will visit Carlsbad, March 1st, 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. Lecturers of recognized your locality, will give practical talks and demonstrations. No farmer who wishes to adopt better and more profitable methods on his farm can afford to miss them. Come and bring your wife and neighbors. Individual questions will be answered. There will be little to interest children below the sixth grade. These lectures will be illustrated by exhibits and demonstrations of spraying apparatus and materials, smudge pots, specimen of crops, cream separators, cream testing, dairy rations, incubators, model silo and ensilage, and many other interesting things, which will be carried in the special exhibit car. The lectures will not be repeated. Come early and bring your note book and pencil. Watch for local announcements of illustrated lectures in the evening.

May Form Heard County From Chaves and Eddy.

That another strip is to be taken off Chaves county for the creation of a county southeast of Roswell, known as Heard county is likely if a bill to that effect passes the State legislature. It is reported that the people in and around Lovington have a plan by which they think they can engineer the new county. By the plan, thirty miles square are to be taken from Chaves county at the southeast corner, and the same sized chunk off of the northeast corner of Eddy county. A bill providing for similar county division passed the lower house last year, and it is said to have a good chance to carry in the Senate this year. Record.

Handing Him One.

"You must have seen some fault in me to admire," said Mr. Armstrong, "you wouldn't have married me."

"I did," replied his wife, "but you have never in wanting to be a band." Washington Star.

Reckless Question.

"I wasted a full hour yesterday."

"How?" "Asked Green how his hat was getting on." Detroit Free Press.

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ROSSELL RETAILERS AND BUSINESS MEN DON'T WANT FIRE DEPARTMENT DECREASED. LONG, WARM DISCUSSIONS ON THE STATUS OF FINANCE.

M. S. Williams Says Keep the Saloons Out Even if the City Had to be Run by Subscription.

The chief topic of discussion at the monthly meeting of the Retailers and Business Men's Association last night was the condition of the city's finances.

The matter was led off with a discussion of what action the business men would take to endeavor to have the city fire department remain at its present state of efficiency, and each business man there last night deplored the proposed curtailing of the force.

G. W. Shrader stated that the Roswell fire department was the best in the southwest—a pride of the city—and a great protection, and some action should be taken at once to let the city council know that they viewed any cutting down of the service with alarm.

Dr. N. F. Brown offered the resolution which was unanimously adopted that the Roswell Retailers and Business Men's Association view with alarm any reduction of the present efficiency of the Roswell fire department we now enjoy and that the association will be glad at any time to give advisory assistance to the council or the fire department committee regarding the matter, and the secretary was instructed to make the resolution known to the fire department committee of the city council.

A general discussion led by Hon. Nathan Jaffa, former secretary of the territory of New Mexico, and a man who has lived here and helped develop the valley for the past twenty years.

Mr. Jaffa said that he had been a long time resident and had kept quiet on the "trouble" with Roswell but he was now glad that the opportunity had been given him to talk on the subject. "My past life with you needs no apology," he said, "as you all know mine to be a moral life."

Mr. Jaffa stated that there was more whiskey drinking in Roswell now than ever before, more boot-legging, more getting whiskey from distance than ever before, "and when I say this I speak advisedly," he said.

"I am not a saloon man," he said, "but unless you can show me a better thing for Roswell, let us put the saloons back, be able to meet the indeltness of the city, but make them well regulated."

He told of the money Roswell was losing on account of it being a dry town, when all the other cities of New Mexico were getting prosperous.

"Open the town wide—unless you can make the whole state prohibition," he said.

He remarked that the whole trouble with Roswell now is the prohibition question. People are divided, sentiment is divided. The city council is divided five to five, and nothing can be done. For heaven's sake let's get busy and do something. Show me a better way to create finance for the city—and do away with the evils we have now even worse than when the saloons were in our midst, and I will say let's don't have the saloons—but do something. Get together—pay off the indebtedness of the city.

"The prohibitionists of the city think they have improved the morals of the city. I deny this. They have not. I know it to be a fact that they are even worse than they were before prohibition went into effect here."

Mr. Jaffa in winding up his statements said: "The council is divided. Let's try and get them together. If we can't let's ask them to resign and get some councilmen we can get together. Let's do something."

M. S. Williams, a prohibition force leader, said, "don't put back the saloons even if the town has to be run on an individual subscription basis."

An interesting little dialogue then proceeded between Mr. Jaffa and Mr. Williams.

"Isn't there just as much whiskey drunk?" asked Mr. Jaffa.

"Aren't the express companies shipping it?"

"