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# THE BELEN NEWS



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A party of Belen men consisting of H. E. Webber, Harry Rich and the Editor of the Valencia Standard last week visited the new oil fields and these people are unanimously of the opinion that the disclosures in the wells were the most remarkable of which they had heard

**R**EMARKABLE INDEED is the surface showing in that rich virgin field recently visited by Belen people, in the extreme southwestern part of Valencia and along the line of McKinley county.

This promising absolutely new oil region gives every indication of a commercial production which has never been equalled in the history of oil development in the Southwest.

To take a double handful of crude oil from every bucket of water raised while sinking a well for water, was personally done by the editor of the Valencia Standard, and also by H. E. Webber and Harry Rich who were in our party.

This development is quite important from the fact that it adds another great resource to the wealth of Valencia county.

These wonderful showings occur on the home ranch of A. J. Crockett and one of his ranches 7 miles south. Mr. Crockett who is a Cattle King, was not at home but Mrs. Crockett, who is a very charming lady, extended every courtesy to our party.

## We can Save on Sugar

### War Time Sweeteners



AMERICA has several excellent war time sweeteners that will be used largely during the shortage in the sugar supply.

They are maple sugar, syrups, honey and molasses and may be used in preparing desserts and other dishes requiring sweetening.

When a cup of syrup or honey is used to replace a cup of sugar the liquid in the recipes should be decreased one-fourth. One-third of a cupful of sugar is equivalent to one-third of a cup of honey, about one-half cup of syrup and about one-half cup of corn sugar. One-fourth of a cup of sugar is equal to about one-half cup of syrup or one-third cup of corn sugar. One tablespoon of sugar is equal to one tablespoon of honey, about one and one-half tablespoons of syrup and one-third tablespoons of corn sugar.

Sugar may be saved by the use of raisins, dates, figs, dried pears and fruit pastes used on the breakfast cereals.

Fruit marmalades, butters and jellies should be used to take the place of the ordinary sweetening at a meal and not as accessories to it. Fruits may be preserved without sugar. It may be added when sugar is more plentiful.

Preserving demands this year a thin syrup instead of a heavy syrup.

If sugar is used one-half of the amount may be replaced by another sweetener.

Drying is a means of preserving (without sugar) apples, cherries, strawberries and black caps.

When ready to use they may have added the needed sugar in the form of a syrup. When sugar is more plentiful fruit juices may be made into jellies or may be used as fruit juices with or without sugar, as beverages, fruit gelatins and frozen desserts.

Fresh fruits supply the place of sugar in the diet. They should be used freely. Desserts where sugar is scarce may be made of gelatins, junkets, custards, puddings and cakes.



Very Exhaustive Examination by a Distinguished Geologist who Will Know Doubt Indicate the Logical Places to Sink wells for the Best and the Quickest Results

**P**ROMISING indeed is the future of the great oil fields of Western Valencia and Eastern McKinley counties for there is absolutely no doubt the oil is there in the minds of the many thoroughly practical, experienced men who have given this rich and extensive field careful and conservative consideration.

While it has been recognized as an oil field of unlimited possibilities for many years, the energy displayed in the exploitation of other fields, has to a certain extent overshadowed the remarkable surface indications present in this field, and it now seems assured fact that an aggressive system of development will be prosecuted to a successful conclusion.

We have it from authority which we deem absolutely reliable, that a famous geologist and oil expert will visit the field at an early date, for the purpose of making a very careful examination, in the interest of one of the very strongest oil corporations in the United States, with the view of inaugurating an extensive system of aggressive development, and comprehended in this work will be the sinking of several wells in different parts of the field.

Certainly the rich seepage of oil on the surface in a thousand places conclusively emphasizes and makes more certain the existence of a great oil pool on the anticline of the great sandstone reefs, which have an unbroken trend and circle the horizon for 50 miles, thereby forming a tremendous basin, which has for ages held the pools below.

And when it is remembered that all other physical conditions favor the existence of this great oil pool, legitimate development is fully warranted.

The importance of the great coal veins which stand up prominently on the surface and the fact that natural gas has been confined and piped into a prospector's cabin and the gas used for all domestic purposes, is conclusive as to the amount of gas.

And in one well, which was sunk for water, when the bucket is dropped down it comes up showing 12 to 15 per cent of oil.

### Commissioners Proceedings.

(Cont'd)

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Valencia County that there be appropriated for the school year 1918-1919 for the maintenance of schools in the several school districts the sum of \$72,380.00 which shall be apportioned among the districts as stated below and shall be made up of the receipts of the general county school fund as distributed by the County School Superintendent, of license moneys belonging to the several districts, of poll taxes collected therein and such sums as may be necessary to be derived from the county tax provided by Section 5, Chapter 79 laws of 1915, to be levied at such rate as may later be determined to be necessary:

District No.	Amount
1	\$4,635.00
2	18,225.00
3	4,030.00
5	1,820.00
6	1,820.00
7	1,010.00
8	1,010.00
9	1,770.00
10	3,105.00
11	2,455.00
12	2,580.00
13	2,720.00
16	1,820.00
17	3,590.00
18	2,830.00
19	1,080.00
20	1,865.00
22	2,175.00
23	1,735.00
24	1,685.00
27	2,730.00
28	1,770.00
29	2,385.00
30	1,670.00
33	1,970.00

ed, to be raised by a special school tax upon each district for improvements and interest, the sums set forth below opposite the number of each district:

District No.	Amount
1	\$300.00
2	2340.00
10	60.00
23	800.00
27	300.00

And there is hereby appropriated to be set aside by the County Treasurer in a separate fund to be designated as District No.—Sinking Fund, in the name of each of the districts set down below, the sum there entered to be raised by a special tax levy upon the property of each of said districts and to be retained by him for the redemption of the outstanding bonds of said districts:

District No.	Amount
1	\$300.00
10	300.00

The account as shown on page 23 of the Waerant and Fund Record was allowed by the Board.

The Board then adjourned subject to the call of the Chairman.

(To be cont'd.)

### FREE TO FARMERS SEEDS

By special arrangement the Ratekin Seed House of Shenandoah, Iowa, one of the oldest, best established seed firms in the country will mail a copy of their Big Illustrated Seed Catalogue. This book is complete on all farm and garden seeds. It tells how to grow big yields and all about the best varieties of Corn for your locality; also Seed Oats, Wheat Barley, Speltz, Grasses, Clovers, Alfalfa, Pasture and Lawn Mixtures, Seed Potatoes and all other farm and garden seeds. This Book is worth dollars to all in want of seeds of any kind. IT'S FREE to all our readers. Write for it today and mention this paper. The address is

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### Valencia County's Modern High School Building.

**O**NE of the handsomest public buildings in New Mexico is the High School building at Belen. It is only comparatively a few months since work was commenced yet today we have a model of architectural beauty, and the building is about finished, and will be ready in every department in a very short time.

The edifice will cost about \$30,000 and is an institution of which Valencia may well be proud.

Prof Saturnino Baca, county superintendent of public instruction, has given the work much careful attention and he can deliver to the county a work of which he may well feel proud.

The drafting rooms are large, well ventilated and convenient, and the enormous drafting boards are arranged for the best results.

The class rooms are in number sufficient to accommodate many large classes.

From the very inception of the work Prof Baca has given it his best undivided personal attention, and the public will have a High School building sufficiently appointed for many years.

Prof Baca proposes to teach practical as well as theoretical branches and when a young man or young woman leaves this institution they will be fully competent to make their own living along practical business lines.

H. E. Byers, chairman, C. W. Wilson vice chairman, and L. C. Becker, have been appointed the committee for Valencia County.

Each Red Cross chapter in this division is authorized to appoint a live stock committee. This committee is preferably made up of prominent cattlemen in the locality covered by the chapter, and its duty is to solicit contributions of heifer calves for the American Red Cross.

# The Belen News

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## Valencia's Favorite Son

OVER THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, in the leading daily papers, considerable interest is manifested in who shall be the Republican standard bearer for Governor, and we believe that the rank and file of the people of the State desire a clean cut upright business man, a successful business man; for a man who manages his own business successfully will manage the public's business successfully.

These are troublous war times, when we need an honest, fearless, patriotic, broadgauged American for Republican standard bearer, and such a man is Hon. Eduardo M. Otero, and among the people generally as plain, everyday Ed Otero.

Mr. Otero was born in Los Lunas, the county seat of Valencia county, about 40 years ago, and while he is at this time county treasurer, he is in no sense a politician, for in his case the office sought the man.

Mr. Otero is a prominent stockman, of Western New Mexico, and is entirely without political aspirations, but the people, recognizing his high business and personal integrity believe he is the man who can be elected because he is the choice of a big majority of the people of this state.

J. F. Tondre, the efficient and courteous manager for the Simon Neustadt department store, at Los Lunas, was in Belen today

Diego Aragon, a prominent citizen of Los Lunas, was here a few days since.

H. E. Byers, chairman; C. W. Wilson, vice chairman, and L. C. Becker are the committee for Valencia county, and these gentlemen will furnish all needed information about A. R. C. cattle.

County Superintendent Saturnino Baca informs us that all public schools in Valencia county will open Sept. 2d.

Paul B. Dalies, one of the managers of The John Becker Co. department store, has gone to New York City to buy their fall and winter stock.

As school day approaches it is well to bear in mind that The John Becker Co. not only carry a full line of school books, but their stock of children's shoes and boys suits is absolutely complete; all of the best quality and at especially low prices.

## County Commissioners proceedings.

signs of law.

Now be it further resolved that the First National Bank of Belen be and it hereby is designated as depository of such public moneys in an amount fixed by this board, not to exceed 75 per cent of the capital and surplus of such bank, said amount so fixed by the board being forty-two thousand dollars.

And the clerk of this board is directed to notify said bank that upon its furnishing a bond as provided by law, it will be designated as a depository in said amount of forty-two thousand dollars \$42,000.00.

Resolved, That the salary of the Janitor of the County Court House is hereby fixed at the rate of \$75.00 per month, commencing with the month of July, 1918. Said Janitor is hereby instructed to be present at said Court House attending to his duties as such at all times during the day and to remain therein all during the night to watch over the same.

The revised Federal Aid Project estimate for constructing a road from Armijo to Ballejos on Road 6 was approved together with may accompanying the same and the same delivered to the Secretary of the State Highway Commission.

The board then approved the following reports: County Health Officer for quarter ending June 30, 1918; County Clerk's for months of March, April and May, 1918; Sheriff's for months of March, April and May, 1918; and Assessor's for quarters ending December 31, 1917, and March 31, 1918.

The bond of Vidal Armijo as Constable of Precinct No. 8, was approved.

Be it resolved that a sum of \$50.00 monthly is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses

of the County Club Leader of the Department of Agriculture for the County of Valencia, and the County Clerk is hereby instructed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the State Club Leader. Effective from June 1, 1919, to be paid to the Treasurer of the Board of Regents of the New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts. And the Chairman of this Board is hereby authorized to sign any contract or agreement necessarily required by the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, in cooperative work, on behalf of the board.

The accounts as shown on page 24 of the Warrant & Fund Record were allowed by the board.

The Board thereupon adjourned subject to the call of the Chairman.

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Harry E. Rich will teach the public school at Atarque.

Mifs K. Kroenke, Mifs Wieze Enderstine and Elmer Enderstine have returned from a very enjoyable trip to Springerville, Arizona.

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