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The Carlsbad Current

TWENTY-THIRD YEAR.

CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY, 26, 1915.

NUMBER 16.

SALARY BILL AT LAST

COUNTY SALARIES BILL PASSED BY LEGISLATURE.

Counties of the first class—Those with an assessment of more than \$14,000,000.

County commissioners, \$800. Assessor, \$3,000, with \$1,000 additional for deputy hire.

Sheriff, \$3,500, not to exceed \$1,500 for deputies.

County clerk, \$3,000, with \$1,000 for deputies.

Probate judge, \$800. Superintendent of schools, \$2,000.

Surveyor, \$10 a day for each day actually employed under order of the board, not to be employed for more than 150 days in each year.

Counties of the second class—those with an assessment between \$8,125,000 and \$14,000,000.

Commissioners, \$600. Treasurer-collector, \$2,200, with \$1,000 for deputies.

Assessor, \$2,200, with \$1,000 for deputies.

Sheriff, \$2,700, with \$1,500 for deputies.

Clerk, \$2,200, with \$1,000 for deputies.

Probate judge, \$600. Superintendent of schools, \$1,800.

Surveyor, \$10 a day for each day actually employed, not to exceed 150 days.

Third class—those with an assessment between \$6,500,000 and \$8,125,000.

Commissioners, \$400. Treasurer-collector, \$2,400, including deputies.

Assessor, \$2,400, including deputies.

Sheriff, \$2,400, with \$800 for deputies.

Clerk, \$2,400, including deputies.

Probate judge, \$400. Superintendent of schools, \$1,500.

Surveyor, \$10 a day for each day actually employed, not to exceed seventy-five days.

Fourth class—those with an assessment between \$4,375,000 and \$6,500,000.

Commissioners, \$300. Treasurer-collector, \$1,750, including deputies.

Assessor, \$1,750, including deputies.

Sheriff, \$1,750, with \$700 for deputies.

Clerk, \$1,750, including deputies.

Probate judge, \$300. Superintendent of schools, \$1,400.

Surveyor, \$10 a day for not more than seventy-five days.

Fifth class—those with an assessment of less than \$4,375,000.

Commissioners, \$300. Treasurer-collector, \$1,200, including deputies.

Assessor, \$1,200, including deputies.

Sheriff, \$1,500, with \$500 for deputies.

Clerk, \$1,500, including deputies.

Probate judge, \$300. Superintendent of schools, \$1,300.

Surveyor, \$10 a day for not more than fifty days.

In counties of the fifth class the only change made over the amended bill is to raise the salary of the commissioners from \$250 to \$300.

The proviso for an additional salary of \$250 in counties where 80 per cent of the taxes are collected was stricken out as to the fourth class to meet the demands of Representative Palmer but was permitted to stand in counties of the fifth class, which include Taos, and Sandoval. The proviso as to clerk hire in the report for the county clerk reduced the minimum amount in fees necessary before the deputies can be hired in first class counties from \$4,000 to \$3,000 a year, thus making it applicable in any of the first class counties.

The compensation of jail guards is raised from a maximum of \$1.50 a day to \$2 a day. There are no other essential changes over the bill as it passed the senate.

Santa Fe, Feb. 25.—Republican house action in the case of Francisco M. Bojorquez, twice-elected Democratic representative from Sierra county, by which there was spread upon the records a deliberate lie—a clumsy, unnecessary and astounding lie—has brought to the entire state a realization that there is no limit to which the Republican machine is not willing to go. The action stands as New Mexico's crowning humiliation at the hands of the Republican legislature.

In the facts generally known and forming a part of the Journal of the House, the Republican majority adopted a report stating that the governor

of New Mexico, "well knowing that Antonio T. Chaves had been declared a member of this house, and duly qualified as such, called a special election in Sierra county, assuming to usurp the prerogatives of this house by declaring a vacancy in said district, and that said election was called and ordered by the governor knowing that no vacancy in fact existed, and that is action in calling said election under the circumstances, and putting the people of Sierra county to the useless expense of holding said election, was merely for political purposes in an effort to play politics with his office."

The House Journal shows that Bojorquez was unseated at the afternoon session of Jan. 21, and his Sierra county seat declared vacant, and that it was not until late in the afternoon of Jan. 22 that Chaves, the Republican repudiated by the voters of Sierra county at the November election, was declared to be entitled to the seat. In the meantime, at 10 o'clock in the morning of January 22, Governor McDonald, in accordance with the constitutional requirement, issued a proclamation calling a special election in Sierra county, and this proclamation, printed in the daily paper, was in general circulation here, and the official documents on its way to Sierra county, before Chaves was seated late in the afternoon of Jan. 22.

The Republican majority could simply have denied Bojorquez his seat, and by its right of might made the denial stick without explanation of any kind. Instead, it sought to falsify the records and pervert the facts, bringing added shame to the state.

After six weeks of political wrangling and political lobbying, the Republican majorities in the senate and house have passed county salary bill by a two-thirds vote. The bill will become a law regardless of the action of the governor. As predicted, the senate provisions for wasting over \$900,000 in the seven years necessarily covered by the act failed to satisfy all the Republicans, and the conference committee of both houses raised the salaries fixed by the senate measure in three classes of counties. The bill passed provides for the throwing away of more than a million of the people's money in the seven years—for the payment to county officers of this enormous sum in excess of reasonable salaries, as fixed by the Democratic caucus measure.

The sixth week of the present legislative session closed with a total cost to the state of \$23,947.79, and with but seven laws enacted. This meant a cost to the taxpayers of \$3,420.53 per law. Only one of the seven laws—that extending the compulsory school term from five to seven months—is of benefit to the people of the state. Three of the laws make appropriations for legislative expenses. One of the others, which the governor allowed to become a law without his signature, is a libel measure for the protection of certain religious societies, and is believed to be unconstitutional. Another authorizes the expenditure of a balance in a state fund, and the remaining law provides for the Las Cruces investigation, which has for its object the mixing of political medicine for the unwholesome and unwholesome Republican machine. In this manner the taxpayers of this state are being robbed.

RAILROAD NEWS.

Willard Keen, roadmaster was in town a couple of days this week. Trainmaster Briscoe was down from his headquarters at Clovis a couple of days this week looking after business in his line.

Night Operator Fred Gott has taken on two weeks lay-off which he will spend at Albuquerque and Fort Sumner. He was relieved by L. L. Johnson, who came from Clovis for that purpose.

Last Call for Income Tax.

Santa Fe, Feb. 22.—This is the last week in which to file with the internal revenue office personal as well as corporation income statements. All corporations unless specially exempted by the law, maintaining their legal entity during any portion of the year must make return whether any business is transacted or not, or whether such business be at a profit or at a loss. All individuals whose net returns last year were \$3,000 or more must file a return. A married man though entitled to a specific exemption of \$4,000 must file a return if his income was \$3,000 or more.

"SOPHS." ENTERTAIN JUNIORS.

One of the very pleasant entertainments of the present school year, was the party given by the sophomore class to the juniors, last Saturday night.

The party was given at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ares, in La Huerta, and a nicer place for a gathering of that sort would be hard to find.

The spacious parlors were filled with happy girls and boys who enjoyed to the fullest degree, the various amusements planned for their pleasure. Bunco and other games were played and late in the evening those who wished joined in tripping the light fantastic. The sophomores had prepared delicious cake and ice cream which was served in abundance to their guests.

The trip from town was made in automobiles and buggies, the chaperones being Mrs. Snow, Miss Westaway and Professor Jenkins.

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HOUSE COMPLIMENTS SPLENDID WORK OF SUPT. JOHN CONWAY AND HIS ASSISTANTS.

Resolution Appreciates Efficient Work Conway to Address Graduate Teachers.

The following house joint resolution, introduced by Mr. Black, of Chaves county, commending John Vincent Conway, superintendent of schools of Santa Fe county; Mrs. Conway, his assistant; the rural teachers and the schools children of Santa Fe county, for their extraordinary achievements in rural work, was unanimously adopted by the house this morning.

"Whereas an invitation was given to and accepted by the Second legislature of the state of New Mexico to visit the rural school exhibit of Santa Fe county, displayed in the armory in the city of Santa Fe, New Mexico, on February 13, 1915; and

"Whereas the several members of the said legislature have viewed with great pleasure and surprise the said exhibit and considered the exceptional quality and extensive scope of the work there displayed; and

ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH.

Order of services during the season of Lent.

Sundays: 10 A. M. High-Mass, Sermon. 3 P. M. Devotion of the Way of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Fridays: 7:30 P. M. Devotion of the Way of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Every morning during the week: 7:30 o'clock holy Mass.

The text for the sermon for next Sunday will be "Amen I say to thee, this day thou shalt be with me in paradise". Luke 23: 43.

PICNIC MONDAY.

The picnic season was opened Monday by a merry crowd who took advantage of the fact of that being a national holiday, and went to the flume. A fire was kindled and an excellent picnic dinner was served. Twenty-seven persons attended the chaperones being Mesdames Walter, Wade, Butcher and Robinson.

COMPANY B.

The Company is coming on in fine shape, as evidenced by the two excellent drills had the past two weeks. The men are turning out in numbers, and on time, and are doing good work.

One non-commissioned officer are on hand and were given a chance this week to handle their squads individually, the drill being divided into three periods: bayonet exercises, squad drill and extended order, and the officers freely complimented the men on the showing made. All seemed keyed up to the right pitch and had the proper interest to work hard and improve in the work.

New recruits are being received each drill night, and indications are that practically a full company will be on the night of inspection.

Lest some out of town members forget the date, we announce again that the regular annual federal inspection will be made on Friday, March 12th, 1915, at 8 o'clock, P. M., and all of the company have been ordered to report at the Armory not later than 7:30 P. M., on that evening. Inspection will be made in light marching order, all equipment to be inspected during the day in the armory.

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"Whereas, such an exhibit is an untold evidence of untiring efforts and exceptional merit worthy of the very highest consideration and which should be a source of pride to the people of Santa Fe county and the entire state of New Mexico, not only on account of its high intrinsic value, but also because of the very trying and adverse conditions under which the said work has been accomplished; and

"Whereas, we felt that the work, accomplished by the rural schools of Santa Fe county is deserving of the highest mark of our appreciation; now, therefore, be it,

"Resolved, by the legislature of the state of New Mexico, That the Second legislature of the state of New Mexico by these resolutions undertake to express to John Vincent Conway, superintendent of schools of Santa Fe, Mrs. Conway, his assistant; the rural teachers and the boys and girls of Santa Fe county, who did the work displayed in said exhibit, a small part of its very high appreciation and recognition of the unusual and extraordinary achievements and advancement made, as evidenced by said exhibit, and to express the hope that the high order of this work may continue without abatement and that it may be followed and emulated by every other county in the state.—Santa Fe New Mexican.

At this inspection the non-commissioned officers will be required to handle squads and detachments, the junior officers will be required to handle either platoons or the entire company.

A special drill will be had on Sunday, March 7th, at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, this drill principally for the benefit of the public who may be interested in the Company, and a full attendance of the Company is desired at that time, so that a good showing may be made.

A NEW BUSINESS IN CARLSBAD.

J. B. Kipling, the well known confectioner, of Roswell, has decided to put in a new and up-to-date establishment of that kind in Carlsbad.

ONE SPOONFUL GIVES ASTONISHING RESULTS.

Carlsbad residents are astonished at the QUICK results from the simple mixture of buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., known as Adler-I-ka. This remedy acts on BOTH upper and lower bowel and is so THOROUGH a bowel cleanser that it is used successfully in appendicitis. ONE SPOONFUL of Adler-I-ka relieves almost ANY CASE of constipation, sour or gassy stomach. ONE MINUTE after you take it, the gasses rumble and pass out. The Star Pharmacy. (D-2)

THE BIG AUCTIONS SALE

HONOR ROLL.

Pupils per feet in attendance and punctuality for the month of February, 1915:

FIRST GRADE.—Dick Campbell, Archer Woodwell, Sibyl Campbell, Karl Wright, Pauline Campbell, Christine Zeigler, Helen Clark, James Craft, Lyndall Cudd, Kenneth Davis, Katherine Dean, Douglas Duncan, Evelyn Farrell, Willburn Fessenden, Frances Joy Foster, Hazel Hamilton, Clifford Hiller, Brantley Hiltson, Lella Kelley, Ethel McCullough, Earl McDaris, Ernest Ohnemus, Inez Pipkin, Alice Quirey, Max Rackley, Bessie Shannon, Harold Sweetland, Ardalia Stokes, Joe Stone, Joe Toffelmire.

SECOND GRADE.—Myrtle Adkins, Callie Bartlett, Julia Dudley, Virginia Dudley, William Dean, Albert Fisher, Marion Hoose, Caroline Kircher, Ira Klutts, Dick Moore, Lawler Nelson, Preston Oliver, Fred O'Cheskey, Raymond Ogle, Robert Pond, Marjorie Snow, Ruth Sprong, Herbert Spurlock, Harvey Shannon, Josephine Williams, Buna Ward, Wesley Wheeler.

THIRD GRADE.—Sylvester Bell, Laura Perry, Frank Boeglin, Gladys Carder, Tom Pope, Nellie Chilcoat, Randle Pipkin, Juanita Cudd, Glen Shannon, James Collins, Carl Shropshire, Russell Crawford, Jenkins Stetson, Mary Jane Dean, Eva Thomas, Tat Farrell, Harold Toffelmire, Tom Farrell, Wallace Vest, Carl Gordon, Ayonel Wright, Eunice Herring, Francis Weaver, Lovernia Hiler, Margaret Wilson, Jay B. Leek, Willis Moore, Warhan McCollum, David Ogle, Gay Ogle.

FOURTH GRADE.—John Armstrong, Eugene Ward, Grace Bearup, Thelma Beckett, Bonnie Bell, Martha Williams, Chester Burch, Mildred Ziegler, Pearl Butcher, Mary Causey, Gerald Carder, Roy Cox, Henrietta Dille, Dorothy Dudley, Marian Fuller, Ellenor Flowers, John Lewis, Ida Pearl Morris, Christina Peterson, Lucile Pond, Wilford Rohmer, Ollie Shannon, Isabelle Smith, Mary Thayer, Wallace Thorne.

FIFTH GRADE.—Elizabeth Albritton, Stella Barnett, Mitchell Stetson, Claude Brown, Walter Thayer, Edward Crozier, George Thomas, Donald Dudley, Dudley Usery, Laverta Drumheller, Christina Walterscheid, Goldie Grubaugh, Ruth Farrell, Walter Harbert, Glenwood Jackson, Elsie Kircher, Lois Little, Nine Lovejoy, Dibrell Pate, Jack Peterson, Joseph Powell, Catherine Purdy, Ethel Pipkin, Velma Pipkin, John Rackley, Paul Redmon, Leola Robinson, Arthur Sweetland.

SIXTH GRADE.—Stuart Armstrong, Myra Albert, Lora Poe, Fancher Bell, Irma Perry, Luther Bell, Milo Rohmer, Clemmie Chilcoat, Frank Smith, Connie Chilcoat, Edward Walterscheid, R. L. Collins, Frankie Cooke, Clyde Duncan, Relda Freeman, Helen Hamilton, Edna Herzog, Herbert Hiltson, Clarence Horne, Maggie Kircher, Jewelle Moore, Lillie Mae Nelson, Mary Lee Pond.

SEVENTH GRADE.—Ethel Baird, Clarence Collins, Delia Gist, Barbara Jones, Essie Jones, Lester Nelson, John Nutt, Mildred Pate, Ruth Pearce, Elizabeth Purdy, Emil Riley, Wayne Riley, Hattie Smith, Marian Witt.

EIGHTH GRADE.—Billie Albert, Helen Lee Baird, Elmore Jones, Ida Mae Barnes, Frank Lucas, Catherine Chilcoat, Jack Moore, Rena Freeman, Edward Purdy, Blanche Harris, Donald Swigart, Janie Kindel, Fred Harris, Nelly Linn, Molly Murray, Grace O'Quinn, Lida Lea Peterson, Lorene Powell, Maile Usery, Mildred Walter, Ima Warren.

HIGH SCHOOL.—Norma Albert, Clay Beckett, Thelma Albert, Arthur Breeding, Lula Anderson, Fannie Mae Baird, David Bush, Elizabeth Breeding, Paul Ennefer, Madge Brown, Jim Farrell, Lillian Crawford, Ralph Farrell, Ruth Daugherty, Ruth Duncan, Ray Forehand, Lucile Farrell, Granville Hardy, Fern Hartshorn, Frank Howard, Ruth Hartshorn, Clifford Lewis, Inez Hatfield, Lytton Lewis, Lucile Johnson, Herbert B. Little, Willie Matheson, Huling Usery, Serena Perry, Oscar Usery, Ethel Ryan, Jim Walker, Nettie Smith, Charley Witt, James Stokes, Ledger Wood, Thelma Toffelmire, Mary Usery, Harriett Vaughan, Georgia Wallace, Helen Wallace, Ina White, Myra Williams.

P. Moody, who has been here a week or more, will leave Monday, for Kansas City, where he goes to receive more registered stock.

Frank Barfield came in from Big Lake, Texas, Friday night of last week, at which place he has been for some weeks past.

THE HUBBARD-LAMB-TIDWELL COMBINATION SALE. A BIG SUCCESS—COW STOCK SELLS WELL OTHER PLUNDER LOW.

The combination sale of live stock tools and farm implements advertised in last week's Current opened at the hour as advertised ten A. M., Tuesday, Col. E. J. Hubbard having arrived the afternoon of Monday, and seemed in good condition to cry a big sale. His remarks to the big crowd of representative farmers and stockmen, given as an opening lecture were intelligent and true. He said much in substance as follows:

I visited here a year ago this week and held a sale and it occurs to me that many changes both local and world-wide have since taken place. We are living in an age of great events. A most terrible war is on and many other national calamities have arisen, among them the foot and mouth disease. A quarter of a million dollars worth of the best stock of the country has already been destroyed while a bull worth \$35,000 butchered for food the other day across the water. While markets are paralyzed at present there is no question as to where the live stock will be in price when the war ends. All the warring nations must stock up and they will come here for our live stock of which this section has much. I have traveled over many states during the past year and have yet to see as much prosperity for the people as in Carlsbad. Hundreds of vacant houses are to be seen in every town and but few are occupied. Many seem to think there are better places but they are hard to find. Here you have the alfalfa which is shipped to eastern feeders who grind it to meal, sprinkle a little cotton seed meal over it and feed it—then send you the meats. Your smoke house is in Kansas and your feeders also and until you learn to grind your alfalfa and feed it you will never prosper, no matter how great your fields of feed or your increase in stock. Some of you may leave this action but you will return like an old cow to her range. However it will pay you to go to work and raise feed and feed it properly by grinding and from silos.

The owners of the property sold, Messrs. Tidwell and Lamb, express themselves as satisfied with the sale; though nothing like full prices were realized for much of the plunder the sale of all sold was satisfactory. One fine porch on three year old stable only brought \$275 and was bought by Chas. Gremmer. Mr. Tidwell seemed to regret this sacrifice more than anything else sold. One team of mares owned by Mr. Lamb brought \$75.00. This was considered one of the best purchases of the day and was bought by Ross Middleton. All the young cattle brought high prices, calves from \$27.00 to \$35.00, and other stock in proportion. The small tools and implements were practically given away three good shovels going for 25 cents. This sale bids much to show where the public mind is running and it is most sought after in this section at present.

Col. Hubbard held a sale yesterday near Oklahoma City, and is demand very day of the year. He was assisted at this sale by W. F. Melvin. To Mr. Hubbard is due the credit of working up the sale and in furnishing splendid quarters to handle the stuff advertised, and it is to be hoped he will see fit to continue the good work.

M. R. Smith has installed a new prescription scales in the Pecos Valley Pharmacy, which is the first of its kind to be used in Carlsbad. The scales are put out by the Torsion Balance Company, of New York, and are so accurately adjusted that they will register the smallest weight—even as low as one one-hundredth of a grain. The delicate mechanism is inclosed in a glass case, the uprights, beams and other metal parts being of nickel. The scales are quite an interesting study and are attracting more than ordinary interest.

Christian & Co., Insurance.

John May and Joe Livingston returned the first of the week from Roswell. The gentlemen had to abandon their trip to El Paso, owing to the bad weather and the reported bad roads.

SOLONS CELEBRATE HOLIDAY BY BUCKLING DOWN TO WORK.

Santa Fe, Feb. 22.—Though today was a legal holiday, both houses of the legislature buckled down to work bright and early. The senate practically cleared its calendar and the house also disposed of considerable business. This afternoon again a double-header was on.

It was corporation or anti-corporation day in the house, judging by the bills introduced. These were:

No. 219, by Mr. Renshan, an act making the testimony of any surgeon, physician, or other healer of disease or injury, or nurse, inadmissible in all courts adverse to their patient unless with his counsel, by his waiver, or unless they have been first produced as a witness and testified for their patient. Judiciary.

No. 276, by Mr. Renshan, an act making it unnecessary to make exceptions to rulings of court or to file motions for a new trial as prerequisite to review on appeal on civil and criminal cases. Judiciary.

No. 277, by Mr. Renshan, an act authorizing the supreme court and the several district courts to entertain an extraordinary motion for a new trial and thereupon direct a new trial, in civil and criminal cases; in furtherance of justice. Judiciary.

No. 278, by Mr. Medina, an act fixing the compensation of laborers on the section along all railroad tracks. State affairs.

No. 279, by Mr. Medina, an act relating to fencing by railroad corporations of their rights of way and providing for the recovery of damages for stock killed or injured on rights of way which are not fenced. Live-stock.

No. 280, by Mr. Abeyta, an act validating county warrants issued in payment for services rendered by road supervisors. State affairs.

No. 281, by Mr. Smith, an act providing that corporations shall not attempt to influence voters and fixing penalty therefor. Education.

No. 282, by Mr. Smith, an act providing that corporations shall not contribute to campaigns and fixing penalties therefor. State affairs.

No. 283, by Speaker Romero, an act providing for an annual state franchise tax to be paid by corporations. State affairs.

The house passed house bill No. 125, by Mr. Gallegos, appropriating \$5,000 for a bridge across the Rio Grande at Ildefonso in Santa Fe county; passed 26 to 16.

House bill No. 212 by Mr. Renshan to provide an appropriation for the gauging of streams, was killed by adverse report.

Favorable report was brought in on the following bills:

House bill No. 191, by Mr. Montoya, of Sandoval county, appropriating \$1,500 for a bridge across Arroyo de los Pinos, Sandoval county; house bill No. 117, by Mr. Sandoval, regulating the duties of inspectors of sheep; house bill No. 205, by Messrs. Martinez and Trullillo appropriating \$1,000 for the construction of a bridge across the Rio Pueblo in Taos county; house bill No. 256, by Mr. Toombs, to regulate the payment of poll tax; house bill No. 85, by Mr. Lujan, appropriating \$5,000 for a bridge across the Rio Grande in Rio Arriba county; house bill No. 94, by Mr. Chavez y Luna, appropriating \$5,000 for a bridge across the Rio Grande in Valencia county; house joint resolution, No. 15, by Messrs. Martinez and Trullillo, to amend section 1, article 10, of the constitution, regarding the fees of county officers; and senate bill No. 13, by Pankey, amending the law creating the mine inspector, so as to exempt anthracite mines from certain regulations.

The Crochet bed spread contested for February 20th, at Beckett's shop was won by No. 85.

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CARE OF DRAINS—CARLSBAD PROJECT.

Department of the Interior, United States Reclamation Service, Carlsbad, New Mexico, February 18, 1915.

To Water Users, Carlsbad, Project. In order to fully protect drainage works that have been constructed, and which will be constructed in the future, the following regulations are promulgated:

1. No lateral or waste-way intended for carrying irrigation water shall be constructed nearer than 30 feet from the center line of any drain. Where it is apparent that this is sufficient to prevent excess seepage or danger of break, a greater distance shall be observed.

2. Where it is necessary to carry laterals or distribution canals across drains, especially those of the closed type, the crossing shall be constructed so as to be practically water tight and not permit of excess seepage or danger of break from the laterals into the drain. In order to accomplish this, such crossing shall be made of tight flumes.

3. Water ways intended for removing surface waste from irrigation, in general shall not be emptied into deep drains which are intended for lowering and controlling the ground water table. The only cases where the surface water ways shall be permitted to discharge into deep drains is where there is an excess of storm water which must be removed. This may be taken into open drains only. Where it is necessary to discharge storm water into an open drain a suitable structure will be provided, which will prevent the inflowing water from washing the banks or carrying material into the drain or otherwise damaging it. Surface waters will be under no conditions turned into closed drains.

4. Where closed drains have been constructed it is expected that irrigation will in time be carried on over them. It is necessary, however, until the filling over the drains has become thoroughly compacted, to exercise the greatest care in order to prevent holes being opened through the loose earth fill and the material carried into the drain. In order to avoid this, irrigation if carried on over them at all during the first year or two shall be done with extreme care, and not before the project office gives permission for this practice. No water shall be allowed to stand on the surface above the drain. The filling over a closed drain will be kept rounded up and where necessary a border will be constructed on each side of it in order to prevent any excess or surplus water flowing over it.

5. The attention of irrigators on the Carlsbad project is called to the necessity of fully protecting drains both open and closed from the damaging effects of surface waste water seeping into them. The purpose of deep drains is to lower and control the ground water and not to serve as wasteways for excess irrigation water. Where any irrigators fail to respect these regulations or to take the necessary precaution when irrigating in the vicinity of drains, and damage should result therefrom, he will be held responsible and made to repair or pay for the damages done.

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APPLICATIONS FOR GRAZING PERMITS.—NOTICE is hereby given that all applications for permits to graze cattle, horses, hogs, sheep and goats within the Alamo National Forest during the season of 1915 must be filed in my office at Alamo, New Mexico, on or before March 1, 1915. Full information in regard to the grazing fees to be charged and blank forms to be used in making applications will be furnished upon request. R. F. BALTHIS, Supervisor. J22-F19

SALARY BILL IS PASSED BY BOTH HOUSES; IS NOW UP TO GOVERNOR.

Party Lines are Strictly Drawn in Senate but Palmer Goes Over the Tracks in Vote in the House.

ACTION OF EXECUTIVE IS VEILED IN MYSTERY.

Flood of Oratory Precedes Final Adoption of Measure; Socialist Members Side With Democratic Colleagues.

Santa Fe, Feb. 22.—As the Journal predicted last Thursday, the salary bill passed both houses of the legislature this afternoon, and will now go to the governor for his signature.

The vote in the senate was 16 to 5, all republicans except Mr. Cramp-ton, who was absent, voting for it, and all democrats, except Messrs. Doepf and Evans, who also were absent, against it. In the house it passed by a vote of 32 to 13, being also more than a two-thirds majority. Those who voted against it were Messrs. Black, Bryant, Dow Hewitt, Holland, Mullen, Palmer, Rutherford, Sken, Smith, Tharp, Veal and Welsh. Mr. Palmer being the only republican with the minority. Messrs. Casano, Jacques, Mirabal, Ryan and Swan were absent, all except Messrs. Mirabal and Jacques, being democrats.

Changes in Conference Report.

A few changes were made in the conference report, one being that the county clerk shall devote all of his time to his office during business hours, the paragraph providing that \$250 additional shall be paid sheriff and county clerks in fourth and fifth class counties whenever 80 per cent of the taxes are collected was eliminated entirely. The clause providing that when the fees earned over by the county clerk reach \$3,000 in first class counties an additional deputy may be employed at the option of the county commissioners at no more than \$75 per month, was altered so as to make the minimum of fees necessary for the extra deputy \$4,000.

In the house Mr. Mann moved that the minority report, signed by Messrs. Sken, and Palmer be laid on the table and the majority report adopted. The minority report was tabled after a vigorous debate. Mr. Palmer protested against what he

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called the \$250 joker, declaring that it was an outrage against San Juan and Rio Arriba counties. He favored increasing the salary of the county superintendent in San Juan county from \$1,400 to \$1,500.

Montoya Raps Palmer.

Mr. Montoya of Sandoval, replied that the gentleman from San Juan county evidently came to the legislature bound hand and foot, and should have had a legislature all of his own, which would then do whatever he commanded. He described Mr. Palmer's attitude as that of a stubborn juror who held out against a verdict upon which the other eleven had agreed. It was San Juan county against New Mexico, he declared.

Mr. Hewitt made the criticism that the salaries provided in the majority report are far higher than the county officers can earn. "I am not in favor of reducing county salaries to what the officials could earn elsewhere," he said, "but am willing to make a liberal additional allowance. I am in favor of making the salaries \$1,500 a year, which is twice as much as most of the officials could earn at their regular calling."

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THE SALARY BILL.

The salary bill as finally passed by about a three-fourth majority of both houses of the legislature is practically a duplicate of the second bill put up to the governor at the second session of the first legislature and which was vetoed. There was considerable criticism by the lamented grand jury of last September on account of the allowances made by the commissioners to carry on the business of the county, it being alleged that the board was allowing too much, but the salary bill allows more for the officers personally.

The grand jury report stated that the county commissioners were "criticizing the efficiency of the treasurer's office by not furnishing sufficient deputies to conduct the work of the office." As the amounts allowed for deputy hire have been in excess of those provided by the bill the county would have been in the worse shape if it had been in the hands of the grand jury or that portion of its personnel that dictated the report.

In the matter of superintendent of schools, the salary under the old law was \$1,500 and the bill gives \$1,800. The amount allowed by the board were under the old law. In the case of the sheriff he was allowed \$2,000 under the bill he will receive \$2,700. The total amount allowed the clerk by the bill is \$5,100 which is slightly above the allowances made by the board, so the clerk will have some balance to his credit when the accounts are finally audited. The assessor has been allowed for the conduct of his office slightly in excess of the provisions of the bill which gives him a total of \$3,200 for the whole work of running the office and assessing all the property in the county. He is allowed \$1,200 and one deputy at \$1,000. It is a very liberal bill for the officials and should answer until the next legislature, or some other that will cut the salaries to those received by the officials when they get out of office.

The Current is under obligations to two of its old friends, Jack James and Joe Owen, for a copy of the sixtieth anniversary edition of the San Francisco Bulletin of February, 20th, for which they have our sincere thanks. The paper is a little larger than the Current being twenty-four pages, and is devoted largely to the opening of the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

On account of the immense amount of local, legislative and county news printed this week in the Current we have been compelled to crowd out a large amount of the European war dope which was very interesting, especially the sinking of two American merchant vessels, the Carib and another, also the sinking by German submarines of several British craft and the closing of the Irish sea to ships of commerce. If American ships do not want to be sunk they should stay away from the war zone.

The small, native horses sold as low as \$20.00, some bringing more, that being the lowest price paid, at the big sale last Tuesday. This proves more than any other indication that there is no demand for a small horse for any purpose whatever. The big mares bring close to \$300 each and are worth the money while the small horse is simply an expense and a nuisance. The auto has driven the driving horse from the market but it will be some time before the traction motor can hurt the draft horse much. The man with five to ten acres will always find the big mare a profitable piece of property, to raise big mules and do the work on the little farm.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Mr. and Mrs. Austen and the ladies' two sisters, Mesdames Johnston and Amos, are new comers to Carlsbad. They have taken the cottage belonging to J. A. Crawford, southwest of the grammar school building and will likely spend the summer here. Mr. and Mrs. Austen are from Iowa, and the sisters came from Kansas City.

Rev. J. T. Redmon had twenty-eight of his "squirrels" out for their regular drill Wednesday evening. They remained but a short time, Mr. Redmon being compelled to disband them, for one day. He is having a tussle with a gripe this week and while not confined to his bed, is still feeling considerably "worse for the wear".

DANCING CLUB ORGANIZED.

A new dancing club has been organized in Carlsbad with Mrs. R. M. Fessenden as president; Miss Christian, vice-president; Eugene A. Roberts, secretary and treasurer. An executive committee consisting of Messrs. Curry, Lester Barber, and Frank Kindel, will look after the necessary details and the club starts with genuine membership.

Wednesday being the fifth birthday anniversary of little Ursula, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hardin Clark, a family dinner was given at her home, in her honor. Besides the little one's father, mother and three sisters, there were present Richard Smith, wife and two sons; Mrs. Morgan Livingston; Mrs. Sam B. Smith and Miss Nettie Smith and Carl Livingston. The little girl received some nice presents.

The Sophomore's entertained the juniors at the home of Paul Ares in La Huerta last Saturday evening. Thirty five or more pupils of the two classes were there, chaperoned by Mrs. Snow, Miss Westway and Mr. Jenkins. The evening was spent in playing various games and delicious cake and ice cream was served at the close of the evening.

"Nig" Lucas came in from his ranch about thirty miles east of Roswell Monday with a busted shoulder bone. He was roping a calf about ten days ago, and his horse fell with him in such a manner as to cause the injury. "Nig" doesn't mind a little thing like that, however, and will soon be as good as ever. In the meantime, he is visiting with his parents in Carlsbad.

SPRINGFIELD INDOOR LEAGUE Season of 1915.

The following are the scores made last week by Company B team in the Springfield Indoor League contest:

Official report for week of February 15, 1915.

Match No. 3.

Contestant	Free	Standing	Rapid	TOTALS
George J. Fredrick	43	39	48	130
Roy E. Wilkinson	42	40	44	126
Robert A. Toffelmire	42	38	45	125
Fred M. West	46	37	39	122
W. E. Baumbach	40	39	42	121

TEAM TOTALS 213 193 218 624

Five High Scores:

William Collins	44	32	43	119
John F. Roderick	38	33	46	117
Bernard F. Brown	40	28	45	113
Robert W. Finlay	41	31	41	113
John D. Stephens	41	24	41	106

The team total is only 624 as against 623 the preceding week.

However, the present weeks shoot only indicated the falling off of last week, as the team for this week made a team total of 634, which is thirty-one points higher than made heretofore in this competition.

Following are scores for the five high men in this weeks shoot, being the fourth match of the series:

Contestant	Free	Standing	Rapid	TOTALS
Charles Hoffman	47	40	49	136
W. W. Dean	46	42	47	135
Geo. J. Fredrick	44	40	50	134
Roy E. Wilkinson	45	39	48	132
William Collins	41	39	47	127

TEAM TOTALS 223 200 241 664

This brings the per cent of a perfect score up to almost 90 per cent and from improvements made, it is hoped that the 700 mark set will be reached in the next match. The interest in the shoot is increasing, there being some twenty men out to practice shoot last week after the weeks match had been fired.

Mrs. Swickard was a pleasant guest at the home of J. R. Linn Wednesday, visiting with "Grandma" Crawford. To add to the pleasure of the ladies, Mrs. Linn who is ever looking out for the welfare of the aged, invited a few friends in to eat dinner with them. The ladies had a delightful afternoon together, talking over old times.

P. Moody, arrived Tuesday, from Kansas City, with a car of registered bulls and has two more cars of registered stuff which he will receive next Monday, and have here inside of ten days. These bulls are all Herefords and all registered. Nat Roberts, Frank Jones and Arthur Mayes were purchasers of some of the last load. The others will be here by the 10th of March and can be seen at the Osborne place south of town.

Prof. Lacy Dead.

A. L. Lacy at one time principal of the Portales schools and later on, at Melrose and Willard, died February 1 at the home of his son at Dean Lake Missouri. Mrs. J. W. Armstrong is a niece of the deceased and Mrs. H. F. Hightower of this city is his daughter. Mrs. Hightower is at present in Dean Lake where she has been for some weeks in attendance at the sick bed of her father.

J. S. Oliver made a trip to Artesia Wednesday.

J. W. Thurman and son, Ivan, of Jack River, were in town this week. The gentlemen drove in contrary to their usual custom, as they generally make the trips in their car. They left Wednesday afternoon.

A regular meeting of the Carlsbad Cemetery Association will be held Wednesday of next week, March 3rd, at the R. M. Thorne furniture store, at 3:30 P. M. Let all interested be present.

In view of the treatment given by some drivers, it looks as though it might be well to organize a society for the prevention of cruelty to animals in Carlsbad.

Grady Grantman is still confined to his bed from a complication of diseases, mostly a run down condition of the general system; it is thought, in good care, he will soon recover to usual health.

Ross Middleton the recent purchaser of a hundred head of horses added several to his herd at the sale last Tuesday; the exact number is not known, but they are fine large animals.

Ross Middleton, wife and two beautiful rosy, cheeked daughters, came from Monument last Saturday and guests at the home of Mrs. Middleton's mother, Mrs. James Tulk, in North Carlsbad.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Livingston, of Carlsbad, are in the city. Mr. Livingston is one of the sixty-one candidates for the higher degrees of the Scottish Rite—Santa Fe New Mexican.

Scott Etter, president of the state board of water commissioners, arrived yesterday afternoon from Carlsbad, to attend the meeting of the board at the capital—Santa Fe New Mexican, 24th.

Edwin Stephenson was an attendant at the great hog sale at Artesia yesterday.

The sale was well patronized and about forty animals were sold at good prices. Mr. Stephenson bought a fine registered Duroc-Jersey male; one of the finest in the herd.

T. E. Williams, Charles May and L. E. Foster returned Wednesday from their trip to El Paso to meet the consulting engineers of the reclamation service. They arrived Wednesday afternoon, leaving Mr. Etter in Santa Fe.

The burial of Will Rickman, notice of whose death was in last week's Current, occurred at Chapel Hill, Tennessee, last Saturday morning. C. D. has not yet returned home but Mrs. Rickman thinks he will arrive in a few days.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Morning sermon on "Made in Heaven"; evening, "Does God Care?" Evening worship will begin with a period of special song, using only the hymns of the late Fanny Crosby. Sabbath school at 9:45 A. M. and Endeavor meeting at 6:30 P. M.

Advantage may be taken of glorious Sabbath days not for physical recreation and personal enjoyment only, but for penitent, grateful, believing, loving worship of Almighty God.

Mrs. Kennie Reed, a notice of whose illness appears in another column, is not getting along very well and last night was taken to Eddy county hospital. Her many friends are anxious for her complete recovery.

MERRY MATRONS.

The ladies of the nomenclature given above were entertained in real Cunningham style, Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Nathan Cunningham, on North Hualaguena street. The attendance was smaller than usual, some of the club ladies being out of town and others being ill and unable to attend, but the ladies undoubtedly live up to the first part of their club name and are the merriest set in town.

Mrs. Cunningham served dainty refreshments and the following ladies enjoyed them: Mesdames Hatfield, McCollum, Shannon, Owen, Bolton and E. V. Albritton, a guest.

T. J. Kindel is busy putting out Denia onion sets, on his place west of town. Up to this time he has planted upwards of 6,000 and that is but a beginning. The Kindel folk used a fine crop of this same variety of "fruit" last year and expect to greatly increase their acreage this season. They grow the sets themselves and have been more than ordinarily successful in cultivating and raising the Denia. All the working of the ground is done by hand with a small cultivator. Every time the crop is irrigated the entire field has to be covered over with the cultivator. The soil on the Kindel place seems to be specially adapted for raising nice, fat, juicy Denias.

M. E. Chorus Choir Has an Evening Out.

Last week, Thursday evening, the big choir, to the number of twenty-four, met at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wright, for a booster's meeting and a start on the new Eastertide cantata. The evening was spent more than pleasantly—the director taking charge immediately upon arrival—and everybody worked for one solid hour. Afterward the hostess, aided by Mr. and Mrs. Huston, of Loving, passed dainty refreshments of real doughnuts with holes in 'em and coffee. Then followed a big tub, pan, kettle or something, full of red apples.

On the whole, the choir report a great time and owe Mr. and Mrs. Wright many thanks.

The choir now boasts of about twenty-five members, Miss Penny is pianist, and the musical committee is composed of Claude Wright, Mrs. L. E. Ervin and Mrs. John Hartshorn; Ted Butler is director and choir leader.

NADINE.

R. W. Houston returned from Lovington Monday where he had been several days on business.

Dr. Coleborn of Tatum, N. M., did some dental work for several of our citizens the past week.

Martin Hughes returned from Plains Monday. He drove a cow for Mrs. W. R. Owen to that place.

Walter Turland was in Midland, Tex. this week for a load of supplies and to visit his daughter, all, who is there in school.

L. L. Bugg went to Midland, Texas, this week for a load of cake for H. J. McKinley.

Our friend from Monument must have meant "unsubstantiated" when she was talking of the Nadine school last week. We have as good school as you will find any where under existing conditions. Am glad to make the correction.

Messrs. Speed, merchants of Shafter Lake and Mr. Guley of Lovington, passed through Nadine recently on their way to Lovington. They got as far as P. C. Dunbar's when their car broke down and they boarded the mail car from there.

Mrs. J. L. Foley did not return to her home in Kentucky as we stated last week. Her brother is some better at this writing.

Mrs. J. T. Aubrey went up to Lovington Friday to attend the Teacher's association and attend to some business. She reports quite an enthusiastic meeting and that rapid progress is being made along the line of industrial education.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Poore accompanied by Misses Wilson and Myers passed through Nadine Sunday en route home from Lovington.

Misses Oma Wells and Geneva Miller of Knowles motored down with Elbert Shipp Sunday to visit Mrs. J. T. Aubrey.

Miss Samantha Billrey attended the teachers association at Lovington Saturday. She was accompanied by her father.

Dr. Coburn of Tatum, N. M., did some dental work for quite a few of Nadineites the past week.

Quite a number of our young people attended the Washington birthday party at the Hobbs school Monday night.

W. Houston began his proof on his land Wednesday.

Mrs. Clyde Brainard received a telegram from her family physician at Anita, Oklahoma, advising her of the serious illness of her mother, who resides on a ranch near that place. Mrs. Brainard left yesterday morning for her home. Her mother has been afflicted for some time with a leaking heart valve, and but very little hope is entertained for her complete recovery.

TEXAS CATTLE RAISERS ASSOCIATION.

San Antonio, Texas, March 9, 11, 1915. Tickets on sale March 7th, and 8th. Fare \$27.35 round trip. return limit March 14th. No stop overs allowed. Special Train from Brownwood to San Antonio, arriving San Antonio at 8:15 A. M. Standard Pullman accommodations Carlsbad to San Antonio.

Mrs. M. B. Wilson is on the sick list this week, at her home near the Grammar school. Her wide circle of friends are anxious to learn of her complete recovery.



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CARLSBAD LOCAL ITEMS

Bill Lusk has a new Case car, having sold his Hupmobile.

Guy A. Reed was in Roswell Tuesday attending to business.

Ben Dickson, wife and two children spent Tuesday in Carlsbad.

John Queen and Arthur Mayes from Malaga were in town this week.

Jess Magsby, wife and two little girls, were in town Thursday.

Mary, the little daughter of Bartlett and wife has been very ill this week.

Mrs. R. L. Halley spent a few days on the Holt ranch last week and this.

Lee Middleton came in from Queen Tuesday and spent a few days in town.

Capt. B. C. Mossman, was in town from Artesia Saturday en route to El Paso.

Mrs. John Higgins and baby returned Saturday from a week's visit in Roswell.

Mrs. Ed Lamb is visiting her father Sam Jones, on Rocky, having gone up Wednesday.

M. C. Stewart was in Santa Fe this week in attendance at the Masonic reunion there.

Burford Polk was in town Wednesday from his ranch near Queen. He reports cattle doing well.

Whit Wright, commissioner, was down from his home at Artesia this week transacting business.

H. C. Kerr, who has been gone about a month to Ohio and other eastern states returned Sunday night.

C. W. Tucker, of Carlsbad, added an Oakland six, to his garage last week, driving it home from El Paso.

Willard Bates is sporting a new five passenger Maxwell, having disposed of his large Cadillac to R. Ohnemus.

R. D. Draper, of the southwestern Coal company, came down Monday afternoon on business from Roswell.

Miss Barr, who has been in Uniontown, Missouri, for the past several months, is expected home tomorrow night.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smith and children, came in from the ranch Wednesday and spent a couple of days in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Vest returned to Silver City, Monday, after a couple of months spent with relatives in Carlsbad.

H. E. Swain and wife expect to make their home for a time, at least, in Las Cruces, leaving here for that city this week.

Rocky Arroya people turned out in force at the sale last Tuesday. It would be hard to mention anyone who wasn't there.

Messrs. Thomas, Jacks, Prickett and Johnson were in town from the lower valley near Malaga, Monday coming via automobile.

Mrs. L. H. Chapman was taken to her home at Oriental last Monday, after ten days' treatment in Eddy county hospital.

W. G. Mac Arthur and wife were in this week from their home at Monument. W. G. reports a strenuous trip to Santa Fe.

Miss Vera Clark and her brother, L. D., came in on the mail car Tuesday, and are visiting with her kinpeople the Misses Thayers.

Invitations are out for a fancy dress party at the home of W. J. Gossett given for their daughter, Violet, and her friends, tonight.

W. E. Thayer came down on the mail car last Friday and visited with home folks until Tuesday, returning to the ranch on the mail car.

Riley Dean, the youngest brother of the Dean boys, at Sanson, Texas, left for Queen last week with Dolph Shattuck in his new Ford roadster.

Monday the 22nd, being a legal holiday, both banks and the post office in this city were closed. Public school was also dismissed for the day.

O. G. Patterson and wife have rented the little cottage west of the H. I. Benson residence in west Carlsbad, and moved there this week.

FUNERAL OF MRS. GREENE.

The funeral of Mrs. Orilla Greene, who died last week, Thursday, in Fort Worth, Texas, was held from Grace church last Sunday afternoon.

The burial service of the Episcopal church beautiful in its simplicity, and the comfort it always brings to sorrowing hearts, was read by the rector, Rev. F. W. Pratt. A choir composed of Mesdames Sikes, Coffman, Fessenden and Tracy; and Messrs. Butler, Roberts, and Tracy sang Newman's "Lead, Kindly Light" and "Rock of Ages". The beautiful casket, with its wealth of flowers, was preceded by the pall-bearers: Messrs. John T. Bolton, Lucius Anderson, A. R. O'Quinn, Elliott Hendricks, and P. G. Tracy, all old friends of Mrs. Greene, who knew her in the early days when she had her home in our midst and was one of the active forces of Carlsbad society.

Interment was by the side of a little grand daughter and namesake, Orilla Gilmore, who died several years ago.

No mother was ever more tenderly loved or cared for by her children all through her life, and it seems particularly fitting that she should be laid to rest here in sight of the little city that was the scene of her greatest activities, and by the side of the little one whom she loved so dearly.

WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY TEA.

The much talked-of entertainment under the above caption, was held Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. C. Horne, under the auspices of the Baptist Ladies' Aid.

The drawing room and dining room at the Horne home was made beautiful with flags and festoons of crepe paper in red, white and blue; the ladies in charge of the refreshments being robed in the same colors. Their full bouffant skirts, and quaint little bonnets added a real colonial touch to the service, while the soft curls falling on each side of their faces reminded one very much of the pictures one used to see of women in the "good old days" before the days of narrow skirts and freak head wear.

Delightful refreshments were served—chicken salad, olives, and wafers and coffee and cake, and the guests enjoyed them to the fullest extent, while listening to old fashion music on the piano. "Massa's in the Cold, Cold Ground," "Old Black Joe," "Star Spangled Banner" and "Dixie" were beautifully rendered with Mrs. Ross at the piano. She was followed by Misses Harkey and Finlay and others. The music was one of the enjoyable features.

A beautiful doll, in colonial costume held on her arm a prettily decorated basket which held the silver offering, contributed by the callers. The offering was liberal, and the ladies are grateful to all for their assistance in making the affair a success.

"INNOCENTS ABROAD."

From Van Horn Advocate. Chas. A. May and Mr. Foster of the reclamation service passed thru Van Horn Tuesday evening, going to El Paso to attend a meeting of the reclamation service engineers.

Tom Jones and Snooks Gordon were in Van Horn a couple of days this week, looking after a ranch proposition.

Charles Tucker and Walter Pendleton of Carlsbad, New Mexico, drove into Van Horn yesterday in a big "Oakland Six," from El Paso, and are on their way to their home.

Joe Andrews and Will Owen, of Carlsbad, New Mexico, were in our city last Monday.

ELECTRICIANS AT ALBUQUERQUE.

R. M. Fessenden returned to his home in Carlsbad, Friday afternoon from Albuquerque. He reports steps taken to effect an organization of the electricians of the state, with the following officers:

President—C. M. Einhard, of Roswell.

Vice President—A. F. Van Dinze, of Albuquerque.

Secretary and Treasurer—Mr. Thiele of Roswell.

Provisions were made for a number of vice-presidents and an executive committee was also appointed.

Later on, when matters have been arranged a further report will be printed; at present, things are in a formative state.

OH, VERY WELL!

And now we see That Dr. Doepp Gives old Medical Bill A worthy rep. Well, well, why not? When all is said We all should speak Well of the dead.

—Albuquerque Herald.
Christian & Co., INSURANCE.

Mrs. J. F. Joyce and children returned Tuesday from Roswell, where they had been guests of relatives for some days. Mrs. Joyce attended the Maud Powell concert Friday night, and the Washington Masque Ball, which was given Monday night, and was one of the most successful affairs ever given in Roswell.

Misses Camille Grantham and Ruby Fay Kelley were among others who attended the Maude Powell concert at Roswell last Friday from Carlsbad.

Col. E. J. Hubbard, the auctioneer, arrived at the home of his brother, H. D. Hubbard, west of the city, Monday night. Colonel Hubbard is an auctioneer of note all over these western states. His home is in Chickasha, Oklahoma, and he left here Wednesday morning expecting to cry a sale at Oklahoma City, yesterday.

Dr. J. H. Jenkins, livestock inspector, came down from Roswell Monday to inspect a couple cars of bulls that had been shipped in here by P. Moody.

Mrs. G. M. Cooke and daughters, Misses Grace and Frances, went to Roswell Friday, to visit a few days with friends and took in the Powell concert at the Armory there.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church, will meet next Thursday afternoon at three o'clock with Mrs. John Hartshorn.

Judge Osburn spent Saturday in Roswell on legal business.

C. H. Dishman has lumber on the ground for a new garage, he now using one of his cottages for that purpose.

Tom Blackmore came down from Artesia on a business trip last Tuesday and spent the night here leaving for his home Wednesday morning.

C. N. Jones went to Santa Fe Tuesday night on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Christian, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Dean, Mr. and Mrs. John Merchant and Miss Christian, went up to Roswell Friday and after taking in the Maude-Powell concert that evening, visited there until Sunday. The trip was made via automobile.

Johnie Stewart and wife passed through the city on Thursday on their way to the plains to visit with Mrs. Tom Pendleton, Mrs. Stewart's sister.

J. A. Huston, of Loving, has just purchased a brand new Studebaker car and made his initial trip in it Sunday coming to Carlsbad to church. A number of Loving people were in town that day, among them Misses Hazel Fleming and Naomi Wallace and Mrs. G. W. Smith.

The new awning in front of the Mercantile grocery has been completed and is the first of its kind to be erected in this city. There are many good points about a stationary awning which can readily be understood, and appreciated especially in this climate, and the Mercantile company is to be congratulated on its progressiveness and business acumen.

Wm. H. Mullane, wife and daughter, Mary Elizabeth, and niece, Miss Della Gist, left in their car last Sunday for Artesia, on a short visit to friends there, returning Monday night.

Presiding Elder Allison, of Roswell, preached at the Methodist church last Sunday night and afterward conducted quarterly conference. At the latter meeting it developed that the finances of the church were in a better condition than they have been for years, all of which speaks well for the members.

Red Smith left yesterday for Pecos where he has taken a job of team and excavation work, for the Barstow Irrigation company. He expects the work to last about fifteen months.

Mrs. Sidney Gilmore, who accompanied the remains of her mother, the late Mrs. Orilla Greene, to this city, last Sunday, remains a few days in town at the home of her brother, W. T. Reed. Mrs. Gilmore is well remembered by all the old timers in Carlsbad, where she lived in her young womanhood and married.

I. J. Robb, a former resident of Carlsbad, but now living in Big Springs, Texas, was in town, a couple of days, on business, getting in Friday. Mr. Robb will probably be with us for some time, having an alfalfa farm to look after.

Dr. C. A. Walters and family and Dr. Robt. M. Church arrived from Mauray county, Tennessee, Tuesday. They will remain the balance of the winter to sample the climate. They are under the chaperonage of Mr. Flowers just because they are from Tennessee.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

The Plains Teachers' Institute met in Lovington Feb. 20th.

The meeting was called to order by Superintendent R. R. Jones, of the Lovington schools. A very interesting program had been prepared which was carried out, the different teachers responding to their assigned topics.

We were fortunate in having our State Director of Industrial Education, Miss Manette A. Myers, with us; also Superintendent W. A. Poore and wife, and Miss Willson, Supt. of Carlsbad public schools.

The talk given by Miss Myers was interesting and instructive to the teachers and she likewise was anxious to know what each teacher was doing in this particular line of work. After a round table talk the teachers felt very enthusiastic and will return to their work with a determination to do more the latter part of the year than they did in the first part.

Superintendent Poore had some words of encouragement to give us in things pertaining to the year's work, and answered many inquiries of the teachers. He said he was much encouraged by the loyalty of the plain teachers in trying to carry out suggestions from time to time. Particularly did he compliment us on what we are doing in domestic science.

The institute greatly appreciated the visit of Miss Willson, who spoke at different times and made things bear to the teachers by giving her plans and methods.

The following resolutions were voiced by the teacher-body:

"First. That we extend thanks to the school board of Lovington for the use of the school building and to the teachers for the hospitality shown to the visitors.

"Second. To Supt. James and his faculty for their efforts in making the institute a success and our visit a pleasant one.

"Third. We wish to express our appreciation to Miss Myers for what must have been a long and tiresome trip to reach us in our plains institute.

"Fourth. To our worthy Superintendent W. A. Poore for his visit which is always an inspiration to the teachers, and for his efforts to raise the standard of education in this part of Eddy county."

The following is a list of the attendance: Misses Edith Shapland, Ruby Forbes, Delia Vawter, Effie Anderson, Ida Kellough, Myrtle Yaden, Sadie Kindel, Inez Harrington, Samantha Billbre, Manette A. Myers, Nellie E. Wilson, Supt. and Mrs. W. A. Poore, Supt. James, Mr. William Billbre, Mr. J. S. Eaves, Madams Jesse T. Auburg, Jennie Wright, L. L. Coleman.

MRS. JENNIE WRIGHT,
Secretary.

Percy Schofield, an old timer here in the days when this was called Eddy, blew in this week, and was much surprised to see the improvements which have been made in the town. Mr. Schofield married after leaving here and has a family of two daughters now in California. He came here from Seattle, Washington.

Rev. J. N. S. Webb, wife and little son, were in town Sunday, returning to their home on Rocky Arroya Monday. Mrs. Webb was a visitor to the dentists while here having some ulcerated teeth extracted. Little Lance, the five-year-old was brought in for medical attention, he having burned his arm some time ago and it failing to heal as it should. Mr. Webb, owing to the above mentioned circumstances, was unable to fill his appointment at Queen, last Sunday.

Mrs. Kenney Reed is on the sick list this week at her home on the corner of Alameda and Fox streets. Mrs. Reed is justly popular in this city and her friends wish for her a speedy recovery.

S. W. McKneeley, Hon. J. D. Head and Pierce Williams, a trio of business men from Texarkana, Texas, were guests over Sunday at the Springs hotel. Mr. McKneeley is the father of Miss Lucille McKneeley one of the teachers in our grammar school.

Mrs. S. W. Williams came in last Friday from El Paso where she has been spending the past five or six weeks. Mrs. Williams is much in love with El Paso and will return there later on when she completes her business here.

Miss Vera Hines, a trained nurse, who lived in Carlsbad for many years, but is now living in Pecos, Texas, came from there last Monday, and will be in the city some weeks on professional business.

Mrs. Mary R. Miller, who left for Ft. Worth, Texas, Wednesday last week, because of the serious illness of her mother, arrived too late to see her alive. Mrs. Greene having passed away the evening before. Mrs. Miller will likely remain in Fort Worth, a few days longer before returning to Carlsbad.

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Born Wednesday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Cooper, an eight pound boy baby, the first child. "Grandma" Cooper is bearing her honors with becoming dignity, and the entire family is happy. May the little one realize their fondest anticipations.

Dr. Black with Reagan Middleton, wife and babies, from Monument, spent Wednesday in Carlsbad shopping and visiting with relatives. They made the trip in the doctor's new Ford.

L. L. Butler and wife, of Sweetwater, Texas, are in town coming last Friday, and are at the Carlsbad Springs hotel, until they find suitable rooms for housekeeping. Mr. Butler is express messenger for the Wells Fargo Co.

Dear Smith, M. Strong, John May and Joe Livingston went up to Roswell Friday. The two latter gentlemen went on to El Paso, where they remained until Tuesday morning.

Rev. H. Lowry, of the Presbyterian church returned from a visit to El Paso, getting in Tuesday afternoon. His visit was for the purpose of assisting in conducting a normal, or conference, of the various churches in the El Paso presbytery, to which Carlsbad belongs.

Mrs. Rose Murrah, of Lakewood was in town the first of the week. Mrs. Murrah reports her mother, Mrs. Hines, as failing in health, she being over eighty-years old.

Glenn Smith, of Snyder, Texas, spent three days in town leaving for his home Wednesday morning. Mr. Smith is a brother of Rex Smith, jeweler, at the Pecos Valley Drug and Jewelry store.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dave McCollum, last Sunday night, a little daughter. The parents reside in Queen, but the little one was born at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Middleton in Carlsbad.

Mrs. B. A. Nymeyer and Mrs. Ida V. Minter have been doing quite a bit of visiting this week, in and around loving. They had such a fine time that Mrs. Minter has announced her intention of making a summer's visit in that community, at a later date.

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FOR SALE.—Some fine shoats also alfalfa hay. M. L. DAVIS, Phone 202J

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A special 15 per cent off on tires and tubes this month, as we have the largest stock in Eddy county.

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Roundtrip and Southwestern Stockmen's Convention
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Tickets on sale February 28th, March 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.
Final return limit March 15th, 1915.
FARE \$29.35.

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THE ELEPHANT BUTTE DAM.

By L. K. Robbins.

The great U. S. Government Dam across the Rio Grande River at Elephant Butte, an extinct volcano, in New Mexico, is one of the largest and most important works undertaken by the United States Reclamation Service. It is intended primarily to furnish water for irrigation, although the power derived from it will be considerable. The main dimensions of the dam are as follows:

Length, 1,200 feet along roadway on top.

Elevation of parapet wall above original river level, 293.12 feet.

Maximum height from deepest excavation to top of parapet wall, 304.12 feet.

Maximum width at base, 215 feet. Width of roadway on top, 16 feet. Masonry in structure, 55,000 cubic yards.

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Some data concerning this reservoir are as follows:

Maximum depth of water near dam, 193 feet.

Average depth of water, 66 feet.

Average width of reservoir, 1 3/4 miles.

Maximum length of reservoir, 45 miles.

Shore line of reservoir, 200 miles.

Area of water surface, reservoir full, 47,000 acres.

A model town of 3,000 inhabitants was built to accommodate the army of men employed in its construction and included every modern necessity and convenience, from quarters for the men and their families and storehouses for the supplies of all description, to a hospital, two churches, three schools, a moving picture theater and jail, many of the buildings being of permanent construction.

In building this dam the very latest methods and machinery were used, among the latter being two St. Louis No. 9 Drilling Machines, driven by electric motors. They were both sold in April, 1912, and have been on the job ever since.

Christian & Co., Insurance.

SMOKE BELLEW

By JACK LONDON

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CHAPTER V.

The Stampede to Squaw Creek.

TWO months after Smoke Bellew and Shorty went after snow for a grubstake they were back in the Klondike on a hunt at Dawson. The hunting was done, the meat hauled in and sold for \$2.50 a pound, and between them they

possessed \$3,000 in gold dust and a good team of dogs. They had played in luck. Despite the fact that the gold rush had driven the game a hundred miles or more into the mountains, they had within half that distance bagged four moose in a narrow canyon.

The mystery of the strayed animals was no greater than the luck of their killers, for within the day four fair leghorn families, reporting no game in three days' journey back, camped beside them. Meat was traded for starving dogs and after a week of feeding Smoke and Shorty harvested the animals and began freighting the meat to the sugar-bush market.

The problem of the two men now was to turn their gold dust into food. The current price for flour and beans was \$1.50 a pound, but the difficulty was to find a seller. Dawson was in the throes of famine. Hundreds of men, with money, but no food, had been compelled to leave the country.

Smoke met Shorty in the warm saloon and found the latter jubilant.

"Life and no pumpkins without whiskey on sweetenin'!" was Shorty's greeting as he pulled mugs of beer from his flowing mustache and flung them rattling on to the floor. "An' I sure lost get eighteen pounds of that sweetenin'! The geezer only charged \$1 a pound for it. What luck did you have?"

"I too have but been able," Smoke answered with pride. "I bought fifty pounds of flour. And there's a man up on Squaw creek who says he'll get me five pounds more tomorrow."

"Great! Well, sure, live till the river opens. Come on in, have a drink. I just got to celebrate them eighteen pounds of sweetenin'!"

Several minutes later, as he weighed in on the gold scales for the drinks, he gave a start of recollection.

"I plumb forgot that man I was to meet in the Tivoli. He's got some spelled bacon he'll sell for a dollar and a half a pound. We can feed it to the dogs. So long."

Hardly had Shorty left the place when a fat and man entered through the double storm doors. His face lighted at sight of Smoke, who recognized him as Brock, the man whose boat they had run through the Box canyon and the White Horse rapids.

"I heard you were in town," Brock said hurriedly. "Been looking for you for half an hour. Come outside; I want to talk with you."

As they emerged Smoke drew off one mitten, lighted a match and glanced at the thermometer that hung beside the door. He remembered his naked hand hastily, as if the frost had burned him.

"What did it say?" Brock asked.

"Sixty below. An hour ago it was only 52. Don't feel me it's a stampede."

"It is," Brock whispered back confidentially. "You know Squaw creek empties in on the other side the Yukon thirty miles up?"

"Nothing doing there," was Smoke's judgment. "It was prospected years ago."

"So were all the other rich creeks. Listen! It's big, only eight to twenty feet to bedrock. There won't be a claim that doesn't run to half a million. It's a dead secret. Two or three of my close friends let me in on it. I told my wife right away that I was going to find you before I started. Now so long. My pack's hidden down the bank. In fact, when they told me they made me promise not to pull out until Dawson was asleep. You know what it means if you're seen with a stampeding outfit. Get your partner and follow. You ought to stake fourth or fifth claim from Discovery. Don't forget Squaw creek. It's the third after you pass Swede creek."

When Smoke entered the little cabin on the hillside back of Dawson he heard a heavy, familiar breathing.

"Aw, go to bed," Shorty mumbled as Smoke shook his shoulder.

"Kick into your clothes," Smoke said. "We've got to stake a couple of claims."

Shorty sat up and started to explode. "Ssh!" Smoke warned. "It's a big strike. Squaw creek. Brock gave me the tip. Shallow bedrock. Gold from the grass roots down. Come on. We'll sling a couple of tight packs together and pull out."

With small stampeding packs on their backs they closed the door behind them and started down the hill. Shorty floundered off a turn of the trail into deep snow and raised his voice in blessing of the date of the week and month and year.

"Can't you keep still?" Smoke chided. "You'll have all Dawson awake and after us."

"Huh. See the light in that cabin? An' in that one over there? An' hear that door slam? Oh, sure, Dawson's asleep. Them lights? Just burnin' their heads. They ain't stampedin'; betcher life they ain't!"

By the time they reached the main street a hundred men were in line behind them, and while they sought in the deceptive starlight for the trail that dipped down the bank to the river more men could be heard arriving. Shorty stopped and shot down the thirty foot chute into the soft snow. Smoke followed, knocking him over as he was rising to his feet. The next moment they were scrambling wildly out of the way of the hurrying bodies of those that followed.

"It's a sure stampede," Shorty decided. "Or might all them be sleep walkers?"

"We're at the head of the procession at any rate," was Smoke's answer.

"Oh, I don't know! Maybe that's a fire ahead there. Maybe they're all fireless—that one, an' that one. Look at 'em! Believe me, they're a whole string of processions ahead."

It was a mile across the jams to the

west bank of the Yukon, and candles flickered the full length of the twisting trail. Behind them—clear to the top of the bank they had descended—were more candles.

Smoke quickened and was soon at the rear of the nearest bunch of stampedeers. He counted eight men and two women in this party, and before the way across the jam ice was won he and Shorty had passed another party twenty strong.

Within a few feet of the west bank the trail swerved to the south, emerging from the jam upon smooth ice. The ice, however, was buried under several feet of fine snow. Through this the sled trail ran, a narrow ribbon of packed footing barely two feet in width. On either side one sank to his knees and deeper in the snow. The stampedeers they overtook were reluctant to give way, and often Smoke and Shorty had to plunge into the deep snow and by supreme efforts thunder past.

The average pace of the stampedeers on the smooth going was three miles and a half an hour. Smoke and Shorty were doing four and a half, though sometimes they broke into short runs and went faster.

Half hour to wait hour they alternated in setting pace. Not did they talk much. Their exertions kept them



"Get outa the way, stranger. Let somebody stampede that knows how to stampede."

Warm, though their breath froze on their faces from lips to chin, so intense was the cold that they almost continually rubbed their noses and cheeks with their mittens.

Often they thought they had reached the lead, but always they overtook more stampedeers who had started before them. Occasionally groups of men attempted to swing in behind to their pace, but invariably they were discouraged after a mile or two and disappeared in the darkness to the rear.

"We've been out on trail all winter," was Shorty's comment, "an' them geezers, soft from stayin' around their cabins, has the nerve to think they can keep our stride. Now if they was real sour doughs it'd be different."

Once Smoke lighted a match and glanced at his watch. He never repeated it for so quick was the bite of the frost on his bare hands that half an hour passed before they were again comfortable.

"Four o'clock," he said as he pulled on his mittens. "And we're already passed 300."

"Three hundred and thirty-eight," Shorty corrected. "Get outa the way, stranger. Let somebody stampede that knows how to stampede."

This latter was addressed to a man, evidently exhausted, who could no more than stumble along and who blocked the trail. This and one other were the only players out men they encountered for they were very near to the head of the stampede. Nor did they learn till afterward the horrors of that night. Exhausted men sat down to rest by the way and failed to get up again. Seven were frozen to death, while scores of amputations of toes, feet and fingers were performed in the Dawson hospitals on the survivors.

The other played out man they found a few minutes later sitting on a piece of ice beside the trail.

"Hop along, Sister Mary," Shorty gaily greeted him. "Keep movin' if you sit there you'll freeze stiff."

The man made no response, and they stopped to investigate.

"See if he's breathing," Smoke said as with bared hand, he sought through furs and woollens for the man's heart.

Shorty lifted one ear flap and bent to the ice lips. "Nary breathe," he reported.

"Nor heartbeats," said Smoke.

He mitted his hand and beat it violently for a minute before exposing it to the frost to strike a match. It was an old man, incontestably dead in the moment of illumination they saw a long gray beard massed with ice to the nose, cheeks that were white with frost and closed eyes with frost rimmed lashes frozen together.

"Come on," Shorty said, rubbing his ear. "We can't do nothin' for the old geezer."

A few minutes later, when a flaming ribbon spilled pulsating fire over the heavens, they saw on the ice a quarter of a mile ahead two forms. Beyond for a mile nothing moved.

"They're leadin' the procession," Smoke said as darkness fell again. "Come on, let's get them."

At the end of half an hour, not yet having overtaken the two in front, Shorty broke into a run. "If we catch 'em we'll never pass 'em," he panted. "Lord, what a pace they're hittin'! They're the real sour dough variety, you can stack on that."

Smoke was leading when they finally caught up, and he was glad to ease to a walk at their heels. Almost immediately he got the impression that the one nearer him was a woman. How this impression came he could not tell. Hooded and furred the dark form was as any form, yet there was a haunting sense of familiarity about it.

"How do you do, Miss Gastell?" Smoke addressed her.

"How do you do?" she answered, with a turn of the head and a quick glance. "It's too dark to see. Who are you?"

"Smoke."

She laughed in the frost, and he was certain it was the prettiest laughter he had ever heard. "How many chekaks are there behind?"

"Several thousand, I imagine. We passed over 300."

"It's the old story," she said bitterly. "The newcomers get in on the rich creeks, and the old timers, who dared and suffered and made this country get nothing. Old timers made this discovery on Squaw creek, now it looked up to the mystery, and they sent word out to all the old timers on Sea Lion. But it's ten miles farther than Dawson, and when they arrive they find the creek staked to the sky line by the Dawson chekaks."

"It is too bad," Smoke sympathized. "But I'm hanged if I know what you are going to do about it."

"I wish I could do something," she flashed back at him. "I'd like to see them all freeze on the trail or have everything terrible happen to them, so long as the Sea Lion stampede arrived first. And now, if you'll forgive my trouble, I'll save my breath, for I don't know when you and all the rest may try to pass dad and me."

No further talk passed between Joy and Smoke for an hour or so, though he noticed that for a time she and her father talked in low tones.

"I know 'em now," Shorty told Smoke. "He's old Louis Gastell, an' the real goods. That must be his kid. He come into this country so long ago they ain't nobody can recollect, an' he brought the girl with him, she only a baby."

"I don't think we'll try to pass them," Smoke said. "We're at the head of the stampede, and there are only four of us."

Another hour of silence followed during which they swung steadily along. At 7 o'clock the blackness was broken by a last display of the aurora borealis, which showed to the west a broad opening between snow clad mountains.

"Squaw creek," Joy exclaimed. "Goin' some," Shorty exulted.

It was at this point that the Dren trail, baffled by ice jams swerved abruptly across the Yukon to the east bank. And here they must leave the hard packed, main traveled trail, mount the jams and follow a dim trail but slightly packed that hovered the west bank.

Louis Gastell, leading, slipped in the darkness on the rough ice and sat up, holding his ankle in both his hands. He struggled to his feet and went on but at a slower pace and with a perceptible limp. After a few minutes he abruptly halted.

"It's no use," he said to his daughter. "I've sprained a tendon. You go ahead and stake for me as well as yourself."

"Can't we do something?" Smoke asked.

Louis Gastell shook his head. "She can stake two claims as well as one. I'll crawl over to the bank, start a fire and bandage my ankle. I'll be all right. Go on, Joy. Stake ours above the Discovery claim. It's richer high'er up."

"Here's some birch bark," Smoke said, dividing his supply equally. "We'll take care of your daughter."

Louis Gastell laughed harshly. "Thank you just the same," he said. "but she can take care of herself. Follow her and watch her."

"Do you mind if I lead?" she asked Smoke as she headed on. "I know this country better than you."

"Lead on," Smoke answered gallantly. "though I agree with you it's a darn shame all us chekaks are going to beat that Sea Lion bunch to it. Isn't there some way to shake them?"

She shook her head. "We can't hide our trail, and they'll follow it like sheep."

After a quarter of a mile she turned sharply to the west. Smoke noticed that they were going through unpacked snow, but neither he nor Shorty observed that the dim trail they had been on still led south. Had they witnessed the subsequent procedure of Louis Gastell the history of the Klondike would have been written differently, for they would have seen that old timer, no longer limping, running with his nose to the trail like a hound, following them; also they would have seen him trample and widen the turn to the fresh trail they had made to the west, and finally they would have seen him keep on the old dim trail that still led south.

A trail did run up the creek, but so slight was it that they continually lost it in the darkness. After a quarter of an hour Joy Gastell was willing to drop to the rear and let the two men take turns in breaking a way through the snow. This slowness of the leaders enabled the whole stampede to catch up, and when daylight came at 9 o'clock as far back as they could see was an

unbroken line of men. Joy's dark eyes sparkled at the sight.

"How long since we started up the creek?" she asked.

"Fully two hours," Smoke answered. "And two hours back those four," she laughed. "The stampede from Sea Lion is ahead."

A faint suspicion crossed Smoke's mind. "I don't understand," he said. "You don't? Then I'll tell you. This is Norway creek. Squaw creek is the next to the south."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER WRIT OF EXECUTION.

In the District Court, Eddy County, New Mexico.

No. 1989.
Eden & Woodwell, Plaintiffs,
vs.
G. W. Smith, Defendant.

Notice is hereby given that, under a special writ of execution issued in the above numbered and entitled case, out of said Court on the 25th day of February, 1915, I, M. C. Stewart, Sheriff of Eddy County, New Mexico, will, on the 30th day of March, 1915, at 10 o'clock A. M. at the south front door of the Court House in Carlsbad, New Mexico, offer for sale and sell at public vendue, the following described property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said writ, to wit: Lots 1, 2 and 3 and the NE 1-4 of SW 1-4 of Section 20, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, N. M. P. M., situate in Eddy County, New Mexico.

This writ of execution issued upon a judgment rendered by said Court on the 25th day of September, 1914, in a suit upon a promissory note; the amount of said judgment with interest to date of sale is \$257.50, with costs of suit amounting to \$20.95, to which will be added costs of executing this writ.

Terms of sale: Cash to the highest bidder.

Dated this 25th day of February, 1915.

M. C. STEWART,
Sheriff, Eddy County, New Mexico.

26-Feb-4

Notice of Foreclosure Sale.

No. 2086.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

T. F. Rhodes, Plaintiff,

vs.

Henry Tipton and Fannie S. Tipton, Defendants.

NOTICE is hereby given that in cause No. 2086 on the Civil Docket of the District Court, Eddy County, New Mexico, wherein T. F. Rhodes is plaintiff and Henry Tipton and Fannie S. Tipton are defendants, which is the foreclosure of a certain mortgage upon the lands hereinafter described, and in which cause final judgment was rendered on the 3rd day of December, 1914, in said court, in favor of the plaintiff as follows: For the sum of Sixteen Hundred and Thirty (\$1630.00) Dollars as principal and interest to the date of said judgment and the sum of One Hundred and Sixty-three (\$163.00) Dollars attorney's fees, which said sum of Sixteen Hundred and Thirty (\$1630.00) Dollars bears interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum and which sum of One Hundred and Sixty-three (\$163.00) Dollars bears interest at the rate of six per cent per annum from the date of said judgment, and for all costs of this suit and costs connected with this sale.

The amount of said sums, (exclusive of costs and expenses of this sale), with interest as provided in said judgment and decree to the 6th day of March, 1915, the date of sale hereinafter mentioned, is to-wit: Eighteen Hundred and Fifty-one & 87-100 Dollars (\$1851.87.)

The undersigned was in said decree appointed Special Master to sell the following described property to pay the above mentioned judgment, said property being in the County of Eddy and State of New Mexico:

The Southeast (SE 1-4) quarter of Section Twenty-four (24), Township Twenty-two (22) South of Range Twenty-seven (27) East, N. M. P. M.

together with all and singular the lands, tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining.

Therefore the undersigned will, on the 6th day of March, 1915, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the South Front Door of the Court House, (old building) in Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico, offer for sale the above described real estate, to pay and discharge said judgment and all costs

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of said suit and of this sale actually accrued and to accrue, to the highest and best bidder for cash, and notice is further given that any surplus received over and above the money sufficient to pay such judgment and costs will be paid over to the Clerk of the District Court of Eddy County, New Mexico, to be by him held, subject to the order of said court.

The terms and conditions of sale are, that the purchase price at such sale shall be paid in cash.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 30th day of January, 1915.

CHAS. H. JONES,

Feb. 5—Feb. 26 Special Master.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, United States Land Office, Roswell, New Mexico, January 19, 1915.

Notice is hereby given that the State of New Mexico, by virtue of Acts of Congress approved June 21, 1898 and June 20, 1910, and acts supplementary and amendatory thereto, has filed in this office selection lists for the following described lands:

List No. 4543. Serial No. 030024. SE 1-4 NE 1-4, NE 1-4 SE 1-4 Sec. 31 T. 21 S. R. 26 E., N. M. Mer. 80 acres.

Protests or contests against any or all of such selections may be filed in this office during the period of publication hereof, or at any time thereafter before final approval and certification.

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OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT FOR YEAR 1914.

New Mexico—Carlsbad Project.

Location and Climatic Conditions.
County: Eddy.
Townships: 18 to 24 S., Rs. 25 to 29 E., N. M. P. M.

Railroad: Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe system.

Railroad stations: Carlsbad, Otis, Loving, and Malaga.

Estimated population, 3,000.

Average elevation of irrigable area: 3,100 feet above sea level.

Average annual rainfall on irrigable area: 15 inches for 14 years; 19.04 inches for calendar year, 1914.

Range of temperature on irrigable area: 5 to 110 degrees.

Statement of Irrigation Plan.

The irrigation plan of the Carlsbad project provides for the storage of water in Lake McMillan on the Pecos River near Lakewood, New Mexico, and a storage and diversion reservoir on the same river near Carlsbad, New Mexico, controlled by Avalon dam, and the diversion of water from Avalon reservoir into a canal system, which irrigates lands on both sides of the Pecos river in the vicinity of Carlsbad. All features of this project are completed. The principal features of this project are two earth and rock fill dams; one of which has a core wall; a concrete flume or aqueduct spanning the Pecos River, having four arches or 100 feet each; a reinforced concrete siphon, six feet in diameter and 400 feet long, under Dark Canyon, about 120 miles of canals and laterals; a concrete headgate structure at each of the dams. No. 1 Spillway at Avalon dam is a concrete structure with circular cylinder gates 21 feet in diameter, which discharges water through two 100 ft. concrete lined tunnels into the river channel. Two other spillways, one of concrete and the other of earth, are at the diversion reservoir. All checkgate, spillway and headgate structures on the canals and turn-outs on the laterals are of concrete construction.

Water Supply.

The water supply for the Carlsbad project comes from the Pecos river with a drainage area of 22,000 square miles.

General Agricultural Conditions.

The area for which the service is prepared to supply water is 20,261 acres. The area irrigated during the season of 1914 was 12,690 acres. The length of the irrigation season is from March to November, and three weeks during the winter, making a total of 250 days. The character of the soil for the irrigable area is a fertile alluvium. The principal crops grown are alfalfa, cotton and miscellaneous fruit. The principal markets are Carlsbad, N. Mexico, Kansas City, Mo., Chicago, Ill., Denver, Colo., New York City, and towns in the State of Texas.

Lands Opened for Irrigation.

The dates of public notices and orders are as follows: Dec. 17, 1907; Nov. 30, 1908; June 2, 1909; Nov. 17, 1909; Oct. 7, 1910; March 13, 1911; February 17, 1912; Sept. 24, 1914.

The lands opened are located in townships 21 to 24 S., ranges 26 to 29 E., N. M. P. M. The irrigable land is all held in private ownership and amounts to 20,261 acres. Water right applications have been received for 20,273 acres, the difference of 12 acres being due to areas of less than one acre being covered by water right applications for one full acre. The limit of area for a farm unit is 160 acres. The duty of water is three acre feet per acre per annum at the farm. The building charges per acre of irrigable land are \$31 and \$45, respectively. Water right applications have been issued for 20,119 acres at the \$45 rate under public notice of February 17, 1912, and 154 acres are covered at the \$31 rate, as provided by public notice of December 17, 1907, and November 30, 1908. On December 31, 1914, the owners of approximately 17,000 acres of irrigable land had filed

to irrigation in the area itself, but the lack of condition of the canal and above and within the district contributes largely to this condition. On the small areas where closed drains were built during the winter of 1913 and 1914, the drainage lines have resulted in only partially draining the lands under these lines. Investigations have been made during the summer months to determine the best location for additional drains for these areas. There have been completed during the fall and winter months of 1914, three additional miles of concrete lining of the main canal. This will afford protection for considerable acreage of irrigated land adjacent to the section of canal concreted. This work was still in progress at the end of the year. One mile of concreted canal completed during the late winter of 1914 has resulted in lowering the water table over one farm area adjacent to that section.

Engineering Investigations.

No work has been done in checking seepage losses in the main canal during the past season. Measurements were taken to determine seepage losses on four main laterals in the gypsum district. These losses ranged from ten to eighteen per cent in distances from two to three and one-half miles. Investigations to determine the elevation of ground water and the nature of the sub-soils have been concluded on three separate areas on the project during the season. Tentative locations have been made for drainage lines as the result of these investigations.

Farm Operations.

Of the two principal crops alfalfa and cotton, cotton has showed a slight decrease in gross value per acre of that crop. While the average yield of the crop was better than last season, the price has been very low. Cotton is still being held on the project for better prices. A little has been sold at about eight cents per pound, but the value of this crop for the total yield for the season has been figured on the basis of seven cents per pound. The average price of alfalfa hay has been considerably lower than last season, but the average yield has been practically one ton per acre more than for last season. This was in spite of the fact that a great deal of hay was damaged by rains, thus causing considerable shrinkage. The yield of alfalfa has been increased largely by the application of phosphoric acid fertilizer to a majority of the farms. Fields that have produced but little heretofore have this year produced big crops of hay. Another cause of the increase in the average tonnage is the result of the fact that very little of the crop was left standing for seed. A very small acreage was devoted to the sorghum grain crops. The birds destroyed a good many small fields almost completely. There was practically no peach crop, due to the unfavorable spring weather; the months of January and February being very warm, forced the bloom early in the season and the fruit was killed by late frost. The total acreage irrigated this season was 1570 acres less than last year, but the average gross money value per acre exceeded that of last year by \$1.05. The acreage in Indian corn was somewhat larger than last season, and the average value per acre was nearly \$10 more than last season, due to larger yields.

Live Stock.

There has been no increase in the number of live stock on the farms, although an unusual large number of cattle and sheep have been fed on the farms during the winter.

Maintenance.

Maintenance work on the project

Crop	Unit of	Average	Per Acre	Per unit	TOTAL	Per
			Max.	Min.		acre
Alfalfa hay	7,637 ton	19,420	2.5	5	5	\$165,950.00
Alfalfa seed	275 lb.	18,525	67	120	30	1,684.00
Barley	5 bu.	125	25			57.00
Beets, sugar	5 ton	35	7			175.00
Cane	208 ton	657	3	5	1	4,904.00
Corn, Indian	496 bu.	12,410	25	50	10	12,410.00
Corn, sorghum	559 bu.	13,850	25	58	10	13,920.00
Cotton	1,303 lb.	359,459	276	1000	100	27,001.00
Cotton, seed	1,303 ton	360	3	1	1	4,320.00
Garden	29					1,461.00
Melons	1					70.00
Oats, hay	49 ton	31	6	1.5	4	305.00
Onions	2 lb.	26,000				562.00
Pasture	374					3,206.00
Peaches	57 lb.	20,002	351			800.00
Potatoes, sweet	4 bu.	800	200			800.00
Wheat	2 bu.	30	15			38.00

SMALL LEAKS.

We are often admonished to take care of small leaks—to keep faucets tight because the loss incident to a small leak runs up into a considerable sum.

Now it may be of interest to know just what the water loss would be from a water faucet. Let us assume that a faucet leaks to the extent of allowing the escape of two drops of water per second. In one month the leakage would amount to a little over 84 gallons. With water at 55 cents a thousand gallons, the money loss per month would be about two cents. Should the leak be in a hot-water

as been confined to the routine cleaning of the laterals and canals. There have been no accidents resulting in loss to the system. A small amount of maintenance work was necessary at the east end of the West Embankment and at the west end of the East Embankment at Lake McMillan. This work was necessary as the result of settlements in the embankments caused by holes in the bottom of the reservoir.

Structures.

The structures which are all of concrete are in first class condition. The metal parts of all of the gate structures were painted during the early part of the winter.

Operation and Maintenance Costs.

The amount estimated for operation and maintenance for the season of 1914 was \$20,300.00. This amount has been exceeded by the amount of \$883.61. During the early fall months, after the water was turned out of the system, a large portion of the time of the regular maintenance and operation force was charged to construction, which has decreased materially the maintenance and operation charge for the season.

Settlement and Development.

While a number of farms have been sold or traded during the past season, this has not resulted in materially increasing the population on the farm. A large proportion of the persons who bought or traded for farms have not yet arrived on the project. The farms are either not being farmed at all or being farmed by tenants. Quite a number of recently sold farms have been planted to alfalfa or grain during the past fall, but very few new buildings have been erected.

Collections.

The following statements show the status of the building and operation and maintenance accruals and collections on the Carlsbad Project to December 31, 1914:

Building: operation and maintenance, \$129,576.46. Collections, \$108,505.97. Outstanding, \$21,070.49.

Operation and maintenance: \$115,626.45. Collections, \$112,170.20. Outstanding, \$3,456.25.

Totals: Operation and maintenance, \$245,202.91. Collections, \$220,676.17. Outstanding, \$24,526.74.

Grand Total Collections:

Building charges \$108,505.97
Building charges advance Collections 6,768.99
Building charges, forfeited 108.50

Total \$115,383.46

Operation and Maintenance

Charges \$112,170.20
O. & M. charges, advance Collections 772.99
O. & M. charges, forfeited 85.95

Total \$113,029.14

Total Collections \$228,412.60

Land Transfers.

While it is impossible to get data concerning the exact amount of land that has changed ownership during the season, it is probably somewhere in the vicinity of 1,500 acres. There has been no material change in the value of the farm unit on the project. The average price for lands sold ranges around \$100 per acre. A small amount of raw land has been sold for less amounts.

The number of horses, mules, cattle, sheep, hogs, fowls and bees (hives) on December 31, 1914, is as follows:

Horses, 679; value \$62,105.00.
Mules, 109; value \$13,915.00.
Cattle, 672; value \$33,430.00.
Sheep, None.
Hogs, 625; value, \$5,493.00.
Fowls, 6,237; value \$3,866.00.
Bees, (hives) 1,397; value \$6,985.00.

faucet with the accompanying plumber's bill, which is notoriously not small.—Scientific American.

WAR UNDER THE SEA.

—From the March Number of Popular Mechanics.

When the three British armored cruisers "Aboukir," "Hogue," and "Cressy" were all sunk within the space of about an hour by one German submarine, the world was given a startling demonstration of the possibilities of this type of underwater fighting craft. In the subsequent fighting at sea these vessels have played such an important part as to give considerable justification to Admiral Sir Percy Scott's prediction that when submarines have been fully developed they will entirely displace the great dreadnaughts that form the principal fighting strength of the navies of the present time.

During the five years preceding the war, submarine fighting craft had been developed to a high state of efficiency. Among the new vessels, submarines had almost entirely superseded the original type that bore the name of submarine. For understanding the character of the fighting craft that has come into such prominence it is necessary to distinguish between the two types of vessels. The original submarine was designed primarily to operate under water and was far from being a seaworthy craft when cruising on the surface. These vessels were, therefore, valuable mainly for coast defense and for operations within restricted limits in connection with a fleet of warships. The submarine, while having all the underwater efficiency of the submarine, is built to operate on the surface as well, and is practically as seaworthy as a destroyer. Such vessels are capable of making long voyages and of taking the offensive independently and not simply as auxiliaries to a fleet of warships. All the later vessels, while commonly called submarines, are in

fact submersibles. The original submarines still in service are used almost exclusively for coast defense.

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KNOWLES THOUGHTS.

John Knowles, who has a homestead near town south, and has been away to Mills county, Texas, has returned to his claim, preparing to make a crop this season, and complete his time, for proving up. Mr. Knowles has been running a cannery at the latter point for several months.

Charley Elam, returned from Seminole, Texas, where his wife has been very ill with pneumonia. Her condition being somewhat improved. Mr. Elam is plowing up his farm preparing his soil for a bumper crop.

J. S. Chesnut, a prominent horse-breeder ranching seven miles west of us, was in the city last week, trying out local stock market conditions.

Ed. Irvin, one of the Gaines county cattle barons came in with a bunch of his punchers last week, on a voyage of discovery.

Mathias Willhoit, the stock-raising, horse-trading, farming-bustler of these parts, returned from Lovington, a few days ago, where he went with his hay-burners a few days previous, on a matter of business.

Mrs. Nat Huston came in from the ranch a few days ago, doing some shopping, and casually taking a glance at the growth of the town.

Charlie Frisio, formerly with the C's, now a prominent breeder of fine cattle, near Andrews, Texas, was in town last week for a few days enjoying himself. Mr. Frisio went up to the Puckett ranch to remain for a few days, visiting his mother, and will take some horses back with him when he returns to his ranch.

H. M. Bludworth, of the Scratch ranch, was in this settlement last week, in his fine Marmon car, on matters of business, pertaining to his late Dr. Black of Money-Mint, was with him to keep the big snakes from getting loose.

The Mysterious Bunch, from Bovina,

Texas, who came to town last week in the Henricious Ford car, remained here several days, without divulging their negotiations, left without saving a thing.

Mrs. O. H. Greene, was in the city last week, doing some shopping and calling on friends.

Shoulder, Baxter Culp, went to Lovington accompanied by Clabe Kyle, a few days ago, and claims he can cover more territory in his Hup and burn less oil and tube, than anything on wheels. Clabe's observation on the Olds is, it has him bested a city-block, while in the sand, and most of his territory is just a little sand, but when it comes to walking away from the bunch, he is just there with the goods.

A. J. Todd, is the first man on the plains to begin preparing his land, for a big cotton crop this season. He says he can make a crop of cotton most any year on the plains, but states he must have time to prepare his soil in proper shape to attain the desired results—his way of handling his crop will be watched with considerable interest, by other aspiring cotton raisers, and we have no doubt but that the demonstration will be of vast benefit to those not having the past experience.

The rain last Friday night was a wonder in its way, clouding up in the evening, a light rain until after midnight and then some thunder, a world of lightning, some hail, and lots of rain—the wind blowing and lifting and threatening every minute to settle in the north, it fortunately, however, decided to settle in the west, where it belongs, and it vented its fury from that direction, which although not at all pleasant, but saved many a poor cow-brute.

Col. J. S. Eaves and Major J. D. Hart, the big guns of Lovington, were in Knowles last Friday, looking up matters of interest and investigating and also investing in accordance as they saw fit, we are always pleased to see them, and extend a cordial invitation to them at all times.

(No) Count J. C. Morten, of Paris, was in the city with his bunch, last week, hilarious as usual, and if he

does not carry the accent and polish of the French nobility, we will try to get along with him, until one of the local article can be produced.

We "sorta" loose the gist of actual occurrences of the war across the water, in the late big dailies, wonder what the matter—perhaps the correspondents have all been killed off, and same the Dutch and the British flag planted right in the middle of Berlin. Next!

K. S. Teague was observed driving through Knowles last week, looking like a land-holder from Dublin—very much preoccupied with his own affairs.

Ferry Andrews, one of the old time bunch was in town for just a short space of time, attending to his own business and looking like a wise old owl.

Jim Mullane says the railroad from Van Horn, Texas, to Orange is really building, and will be partly in operation in a short time. It occurs to us, a road across the plains would be much more practical—plenty of people unlimited country, an abundance of pure water, ample resources, and what not, to say nothing of cheapest construction of anywhere, and on, what would be a through trunk line. If not, why not?

Boon Dillard, the transfer man, from Lamesa, Texas, came through last week, bringing in a big load of cottonseed for the local merchants, and on his return home, went by the way of Lovington, prospecting.

John Teague, of Logsdon, Texas, was in town in his Hup last week with the bringing in of a house, that could be purchased, but it seems that he failed to find one.

A children's entertainment was celebrated at the school house last Monday, in honor of one historically famed, George Washington. It is reported the children did themselves to a turn, showing their excellent training.

George Pruitt, whose ranch is about six miles south of town, was in among us last Monday eve, on a supply trip.

Juanita Cooley who has been sick for the past ten days, has been improving.

Mrs. Chance who has been sick all the winter, we regret to say, is improving but very slightly.

Jackson Kent, from just across the line southeast was in town after supplies and carried the tidings of a nice entertainment at Hobbs, last Monday night.

We are considerably troubled in our mind, as to what has happened to the good roads movement; even in the valley, we note there is but slight if any activity along these lines.

Somehow unusual; we need the roads and when roads can be constructed as cheaply as here, it seems some procrastinating not to take advantage of certain things before it is too late; it appears to us there should be ample money to do the necessary, provided we get in the push-cart and join the progressives in "road matters".

The time is ripe, and at our very doors, and if we fail to take advantage of it, there can be no one to blame but ourselves; there's more in it than appears on the face of it; or else, lay down, quit, and let the country go back to the Mexican spirit, and see how it will be appreciated by the home people as well as the stranger journeying through our land.

Houston, the Nadine cattle-king, and father of Leonard Houston, who is so well known in this section, was in Knowles last Monday, trying out his hand at cattle trading, and will perhaps beat Leonard's time, at that business.

The "Young Men's Party" convened in regular session at the home of Mrs. C. A. Miller last Monday night, and among those answering roll-call were the following: Misses Lottie and Brownie Willhoit, Otis, Ruby and Omaha Wells, Emma and Georgia Thornton and Geneva Miller. The question of a higher education for the younger generation, and the good roads spirit occupied almost the entire evening, after a thorough discussion, it was unanimously decided in favor of the progressives.

One of our local citizens went to Lovington this week, on account of the lumber market being somewhat off decided to do some building, and went there to do a little figuring, but, as he expresses it, they got his "hondo" and he returned home: don't know what he meant.

Rob Robison, of the Nadine country who acquired a bunch of the Leonard Huston stock, was in town this week, trying to arrange the recent mix-up, in a satisfactory manner.

W. R. Bilbrey of the Nadine country, came through Knowles this week, on his way to Lovington, with a bunch of business men, presumably cow buyers.

Martin Hughes of Nadine, remained in town last Sunday night on his return from assisting Mrs. Owen across the sand as far as Plains, Texas, on her way to Crosbyton, where she came from, to nurse her sick husband, W. R. Owen, who died last week.

E. Furgason, whose ranch is north of town, was among us last week,

doing some trading, and looking for green grass.

F. E. and J. M. Teague of the Seminole country passed the night in Knowles last Sunday; being loaded with lumber, wire and other necessary supplies, to commence the tedious job of home building, some distance north west of us. They report each of them having taken up a 320 tract, and in the future, will be neighbors to us, we trust we will see them often.

The indications are that wind mills and pumps will be very much in demand on the plains this season, or at least it has been brought to our attention; they have been appropriated in various places, by divers persons being in need of the like. "The trails littered got", and—

John Thurmond the noted contractor of these parts, has at last returned home, from Wilson, Texas, where he went some time ago, where he had a contract to erect a number of cottages. Mr. Thurmond is a fancier of game chickens, and is widely known in connection with that line of business, and has a large number of the finest that ever happened. He is now located on his home place west of town, to straighten out the bunch, and protect his last summer's crop, or rather what is left of it, rest up and entertain his friends; therefore if he gets right and sharpens his plow, we will be with him, even unto the end.

Mr. Zimmerman was over from his ranch near the brakes, last Friday, remaining all night, he hubbed the big rain, and attempted to return next day, bogged down, near the HighLone, some, and finally made a supreme effort, and got his big Chalmers started, and when she took hold jumped out of the bog, and through the fence she went. He says the man owning the fence may be some mad, but if he is, he just simply couldn't help it, and he could come over and whip him, for he couldn't prevent the accident, besides he thought it was too far over to the brakes and a man would not off before he could get there.

Mrs. L. L. Coleman and Mrs. Wright, the teachers of the Knowles school, went to Lovington last Saturday to attend the teachers meeting at that place. They report the attendance of teachers as being somewhat limited, there being only eight probably on account of the bad condition of the roads.

They however report a good attendance of local visitors—Professor Moore was there to see what was doing, and to add his aid in pulling off an interesting program; H. V. Wright took the party over and his report on the condition of the roads would read like a blood and thunder novel.

Wm. and V. F. Bolivar of the Midway country, were among the merchants last week, doing some necessary trading, after several months hard labor on the range, and went away satisfied to let the world wag, as it will.

R. E. L. Estes, one of the progressive stock farmers of the plains, located about eight miles west, was in town to tell us about it, in accordance with his views, and we are with him to a T.

Chas. Cox, the popular pool hall and barber shop man, of Lamesa, Tex., moved his outfit to Knowles, during the past week, and leased the room formerly occupied by the Bank, and as the best location in town, and the swellest place on the plains. Mr. Cox's reputation in his former home, is enviable, his place of business always being conducted in a first class and orderly manner, and his neighbors very much regret his departure from among their midst. He will no doubt receive the patronage due him in business and the courtesies in private life, consistent with his record in his former home, and we trust he will find his home here, all that he expected.

We trust the local correspondent of the Sedars of ye-far-off-land, will be fully and duly rewarded, for his able services. We are however pleased at the "nigger in the wood pile" at the other end of the line in an unexpected place, was not asleep, and we are indebted to him for not being altogether in the dark, as to evident intent. Ye shades of De-book-a-sha, with all due respect to J. Rufus Wallingford, well, yes, perhaps, some day, "umhum".

A big dance was pulled off last Friday night at Shafter Lake, and the only thing that prevented a large attendance from this point, was the fact that the boys were unable to get away from the cows that are constantly requiring immediate attention at this particular time, and on the short notice which they received they were unable to make the necessary arrangements, to enable them to accept the invitation. Perhaps next time they will meet with a different response. Mr. Richardson was the bearer of the glad tidings. Regrets.

The boys of the community were agreeably surprised last Friday eve, by the unexpected arrival of John Warren, who has always been one of the most popular boys on the plains, and who recently decided to throw in with the citizenship of Carlsbad, and has made investments there, and is well pleased with his move, to the

city on the Pecos. The king of the western rivers. He says it looks good to him—says he loves his friends and old stamping grounds on the plains, but his business interests call him, and is compelled to return after a limited stay, but we have his promise to visit us again at the first opportunity.

A. J. Heard who is sticking close to his cows this winter, was in town, for just a minute, and as he says, just come after the mail.

Buck Walker, of Lamesa, Texas, and C. E. Rollins, of Seminole, Texas, the Hup agents made a run into Knowles this week, demonstrating the excellent qualities and speed of their choice of a car, and saying out possible prospects of a sale.

Uncle John Snow and John Henderson, old residents of the Lovington district, were in town last Tuesday, trying to locate a house that could be appropriated at bargain counter-price, same to be moved to the new district opened up for settlement north west of us. It seems, however, they failed to locate what was satisfactory to them, and they returned home. They state that the lumber market seems to be some off, but that it has not cut any ice with their local dealers.

J. A. Mosley the farm demonstrator of these parts was in town last Monday talking about the productive qualities of this soil, and the excellent returns, that can be obtained, provided you will furnish the necessary elbow-grease.

P. S. Bennett a noted politician, diplomatically inclined, whose ranch is a few miles north of town, was in last Tuesday, and as usual looking after business to his interest.

Two new school districts are the latest fad, and while we sympathize with them, and we fully realize the fact that these people are very inconveniently located, and should have a school by all means, there is, however, another side to the question. There are at this time, several other just such districts near by, which have a teacher, with an attendance of from three to seven scholars and some days. In the meantime the teachers working, are holding their warrants, on account of insufficient funds, which perhaps is an indication of no school at all, when the new districts are organized. It is not the intent to knock any proposition of merit, in these columns, but as we see it, it seems better to us to have one school, than not to have any school at all. What do "you" think?

MALAGA ITEMS.

G. B. Moritzky, who has been visiting at the C. H. Billings home the past week, returned to his home in Kansas last Saturday.

Our Sunday school is certainly increasing in numbers, each teacher has about all that can be taught well, and the school room is well filled, each Sunday.

The little baby of Mr. and Mrs. John Plowman, that was so sick last week, is getting along very nicely.

The men working on the government work are all busy again this week. We hope the good weather will last.

Mr. and Mrs. Ringer and five children from Kansas, are here to make their home, so we understand. At the present time they are staying at his sisters, Mrs. John Prickett.

C. H. Billings was called away on the last of the week.

Dr. Max Helm, wife and children were among the passengers going north Monday morning. Mrs. Helm will visit some of her folks in El Paso, Texas, before she joins her husband in Old Mexico, where he is to practice.

Frank Howard was home Sunday for a few hours returning to Carlsbad Sunday afternoon.

Miss Bertie Beeman accompanied by Miss Inez Hatfield, spent Saturday Sunday and Monday with the folks at home.

Miss Hughes, who has been at the John Plowman home, left for Carlsbad Saturday evening.

Mrs. Tom Middleton of Queen who has been at the home of her sister, Mrs. Clyde Egbert, for some time, was a passenger going north Monday evening.

L. N. Hoag of Hagerman, was in town this last week looking after business interests.

Monday being Washington's birthday, most of the schools had a holiday, ours included.

C. W. Beeman sold and loaded a car of hay Wednesday of this week for points south of here.

John Queen and Arthur Mayes went to Carlsbad Wednesday of this week.

The Harroun Land company are busy unloading a car of lumber at this place.

A good many changes are being made in Malaga this spring.

Mr. Ford and family will move north, and C. R. Helm will live in the house of Mr. Ford's in town. Clyde Egbert will live on Mr. Helm's farm, and Mr. Lenard of Loving, has rented Mr. Egbert's place.

At the last state board meeting at Santa Fe, N. M., the Malaga high

school was accredited a place in the two year class. We have good schools and are much pleased to hear this.

LOVING LOCALS.

Mr. Swigart and Mr. Collins, the latter an insurance man from Deures, were in Loving Wednesday looking after business.

Geo. E. Dudley has returned to Loving after spending the winter in Denver. Mr. Dudley is making preparations to remove his apiary to the upper part of the valley.

Messrs. John Queen and Arthur Mayes came up from Malaga Saturday for the day.

Mr. Ernest Rudeen and Mr. Bruchner were in town from the Otis district Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Huston went up to Carlsbad Friday afternoon, returning Saturday in a new Studebaker 30 five-passenger, purchased through Jos. C. Bunch.

R. E. Tucker and Oscar Weaver went to Carlsbad Saturday in the latter's car.

Mr. Nehriann, who some time ago bought the old Pomer place, came in this morning with his family from Missouri.

Mr. Traylor, of Artesia, is again in our midst buying hay for the Artesia mill.

Dr. Lackey and Mr. Harris were in Loving Sunday.

Charles Tucker was in Loving Saturday visiting with the home folks.

Ward Lackey left on the south bound train Monday morning on a business trip to Arkansas.

The Home Missionary Society gave a most charming tea on Monday 22nd, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hughes. This palatial country home was decorated throughout in the national colors. There were various sources of amusement for the many guests assembled. Each young lady was awarded a lover's knot in the colors and each young man a tiny flag for a boutonniere. At a seasonable hour the guests were invited into the dining room where an elegant five-course dinner was served. The table and refreshments also bore the color scheme throughout. The guests at last at a late hour departed each of them feeling indebted to this society and Mr. and Mrs. Hughes for a most delightful evening.

Mr. Sixes and Mr. Lewis made a lying trip to Loving Monday.

The pupils of the public school rendered a patriotic program on Washington's birthday anniversary which was attended by a number of the patrons of the school. The entertainment reflected quite a good deal of credit on the teachers as well as the pupils.

John Harvey has been in Loving this week assessing taxes.

A black face comedian with his banjo, songs and jokes, furnished amusement for the grown ups as well as the children Wednesday evening at the school house.

Mrs. R. A. Nymeyer and Mrs. Minter came down on the train Thursday morning to spend the day with Mrs. Jno. Nymeyer and family.

Charles Tucker and Ovie Reeves were in town for a few hours Thursday.

Frank Walker who was called to his old home in Selma, Mo., two weeks ago on account of the illness of his father, returned Thursday morning. He left his father very much improved.

QUEEN ITEMS.

Queen, N. M., Feb. 23.—At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Buford Polk on Saturday evening last, the young people of the mountains were very pleasantly entertained. The entertainment was formal, but the host and hostess had spared no effort nor expense in preparing everything that would contribute to the real pleasure of the guests. One thing in particular was a ten o'clock dinner of all kinds of good things in which everybody participated and enjoyed to the fullest extent.

Mrs. Wyatt, daughter of Henry Clark, whose home is in Arizona, and who has been visiting her husband's people in Seminole, Texas, is spending a few days with her father and mother on her way home. Miss Gertie Wyatt is accompanying her, and Miss Vera Clark, her sister, is going to leave the mountains and go with her to Arizona.

School is progressing nicely so far. The painting of all the furniture adds much to the beauty inside the school room, and the cleaning and beautifying of the grounds for flower culture this spring makes it a pleasant place.

Some very unusual weather came last Friday night. Thunder and lightning and a downpour of rain. This is unusual for this country, they say, at this season of the year.

We are glad to note that Mrs. Leo Middleton, who was seriously ill for some months, has fully recovered; and made her appearance once more at Sunday school, yesterday.

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