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# The Carlisbad Current

TWENTY-THIRD YEAR.

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## WALTER THAYER GONE

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT AT  
HIS RANCH WHILE  
UNSADDLING  
HORSE.

DARK CANON PIONEER.

Walter E. Thayer an Old Cowman of  
Eddy County. Employed by John  
Chisum in 1878. Story of an  
Indian Chase on the Plains  
And a Battle on the  
Mountain.

The friends of the Thayer family  
and especially those of W. E. Thayer  
were pained and shocked Wednesday  
afternoon when Ralph, son of Mr.  
Thayer, rode into town and made  
known to all who knew him that his  
father had been accidentally shot and  
killed at his home in Dark Canon.

The facts as stated by Ralph are  
as follows:

Wednesday morning about 6:30,  
Mr. Thayer started out horseback for  
his pasture to feed some old, poor  
cows. Ralph and "Punk" Ward started  
to hunt saddle horses. A young  
man named Columbus Boggett went to  
work in the field hauling away brush  
that had been pruned off the orchard.  
About 8 o'clock Boggett heard a shot  
but as there had been considerable  
shooting at hawks and other varmints  
around the ranch he paid no attention  
to it. About 8:30 or 9 he went to  
the house for a drink of water there  
being no water in the ditch the flood  
having washed away the flume. After  
getting a drink he looked down toward  
the corral and noticed a saddle on the  
ground near it what appeared to be  
Mr. Thayer stretched out. He  
went down and upon examination  
found that Mr. Thayer was dead. He  
at once saddled a horse and went to  
hunt for Ralph having first covered  
the body with a blanket. Ralph and  
Punk came in shortly, or at about  
10:00 and found Les Davis who had  
come in and he started to Queen  
to notify the people while  
he started for Carlisbad. He managed  
to ride to Carlisbad in four hours or  
less arriving here at 2 p. m., changing  
horses six times on the road.  
He changed at the house, then at  
Hess ranch with Boggett, then at  
Mr. Hamilton who had a horse leading  
behind a wagon, then with Snooks  
Gordon at the windmill, then he met  
Ross Middleton who unharnessed a  
work team and rode one giving Ralph  
the other and went to John Can-  
trell's at the Byrne place where  
they changed and came to town.  
Ralph stated that his father was riding  
a horse that was very mean and  
much of a fool about a gun  
and that the Winchester that had been  
in a scabbard was lying about four  
feet from his father's body. The shot  
from the Winchester entered the left  
pivotal and came out under the right  
shoulder blade, showing that Mr.  
Thayer must have grabbed for the  
gun in some way either while the  
horse was pitching or after it was  
thrown out of the scabbard and the  
gun was discharged the bullet striking  
as stated.

As soon as possible after the arrival  
of Ralph, Mrs. Thayer, who was at  
the funeral of Mrs. Fuller, was notifi-  
ed and with all the family of children  
was almost prostrated by the  
blow, coming as it did so suddenly.  
Four cars started immediately for  
the ranch one in which Undertaker  
Thorne and Dr. Lackey rode, driven by  
Chas. Tucker. Joe Livingston and W.  
E. Owen went in Joe's car. Mrs.  
Thayer was accompanied by Mrs. Sam  
Smith and Mrs. Ares, in a car driven  
by E. W. Waite. Carl Livingston, R.  
W. Tansill, Jr., and Green and Bujac  
went in Carl's car.

The inquest, which was held by  
E. B. Lyon the justice of the peace of  
the Queen precinct was to the effect  
that deceased came to his death by a  
bullet from a 30-30 Winchester acci-  
dentally fired by himself while unsad-  
dling his horse or putting his gun  
away.

After a full examination by the  
physician the body was properly cared  
for and the return trip made by sev-  
eral of the party, Mr. Tucker driving  
between 11 and 1 in the night, while  
Messrs. Thorne and Waite came a lit-  
tle slower. The roads are terrible but  
by careful driving the experienced  
drivers made exceptional time. Joe  
Livingston was the only one to meet  
with a mishap having broken his crank  
case and with Mr. Owen was picked  
up by E. W. Waite. Yesterday Mr.  
Thorne started with the casket in a  
car driven by Chas. Tucker. Among  
the others who went up yesterday  
were, Mrs. J. F. Joyce, Patsie Witt,  
Mrs. Sikes, Edith Beach, Ross Middle-  
ton, Ralph Thayer and all the Thayer  
children, Ned Shattuck and others.  
It was decided to hold the funeral  
at the ranch it having been the re-  
quest of deceased that he be buried  
in the home cemetery where many of  
his friends repose, so the funeral was  
held there at two p. m. yesterday.  
The Mountain people all turned out

and the funeral was one of the largest  
ever held in the country.

### Biographical.

Walter Edward Thayer was born in  
Oakland, Maryland, October 9, 1853,  
where he received a liberal education,  
graduating in 1872, at the age of  
nineteen from Baltimore college. He  
at once left for the far west going to  
Texas. He was one of a family of  
five, three sons and two daughters,  
his brothers being, Charles, of Globe,  
Ariz., Frederick, of Oakland, Mary-  
land, and the sisters being Mrs. L.  
T. Waters, of Oakland, and Mrs. Jen-  
nie Johnson, of Oakland, Md. His sis-  
ters and one brother are older and the  
sisters and brothers in Globe,  
Arizona, wired that on account of  
their age and consequent disability  
they were not able to stand the trip  
here to attend the funeral. The brother  
in Oakland could not get away at  
once but wired he would come as soon  
as possible.

Mr. Thayer was the father of the  
following children, two boys and six  
girls: Ralph, Julia, (Mrs. C. W.  
Tucker) Eula, Mabel, Virginia, Wal-  
ter Edward, Mary and Florence.

The following biographical sketch  
was published ten years ago next June  
the 19th, among sketches of old tim-  
ers of Eddy county and was dictated  
to the editor of this paper at the time  
by Mr. Thayer and published in the  
New Mexico Sun which also contains  
the biographies of many others:

Walter Thayer, the Dark canon  
stockman came to New Mexico from  
Maverick county, Texas, in 1878, and  
immediately secured employment with  
John Chisum, the then cattle king of  
this section. This was at the break-  
ing out of the Lincoln county war and  
at the time that "Billy the Kid" had  
sworn vengeance against John  
Chisum, and all his friends, because  
he claimed Chisum owed him money  
for work.

Mr. Thayer was sent, by Chisum,  
to Arizona with a drove of cattle. This  
was in 1878 in the fall. He returned  
during the winter and in the spring  
of 1878 he was sent to Canadian,  
Texas, with 7,000 cows and calves.  
James Chisum having charge of the  
outfit, returning in the fall. When he  
returned the fall of 1879, though the  
county war had ended. The fall of  
1880, Mr. Thayer went to work for  
Henry L. Van Wyck, at Bosque  
Grande.

After working one winter Mr.  
Thayer helped move the cattle down  
from Bosque Grande to a point just  
about where the Avalon dam now is.  
While driving the cattle down the  
spring of 1881 the Indians stole all  
the saddle horses and work mules ex-  
cept three head of saddle horses which  
were tied to rustle the stock on.  
A messenger was sent over to Seven  
Rivers where mounts were obtained,  
for the party, and the trail of the  
Indians struck. Mr. Thayer only re-  
members the names of seven out of  
ten of the party who struck out after  
the Indians. They were Messrs. Van  
Dyke, Joe Nash, Buck Powell, Tom  
Walker, Jno. Edwards, E. Thayer and  
Fred Alberdine. They pursued the  
thieving Indians in a southeasterly  
course for thirty hours when from  
lack of water they were compelled to  
quit the trail, which had been followed  
by moon light, as well as by day  
light, until the horses were nearly  
dead for water. Some distance after  
leaving the trail Tom Walker's horse  
died and Tom got on behind Thayer.  
Two other horses died shortly after,  
but by doubling up and leaving the  
saddles the party reached the Pecos,  
at Pierce canon, about day light next  
morning, having traveled in hot weath-  
er for forty-eight hours, through  
sand and without water. The posse was  
traveling through an unknown coun-  
try at that time seldom, if ever, visit-  
ing Pierce canon they threw in with Mr.  
M. L. Pierce and rested up for two  
or three days. In about ten days the  
Indians came in to Pierce's ranch and  
stole him out. He then went to Fort  
Davis and got some thirty soldiers  
who came up the Pecos and took the  
trail of the Indians.

After the soldiers had followed the  
trail around from Pierce canon to Five  
Wells, Four Lakes and Mescalero  
Springs over on the east side, the  
trail crossed the Pecos at the mouth  
of the Felis. Thayer and Walker  
joined the soldiers at this point with  
whom Joe Nash and M. L. Pierce had  
accompanied from Pierce canon. The  
whole party went up to the Mescalero  
reservation and found all the stock,  
recovering every head, about sixty sad-  
dle horses and work mules. Though  
the saddle horses were poor and their  
backs tore up, they all recruited in a  
few months.

Mr. Thayer continued to work for  
Van Wyck, until the summer of 1882.  
December 22 and 23, 1881, a party  
of Indians came down from the reser-  
vation and stole Mr. Ashby's horses  
from near the head of Rocky Arroyo.  
A party was immediately organized to  
follow them consisting of Pete Corn,  
Mart Fanning, Mr. Ashby and son, Mr.  
Eubank, Alberdine, Jim Whitaker, Jno.  
Edwards, Cal Oats, and Mr. Thayer.  
They struck the trail on Rocky and  
followed it up Last Chance to the rim  
rock and into the head of Dark canon,  
where they found the Indians. The  
old man Ashby divided his squad in  
three parties, sending Corn and Thayer  
to the right, two more to the left  
and four followed up the ridge.

After getting close to the Indians  
they opened fire, the whole squad get-  
ting together and shooting at the In-  
dians. After fifty or sixty shots, the  
whites changed location and kept up  
the battle for a couple of hours. They  
finally dislodged the Indians and cap-  
tured six horses, returning home,  
Mr. Ashby afterward got most of his  
horses up at the reservation.

This season he opened up what is  
known as the old Barber place, on  
Rocky, ranching there two or three  
years and sold out to Gordon Bros.

In 1885 he took up what is now the  
Sam Jones ranch and in 1883 he was  
married to Mrs. Robt. Edwards, who  
died the following year.

In 1891 he was married to Miss  
Ollie Shattuck, daughter of Capt.  
Shattuck.

Some time 1898 Mr. Thayer purchased  
from F. E. Downs the beautiful ranch  
upon which he now resides, about forty-  
five miles from town, up in Dark  
Canon. This is one of the most elegant  
homes in Eddy county with a  
sparkling stream of mountain water  
issuing from a big spring up in Dark  
canon. His irrigated land is divided  
in fruit, alfalfa, garden and grain.

His twelve acre orchard is one of  
the finest in the west, the apples being  
the finest brought to Carlisbad.  
He has also engaged to some extent  
in growing fine stock of which he has  
quite a number of Herefords and Red  
Polls.

Way back, sometime in the early  
days, Mr. Thayer started the X  
brand, of which brand a man cannot  
get out of sight of anywhere on the  
west side between the head of Black  
river and the drift fence above Seven  
rivers.

## ROBERT LEE EZELL

Death of Well Known Carlisbad boy—  
Graduate of the High School.  
Many Friends Here.

Robert Ezell was brought to Carlis-  
bad last Friday evening by his father  
and twin brother, Rupert, suffering  
from a partial paralytic stroke in one  
side. He was carried to the Eddy  
county hospital where he was a suffer-  
er until death claimed his own.  
Thursday morning, April 22nd, at 8:30  
A. M. Robert Ezell was twenty-six  
years, born in Bandera, Texas,  
June 15th, 1889. Moved from Texas  
here in 1897 with his parents when a  
small boy. Finished grammar school  
and graduated from the high school  
in Carlisbad with the class of 1910. In  
1911 Mr. Ezell, his father, moved ac-  
ross the state line where they have  
since made their home. Robert own-

Carlisbad, on the east side of the Pe-  
cos which was out of its banks com-  
pelling the trip to be made on the  
east side of the river. They arrived  
in Carlisbad at five yesterday after-  
noon. The funeral is in progress as we  
go to press having been set at three  
thirty from the Methodist church.

New officers for the year of the La-  
dies Aid Society of the Presbyterian  
church are as follows:  
Mrs. R. M. Thorne, president.  
Mrs. J. F. Rarey, vice president.  
Mrs. J. E. Wallace, secretary.  
Mrs. Robt. Hunsick, treasurer.

### Pat Middleton Ill.

All last week Pat Middleton at Ava-  
lon dam was confined to bed with  
sciatic rheumatism. His son, Ver-  
non, who was with the crew on the  
silt survey at McMillan, was sum-  
moned home, and is looking after the  
gates and water during the critical  
time of high water. Vernon has had  
a varied experience with reclamation  
work and looks after things in a busi-  
ness way. Pat is no better this week.  
His many friends hope to hear of im-  
provement shortly.

Fourteen refugees from the flood  
spent Sunday night and Monday at  
the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hart  
at the stand pipe among them were,  
Mrs. Dibble Clark, Mrs. T. C. John-  
son, agents wife, Mrs. Bob Christian,  
railroad employee here, Mrs. Sweet-  
land and children, Mrs. Oliver and  
three children, and Mrs. T. M. John-  
son.

## MRS. MARY C. FULLER

Mother of George M. Williams, Mrs.  
Wm. Hannah and Sister of  
Lucas Brothers—Good  
Woman Gone.

Many people of Carlisbad were  
grieved to learn of the passing away  
of a good woman, Mrs. Mary Cath-  
arine Fuller, who will be keenly missed  
by all who count themselves her  
friends. Death occurred late Satur-  
day afternoon, about five o'clock. She  
was a native of Texas, born at Mc-  
Kinney, Collins county, and moved to  
Missouri, when twelve years of age.  
Married to John J. Williams June 30th,  
1868 in Kansas City. To this union  
five children, three boys, Robert J.  
of Tonopah, Nev., George M. Williams,  
of this city, John Williams, of Dou-  
glas, Ariz., and two daughters, Mrs.  
Wm. Hannah, a resident of Carlisbad,  
and Mrs. B. F. Dulaney, of Colorado.

You will Need a  
**Spring Tonic and Blood Purifier**  
for that  
**TIRED FEELING**  
A bottle of Pensular Sarsapilla with  
Potassium Iodide will do the work.  
**The Eddy Drug Store**  
Drugs—Pensular Remedies—Sundries

ed and ran the city garage at Pecos  
until about a month ago he came home  
for a rest. For a month he has not  
been well, but was taken very ill  
two weeks ago and not improving any  
his father and brother brought him to  
Carlisbad where a consultation was  
held. He was suffering from auto  
intoxication from which he never rallied.  
Mr. Ezell returned to their  
home Wednesday bringing Mrs. Ezell  
and his mother Mrs. Jennings, an  
aged lady 76 years old, Mrs. W. M.  
Horn, their only daughter, and Mar-  
tion, the youngest son.

A car was to bring Clinton Ezell  
and family from Porterville, leaving  
here Wednesday at one o'clock. He  
leaves a father, mother and aged  
brother, three sons and a daughter,  
sister living, two sisters dead, one  
aged four years and one dying in in-  
fancy. Robert was a young man of  
fine qualities and physique, had a  
promising future, had no bad habits,  
and a member of the Methodist church  
counted his friends by the score, old  
and young alike, and owed not any  
man. The current joins all in sym-  
pathy for sorrowing family and the  
heart broken mother in their great  
affliction.

Walter Pendleton, who went with his  
car for Clinton Ezell, experienced a  
most strenuous time for the late rain  
had washed all the roads away and he  
was compelled to take across the coun-  
try and worked all night going ten  
miles, arriving at the Bill Ross ranch  
at six-thirty in the morning and from  
there phoned over to Clinton who was  
ready when Walt got there. Clinton  
resides eleven miles east of Oria, Tex.,  
about seventy miles south-east of

Texas, all of which are living and  
met for the first time, all together,  
in thirty-two years last Sunday night.

Mrs. Fuller was one of a family of  
nine, a sister of the Lucas brothers.  
There were six boys and three girls  
of this family. Their grand mother  
lived to be ninety-one years old, lived  
to see all of her children but one  
buried. Mrs. Fuller was the first to  
go to Carlisbad about fifteen years ago  
to visit her brothers, lived in Globe, Ariz-  
ona, about fifteen months. Mr. Full-  
er died in Arizona about 12 years  
ago. She was married to D. W. Full-  
er in 1893, and there were no chil-  
dren from this union. Mrs. Fuller  
has lived here about twelve years. She  
was an active woman, all her life.  
She died in her own home near her  
daughter, Mrs. Hannah. The little  
home was planned and built by the  
loving hands of her children as she  
felt independent and did not want to  
be a burden, but to be near them and  
have a nest of her own to chat with  
her children and friends and enjoy her  
grand children. Mrs. Fuller has been  
in ill health for a number of years,  
made a trip to Texas to try the cli-  
mate at the home of her daughter and  
sister, but soon returned planned her  
little home and lived there comfort-  
ably until she died. She was confined  
to her bed about ten days, during her  
illness she told her daughter, Mrs.  
Hannah, that she would never be well  
again and mentioned things that she  
wished them to do.

The funeral services were held at  
Grace church at 2:30 Wednesday  
many friends and relatives being pres-  
ent.

## GREAT PECOS FLOOD

The body lay in a beautiful casket  
surrounded by many floral tributes  
from friends and relatives. Those  
from the Elks and Odd Fellows be-  
ing very beautiful.

The burial services of the Episcopal  
church read by F. W. Pratt, brought  
comfort to the hearts of the sor-  
rowing, and the songs were reassuring  
and held promises for the future.

Interment was made at the Carlis-  
bad cemetery. The pall bearers se-  
lected from old friends and neighbors,  
were: Dr. A. A. Bearup, Julian Smith,  
A. G. Shelby, R. L. Bates, Will Craig  
and Wm. H. Mulfine.

### ROSWELL GOES TOLERABLE WET.

The Hondo Lets Loose in Good Old  
Fashioned Way and There is  
Poor Time for Methodists.

### STREETS HAVE AN OPEN WAY OF WATER FOR MANY HOURS

Crest of the Flood Has Been Reached  
and Element Began to Slowly  
Recede at Noon—Notes  
of Day.

### Saturday's Roswell News.

Roswell went wet this morning.  
It was by an overwhelming major-  
ity, too.

Telephone messages from Tinnie  
and other points up the Hondo late  
last evening had prepared the minds  
of the people for much wetness, and  
the practical certainty that there  
would be a spill over, all right.

It began about daylight, when the  
first trickles began running over the  
banks, and in the course of an hour  
business picked up over quite a large  
area.

Some residences had water as high  
as the floors of the living rooms, and  
some of the more timid residents  
moved to higher ground.

Only a few of the business houses  
had a call from the water. Among  
them were the Roswell News company  
which is the last business house on  
Main street. Water invaded the en-  
tire plant to varying depths, and for  
several hours it was an open ques-  
tion whether it would rise high enough  
to stop the motors and prevent any  
kind of a paper being issued.

Some warehouse stocks were dam-  
aged, just how much it is not possi-  
ble to say, but it will not be con-  
siderable, as there was ample warn-  
ing, and everybody lifted their stuff  
as high as they could.

The people took it good humored-  
ly, although a few unfamiliar with  
conditions were unduly alarmed, and  
splashed through it all with total dis-  
regard for wet feet and such like.

The hardest worked class was at  
the central telephone office, where  
the girls staid steadily at the board  
the full force of them all day long,  
and even at that had a hard time an-  
swering the calls.

The cause of the flood was as usual  
the inability of the diversion works  
to carry most of the water into the  
Hondo reservoir, and a partial giv-  
ing away of the said diversion lines  
—a deluge down Rocky Arroyo.  
That is the water together with the  
heavy rain of the early evening (1.70  
of an inch) that did all of the damage.  
The canal works held staunchly but  
were simply unable to receive all of  
the water, thus again pointing the  
way to one of the reforms of the fu-  
ture.

### Side Lights of the Flood.

The most comical was to see presi-  
dents of big concerns who had nearly  
forgotten how to drive a span of  
mules, pose for the many picture  
films present. For instance W. A.  
Johnson, president of the Roswell  
Hardware company and president of  
the Retailers and Business Mens' as-  
sociation, drove his span of mules us-  
ually little by a Mexican.

The little Fords were much in evi-  
dence and plowed through the waters  
in the streets just like ducks.

Many jovial, good natured jokes  
were played. For instance a promi-  
nent attorney wanted to go across the  
street but hated to get his feet wet.  
A couple of fellows would carry him  
out into the middle of the street and  
threaten to throw him in—but they  
didn't.

There were more than a dozen boats  
plowing through the waters and sev-  
eral of them hitched to autos.

People who ordinarily would not  
venture out after a light shower walk-  
ed right through the waters and  
laughed.

### The South Spring bridge went out this morning.

### Christian & Co. INSURANCE.

The county commissioners Beeman  
and Woodwell accompanied by Fred  
Dearborne of the county road board,  
taken by Prof. Poore, visited the  
bridge at Dayton across the Pecos  
and the bridge across the Pecos at  
Artesia which was benefitted by the  
high water the flood having built a  
dike to the bridge and washed the  
channel out under the bridge. The  
commissioners have notified the state  
engineer and he will make the bridge  
another visit and will, no doubt now  
advise the bridge remain where it is.

NOTARY PUBLIC at the Current  
office. Notary always in.

## WATER HIGHER IN THE PECOS THAN EVER KNOWN

MANY SKIDDOW FOR HILLS, BUT  
DAMS ARE SAFE.

Last Friday night the heaviest rain  
for many years fell in Carlisbad, the  
government rain gauge showing 2.65  
precipitation. That night the river  
rose to about twenty-two feet above  
normal and the water came close to  
the rails of the railway near Green  
street bridge. Saturday the river fell  
to about eleven feet at the bridge.  
Friday night Dark canyon was out of  
its banks and Saturday rain fell all  
day. Hackberry, the first draw south  
of town was all over the flats and  
washed away about twenty pigs and  
shots for E. Stephenson besides con-  
siderable fencing for all the farmers  
of Hackberry draw. Sunday a re-  
port came by Tom Pope from Mc-  
Millan reservoir that the water had  
cut under the dam and that the dam  
would go. Coming as it did from so  
reliable a source no one thought there  
could be a mistake and if McMillan  
went many thought there would be  
danger of Avalon going also and as  
night was coming on many went to the  
hills while others carried out bedding  
and food and came back to town to  
await developments. At ten o'clock  
word came from Project Manager Fos-  
ter who had gone up to McMillan that  
the danger to that dam was not ser-  
ious, and that with the work done by  
a crew of men had saved the dam  
and the water at Avalon would be  
under control for the night. People  
generally went to bed and the scare  
was over. There is no doubt that the  
rock wall in the center of the Mc-  
Millan dam saved the structure and  
the water going through went under  
the rock wall of the dam the  
back being in the earth north of the  
wall and on the north side of the  
dam.

Mr. L. E. Foster's employee in charge  
of the silt survey, Mr. E. C. Koppen,  
was the first to notice the leak in  
the dam and at once rushed all his  
crew and as many men as he could  
find to the leak, filling sacks with  
earth and gravel and placing them in  
the cavity, 1,400 sacks full being put  
in very quick. By efficient work under  
the direction of Mr. Koppen the leak  
was held and finally the water com-  
menced to lower and the dam was  
saved. The officials of the Pecos Wa-  
ter Users Association are loud in praise  
of the action taken by the reclamation  
employee and the president of the  
association at once addressed the fol-  
lowing letter to him:

Carlisbad, N. M., April 20, 1915.  
E. C. Koppen,  
My dear Mr. Koppen:  
I wish to express to you the  
grateful thanks of our Project farm-  
ers for the very efficient work done  
by you and your men Sunday after-  
noon, April 18th, 1915, in stopping the  
leaks in McMillan dam.

Your promptness in executing the  
necessary work saved the government  
and the farmers a great loss and per-  
haps the town of Carlisbad from a  
great disaster. I congratulate you on  
your ability to recognize an emer-  
gency and meet it straight off the bat.  
It will afford me great pleasure to  
inform Secretary Lane of your good  
work for our farmers that Sabbath  
afternoon. Kindly convey to your  
men our thanks for their strenuous  
and effective work in our behalf.  
Hoping you may have abundant suc-  
cess in all your future undertakings,  
I remain,

Sincerely yours,

W. B. WILSON,

President of the Water Users  
Association.

A portion of the railway bridge  
was taken away which held the mail  
from Thursday night until Monday  
night though Saturday a transfer of  
letter mail was made. The mail car-  
rier for Queen found Dark Canyon  
a raging torrent and of course was  
unable to cross and he brought the  
mail back and again tried to make it  
Tuesday but again failed, the Can-  
yon being impassable. He will en-  
deavor to carry the mail on pack  
horses until the road can be found or  
the place where it was once.

Rocky Arroyo also was not to be  
outdone in reputation for terrible  
floods and Friday night rose to a  
point far above what was ever known  
by the oldest inhabitants, and there  
are some on Rocky that section being  
the homes of the Jones' family who  
are the oldest of the old settlers. Sam  
Jones got scared and when he does  
others better get to the hills. The  
bridge on Rocky was completely wash-  
ed away and the road up the arroyo  
rendered impassable. In fact every  
stream and arroyo on the Pecos slope  
was a torrent for hours Friday night  
and many were up all day Saturday.  
From accounts from Black river and  
the Delaware those streams were al-  
so out of their banks but the railway  
did not suffer as much as at Carlis-  
bad and north. The railway bridge  
across Dark canyon was damaged so  
it was impossible to get trains across  
as yet.

Christian & Co. INSURANCE.



## COUNTY NEWS ITEMS

**ABSOLUTELY RELIABLE NEWS  
GATHERED BY THE LIVE  
WIRES OF THE CUR-  
RENT.**

### PERHAPS IT'S KNOWLES.

P. W. Cook, the old resident, was in this town last week, passing jocular remarks with his friends, concerning the weather and they found his predictions to be correct.

Mrs. Fred Robison visited Mrs. O'Neal for several days last week.

Cesar Miller saddled up his steed last week in search of a horse some silver in it and believe me, he shore landed him.

Ranger Means, of the Meiton pasture west of us was in Knowles last Saturday loading up on very desirable supplies.

Mrs. Joe Pung, braved the storm last week by hooking up her buggy, and coming to town and attending to her business, same as if nothing at all was happening.

Johan Beards of the western district was in the city last week, enjoying the game for a spell.

Well, yes, the roads on the Plains are about all any one could well wish, for, provided you don't care what you say, and just stay at home.

Wagoner Hardin made a swimming trip to the Tom Ross ranch in Gaines county, in his boat, last week, he claims it's a good duck.

Captain T. Shipp and Nat Huston made a business trip to the Heard ranch last Friday.

The trip made north a few miles, in the borrowed car, was not altogether appreciated.

Cleve Arnold was in Knowles last Friday, came after a load of corn, to be taken to Horse Camp for Barber & Holt. Cleve reports that cattle conditions have materially improved.

It is commonly reported that John L. Toole has perhaps disposed of the half section he bought from Pearl Gribb a few days ago. Also of the NE 1/4 of Section 11, formerly owned by Ed. Wright to Mrs. Jim Blackwell.

Thunder and lightning, accompanied by heavy rain, was the leading feature in early April. Going some, for dry country like the Plains.

Mechanic Minus Clardy was in town last week doing up some much needed difficult work in his line to a queen's taste.

C. M. Breckon, whose place is about eight miles south, was in town last Thursday and reports a very heavy hail storm in that section during the early part of the week which caused considerable damage. Great numbers of them as large, and some larger, than hen's eggs, which almost totally destroyed his splendid fruit prospect. Mr. Breckon perhaps has the finest orchard on the plains and up to date. He was making the best showing of any year since he has been in the business. The loss is very much regretted in the community for the showing was hard to equal in any country.

The heavy rains last Thursday and Friday made all the car drivers set up and take care, as to the manner of their driving and especially common sense speed.

John Friley, manager of the J. M. Bradford interests of Big Springs, Texas, was a visitor in Knowles last week, attending to business and enjoying the canals they call roads.

Professor Barlow, former manager of the Hotel Knowles, was a visitor for several days. He reports that he has been running a thrashing machine during the entire winter between Big Springs and Lamesa.

Captain Hughes from Abilene, Texas, of the Ed. S. Hughes Hardware company, made his regular run in this section last week, and same as usual did a world of business in his line, for he always finds a warm welcome awaiting him, wherever he goes.

Ophelia Cox returned from Lamesa, Texas, last Thursday, where he has been visiting his family. He reports the heaviest rains in that section for many years.

Before the leaves begin to turn, some folks may have plenty of business of their own to occupy all their time and attention.

Mr. and Mrs. Norcutt of Dawson county, Texas, remained in Knowles a couple of days last week. They recently disposed of their ranch twenty miles southwest of Lamesa and are traveling in this section looking up a more suitable location. Their desire is to put in a horse ranch.

Burks Becks was a caller in Knowles last week, accompanied by a load of prospectors from Lovington.

Messrs. Robins, Snodgrass and Sherman came in from Floydada, in company with Top Heard last week. They claim they are in the market for 500 young mules. They remained for the night and went west next day, scouting the country for anything that might please them.

James Wheeler, the burro driver, from the Lovington country, returned from Midland last week with an exceptionally big load of gas, and relieved the death in that line.

Messrs. Seward and Levette, Lynn county speculators, were in the vicinity last week, expressing themselves as willing to buy anything that suited at half price. We have an idea there was nothing that changed hands.

We oft time take in the guff, of some, telling about having the best carload, but believe me, they all go wrong at times, with no apparent reason unless it's the "mule that's in 'em".

Charlie Adams of Carlsbad accompanied by Mr. Green of San Angelo, and G. Oscar of Oklahoma City, passed through Knowles last Saturday in Mr. Adams' car, on their way to the Willis Johnson pasture, near Angelo, it being the latter's intention to clean up his sheep interests in that section by shipping to market.

H. V. Wright went out west last week and dehorned cattle for Dock

Townsend, Stage Shell and Charley Musick. H. V. is an expert in this line.

Charley Miller is arranging to plant a hundred acres in forage this spring so as to be certain of the safety of his cattle next winter. He has profited by past experience and is settling an example which is hoped many will follow and avoid uncalled for losses.

Mrs. C. A. Miller and daughter, Geneva, and Mrs. Annie Robison, went to Lovington last week, visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Medlin, who has been quite sick for some weeks. She is reported somewhat improved.

We are some times classed as a "bone head" and some times we really think they are right.

R. S. Teague has been planning to put in an exceptionally large crop, this season, but he states that the continued heavy rains have checked him to the extent of seriously hindering him in his preparations but perhaps the shortage in the acreage will be made up in the returns with a good season.

Roy Fevler the young cattle raiser from the west, was in the city astride his bronc, by his lonely last week, just tending to business.

The appearances are that the projected motor way, from Lamesa, Texas, may be built, through this section and will be a saving of considerable time in transporting merchandise.

The report is their price will be 40 cents per hundred. If there's anything in it, looks like the valley has overlooked a bet by passing up this proposition, for this territory's trade really belongs to Carlsbad. Seems like a chance for it to get away—what do you know?

Mrs. A. A. Smith who was a resident here for several years, but has been away for the two past years, has just returned here to remain indefinitely.

Bud Thrasher, a Lamesaite, arrived in Knowles last Tuesday, and is looking around sounding future prospects and will perhaps locate on the plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Judkins arrived here from Carlsbad last Sunday evening and passed the night at the Hotel Knowles. They were in their big Locomobile with a trailer, and were well hooked up for touring the country, being on their way east, probably as far as Indiana. Their car develops 90 horse power, but the oceans of water they struck in this section hampered their movements to a considerable extent, causing them to change their routing from Lubbock to the Midland route.

Corporal McReynolds loaded his outfit last Monday morning, and hiked it on his way to Lubbock.

A whole bunch of those concerned in Uncle Sam's land movements left these parts last Monday bound for Roswell to keep in touch with the old gentleman and see what disposition he will make with the nesters which settled so promiscuously on their various ranges.

Jim Williams who is well known in this section was reported very ill, at his home in Seminole, last Monday.

Georgia Thornton has been on the sick list for some days past, but at present writing is recovering very nicely.

The brone buster, J. T. Hawkins, who ranches a few miles west of us, was in the city last Saturday, the appearances are that he has almost entirely recovered from his recent sick spell.

J. J. Teague returned from Lamesa last Monday and reports the Lamesa-Seminole canal as being brim full and in fact running over in many places.

The Henry Teague child who has been dangerously ill for several weeks is reported to be improving at this time.

The report is that Carlsbad is plentifully supplied with water at the present stage of the game we are not advised as to the amount and hope there was no damage although the report is there will be no mail for some days.

Tom Ross of Trixie, Texas, and Mr. Criswell of Brownfield, were business callers in Knowles town last Tuesday.

Nat Roberts pulled into town last Tuesday morn, with his hayburners claims there was no chance for his boat to float over the ocean twist his ranch and this oasis.

Capt. Sim Eaves, the amiable financier of the Lovington district, passed through Knowles last Monday, returning home from Kansas City, where he has been for some days attending to business. Sim says he got through just in time to keep from being water bound on the Pecos.

**COMPANY B ORDERS.**  
All members of Company B, 1st Infantry, N. M. N. G., are hereby ordered to report at the Armory for regular drill on Wednesday night, April 28th, 1915, at 7:45 o'clock.

At this drill the marksmanship badges earned last season will be presented to the men entitled to same, and every man is warned to be present to receive this badge in person while in uniform.

This does not, however, excuse from this drill any member of the Company not entitled to a marksmanship badge, and any non-commissioned officer absenting himself from this drill without excuse will be liable to reduction to ranks without further notice.

Wm. W. DEAN.

**THE LIFE OF A PATENT.**  
A United States letters patent remains in force for a period of seventeen years from the date when it is formally issued. After the expiration of the patent the invention becomes public property and may be used by anybody without a license from the inventor.

An extension of the seventeen-year period for which a patent is granted may only be obtained by a special act of congress, and it is needless to state that such extensions are of very rare occurrence.

**NOTARY PUBLIC at the Current office. Notary always in.**

## Bankruptcy In the Court of Love

A Story For New Year's Day.

By WILLARD MALTBIE

"Bella," said Mr. Dudley to his daughter on the 31st of December, handing her a birthday present and giving her a kiss, "don't you think that a girl of nineteen is old enough to set the tone and take some thought for the future?"

"I certainly do, papa."

"Today you begin a new year in your life, and tomorrow you begin a new year of the calendar. Suppose you do some thinking as to your actions during the past few years, make up your mind as to what is necessary to your case and form such resolutions as may seem essential to your future happiness."

"Tell me what you think necessary." "The main thing I have in mind is this: The most important event in a woman's life—so I consider it—is her marriage—that is, if she is to be a wife. I have noticed in you an unfortunate propensity to regard those things which are preliminaries—in this country, where people usually marry for love—to the union of a man and woman, with the consequent rearing of a family, very much as you would consider a game of tennis."

"This, my daughter, is all wrong. Love is nearer akin to divinity than any other part of our nature. It is serious—very serious. I, your mother, your brothers and sisters, we who form a group so closely cemented, are held together by this one element in the composition of life—love."

"Oh, papa, how beautifully you talk!" A shadow passed over the father's face, realizing from this remark that he had not produced the impression he desired. He was turning away disappointed when his daughter caught his hand.

"Really, papa, explain what you mean, and I will do what you wish me to do."

"Well, then, to come down to plain language, stop flirting."

"Oh, that's what you are driving at!" "Yes. Tomorrow morning when you wake up refreshed after a good sleep think over your treatment of worthy and worthless young men, which is based merely on your fancy, and make a resolution that if you have any encouragement to bestow upon any one of them it will be given to some one who should you marry him and you are now at a marriageable age will make you a worthy husband, one you can be proud of before the world."

Bella sat musing.

"A penny for your thoughts," said her father.

"I was thinking that tomorrow morning will be a better time to make such resolutions than now."

"Why so?"

"Well, tonight I go to the Seymours. What has that to do with resolutions?"

"Why, Jimmy Halliday will be there, and yesterday, just because I accepted a rose from Tom Erskine, he passed me on the street, pretending he didn't see me."

"Well?"

"Why, papa, you don't think I'm going to stand that, do you?"

"Do you care especially for Halliday?"

"Care for him? Of course not."

"Then why should you trouble yourself about him?"

"Oh, papa, how stupid you are! You don't understand such things at all. I will give Jimmy tonight as good as he has given me. Tomorrow morning I will make my resolutions."

"My resolutions?"

"I mean that I will reform as you desire."

Her father, who adored her, gave her another kiss and left her, feeling that his words had been without effect. Not so Bella. She had really been impressed but not for such general reasons as had been mentioned by her father.

Far down in the bottom of her heart was a soft spot into which a certain quiet, reserved young man, Edward Corwin by name, had settled himself without asking her permission. She had treated him in accordance with her usual methods, with the result that he had locked himself up—to speak figuratively—and all her efforts to get at him had signally failed.

Miss Dudley passed the evening of the 31st of December at Seymours, danced the cotillion with Tom Erskine, failed to favor Jimmy Halliday, smiled on Elliott Tracks and sat out a figure with Fred Swords, when she made up a spat with him, throwing him into ecstasies. Then, when all were assembled about a round table feasting the new year in, she exchanged bouquets with Bob Sparkies, receiving a pop that had nearly died out. As for Ed Corwin, he was not present.

On New Year's morning Bella awoke, and, looking at a tiny clock on a bracket, saw that it was 11 o'clock. Then she remembered her New Year's resolutions, and a troubled expression passed over her young face. New Year's morning was not so good a time for reform as she had supposed. A flower lay on a table that she had accepted graciously from Erskine, and she had agreed to go on with him for

a ride at 3 in the afternoon. Halliday had been brought to his senses—so she considered it—and had received permission to call at 4 for the purpose of making a humble apology. Sparkies was due in the evening to say something very particular, but since Swords was also expected she did not see how he would have an opportunity.

Bella was very much ashamed of herself. It was easy for her to make resolutions, but how was she to keep them? Her resolutions were largely dependent upon freedom from temptation. But she had provided temptations that would beset her all the afternoon and evening of New Year's day.

To make matters worse, she remembered several other engagements she had made with young men the day before the evening spent with the Seymours.

The word bankruptcy is usually considered to pertain to financial matters. Nevertheless there are a great many kinds of bankruptcy. There is social bankruptcy, where one is swamped with invitations; there is bankruptcy in one having assumed more duties than he can attend to. Miss Dudley's bankruptcy was that she had permitted too many young men to believe that there was a possibility for each of winning her. It occurred to her that the first resolution she should make was to apply for a discharge in the court of love. After such discharge she might make her resolutions not to become further involved.

Suddenly an idea occurred to her. She would simply "fall." She had heard of merchants failing, which she understood to mean that they simply lay down and let the throng of creditors pour over them. She would cut all her engagements—every one of them.

But how escape them? Flight occurred to her—ignominious flight. But flight alone was repugnant to her nature. Then she considered keeping her appointment with one of her suitors. No; that wouldn't do at all. Next came an idea of making a brand new engagement. She lay for some time turning this last proposition over in her mind, then made one fundamental resolution upon which a superstructure of good intent should be based.

It was 12 o'clock noon on New Year's day. Edward Corwin, lawyer, had been spending the morning in his room at home over an intricate case that he was obliged to work out and was thinking about luncheon when there came a ring at the telephone.

"Mr. Corwin" came a woman's voice.

"Yes, I am Corwin. Who is it?"

"Bella Dudley."

"Oh, Miss Dudley! Happy New Year!"

"Same to you."

There was a brief pause, after which Miss Dudley proceeded: "This is a fine, sunny day. I suppose you are free on a holiday? It seems a pity to stay in the house with nothing to do. I wish they would revive calling."

"I am disappointed for the afternoon."

"How would you like to drive me in the runabout?"

"Very much. But I am surprised that you have no engagement for today."

"If I told you that I have a lot of them and propose to break them all for you you wouldn't believe me."

"And if you told me you had had no opportunity to make them I wouldn't believe you."

"True. Therefore never mind my engagements. Come at 3 o'clock and we'll have a spin."

"I'll be with you, most assuredly."

"One moment, please."

"A dozen, if you like."

"I would prefer to dine somewhere. Suppose we go to Summerset and dine at the Antlers. That would suit me if it will not be too cold for you coming back at night. Summerset is thirty miles, you know."

"I'll stand the cold."

"Very well. Summerset it is, with dinner at the Antlers, 3 o'clock. We'll go round by Turnersville."

"That will be fine. Goodbye."

"Goodbye."

"Bella," said Mr. Dudley on the morning of the 2d of January, "didn't you find it cold riding last night?"

"We had plenty of robes."

"What time did you get home?"

"About 10 o'clock."

"Several young men called in the afternoon," said Mrs. Dudley, "and two in the evening. They all seemed disappointed in not finding you."

"Did they mention, please, your coffee?"

When the family rose from the breakfast table Bella told her father that she had something to say to him and, taking his hand, affectionately led him into the library.

"Papa," she said, "I've reformed."

"How long will the reformation last?"

"Always. I'm engaged."

"Engaged?"

"Yes, engaged."

"For how long?"

"Forever."

"To whom?"

"Mr. Corwin."

The father embraced her.

"Do you believe the engagement will stick?" asked Bella.

"Yes," said the father.

"Why this man more than the others?"

"The others were Tom, Dick and Harry. This is Mr. Corwin. But how did you figure it out so quickly, sweet heart?"

"I concluded to go into bankruptcy in the court of love. But, realizing that I would get in the same fix again, I concluded to marry the man I really want and remove temptation."

However, that had the same result as bankruptcy, for marriage gives a clearance for all outstanding love debts.

# NO ALUM in Dr. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

Mr. J. F. Hart bought a couple of pigs in the fall, two weighing 15 pounds, killed one in December and kept one until recently. He kept the last pig 151 days. It dressed 152 pounds, got 10 1-2 pounds of lard and enjoyed some good home made sausage.

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### COMPANY B MARKSMANSHIP BADGES

On Wednesday night, April 28th, there will be a formal presentation of marksmanship badges to members of Company B for proficiency on the outdoor rifle range last season, and all citizens of Carlsbad and vicinity are invited to be present. This will be at the Armory at 8 o'clock, Wednesday night.

Captain Dean has just received from the Adjutant General's office thirty-five badges earned by Company B men last year—thirty-one badges for rifle shooting and four pistol badges. These are the regulation marksmanship badges authorized and issued by the War Department as insignia of proficiency in marksmanship in the National Guard and differ only from those issued to members of the regular army in that the militia badges are bronze while the regular army badges are silver.

During last season's target work 12 men attained the highest grade on the rifle range, that of expert riflemen, 11 the next highest grade, that of Sharpshooters, while about the same number made the grade of marksmen, and a few others the lower grades. In pistol practice out of five men in the company entitled to fire the pistol one man made first-class man and three second-class man, this being the first season that the regulation Colts Automatic cal. 45 pistol has been used by Company B.

The earning of these thirty-five badges represents a lot of hard work on the part of the men earning them, and the boys are justly proud of their badges, and in fact everyone interested in the Company is proud of the record made last year.

It is the plan to make the presentation of these badges something of a ceremony, and an invitation is extended to the public to be present at the Armory next Wednesday night as guests. The Mayor, Judge J. W. Armstrong, will formally present the badges, but only to the men in ranks and in uniform.

Miss Agnes Hart Wilson of Washington is the guest in San Antonio of Mrs. L. Allbright. Miss Wilson is a daughter of Secretary of Commerce and Labor Wilson of the President's Cabinet, and, as her mother is an invalid, is the official Cabinet lady of the secretary's household. She is widely known, of course, in social circles in Washington and equally well known and much beloved in philanthropic circles as is her distinguished father, who was chairman of the House Labor Committee. Miss Wilson was her father's secretary during that time. During the years when Mrs. Allbright, formerly Miss Fern Ragdale, and her mother were in Washington, they and the members of the Wilson family became fast friends, and Mrs. Allbright has frequently visited in their home since.

Miss Wilson has visited Mrs. Allbright in the South before when she was with her aunt, Mrs. Jackson of Natchez, Miss. Mrs. Allbright is a daughter of Mrs. W. J. Barber, of Carlsbad, N. M., and a niece of J. H. Ragdale of this city.—San Antonio Daily Express.

## PERCHERON STALLION



### NAPOLEON

"Valle-Vista Rancho, Carlsbad, Ed- dy county, New Mexico, March 22nd, 1915."

"Urralde Bros. Co., Carlsbad, New Mexico."

"Gentlemen:—

"The 'Percheron' colt 'Prince Fungo Napoleon Bonaparte' which you purchased from us should prove to be a stallion of exceptional merit. Being sired by Jason (Registered No. 22363 in stud book of the Percheron Society of America) this makes your colt a grandson of Moreri, winner of the first prize over all the champion Percherons of the world at the Columbian Exposition in Chicago. Greluchet (11333) was the sire of Joan D' Arc (18553) who was Jason's dam. Greluchet was sired by Brilliant 3rd. (11116) the greatest horse France ever produced."

"Prince Fungo Napoleon Bonaparte was foaled May 15th, 1912, by a grey 7-8 Percheron mare of 17 1-2 hands height, of exceptional large flat bone and who would weigh considerably over a ton in show flesh."

"Both sire and dam of your colt are remarkably sure breeders—which fact coupled with his long line of pure blood, should give you every reason to be proud of Prince Fungo, and to expect him to sire you many fine colts."

"Yours truly,

"G. F. SCHNEIDER & SON."

Color: Brown  
Weight 1,600

WILL MAKE THE SEASON OF 1915 AT MY PLACE IN LA HUERTA.

TERMS:

\$8.00 BY THE SEASON. MONEY DUE WHEN MADE IS BREED. \$15.00 TO INSURE LIVING COLT. MONEY DUE WHEN COLT STANDS UP AND SUCKS.

R. F. MADERA



# EDDY COUNTY BOARD

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this 5th day of April, A. D. 1915, the Board of County Commissioners of Eddy County, New Mexico met in regular session, at which meeting the following proceedings were had:

Present: C. W. Beeman, Chairman.  
W. H. Woodwell, Commissioner from District No. 1.

Whit Wright, Commissioner from District No. 3.

R. B. Armstrong, deputy sheriff.  
E. M. Kearney, deputy county clerk.

Four petitions signed by citizens and taxpayers of Eddy County requesting the county commissioners to appropriate \$1,600 from the general county fund for the purpose of securing a farm county adviser, or county agent, having been presented.

It was moved and carried that the Board cooperate with the state Agricultural college to the extent of \$1600.00 per annum.

Mr. S. D. Stennis, Jr., presented to the Board a certified check for fifteen hundred (\$1500.00) dollars to the Board of county commissioners of Eddy County, New Mexico, signed by C. F. Hutchings and stated that he was authorized to pay said money to the county commissioners upon the terms set forth in a receipt which he requested to be signed by the board of county commissioners thru its chairman and attested by the clerk.

It was moved and carried that said amount be received and that the chairman and clerk be authorized to execute the receipt which is in words and figures as follows:

April 5, 1915.

Received of C. F. Hutchings, certified check No. 344 for fifteen hundred (\$1500.00) dollars, drawn by C. F. Hutchings upon the Pioneer Trust Company, dated April 2nd, 1915, which check is drawn to the order of the board of county commissioners of Eddy County, New Mexico.

This amount is received upon the following terms: So much thereof as may be necessary for that purpose is to be used in paying one third of the cost of moving the bridge now located across the Pecos river almost due east of Artesia, New Mexico, to a new site across the Pecos river approximately on the half section line of section thirty six (36) township sixteen (16) south of range twenty-six (26) east N. M. P. M., the cost of moving said bridge shall be ascertained as follows, from the amount of the bid accepted by the county commissioners for moving said bridge is to be deducted twelve hundred (\$1200.00) dollars for salvage and the sum then remaining to be the basis for calculating said one third cost.

This amount is further accepted upon the condition that said work of moving the bridge aforesaid will be proceeded with as rapidly as it is legally possible to do so and upon completion of the work should one third of the cost as above mentioned amount to less than fifteen hundred (\$1500.00) dollars, then and in that event the difference will be refunded to C. F. Hutchings.

It is further received with the understanding that this work will be proceeded with in good faith without delay and this part of the understanding is of the essence of the contract and should this condition be broken the fifteen hundred (\$1500.00) dollars will be returned to said C. F. Hutchings.

(Signed) C. W. BEEMAN, Chairman.

A. R. O'QUINN, County Clerk.

A representative of the Panama-California Exposition presented a resolution asking for the donation of \$1000.00. Upon motion by Mr. Wright that said resolution be adopted same was lost for want of a second.

It was moved and carried that J. B. Cecil be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Horticultural Board for three years from the Artesia district term and that Bryant Williams be appointed for the two year term from Hope district and that said board is hereby instructed and ordered to strictly enforce the Horticultural law.

Whereupon the Board adjourned until tomorrow April 6th, 1915.

C. W. BEEMAN, Chairman.

A. R. O'QUINN, County Clerk.

LIST OF CLAIMS.

List of claims paid by the Board of County Commissioners since February 9th, 1915.

W. H. Harroun, registration board \$ 3.00

R. D. Bruce, registration board 3.00

W. O. Weaver, registration board 3.00

J. H. Miles, registration board 3.00

M. B. Needham, registration board 3.00

Kinnear Mfg. Co., supplies 144.60

Hart Crouch, auto hire 20.00

R. D. Brown, salary for Jan. and Feb. 60.00

John T. Bolton, stamps 36.42

Finlay-Pratt Hardware Co., plumbing and repair 474.89

The Commerce Trust Company, assignee, part payment on amount due Midland Bridge Company 700.00

Wallace & Pond, labor and materials 205.85

L. O. Pullen, official services 102.11

R. M. Thorne, interest on furniture 18.10

Public Utilities Co., electric lights and interest 241.05

William Herzog, work on court house yard 45.00

Elliott & Berry Engineering Co., balance due and interest 680.09

Campbell Bros., payment on C. H. addition cost 1000.00

Hart Crouch, livery hire 11.50

Harry Carder, official services 109.00

T. J. Stagner, justice of the peace fees 20.45

J. B. Cecil, official services 133.00

W. E. Evans, official services 17.31

P. C. Getawiller, official services 9.70

P. C. Getawiller, official services 11.25

Geo. T. Kitchens, assignee, official services 17.85

Will Purdy, supplies 6.50

B. F. St. Johns, road viewer 2.00

J. F. Flowers, supplies 1.65

Artesia Advocate, publishing 19.87

W. H. Woodwell, official bond of W. A. Poore 8.00

Eddy County Hospital, keep of pauper 30.00

A. B. Dick and Co., office supplies 4.75

New Mexico State Penn., keep of prisoner 21.00

New Mexico State Penn., keep of prisoner 23.25

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Frank H. Richards, justice of the peace, fees 66.40

E. L. Humphreys, viewing road New Mexico Printing Co., book of tax deeds 11.00

M. C. Woods, official services 100.00

Miss M. C. Woods, official services 51.45

H. G. Muldrow, janitor 75.00

Miss M. C. Woods, official services 27.20

A. G. Shelby Co., merchandise and coal 54.50

A. B. Dick & Co., office supplies 5.20

Lone Miller, witness fees in J. P. court 6.00

Jose Valdez, witness fees in J. P. court 2.40

J. C. Estlack, publishing notice A. B. Dick & Co., office supplies 2.04

Lakewood Progress, supplies 4.00

Reyes Yturbe, interpreting fees for J. P. court 21.00

J. C. Estlack, registration board E. O. Carson, registration board 2.00

W. W. Dean, stenographic services 3.00

Carlsbad Automobile Co., auto hire 3.00

Carlsbad Argus, carbon paper and subscription 41.00

Wallace & Pond, labor and material 2.50

H. H. Dilley, repairs on adding machine 8.95

John T. Bolton, stamps 56.35

F. E. Little, work on court house yard 1.00

F. E. Little, work on court house yard 154.94

William Herzog, work on court house yard 265.50

Whit Wright, salary and expenses 113.25

Whit Wright, bond and premium 45.00

C. W. Beeman, salary and expenses 46.58

H. G. Muldrow, salary as janitor 12.50

Roy S. Waller, cash advanced and expenses 352.15

Roy S. Waller, list of notes and mortgages 75.00

W. H. Woodwell, expenses 49.75

W. H. Woodwell, salary 59.00

G. H. Schreiber, work on typewriter 65.05

New Mexico State Penn., keeping prisoners 78.30

Public Utilities Co., bridge lights and services 6.00

Rocky Mt. Bank Note Co., supplies 390.88

Eddy County Hospital, board and room 5.70

Levington Leader, publications 30.00

Remington Typewriter Co., supplies 9.41

A. E. Bailey, balance on salary 77.39

Worrell Mfg. Co., mdse. 660.80

C. Russell, medical services 190.00

Commerce Trust Co., assg. bal. on account 48.50

J. E. Reeves, witness fees 1.70

H. D. Hill, witness fees 1.70

Carlsbad Current, blanks 18.00

H. H. Dilley, repairs 1.00

W. A. Moore, insurance premium 28.40

Ben Solis, interpreting fees 2.00

John W. Armstrong, salary 150.00

Felix Miller, viewing road 2.00

Francis Nutt, stenographic services 10.00

R. M. Thorne, desk 13.50

Fred Cleveland, labor 4.00

J. D. Walker, interpreter 12.00

Ferd A. Berry, J. P. fees 4.95

R. M. Thorne undertaking pauper 22.00

Newkirk Printing Co., subscription 3.00

E. C. Cooke, viewing road 2.00

Jim Baker, constable fees 12.83

Underwood Typewriter Co type writer 20.00

E. L. Brewer, J. P. fees 31.75

Town of Carlsbad, sewer 40.00

The Baum Bros. Co., supplies 85.00

B. A. Nymeyer, salary 635.00

Geo. Cohen, paint sign 3.75

Christian and Co., bond premium 17.50

James M. Wood, printing 45.00

Pecos Valley Lumber Co., coal 147.75

L. S. Clardy, wild animal bounty 8.00

J. H. Allen, wild animal bounty 12.00

W. F. Cochran, refund on liquor license 56.85

T. P. Bingham, justice of the peace fees 51.90

National Bank of Carlsbad, annual interest 75.00

Roy S. Waller, salary and deputy hire 1885.40

W. M. Walterscheid, trees 20.65

W. H. Merchant, stamps 257.68

W. H. Merchant, salary 725.79

J. T. Cooper, salary 300.00

Hubert Ryan, salary 300.00

M. A. Walker, salary 252.50

National Bank of Carlsbad, salary of W. H. Merchant 498.66

National Bank of Carlsbad, salary of W. H. Merchant 43.00

National Bank of Carlsbad, salary of M. A. Walker 87.00

National Bank of Carlsbad, salary of J. T. Cooper 130.00

Crane and Co., supplies 223.95

Geo. D. Barnard and Co., supplies 585.50

J. D. Walker, assignee, A. R. O'Quinn, salary and deputy hire 3686.69

A. R. O'Quinn, court costs 7.05

D. A. McCallum, witness fees 5.50

F. G. Hodsell, photos 8.00

H. H. Dilley, ribbon for adding machine 1.25

W. H. Merchant, salary 14.00

T. P. Bingham, constable fees 9.25

First National Bank of Carlsbad, interest on note 125.00

W. H. Woodwell, cash advanced for drayage 2.45

A TIME OF MEMORIES.

These first two weeks of April in the year 1915 are heavy with the memories of the Civil war.

On April 1, fifty years ago, came the Union victory of Five Forks, the beginning of the end. On April 2, Jefferson Davis fled from Richmond. On April 9 came the final scene of the four-year drama, when Gen. Robert E. Lee surrendered to Gen. Ulysses S. Grant at Appomattox courthouse.

It is hard for us to recall the rush of these closing events of the great war. In Appomattox week Abraham Lincoln entered Richmond on the day of its surrender. April 11 he made in Washington his last public address devoted, characteristically, to the need of reconstruction peaceable governments in the states that had succeeded.

On the evening of April 14, he went to Ford's theater in the capital, where he was shot by John Wilkes Booth. Lincoln died at 7 o'clock in the morning of April 15, 1865.

Illinois has not forgotten this anniversary. In one of the simplest yet most vivid ways observance is to be made of the semi-centennial of the death of the state's greatest son.

Divine services will be held in Springfield on the evening of April 15 in the First Presbyterian church in Springfield, where "Lincoln's pew" is still preserved in reverently as some of the splendid memorials in Westminster Abbey. That pew will be covered with flags and flowers. Bishop McDowell and Bishop Fallows will speak on Lincoln's life.

From the plan to hold these services has come the proclamation of Governor Dunne asking that on April 15 the flag float at half mast on all school and public buildings throughout the state. We hope that this request will be generally observed. It can never do Americans harm to devote a minute or two or a day or two out of the year to thinking upon the life of Abraham Lincoln. This half-century anniversary of his death and of the end of the Civil war is a time that fairly demands that the generation of today pay some tribute of memory to the generation that saved the Union in the fighting '60s.

FROM TOYAH BY AUTO.

Arthur Mayes of Malaga, or his way to town in a buggy Sunday brought Mrs. A. G. Crowder. Mrs. Fuller's sister and daughter, Mrs. B. F. Dulaney, to town from a mile south across the canal from the stock pens where they were delayed by a broken axle on the car in which they came from Toyah accompanied by Mrs. Deane's brother, John Williams, and Frank Barfield. The car which, by the way, was a Ford, made it from Toyah with five people in one day and went several miles out of the way by taking the K. C. road. They finally made it to the K's and came in quick. The car was employed because there were no trains and the people came about as rapid as by train.

## THE THIRTY-FIFTH WEEK OF WAR.

Spring is coming in Europe. The early foliage is beginning to bud on the plains and in the valleys, and the mountain snows are melting.

Fairer skies arch northern France even Poland and the Carpathians have witnessed the last blizzard of the winter season. A warming sun looks down upon fields and vineyards, cities and villages that twelve months ago smiled back in joyful recognition of its promise.

But there is no joy today. In the hill country between the Meuse and the Moselle the bodies of dead men have multiplied since Easter Sunday, and the blood of men has mingled with the mountain streams. In the Carpathians the trail of slaughter has broadened, the barren ridges are fertilized with human cannon fodder.

For in Europe's madness all the beauty of the spring is being converted into an opportunity for destruction. The songbirds that once came with the return of April have given place to the buzzard and the vulture.

The week has seen the beginning of the long-expected offensive movement of the allies in the west. The French assault on German positions between Verdun and Pont-a-Moussé is evidently the first stage in the new campaign. The outcome is still in doubt. Gains have been made at tremendous sacrifice, but the enemy has not yet been broken, nor does it as yet give sign of breaking.

Comparing the operations with those that we have witnessed in the Argonne, in the Champagne and in the region of La Bassée, it is impossible to reach any other conclusion than that this effort is of bigger and more determined purpose.

Joffre is throwing immense strength against the German wedge that rests its apex on the fortified Meuse city of St. Mihiel. The result of smashing the wedge would be greater than any since the Marne, not excepting the fall of Przemysl. It would mean a German retirement from the Meuse region upon Metz, and the probable retirement of the German front in the Argonne and the Champagne. It is to be expected that the assault east of the Meuse will presently be accompanied by a co-operating attack at some other point on the western front.

In the meantime, whatever its ultimate result, it is preventing the reinforcement of the Carpathian defensive line with troops from the west.

Last week Petrograd predicted that the invasion of Hungary would be under way within a week. It is not impossible this forecast may be vindicated. The Russians have met with strong resistance; they have suffered great losses; they have experienced difficulty in bringing up supplies, but they have everywhere obtained the advantage, and their vanguard is now at the foot of the Beskid range, between Dukla and Lupkow, awaiting the success of their troops that are battling for the Uzok and Veresckze passes farther east.

Thru the Rostock pass, between Lupkow and Uzok, a Russian wedge has driven its way thru the Austrian lines, cutting off the right wing of the defenders from their main body.

When considering the probability of a Russian invasion of Hungary, the fact should be borne in mind that the Russians will labor under the handicap of fighting at a long distance from their base, and unless they can organize a thoro system of communications, with supply depots in the conquered territory, they are in danger of failing for the same reasons that Von Hindenburg has failed in his repeated efforts to reach Warsaw.

The bombardment of the Dardanelles is fading into the dim distance as an episode of the war for which there is now no obvious explanation. The key to the mystery might be had could we know what is passing in diplomatic circles; why two official agents of Turkey are in Rome, and why Italy and the Balkan nations still linger on the dizzy brink. It is yet too early to ascribe the suspension of operations to the failure of the allies' plans or the conclusion that the Narrows are impregnable.

Peace talk is plentiful, but without evident substantial basis. The prevalence of such rumors, however, is encouraging testimony that Europe is wearying of its tragedy.

## THANKS THE ENGINEER.

The following letter was sent to E. C. Koppin the engineer in charge of the salt survey at Lake McMillan and is self explanatory:

Carlsbad, N. M., April 20, 1915.

E. C. Koppin,

Engineer of the Geological Survey, Lakewood, N. M.

My dear Mr. Koppin:

I wish to express to you the grateful thanks of our Project farmers for the very efficient work done by you and your men Sunday afternoon, April 18th, 1915, in stopping the leaks in McMillan dam.

Your promptness in executing the necessary work saved the government and the farmers a great loss and perhaps the town of Carlsbad from a great disaster. I congratulate you on your ability to recognize an emergency and meet it straight off the bat.

It will afford me great pleasure to inform Secretary Lane of your good work for our farmers that Sabbath afternoon. Kindly convey to your men our thanks for their strenuous and effective work in our behalf.

Hoping you may have abundant success in all your future undertakings, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

W. B. WILSON,

President of the Water Users Association.

## Tom Pope's Baby Ill.

Tom Pope was at McMillan last Sunday. An auto went out for him, as the wires were down and the life of his baby was despaired of. Mrs. Pope watching it close by. The baby was having convulsions every half hour. The little one had a bad night but seemed better Monday morning and since then has continued to improve.

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A. C. HEARD, Vice-Pres.  
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CLARENCE BELL

A. J. CRAWFORD LEARNS SOMETHING FROM HANDLING OF NEW SHEEP UP THERE.

EDDY COUNTY DEMONSTRATOR COMING THE FIRST OF MAY

Department Hears the Prayer of the Live Ones—Other Real News of "The Beautiful."

(Roswell News Bureau, A. M. Hove, Manager)

Carlsbad, April 16.—"There are 890,000 lambs on full feed in Colorado this year," says A. J. Crawford, banker and stockman, "and 350,000 of these lambs come from New Mexico. They certainly are doing things in Colorado."

Mr. Crawford made this trip to feed lots of Colorado to see for himself what is actually accomplished in lamb feeding. He went out into the feed lots and studied methods as they are practiced there. He visited the owners and obtained from them accurate data on feeding operations from start to finish. He saw the pea feeding in San Luis valley. He saw the feeding of alfalfa and corn and also of beet pulp.

Mr. Crawford also visited the experiment station at Ft. Collins and gazed to what the station is doing in various ways. He was after information on every phase of the feeding business.

It violates no confidence to say that A. J. Crawford comes home with increased faith in the importance of stock feeding in the scheme of successful farming in the Carlsbad made no plans as to the possible operation. But it is a boregone conclusion that Mr. Crawford has gathered a lot of valuable information at first hand that will be of vast importance in full development for the Carlsbad district.

A telegram has just been received from A. C. Cooley, director of extension for New Mexico, that a farm demonstrator for Eddy County may be expected around the beginning of May. This is good news to farmers and stockmen. Though the county agent as he is often called, is but a recent introduction in the plan of the agricultural department to assist agricultural and stock development, he has already proved his usefulness to a high degree.

## Poor Billy Sunday.

Poor Billy Sunday is having his troubles. It seems that there are people who, even though they may believe that "the laborer is worthy of his hire," think that he ought to tell his employers what he does with the money they give him. It is estimated that the evangelist makes about \$200,000 a year and yet this immense sum does not bring peace and serenity to the plain speaking preacher.

Somebody is always asking, not "where did you get it?" but "what are you doing with it?" Sunday had hardly left Philadelphia before another former associate demands an accounting. The dissatisfied party this time is Francis Porter, a former press agent for Sunday who sends to the newspapers a statement in which he demands an accounting of the \$60,000 contributed by Philadelphians to the support of the evangelist's campaign there. Porter declares there is shortage of more than \$20,000, and says: "The real truth of the situation is that you (Sunday) are commercializing the name of Jesus Christ, bodily using his sacred name to advertise a money-making business."

"A decided disposition," his state "A decided disposition," his statement continues, "has been shown (by the campaign committee) to avoid supply the contributors to this fund with detailed



# The Carlsbad Current

Wm. H. Mullana, Editor and Manager

OFFICIAL PAPER EDDY COUNTY,  
Carlsbad, N. M., Friday, April 23, 1915

## SUBSCRIPTION RATES.

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Subscribers are notified that the date after their names is the only notice they will receive, and the Current will not be sent after the date so marked, as for instance, "John Smith 1-Jan-16" shows that the subscription of John Smith expires January 1, 1916, and will be discontinued at that date unless paid for another year.

The death of Walter Edward Thayer takes away a man of more than ordinary accomplishment, a man that may be counted among the good and great, one of the most tender hearted and with feelings as acute as the most refined of ladies of high education and good breeding. His whole life was devoted with untiring energy to the comfort of his friends and family to which he was the most willing protector and if such a thing might be said, a slave to their every desire. None, except his close friends know how many feel as if a brother had gone, a brother upon whom they could depend in every emergency, either for good advice or financial aid. He was a friend of Carlsbad and we have heard him say when it was proposed to put him into another county that Carlsbad and Carlsbad people were more to him than any other people or any other town and that his every effort would be used to prevent placing him in a county of which Carlsbad was not the county seat. He was a friend of this paper having never missed a copy for nearly twenty-three years, and though a republican he always said he admired the Current for its new matter and frank manners. The little cemetery near his home contains the remains of many friends and it has been known that at times, when lumber to make coffins was scarce he has taken boards from the side of his house to construct a coffin. None, not even the most abject and poor stranger who came along the road was ever turned away without plenty to eat and a good bed upon which to lie. As many as from seventy-five to two hundred people have been fed at a meal at funerals and other gatherings while "Walt" as he was familiarly known, worked with a will to make every one feel at home. He was the first up in the morning and the last to bed for he always seen to everything and the last act of his life was to feed and care for several poor old cows he had found that needed care. Eddy county has no greater man and could well afford to lose a hundred of ordinary men so far as the good of the people is concerned than Walter Edward Thayer.

The Current is in mourning, today, not only for "Walt" but for its other good friends, Mrs. Fuller and Robert Kroll.

E. H. Baldwin, of El Paso, supervising engineer for the Southern district of the reclamation service, came in Wednesday afternoon to examine the dam at the McMillan reservoir. He spent the day there yesterday and will probably make a report of his inspection that will be available later. Upon this report will depend, no doubt, the course to be pursued by the reclamation service in dealing with the McMillan dam, which has withstood the assaults of floods for nearly a quarter of a century. That some method to make it impervious to water is necessary goes without saying, but what that method will be is up to the engineers of the government. McMillan is of greater consequence than Avalon for if it would go, then it would be a greater strain on Avalon than was ever calculated.

The officials of Uncle Sam are getting good fellows after all. One engineer receives the thanks of the water users through their president while another, the man who built Elephant Butte was dispatched post haste to investigate the big dam at McMillan. And all after the efficiency of their labors had been questioned by a committee of the water users. Where would the water users be in the hands of a private corporation?

## PUBLIC UTILITIES AND FLOODS.

The Public Utilities Company has been having its own share of troubles during the past week, from the effects of floods and lightning, which burned out the generator at the lower dam some seven coils of the seventy-two of the generator being totally destroyed rendering the generator useless. This compelled the faithful employees, Messrs. Fessenden, the manager, and Gene Roberts, his assistant, to use every effort to save the Tansill dam which was in danger from the start of being cut around. In fact every one of the employees worked without thought of hours or days or nights, and with energy and intelligence that is seldom met. If those of our people who are complaining about having to find the lights with a lightning bug, only knew half the troubles experienced by so patient men as the Utilities boys they would at once hunt up the coal oil lamps and get along without a murmur.

The factory has been wired for the repairs for the generator at the lower dam and a complete set of coils will be put in new at once. The water at the Tansill dam rose to a height of eighteen inches above the sill of the window at the power house, on the west side.

With the force in charge Carlsbad need not look for any more troubles than is possible to avoid and no doubt all have confidence in Mr. Fessenden and his loyal crew.

To Project Manager all credit for the saving of McMillan dam is due. Mr. Foster ordered the survey party off the silt survey Saturday to watch the flood and Mr. Koppen was acting the same as any other employee, under orders from the Project manager, who has full charge of the silt survey and his men work under him the same as any other crew of Mexicans or whites. The statement that Mr. Koppen is of the geological survey is an error and was printed on another page before the facts were learned, and this correction is made to dispel any impression that Mr. Koppen is other than an employee the same as Mr. Pope or any others employed by the reclamation manager at Carlsbad.

The visit of Messrs. Dearborne of the county road board and Commissioners Beeman and Woodwell with Prof. Poore to Artesia the day after the big flood demonstrates that there is but one safe route for the inter valley road. The party left Carlsbad going up the road to Rocky, thence to the Seven Rivers school house and on to Dayton. As the spillway south of Lakewood was running full with no prospect of water going down for the next month, for the same spillway ran for five weeks in August, 1895. At that time no one thought of traveling the road on the east side of the river for the county had the surveyor to locate a county road on the west side which road had never become impassable as is the case with the road to Lakewood at present. It is to come to the pass that the west side road must be traveled in times like the present, why not put any expense contemplated on a road to the north on the west side? Can any one give any reason why the canal made by the late flood between the town of Lakewood and the spillway should be filled? Is there any reason for the throwing of any more cash or labor in such a rat hole?

The Public Utilities Company desires to express its appreciation for the efficient services rendered by the Boy Scouts and other friends on last Sunday afternoon when the Tansill Dam was threatened by flood.

It was impossible to secure the names of all those that helped at the time but the Company desires to pay every one and will ask that those who worked at the time mentioned report at the office have their names placed on the list and receive pay for services rendered.

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## HONOR ROLL.

The following is a list of the pupils perfect in attendance and punctuality for the month of April:

FIRST GRADE.—Sibyl Campbell, Pauline Campbell, Helen Clark, Lyndall Cudd, Kenneth Davis, Katherine Dean, Douglas Duncan, Evelyn Farrell, Willburn Fessenden, Hazel Hamilton, Hester Hill, Clifford Hiller, Raymond Hiteon, Hirschel McCullough, Earl McDaris, Ernest Ohnmus, Max Rackley, Beanie Shannon, Hersell Simpson, Barbara Smith, Karl Wright, Christine Zeigler.

SECOND GRADE.—Callie Bartlett, Julia Clark, Virginia Dudley, William Dean, Ruby Hutto, Marian Hoese, Eddie Harrison, Caroline Kircher, Ira Klutts, Louise Moore, Preston Oliver, Raymond Ogle, Robert Pond, Florence Seavey, Marjorie Snow, Herbert Spurlock, Harvey Shannon, William Stone, Josephine Williams, James Wallace, Otto Warren, Wesley Wheeler.

THIRD GRADE.—John Baird, Sylvesta Bell, Frank Boegline, Gladys Carder, Nellie Chilcoat, James Collins, Russell Crawford, Roy Crozier, Willis Moore, Gay Ogle, Randle Pipkin, Laura Perry, Mildred Rackley, Glenn Jackson, Glenn Shannon, Carl Shropshire, Alta Simpson, Eva Thomas, Sue Usery, Alice Walter, Leslie Ward, Francis Weaver, Tat Farrell, Katherine Feeler, Carl Gordon, Lewis Gordon, Eunice Herring, Laverna Hiller, Margaret Hiteon, Jay B. Leck, Wathen McCollum, Olin McDaris.

FOURTH GRADE.—Hazel Anderson, John Armstrong, Grace Bearup, Thelma Beckett, Bonnie Bell, Chester Burch, Pearl Butcher, Gerald Carder, Mary Causey, Henrita Dilley, Dorothy Dudley, Eleanor Flowers, Mariam Fuller, Muriel Fuller, Dona Harrison, Ida Pearl Morris, Christi Peterson, Lucile Pond, Leonard Renaker, Wilford Rohmer, Isabelle Smith, Millard Spurlock, Mary Thayer, Wallace Thorne, Eugene Ward, Mildred Zeigler.

FIFTH GRADE.—Elizabeth Albritton, Claude Brown, Ray Cox, Edward Crozier, Donald Dudley, Frances Etter, Ruth Farrell, Glenwood Jackson, John Lewis, Dibrell Pate, Clark Peterson, Catherine Purdy, John Rackley, Paul Redmon, Wm. Redmon, Viola Simpson, George Thomas, Dudley Usery, Martha Williams, Christina Walterscheid, Elsie Kircher.

SIXTH GRADE.—Myra Albert, Stuart Armstrong, Fancher Bell, Luther Bell, Clemmie Chilcoat, Clyde Duncan, Helen Hamilton, J. T. Harrison, Edna Herzog, Herbert Hiteon, Clarence Horne, Anna Hudiburgh, Joel Hutto, Maggie Kircher, Otto Matheson, Lillie May Nelson, Mary Lee Pond, Milo Rohmer, George Simpson, Edwin Vest.

SEVENTH GRADE.—Della Gist, Mildred Pate, Ova Butcher, Ruth Pearce, Hattie Smith, Marian Witt.

EIGHTH GRADE.—Helen Baird, Ida Mae Barnes, Wardie Bates, Catherine Chilcoat, Nelly Linn, Grace O'Swiger, Maizie Usery, Mildred Walter, Billie Alebrt, Bert Duncan, Frank Lucas, Jack Moore, Edward Purdy, Frank Simpson, Donald Swigart.

HIGH SCHOOL.—Thelma Albert, Lula Anderson, Fannie Mae Baird, Madge Brown, Lillian Crawford, Ruth Duncan, Fern Hartshorn, Ruth Hartshorn, Inez Hatfield, Lucile Johnson, Pauline Johnson, Mary Lee Newton, Belle Perry, Serena Perry, Ethel Ryan, Lee Simpson, Nettie Smith, Elva Stokes, Hedwig Walterscheid, Ona White, Clay Beckett, Arthur Breeding, John D. Fanning, Jim Farrell, Roy Forehand, Everett Grantham, Frank Howard, Theo. Pate, Sam Roberts, Jim Walker, Wilmer White, Charley Witt.

SPANISH-AMERICAN SCHOOL.—Alvino Chacon, Florencia Carrasca, Martina Carrasca, Vincenta Howard,

Margarita Pampa, Francisca Pampa, Callotana Pando, Francisca Serna, Petra Sales, Milton Sotelo, Julius Snyder, Feverson Sales, Sylvester Vera, Jose Vera.

Pupils receiving 90 or over in all studies, for the month of April:

FIRST GRADE.—Sibyl Campbell, Katherine Dean, Frances Joy Foster, Hazel Hamilton, Alice Quirey, Ardalia Stokes, Ione Weaver, Christine Zeigler, Kenneth Davis, Willburn Fessenden, Harold Sweetland, Joe Toffelmire.

SECOND GRADE.—Myrtle Adkins, Laura Bell, Virginia Dudley, William Dean, Ruby Hutto, Marian Hoese, Edie Harrison, Caroline Kircher, Louise Moore, Preston Oliver, Fred O'Cheskey, Marjorie Snow, Josephine Williams, Mary Whithead, Wesley Wheeler.

NINETY-SIXTH ANNIVERSARY

Of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, by the Pecos Valley Odd Fellows Association, at Artesia, New Mexico, April 24, 1915

FORENOON.

10:00. Reception and registration at Odd Fellows' Hall.

11:00. Auto trips to visitors about Artesia.

12:00. Lunch.

AFTERNOON.

2:00. Procession from Odd Fellows' Hall to Baptist church, the Carlsbad band leading.

2:30. Public services at the Baptist church, C. Bert Smith, Grand Master, presiding.

PROGRAM.

Welcome address, S. E. Ferree.

Response, Victor L. Minter.

Quartette, Mrs. Yates, Mrs. Corbin, Mrs. Inman and Mr. Palmer. Mrs. McFadden, accompanist.

Prayer, C. C. Hill.

Solo, Mrs. Gates.

Address, "Beside the Stone Esel," O. E. Palmer.

Piano Interlude, Mrs. McFadden.

Quartette.

Benediction, Rev. Gage.

Processional to Odd Fellows' Hall.

4:00. Pecos Valley Odd Fellows' Association business meeting, M. W. Evans, presiding.

NIGHT SESSION.

Odd Fellows' Hall.

7:30. Opening of lodge in form by the officers of Artesia Lodge No. 11.

Conferring of the second degree by Eddy Lodge No. 21, Carlsbad.

Beginning at 7:30 the Daughters of Rebekah will hold a session at the Masonic Hall, and render the following program:

7:30. Sunrise Rebekah Lodge No. 9, Artesia.

Model Opening and closing of lodge.

Welcome, Mrs. Fannie Adams.

Response, Dexter Lodge.

Degree Work, Dexter Lodge.

"Why I am a Rebekah", Roswell Lodge.

"Does Rebekah Oddfellowship fulfill my expectations?" Carlsbad Lodge.

"How to promote interest in a Rebekah Lodge", Lake Arthur Lodge.

Refreshments.

9:30. Reception of Rebekahs at Odd Fellows' Hall.

Good of the order and Good Fellowship.

Five minute speeches interspersed with music.

Refreshments.

Adjournment.

CARD OF THANKS.

As it is impossible to meet you all and thank you separately, we take this means of expressing our heartfelt gratitude to each and all who so loyally came to our aid in this our greatest affliction in the loss of our husband and father.

MRS. OLLIE THAYER AND FAMILY.

## DID YOU GO TO THE HIGH GROUND?

We don't blame you a bit if you did, would have gone ourselves if we could. Fortunately it was not really necessary to go, but for a time it appeared that those who remained in town would do so at their peril.

In the face of this our employees stuck to their posts and strove to render the people all the service possible under the trying circumstances, for which we wish to publicly express our appreciation.

By strenuous work the lights and phones were kept going part of the time and best of all the water service did not fail, we are now doing our utmost to get matters untangled and soon they will be running smoothly again.

The lightning struck our south plant and burned out the generator furnishing current for the lights and power in town. New parts have been ordered by wire and are on the way by express to replace those destroyed.

The high water has made it impossible to run the upper plant, (Tansill Dam) part of the time but as fast as the flood subsides the service will improve.

While, of course, all the trouble for the past few days is entirely beyond our control still we appreciate your patience under the annoyances that poor service gives. We are doing all that money and men can accomplish to straighten things out. Give us a little time and your phone and lights will be up to grade again.

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## MONUMENT NEWS.

Monument, N. M., April 19.—The ground is wetter now than it has been since the days of Noah.

Any one could do well out here this year on the plains raising mud cats if mud has any value. The best place we know of is along the Horse Camp road between here and Carlsbad.

The rain Friday night was great. It rained until about mid-night at a pretty steady gait, after that it just poured down until daylight. The thunder accompanying the rain was fearful beyond description. Those people who had goose eggs set during the thunder and rain need not give up in despair for we may not have another such storm for many months.

Reagan Middleton, Dr. Black, and Skillet Houston went to Knowles Friday.

Mias Dempley Smith was on our streets last week.

Homer Bilbrey came in from the REC ranch last week.

Mrs. T. Baker, mother of Jim Baker, of Carlsbad, is visiting with old friends here and thinks she will stay several weeks.

Klabe Kyle and Nat Camp sold their steers to Mr. Shipp, delivering them last Saturday.

School closed over at "High school" last Friday near Nadine, after a successful term conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Fonly.

Several persons attended Sunday school at the Eden school house Sunday.

Another rain drenched this country Sunday afternoon.

Rain storms are as common this year as sand storms formerly were.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wells were in town last week taking in the sights.

H. D. Stovall arrived Thursday from Midland, Texas, with a gigantic load of freight. He reports that the Midland country has been soaked by heavy rains.

Chas. Weir and company rounded up at White Brakes last Sunday.

Charlie's cattle are all in fine condition and lost only one this year, a steer, and this one was fat.

Postmasters Laidlaw, of Loving, and Williams, of Malaga, both have been in the mail carrying business since the washouts on the railway, they having taken care of the mail for their respective offices, coming up twice during the week for the mail and unless the railway is repaired they will have a summer's job.

Your application for final proof made out free of charge at this office. Bring all your filing papers.

Christian & Co. INSURANCE.

## BIG SPECIAL SALE



ON FRESH CAKE SATURDAY A 10 cent cut for a nickel while they last. Come early and get the kind you like best. WATCH OUT FOR OUR SPECIAL SALE EVERY SATURDAY.

Model Market & Bakery

PHONE NO. 82.

## NOTICE STOCKMEN.

On account of hard times I am going to price all of my young jacks at hard times prices, and any one who will ever have any use for a jack in the next five years can get one cheaper in the next thirty days than ever before or after, and to clean up what I have on hand to make room for others that are coming on I will sell yearlings at \$100 up, and two year olds from \$150 up. Three year olds at \$250 up.

Also have a fine registered trotting stallion that will make some one a fine herd head, that I am going to turn at one half price. Also one two year old trotting bred stallion for sale. Will trade any of this stock for good mares or cows or will take one-half price in horses or any thing that I can see a dollar in.

For information write or see J. K. HASTIE, Artesia N. M. Ranch 6 miles S. E. Artesia, or, 6 miles N. E. Dayton.

FOR SALE.—Some household goods. T. C. JOHNSON. Phone 227.

Christian & Co. INSURANCE.

## Madam, Don't Sigh When You Say "I'll Have to be Taking Ice Soon."

Be glad that the season is approaching when the farm, the garden, the orchard and the great American hen and cow will be working to reduce the cost of living for you.

All their work, however, will count for little unless you do your part by using ice—OUR ICE.

Yes, rejoice that this ice man and this growing season are coming hand in hand to make life more pleasant and less expensive for you. We are waiting for your call.

## CARLSBAD ICE FACTORY

PHONE 580



## CARLSBAD LOCAL ITEMS

C. W. Campbell was a visitor at the county seat Wednesday.

T. A. Gray and daughter were here from the ranch in Texas.

J. T. Miller, claim agent of Clovis, was in town Thursday night.

J. W. Thurman and son, Ivan Thurman, were in for supplies Wednesday.

Uncle John Hammonds is very low with dropsy at the Brainard home near the fume.

Russell and Ferrell were transacting business in Carlsbad leaving for their ranches Wednesday.

Walter McGonigall is spending a few days in Carlsbad coming from the plains country Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Acree returned to the Acree ranch yesterday in Dean Smith's car accompanied by Bob Dow.

Jim Moriarity, city passenger agent of Chicago, who has been quite sick, is spending a few weeks in Roswell and Carlsbad.

Dr. and Mrs. Durham after a pleasant rest at the spacious and well equipped Hotel Bates are taking rooms with Mrs. C. T. Adams.

The Woman's Chorus Club will furnish the music for the baccalaureate service Sunday May 9th. Rev. Pratt will deliver the sermon.

Services at St. Edward's on and after the first Sunday in May will be held at 9 o'clock a. m., instead of ten the hour during the winter.

Rosa Middleton while here first of the week moved his mother and sister, Bessie, out to Avalon to be near Mrs. Middleton's son, Pat Middleton.

Rev. Lowry returned on the last train from Pecos, Texas, last week, where he was attending a meeting of the Presbytery in El Paso.

Paul Gray, wife and baby came to town the first of the week attending the funeral of Mrs. Gray's aunt, Mrs. Fuller. Miss Ida Belle Gray accompanied them.

V. A. Albritton drove the new Ford car purchased by Mr. Crane out to the K's leaving last Sunday. They were towed across Dark canyon and were out of sight in less time than we can tell it.

The Model Market and Bakery will run a special sale on someone line of goods every Saturday, the first of these sales will start tomorrow as will be seen by their advertisement in another column.

Word was received from Rev. Redmon and Dr. Walters at Dexter, yesterday that they had broken an axle and if the part wired for did not come soon they would abandon the car and come home by train.

There will be morning worship at the Presbyterian church and evening also, if the lights will be furnished. Mr. Lowry has served the six months of his original appointment and has been asked to continue.

Miss Georgia Witt resumed her school duties this week Monday. Miss Pattie Witt is off for a rest, accompanying Miss Ida Belle Gray to the ranch where she expects to spend a few weeks from the arduous rounds of teaching.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Dishman recently heard that their son, Ray Dishman's wife died on the 14th of April, leaving three children. The particulars have not been ascertained. The current extends sympathy to the bereaved family.

Monday Bill Ohnemus headed for Pecos and Toyah with four drummers in the car. He wired from Pecos Tuesday to let them know he had not barned up the car from fast driving. Got home Wednesday night and started for Toyah again Thursday morning with a car load of men.

Quince Leatherman and wife and baby came to town Monday. Mr. Leatherman expecting to go by train to Pecos, Toyah and Midland, but finding no trains running to Pecos left in his car the same time Bill Ohnemus went. Mrs. Leatherman is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Usery in La Huerta.

Despite the fact that Roswell was under water for three days none of the citizens of that town were in the least scared for they believe Roswell to be impregnable to fire, water or knockers, but the last named are the most feared and watched the closest. Let Carlsbad profit by the example of the town on the north.

Dave McCollum came down last week expecting to move his wife and babies home. Had arranged to start on Friday but was confronted with high water and a down pour of rain. He did not leave for home until Tuesday. Rosa Middleton, Mrs. Tom Middleton, and baby girl, left same day for Queen. We learned Thursday morning they had reached Mr. Thayer's ranch safe.

B. A. Nymeyer received a wire from Mrs. Nymeyer last Friday night stating she had reached Corpus Christi safely, and her daughter, Mrs. Draper, had met her there. They were going to her daughters home, which is about fifty miles from Corpus, at Brownsville.

Miss Gillette is a guest of Mr. C. O. Swickard's mother for a few days.

Mrs. Boyd Baker who has been very ill for several weeks, is some better today.

The question of cost does not seem to interest so much when the McMillan dam is threatened.

The war in Europe is a small affair when compared to the loss of all by a flood in the Pecos Valley.

Mrs. Victor L. Minter who has been seriously ill at her home for two weeks, past, is improving every day.

The recent investigation into the cost of the Carlsbad project seems to have met with some of a dampness.

Some people would not feel so secure in their land values today if they have any doubts of Uncle Sam doing the right thing.

G. V. Smith of the Mercantile received a wire that Mrs. Smith reached Decatur, Texas, safely, but her sister died while she was enroute. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family.

Mae Wright and Robert Dickson are visitors in town, coming in this morning. They are here to attend Evelyn Moore Kircher's party at her grandmother Moore's residence tomorrow afternoon.

W. F. Gerlach was up from Malaga Tuesday called on the Current and left the price for another year. He says they have had fine rains in that section of New Mexico. John Prickett accompanied Mr. Gerlach to town.

Miss Minerva Barr, who has been ill since her return from Missouri, where she spent the winter, is still very ill. The physicians pronounced the trouble as pneumonia. We hesitate to state that this dreaded dilemma is hard to treat.

Born April 20th, to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gamel, of Roswell, a son. Mr. and Mrs. Gamel resided here a number of years and the first baby, Mary Ross, was born here. Mr. Gamel will be remembered as Joyce-Fruit Co's. dry goods manager. The Current extends congratulations.

Ned Shattuck came in from his sheep camp near Hope Wednesday night in response to the wire that Mr. Thayer was dead. Getting here about one o'clock making the trip in his "Hup". He left for Thayer's ranch Thursday morning with some of the Thayer girls, Rosa Middleton, and Ralph.

Dr. and Mrs. Boatman left Wednesday for the north at 2:00 P. M. Mrs. Boatman and the Dr. were not feeling their best the morning they were leaving. Mrs. Boatman was dreading the transfer at the bridge this side of Lakewood. But both felt confident they would be feeling better after a few days rest.

The Bates brothers received a wire stating Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Lamb and the two children landed in San Francisco on the 16th. Mrs. Lamb is a sister of the Bates brothers, and have been living in Mainela, P. A., where Mr. Lamb holds a government position. We understand they are coming back to the U. S. to live and are expected here, now any day.

Joseph Dvorak, cashier of National bank at Caldwell, Kansas, a friend and neighbor of T. E. Williams in Oklahoma for several years, arrived here for a visit last Sunday night. This was a trying time to visit our town but will prove to many that the project is well built, and we trust the strength of it will not be tested more severely than it was that night, for years to come.

Tuesday Bill Pruitt said he was not surprised that his car stuck in Lone Tree draw. Bill walked to town and A. R. Benick went out to pull him out. They found a wagon in the bog with thirteen horses to it. Benick says he will give his word there was no bottom to the draw and very little chance of any one getting out with their boots on, once they were in. They managed to get the car out, but left the wagon in the bog for that day.

Mr. E. E. Hartshorn purchased a five passenger 1915 Oakland from the Carlsbad sales company the first of this week, and expects to start north Monday, for Terre Haute, Indiana, where Mr. Hartshorn has established a business and is making good money selling L-t-t-o. Later Mr. Hartshorn received a message from Terre Haute Wednesday noon, that called a change of plans. So left the auto here for the family and left on train Wednesday at 2:00 o'clock for Terre Haute, Indiana.

Mrs. J. J. S. Smith and Mrs. Dalk both well known ladies of Rocky, are spending a few days in Carlsbad. Mrs. Dalk and Thalma will visit with Mrs. Shropshire and Mrs. Smith will spend the time with Mrs. Cox. Mrs. Dalk states the high water washed out the dam for them and that it will cost several hundred dollars to replace it before they can irrigate the land from the ditches. Mrs. Smith says they were fortunate in not losing any sheep or young lambs.

Little Ellsworth James had a very narrow escape from drowning Wednesday morning. His mother missed him from the room and starting right now to see where he was saw him

Mrs. James plunged into the tank and brought him out. She says she "can't see how she managed to do it". But Mr. James was gone from the house, of course, we see how a mother managed to get her boy out. The tank has six feet of water.

Mrs. Tom Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. Viall and granddaughter, were visitors to Roswell yesterday. They will spend a few days there.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Shattuck made the return trip with Mrs. Thayer last night, the bereaved family and the many friends that went from here getting back to town about 9 o'clock. Mr. Ares came down from the funeral bringing with him in his car his wife and Mrs. Sam B. Smith.

**CARD OF THANKS.**  
G. M. Williams, R. J. Williams, Mrs. B. F. Dulaney, Mrs. Wm. Hannah, and J. J. Williams wish to express their sincere thanks to all those who so kindly assisted them during the illness and death of their dear mother.

**ZELPHA'S PLAN.**  
Wednesday, 19th, being Zelpha Bates' birthday, Zelpha planned a little affair of her own calling her mother and saying two or three girls friends were coming to spend a few hours with her Tuesday after school. Mrs. Bates sent over one of those birthday cakes that are so well known for the occasion, and ten or more of Zelpha's friends came to enjoy the cake, each bringing her some token of remembrance. Mr. Bates furnished cream for the affair and they enjoyed the refreshments very much and games on the grassy campus.

The Carlsbad lodge I. O. O. F. will attend the Methodist church next Sunday in a body to listen to a sermon by the pastor in honor of the ninety-sixth anniversary of the founding of that order.

Doby Charley, freighter from Knowles, came in last Saturday and reported the crossing of Lone Tree draw as something fierce with many mired in the mud. However, Doby pulled thru with only one team while others with four to six teams stalled, but, there are few with such horses as Doby drives and he takes good care of them, too.

Mrs. Manning, of Cottonwood Grove, in Albuquerque, expects to pay Mrs. Bert Leck a visit and while here will instruct the team of our grove on floor work.

Mrs. T. E. Williams entertained Wednesday afternoon twenty-four lady friends. The rooms were beautiful in spring attire, the favorite flowers, the carnation, in pink and white, were favors. All the other appointments carried out the same color scheme. The main feature of entertainment was the drawing contest, in which Mrs. C. Q. Lewis won the prize, a toast book. A three course luncheon was served. Salad course, sandwiches and pickles, brad ice cream and cake, coffee and mince. For Thursday afternoon covers were laid for twenty-two ladies. A guessing contest taking the place of the drawing contest the afternoon before, in which Mrs. Richard Thorne received the prize, a toast book. About the same savory refreshments, with the same lovely colors scheme predominating everywhere.

### RAIN, FLOWERS AND GRASS.

T. C. Johnson, agent, and J. F. Hart have the fever for seeing things grow, that this weather gives. They have a gang of Mexicans working on the lawn next the depot, and are going to make flower beds, plant abbas, chrysanthemums, and have it looking nice, there when strangers step off the train, and when the eye falls on the other lawn that the Woman's Club is looking after, and against J. D. Walker's lawn, that he is sowing to grass and flowers and the other yards that are being put in flowers, rather than let grow up in weeds, the stranger will at least dream of the flowers one sees in California. It only takes a few minutes every day and water to keep your yards looking nice. We usually have the sunshine if we haven't had much sun the last few weeks.

Services at Christian Church, April 25, 1915.

10:00 A. M. Bible school.  
11:00 A. M. Communion and preaching. Subject: "The Spiritual Significance of Baptism."  
3:00 P. M. Junior C. E.  
7:00 P. M. Senior C. E.  
7:45 P. M. Preaching. Subject: "The Prodigal's Return."  
All are cordially invited to attend these services.  
GEO. E. BEATTY, Minister.

### EL PASO PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of El Paso held its spring meeting in Colorado, Texas, Mr. Davis and Mr. Lowry were in attendance from Carlsbad. One of the happy innovations was an special reception given the delegates by the ladies of the Colorado church; providing a musical and refreshments. The business was largely routine, but it was interspersed with devotions. Rev. A. A. Davis was made commissioner to attend the General Assembly in Newport News, Va., and Mr. E. B. Darnel, of Toya, was chosen lay delegate. The assembly is the highest court of the church and will be held in May. Mr. Davis received calls to the joint pastorate of Pecos and accepted them, and arrangements were made for his installation. The Carlsbad church was given leave to supply itself. The fall meeting of Presbytery will be held in Midland, Texas.

E. H. Baldwin, supervising engineer of southern division U. S. Reclamation service Wednesday inspected the project and left today for his headquarters at Elephant Butte, New Mexico.

### MARRIED.

Sunday at 9 A. M., at the home of the bride, across the river from Carlsbad, in River View Terrace, Miss Genevieve Hartshorn and C. C. Skidmore were united in marriage. Rev. A. A. Davis of the Presbyterian church officiated.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hartshorn and have lived here for the past eight or ten years, is a graduate of our High school, of the class of 1914. Is a very popular young lady, has a striking personality and will be greatly missed in Sunday school and league work. Miss Genevieve was filling the position as governess at Mr. Smith's ranch when she met Mr. Skidmore, and they have ended the romance by being married. Mr. Skidmore is foreman of the D ranch, has been Mr. Richard's first man for a number of years, coming here when Mr. Richards bought the ranch. His people live in Fort Worth. Miss Genevieve's many friends think she has chosen wisely, when she selected her partner for life. The happy couple left soon after the ceremony for the D ranch where they will make their home for the present, going out with Mr. and Mrs. Green Usery in the Usery car.

The bride was lovely in a white organdie, and changed for a blue silk faille suit for traveling.

May theirs be a happy wedded life is the wish of the Current.

Talking with Mrs. Bert Leck since her return from Albuquerque, where she and Mrs. Vest attended the Woodmen Circle convention, she is loud in her praise of the reception they received while there. Many of the Circle members meeting the train several stations from Albuquerque. Mrs. Leck mentioned some ladies that visited here meeting the train, among them were Mrs. Allinger and Mrs. Hightower, the latter in teaching at Willard, and mentioned the twins were doing nicely. Mrs. Allinger expressed herself as trying to be pleased with her home and asked many questions about the Wesley class and the many friends she has here.

Bob and John Williams, their sister, Mrs. Dulaney and Zetta Willis, their niece, leave this afternoon, each going to their respective homes. Zetta will go with her Uncle Bob to Nevada. The party will go from here to Roswell, to El Paso. Mrs. Dulaney to Colorado, Texas. John Williams to Douglas, Arizona. Mr. Williams and Zetta will see California. Zetta will be away until October, if all goes well. At that time her aunt will bring her home by way of St. Louis. A nice trip for her and we wish her a pleasant stay.

Mrs. H. H. Dilley was hostess to

Mrs. G. V. Smith, of the Peoples Mercantile, that have rooms with Mrs. V. Albritton, received a message Monday, A. M., stating her baby sister, eleven years of age, was seriously ill in Decatur. Mrs. Smith was prostrated with grief, this being the first of nine children that had been pronounced fatally ill. Mrs. Smith was planning to go by auto to Lubbock owing to high water, but as the train made transfer and the passengers could get past the washout she left for Decatur Tuesday.

**THE ARMORY.**  
The subscription for the armory site has reached the sum of about \$1,500 which insures the donation of the site. Three locations are offered to date any one of which would make a very good site for the building. One is on the corner of Greene and Canon just one block south of the center corner of the town. One is the corner opposite the Morgan Livingston home and south of the Dr. Ervin residence on the corner of Canon and Stevens two blocks north of the center of town and would make an ideal location for the soldier boys would be handy to the dentist. Another location is offered of a space 100x150 on the corner of Canal and Greene a block west and a block south of the center corner of the town. This location is offered for \$850. The armory board, consisting of the adjutant general, Mr. Herring, the state senator, Dr. Doepf, Major Bujac, Captain Dean and Robt. Dow, will meet shortly and decide on the location. Considerable good natured rivalry exists as to the different locations each location having enthusiastic advocates. The subscription lists first started were arranged to allow each to subscribe for the location the subscriber desired but it was found that no particular location could be furnished by this plan so another meeting of the business men was called by President Clarence Bell of the Commercial Club and each subscriber was asked to give all he could and allow the armory board to locate the building when enough was subscribed to buy the lots it being understood that a tract at least 100x150 feet was to be secured. It is said there are other locations offered but as we have not been "put next" their whereabouts is unknown to the present witness. That we will get the armory and that it will be erected the coming summer is settled for no matter how much rivalry exists it will go to some point either in the residence or near the business portion of the town for there are plenty of sites very anxious of occupancy. If there are any who wish to subscribe who have not they may hand their checks to either Messrs. Morris Elbert Smith or Y. R. Allen the committee of the Commercial club to solicit subscriptions.

Mrs. Frons Leck will become day operator at the central office upon the resignation of Mrs. O. G. Patterson the first of the month.

Christian & Co., Insurance.



Household Necessities Constitute a large part of our stock

**ENAMELED WARE.**  
Blue, White and Gray  
**Aluminum Ware.**  
Galvanized Ware,  
Tin Ware,  
Glass Ware and Crockery  
**WE ALWAYS GUARANTEE PRICES and QUALITY**

**Our Special Offer**  
This week is a **BLUE DELFT GRANITE WARE TEA KETTLE**, worth \$1.50 for 75c. The first customer calling for it, Monday noon, (12 o'clock) gets the BARGAIN.  
**Roberts-Dearborne Hdw. Co.**

Mrs. C. O. Merrifield, Grand Guardian, stopped off at Portales to visit with Mrs. A. E. Signer.

Large force of men and teams are employed repairing the damage to the main canal caused by flood in Dark Canyon.

Father Dunston Leary, of Roswell, was here last week for several days. He could not get home owing to high water and no train service.

Owing to the uncertainty of the train service on account of the recent flood, the local lodge I. O. O. F. cancelled the special train from Roswell to Carlsbad on April 26. As many boys as possible will go by auto.

Mrs. H. H. Dilley was hostess to an auction bridge party Tuesday afternoon. Ladies for four tables were present and played bridge. Green and white were the colors in favor. The tallic cards were green and white. A three course luncheon was served, mince in green and white, ice cream and cake. The cream represented a rose with green foliage and angel food cake, salted almonds and coffee. Mrs. Jackson making high score was awarded a beautiful silver spoon.

The mail went up to Queen Wednesday of this week, Riley Dean and Lee Middleton taking it out with a team of horses and a buggy. Riley returned with the mail Thursday. The first mail that has been brought down from Queen for about ten days. The mail will be carried this way until the road is put in better condition.

Company B has made a good record, having third place, making an average of 73.28. Company B is going to challenge Co. E for a purse of \$200.00 on their own rifle range, quite positive that those scores have not been made by Co. E, and Co. B will pick five men to shoot against five picked men from Co. E.

### MUCH ADLER-I-KA USED IN CARLSBAD.

It is reported by The Star Pharmacy that much Adler-I-Ka is sold in Carlsbad. People have found out that ONE SPOONFUL of this simple buckhorn bark and glycerine mixture relieves almost ANY CASE of constipation, sour gassy stomach. It is so powerful that it is used successfully in appendicitis. ONE MINUTE after you take it the gasses rumble and pass out. It is perfectly safe to use and cannot gripe.

Christian & Co., Insurance.

### RAISES CHICKEN THIEVES.

Otherwise Known as Skunks, Which Are Profitable.  
Greenville, Cal.—Greenville has now established one of the most unique industries in the state—namely, a skunk ranch. Early in the spring Will Stevens, a butcher, formerly of Goldfield, started the F. W. Peck ranch and entered the business on a small scale. Young skunks were captured in various parts of Indian valley and placed in pens. They grew and multiplied rapidly. The business proved so lucrative that larger pens of corrugated iron were made, and the number of skunks increased. The skins sell for from \$5 to \$8 each. The oil is also valuable and is sold to druggists. Stevens now has large skunks that will be ready for market in a couple of months. The skunks will eat all sorts of scraps and waste food, but are especially fond of milk and vegetables. They seem to like human companionship and when called come to be petted. To see forty chicken thieves with their long, white striped bodies and bushy tails feeding at a trough like so many pigs is an interesting sight.

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### PUBLICITY AND PLANNING.

Merit Alone Does Not Insure Success Without Promotion.

Merit does not insure the success of the city plan, says Harland Bartholomew in the American City. Property and successfully to conceive, promote and execute a plan is a task which requires unlimited effort. In any city planning program publicity should be a leading consideration. Publicity can "make or break" the plan. The general public, in whose hands lies the power to accept or reject all municipal undertakings, has little or no idea of the fundamentals which underlie our city planning activities. In fact, there may even be said to exist a very general misunderstanding of all city planning work. It is thus the purpose and the duty of the publicity campaign to relieve this condition.

In reality we are doing little actual city planning. Rather we should call it city replanning, for that which has generally been undertaken by our large cities is to straighten, widen or extend existing thoroughfares, to create a civic center close to the heart of the present city, to provide parks and recreation centers within our residential sections or similar undertakings which should have been planned long before the actual necessities became apparent. Naturally this replanning is costly, for it means the destruction of expensive buildings and the condemnation of valuable property. In such work the immediate benefits may not appear to the public to justify the cost. The result is that city planning is usually condemned as expensive and oftentimes wrongly believed to be unnecessary. Here is where the publicity campaign becomes effective, for only in this way can these misconceptions be removed.

### Classified Advertisements

**FOR SALE CHEAP.**—Two water troughs, 12-12 feet long. One computing counter scales.  
**MODEL MARKET.**

**FOR SALE CHEAP.**—House hold furniture, practically new. Dishes, stoves, all at a bargain.  
Phone 116 **MRS. MARY S. HEGLER.**

**LOST.**—Between J. J. S. Smith's ranch and Carlsbad, ladies hand satchel containing some papers. Finder please leave at Joyce-Fruit store and be liberally rewarded.  
**MRS. J. J. S. SMITH.**

**FOR RENT.**—Rooms furnished or unfurnished. **MRS. W. H. MULLANE.**

**FOR SALE.**—Sure Hatch Incubator, one half price, 230-egg capacity, in good condition, used twice. Phone 49 or inquire at Current office.

**FOR SALE.**—Indian Runner Ducks, 50 cents each. Phone 49 or inquire at Current office.

Loans Negotiated on Improved City Property and Farm Lands.  
**J. M. PARDUE, Agent.**  
Office Metropolitan Hotel, Mch-19-15 Carlsbad, N. M.

**FOR RENT.**—Two connecting house keeping rooms. Electric lights and water. **METROPOLITAN HOTEL.**

**EDDY GROVE CAMP W. O. W.**  
Meets every Thursday night at 7:30 at W. O. W. Hall. Visiting sovereigns and members urged to attend.  
**A. R. O'QUINN, Clerk.**  
**BOB HAMBLIN, C. C.**

**WANTED.**—Ladies to call and see my line of spring and summer novelties in yard goods, crepes, voiles, organdies, pongees, and silks, made to measure garments, dresses, waists, skirts, underwear and hosiery.  
**MRS. COLLINS.**  
Metropolitan Hotel.



## Colds

should be "nipped in the bud", for if allowed to run unchecked, serious results may follow. Numerous cases of consumption, pneumonia, and other fatal diseases, can be traced back to a cold. At the first sign of a cold, protect yourself by thoroughly cleansing your system with a few doses of

## THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

the old reliable, vegetable liver powder.

Mr. Chas. A. Ragland, of Madison Heights, Va., says: "I have been using Thedford's Black-Draught for stomach troubles, indigestion and colds, and find it to be the very best medicine I ever used. It makes an old man feel like a young one."

Insist on Thedford's, the original and genuine. E-67

## JULIA A. SHARPE HEADS WOODMEN CIRCLE.

Selection of Grand Lodge Officers Completed at Today's Session; Roswell Lands Next Convention.

The Woodmen circle convention closed in W. O. W. hall today, after a three days' session. The election, which is said to have been a sweeping victory for Mrs. Julia A. Sharpe, the state head; and her adherents, resulted as follows:

Supreme delegate, Julia A. Sharpe; grand guardian, Caroline Merrifield, of Hope; grand adviser, Sarah Westerfield, of Albuquerque; grand clerk, Lily Ellis, Clovis; grand banker, Nora Leck, Carlsbad; grand chaplain, Ethel McDaniel, Roswell; grand attendant, Nellie Vest, Carlsbad; grand assistant attendant, Gertrude Deen, Portales; grand managers, Elizabeth Shelton, Hope; E. C. Tafoya, Santa Fe; Emma Walling, Albuquerque; grand inner sentinel, Rosa Pullen, Clovis; grand outer sentinel, Eliza Rankin, Elida; supreme delegates alternate, Bertha Thornhill, East Las Vegas.

The next meeting will be held at Roswell in April, 1917. This afternoon a memorial service was held, with Mrs. Sharpe presiding.

The delegates were to have been given an auto ride about the city, but on account of the McKee funeral the social feature was abandoned.—Albuquerque Herald.

Mrs. John T. Bolton arrived in San Antonio last Friday feeling none the worse for the long journey, found the weather fine and the city at its best, every shrub and flower in full bloom and ready for the Flower Festival that the city celebrates at this season every year. The parade proper is usually from one half to three quarters of a mile in length and twenty floats, representing the wonders of Aladdin, the captains selected from high school students will be a portion of the display. San Antonio has proven to the world the city cannot be eclipsed by any other in the country, no matter how important or imposing the occasion may be. Seventy entries are listed in roses alone, during the flower show to say nothing about sweet peas, poppies and pansies. When this week rolls around the thoughts will naturally be with the folks at home and Mrs. Bolton could not have chosen a more lovely time to visit San Antonio.

For Sale:—Indian runner ducks at only fifty cents each. Enquire at this office.

## SMOKE BELLEW

By JACK LONDON

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### CHAPTER XIX.

The Adventure With the Little Man.

"WHY you wasn't so set in your ways," Shorty demurred. "I'm sure smart of that glacier. No man ought to tackle it by his monkey."

Smoke laughed cheerfully and ran his eyes up the glistening face of the living glacier that filled the head of the valley. "Here it is August already, and the days have been getting shorter for two months," he epitomized the situation. "You know quartz, and I

don't. But I can bring up the grub while you keep after that mother lode. So long. I'll be back by tomorrow evening."

He turned and started.

"I got a hunch somethin's goin' to happen," Shorty pleaded after him. But Smoke's reply was a bantering laugh. He held on down the little valley, occasionally wiping the sweat from his forehead, the while his feet crushed through ripe mountain raspberries and delicate ferns that grew beside patches of sun sheltered ice.

In the early spring he and Shorty had come to the Stewart river and launched out into the amazing chaos of the region where Surprise lake lay. And all of the spring and half of the summer had been consumed in futile wanderings, when, on the verge of turning back, they caught their first glimpse of the baffling, gold bottomed sheet of water which had lured and fooled a generation of miners.

Making their camp in the old cabin which Smoke had discovered on his previous visit, they learned three things—first, heavy nugget gold was carpeted thickly on the lake bottom; next, the gold could be mined for in the shallower portions, but the temperature of the water was man killing, and, finally, the draining of the lake was too stupendous a task for two men in the shorter half of a short summer. Undeterred, reasoning from the coarseness of the gold that it had not traveled far, they had set out in search of the mother lode. They had crossed the big glacier that frowned on the southern rim and devoted themselves to the puzzling maze of small valleys and canyons beyond, which, by most unmountain-like methods, drained, or had at one time drained, into the lake.

The valley Smoke was descending gradually widened after the fashion of any normal valley, but at the lower end it pinched narrowly between high, precipitous walls and abruptly stopped in a cross wall. At the base of this, in a welter of broken rock, the streamlet disappeared, evidently finding its way out underground.

Climbing the cross wall, from the top Smoke saw the lake beneath him. Unlike any mountain lake he had ever seen, it was not blue. Instead its intense peacock green tokened its shallowness. It was this shallowness that made its draining feasible. All about arose jumbled mountains, with ice scarred peaks and crags, grotesquely shaped and grouped. All was topsy turvy and unsystematic—a Dore night mare.

Across the lake, seemingly not more than half a mile, but, as he well knew, five miles away, he could see the bunch of spruce trees and the cabin. He looked again to make sure and saw smoke clearly rising from the chimney. Somebody else had surprised themselves into finding Surprise lake, was his conclusion as he turned to climb the southern wall.

From the top of this he came down into a little valley, flower floored and laxy with the hum of bees, that heaved quite as a reasonable valley should, in so far as it made legitimate entry on the lake. What was wrong with it was its length—scarcely 100 yards—its head a straight up and down cliff of 1,000 feet, over which a stream pitched itself in descending veils of mist.

And here he encountered more smoke, floating lazily upward in the warm sunshine, beyond an outlet of rock. As he came around the corner he heard a light metallic tap-tapping and a merry whistling that kept the beat. Then he saw the man, an upturned shoe between his knees, into the sole of which he was driving hob spikes.

"Hello!" was the stranger's greeting, and Smoke's heart went out to the man in rosy liking. "Just in time for a snack. There's coffee 'n the pot, a couple of cold flapjacks, and some jerky."

"I'll go you if I lose," was Smoke's acceptance as he sat down. "I've been rather skimped on the last several meals, but there's oodles of grub over in the cabin."

"Across the lake? That's what I was heading for."

"Seems Surprise lake is becoming populous," Smoke complained, emptying the coffee pot.

"Go on, you're joking, aren't you?" the man said, surprise painted on his face.

Smoke laughed. "That's the way it takes everybody. You see those high ledges across there to the northwest? There's where I first saw it. No warning. Just suddenly caught the view of the whole lake from there. I'd give an up looking for it too."

"Same here," the other agreed. "I'd headed back and was expecting to fetch the Stewart last night when out I popped in sight of the lake. If that's it where's the Stewart? And where have I been all the time? And how did you come here? And what's your name?"

"Bellew—Kit Bellew."

"Oh, I know you!" The man's eyes and face were bright with a joyous smile, and his hand flashed eagerly out to Smoke's. "I've heard all about you."

He was a slender man, wiry with health, with quick black eyes and a magnetism of camaraderie.

"And this is Surprise lake?" he murmured incredulously. "And its bottom's buttered with gold?"

"Sure. There's some of the churning." Smoke dipped in his overalls pocket and brought forth half a dozen nuggets.

"Well, gosh-dash my dingbats, if you haven't beaten me to it," Carson swore whimsically, but his disappointment was patent. "And I thought I'd scooped the whole chowdieu. Anyway, I've had the fun of getting here."

"Fun!" Smoke cried. "Why, if we can ever get our hands on all that but

tom we'll make Rockefeller look like 50 cents."

"But it's yours," was Carson's objection.

"Nothing to it, my friend. You've got to realize that no gold deposit like it has been discovered in all the history of mining. It will take you and me and my partner and all the friends we've got to lay our hands on it. All Bonanza and Eldorado dumped together wouldn't be richer than half an acre down there. The problem is to drain the lake. It will take millions. And there's only one thing I'm afraid of. There's so much of it that if we fail to control the output it will bring about the demonetization of gold."

"And you tell me"—Carson broke off, speechless and amazed.

"Am glad to have you. It will take a year or two, with all the money we can raise, to drain the lake. It can be done. I've looked over the ground. But it will take every man in the country that's willing to work for wages. We'll need an army, and we need right now decent men in on the ground floor. Are you in?"

"Am I in? Don't I look it? I feel so much like a millionaire that I'm real timid about crossing that big glacier. Couldn't afford to break my neck now. Wish I had some more of those hob spikes. I was just hammering the last in when you came along. How's yours? Let's see."

Smoke held up his foot.

"Worn smooth as a skating rink!" Carson cried. "You've certainly been hiking some. Wait a minute, and I'll pull some of mine out for you."

But Smoke refused to listen. "Besides," he said, "I've got about forty



He Thrust One Foot Forward and Steeled Himself With a Visible Physical Effort.

feet of rope cached where we take the ice. My partner and I used it coming over. It will be a cinch."

It was a hard, hot climb. The sun blazed dazzlingly on the ice surface, and with streaming pores they panted from the exertion. There were places, crisscrossed by countless fissures and crevasses, where an hour of dangerous toll advanced them no more than a hundred yards. At 2 in the afternoon beside a pool of water bedded in the ice Smoke called a halt.

"Let's tackle some of that jerky," he said. "I've been on short allowance, and my knees are shaking. Besides, we're across the worst. Three hundred yards will fetch us to the rocks, and it's easy going, except for a couple of nasty fissures and one bad one that heads us down toward the bulge. There's a weak ice bridge there, but Shorty and I managed it."

"I'm lighter than you by forty pounds," Carson said. "Let me go first."

They stood on the edge of the crevasse. It was enormous and ancient, fully 100 feet across, with sloping, age eaten sides instead of sharp angled rims. At this one place it was bridged by a huge mass of pressure hardened snow that was itself half ice. Even the bottom of this mass they could not see, much less the bottom of the crevasse. Crumbling and melting, the bridge threatened imminent collapse.

"Looks pretty bad," Carson admitted with an ominous head shake.

"But we've got to tackle it," Smoke said. "We can't camp here on the ice all night. And there's no other way. Shorty and I explored for a mile up. It was in better shape, though, when we crossed."

"It's one at a time, and me first," Carson took the coil of rope from Smoke's hand. "You'll have to cast off. I'll take the rope and the pick. Gimme your hand so I can slip down easy."

Slowly and carefully he lowered himself the several feet to the bridge, where he stood, making final adjustments for the perilous traverse. On his back was his pack outfit. Around his neck, resting on his shoulders, he coiled the rope, one end of which was still fast to his waist.

"I'd give a mighty good part of my millions right now for a bridge construction gang," he said, but his cheery, whimsical smile belied the words.

The pick and the long stick he used as an alpenstock he balanced horizontally at the end of a rope-walker. He thrust one foot forward tentatively, drew it back and stole himself with a visible physical effort.

"I wish I was that broke," he smiled up. "If ever I got out of being a millionaire this time I'll never be any again."

"It's all right," Smoke encouraged. "I've been over it before. Better let me try it first."

"And you forty pounds to the worse," the little man flashed back. "I'll be all right in a minute. I'm all right now," as his foot went out, this time to rest carefully and lightly, while the other foot was brought up and past.

Very gently and circumspectly he continued on his way until two-thirds of the distance was covered. Here he stopped to examine a depression he must cross, at the bottom of which was a fresh crack. Smoke, watching, saw him glance to the side and down into the crevasse itself and then begin a slight swaying.

"Keep your eyes up!" Smoke commanded sharply. "Now, go on!" The little man obeyed not faltered on the rest of the journey. The sun eroded slope of the farther edge of the crevasse was slippery, but not steep, and he worked his way up to a narrow ledge, faced about and sat down.

"Your turn," he called across. "But just keep a-comeing, and don't look down. That's what got my goat. Just keep a-comeing, that's all. And get a move on. It's mighty rotten."

Balancing his own stick horizontally, Smoke essayed the passage. That the bridge was on its last legs was patent. He felt a jar under foot, a slight movement of the mass and a heavier jar. This was followed by a single sharp crackle. Behind him he knew something was happening. If for no other reason he knew it by the strained, tense face of Carson. From beneath, thin and faint, came the murmur of running water, and Smoke's eyes involuntarily wandered to a glimpse of the shimmering depths. He jerked them back to the way before him.

Two-thirds over he came to the depression. The sharp edges of the crack, but slightly touched by the sun, showed how recent it was. His foot was lifted to make the step across when the crack began slowly widening, at the same time emitting numerous sharp snaps. He made the step quickly, increasing the stride of it, but the worn balls of his shoe skated on the farther slope of the depression. He fell on his face and without pause slipped down and into the crack, his legs hanging clear, his chest supported by the stick, which he had managed to twist crosswise as he fell.

His first sensation was the nausea caused by the sickening upheav of his pulse; his first idea was of surprise that he had fallen no farther. Behind him were crackling and jar and movement, to which the stick vibrated. From beneath, in the heart of the glacier, came the soft and hollow thunder of the dislodged masses striking bottom. And still the bridge, broken from its farthest support and ruptured in the middle, held, though the portion he had crossed tilted downward at a pitch of twenty degrees.

He could see Carson, perched on his ledge, his feet braced against the melting surface, swiftly receding the rope from his shoulders to his hand.

"Wait!" he cried. "Don't move, or the whole shooting match will come down!"

He calculated the distance with a quick glance, took the bandanna from his neck and tied it to the rope and increased the length by a second bandanna from his pocket. The rope, manufactured from sled lashings and short lengths of plaited rawhide knotted together, was both light and strong. The first cast was lucky as well as deft, and Smoke's fingers clutched it. He evidenced a hand over hand intention of crawling out of the crack. But Carson, who had refastened the rope around his own waist, stopped him.

"Make it fast around yourself as well," he ordered.

"If I go I'll take you with me," Smoke objected.

"The little man became very parsimonious."

"You shut up!" he ordered.

"If I ever start going"—Smoke began.

"Shut up! You ain't going to ever start going. Now do what I say. That's right—under the shoulders. Make it fast. Now start. Get a move on, but easy as you go. I'll take in the slack. You just keep a-comeing. That's it. Easy, easy."

Smoke was still a dozen feet away when the final collapse of the bridge began. Without noise, but in a jerky way, it crumbled an increasing tilt.

"Quick!" Carson called, cutting in hand over hand on the slack of the rope which Smoke's rush gave him.

When the crash came Smoke's fingers were clawing into the hard face of the wall of the crevasse, while his body dragged back with the falling bridge. Carson, sitting up, feet wide apart and braced, was heaving on the rope. This effort swung Smoke in to the side of the wall, but it jerked Carson out of his niche. Like a cat he faced about, clawing wildly for a hold on the ice and slipping down. Beneath him, with forty feet of taut rope between them, Smoke was clawing just as wildly, and ere the thunder from below announced the arrival of the bridge both men had come to rest. Carson had achieved this first, and the several pounds of pull he was able to put on the rope had helped to bring Smoke to a stop.

Each lay in a shallow niche, but Smoke's was so shallow that, tense with the strain of the flattening and sticking, nevertheless he would have slid on had it not been for the slight assistance he took from the rope. He was on the verge of a bulge and could not see beneath him.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Education, Hope, N. M., until two o'clock P. M. on the 10th day of May, 1915, for the erection of a reinforced concrete High School building, to be erected in the town of Hope, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Contractor will be required to furnish all material, tools, cartage and appliances, necessary to complete the building on or before the thirty-first (31st) day of August, 1915, according to the plans and specifications furnished by G. W. Witt, Carlsbad, N. M. and on file in the office of the Board of Education at Hope, N. M. and in the office of the County Treasurer, Carlsbad, N. M. and the office of the County Clerk, Roswell, N. M.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified check, representing five per cent (5pct) of the bid, and made payable to the Chairman of the Board of Education, Hope, N. M., as a guarantee to furnish a builder's bond equal to one half of the contract price, and one that is acceptable to the board of Education.

Each proposal must be sealed, and marked, "sealed bid" on the outside and addressed to H. M. GAGE, Chairman of Board of Education, Hope, N. M. The board reserves the right to reject any, or all bids.

Signed, H. M. GAGE, Chairman.  
N. L. JOHNSON, Clerk.  
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## PROBATE NOTICE.

In the District Court, Eddy County, New Mexico.

In the matter of the estate of Homer F. Parr, deceased.

No. 291.

Notice is hereby given that Maude H. Parr, administratrix of the estate of Homer F. Parr, deceased, having filed in this Court her first and final report of her administration of said estate, and a petition for her discharge as administratrix of said estate, the hearing for the same has been fixed for the 3rd day of May, 1915, by the Court, at 10 o'clock A. M. in the court room of said Court, at the Court House in Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico, and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said report should not be settled and allowed and said administratrix discharged.

Seal. A. R. O'QUINN, County Clerk.

## NOTICE.

To W. R. Anderson, F. E. Lewis, The Unknown Heirs of William R. Anderson, deceased; and Unknown Claimants of Interest Adverse to Plaintiff in Cause No. 2162 in the District Court, within and for Eddy County, New Mexico, wherein Paul Ares is Plaintiff:—You and each of you are hereby notified that suit against you has been instituted and is now pending in said court in said county by said plaintiff to quiet his title to the following described lot and premises: Lot 1, Block 9, of La Huerta, in Eddy County, New Mexico. You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before May 15, 1915, judgment will be rendered in said cause against you by default. Armstrong & Dow, Carlsbad, New Mexico, are attorneys for plaintiff. Witness the hand and official seal of the County Clerk, Eddy County, N. M., this March 22, 1915.

A. R. O'QUINN, County Clerk.

## Last Will and Testament of Larkin D. Jacks, Deceased.

### NOTICE FOR PROVING WILL.

To Whom It May Concern:—Notice is hereby given that the will of Larkin D. Jacks, deceased, has been filed in my office, and that the 3rd day of May, 1915, is the time fixed for proving said will at the office of the Probate Judge of Eddy County, in the Court House at Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Witness my hand at Carlsbad, New Mexico, this 31st day of March, 1915.

A. R. O'QUINN, Clerk of the Probate Court.

(Seal) 2-Apr-4

## NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE UNDER EXECUTION.

In the District Court, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Rice-Stix Dry Goods Co., Plaintiff.

No. 2068.

John L. Toole, Defendant.

WHEREAS, by virtue of an execution, issued out of the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of New Mexico, of which said District said Eddy County is a part, in cause number 2068 Rice-Stix Dry Goods Company is plaintiff and John L. Toole is defendant, same being suit on a certain promissory note made, executed and delivered by defendant to plaintiff, and in which said cause judgment was had, rendered and entered against defendant and in favor of plaintiff, on the 9th day of November, A. D. 1914 for the sum of \$340.79 and all costs, which said demand and judgment will amount to the sum of \$369.87 on the day sale is to be made.

And WHEREAS, by virtue of said execution I, the undersigned sheriff, did on the 15th day of April 1915, levy upon and take into my possession, as the property of said defendant, the following described real estate, to wit:

The Northeast Quarter (NE-1-4) Sec-

E. W. Walte and Ray Blocker want to the plain country last Saturday to tow or bring in the car that was burned of Mrs. George Pundtler's. They took out the necessary things for repairing the car, fixed it up and it made the trip back to town. Everything that would burn around the car was destroyed. The engine was repaired, new tires put on, a board tacked on to sit on, the car being light, made the trip across the mud, and the Overland they went out in stuck in the mud of Lone Tree and they abandoned it and came in Tuesday morning in the rebuilt car.

## NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR.

In the Probate Court; No. 312:

Eddy County, New Mexico.

In the matter of the estate of Margaret Jane Mayes, Deceased.

By order of the Probate Court of the county of Eddy, State of New Mexico, notice is hereby given that I, the undersigned have been duly appointed by said court administrator of the estate of Margaret Jane Mayes, deceased, and that I have qualified as such administrator by taking the oath of office and by filing in said court the duly approved bond as required by law.

Notice is further given that all persons having claims against said estate must present such claims in the manner prescribed by law and within the time fixed by law.

Dated, Carlsbad, New Mexico, April 12, 1915:

A. J. MAYES, Administrator.

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tion 11, Township, 17 South of Range 38 East N. M. P. M. near Knowles Eddy County, New Mexico.

## NOW, therefore NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that on the 7th, day of June A. D. 1915, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 12 O'clock M. of said day, at the South Front Door of the Court house in the town of Carlsbad in said County, I will offer the above land and real estate for sale and sell the same at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the proceeds of such sale to be applied to the payment of the judgment and costs above mentioned.

DATED: Carlsbad, New Mexico, April 14, 1915,

M. C. STEWART,

Sheriff Eddy County, New M :

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## NOTICE OF CONTEST.

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Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Roswell, New Mexico, March 24, 1915.

To W. R. Jacks father and only heir of Dave A. Jacks, deceased, of Loving, New Mexico, Contestee:

You are hereby notified that William H. Laidlaw, who gives Loving, New Mexico, as his post-office address, did on March 23, 1915, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of H. D. Entry No. 027902, made October 11, 1913, for N 1-2 SE 1-4 and SW 1-4 NE 1-4, Section 24, Township 23S, Range 28E, N. M. P. Meridian; and as grounds for his contest he alleges that the said Dave A. Jacks is now deceased, that said deceased never established residence upon said tract during his life time, that you as his only heir have never established residence thereon since the death of said Dave A. Jacks, and that said deceased left no will.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken by this office as having been confessed by you, and your said entry will be canceled thereunder without your further right to be heard therein, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically meeting and responding to these allegations of contest, or if you fail within that time to file in this office due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail. If this service is made by the delivery of a copy of your answer to the contestant in person, proof of such service must be either the said contestant's written acknowledgment of his receipt of the copy, showing the date of its receipt, or the affidavit of the person by whom the delivery was made stating when and where the copy was delivered; if made by registered mail, proof of such service must consist of the affidavit of the person by whom the copy was mailed stating when and the post office to which it was mailed, and this affidavit must be accompanied by the postmaster's receipt for the letter.

You should state in your answer the name of the post office to which you desire future notices to be sent to you.

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### TELEPHONING BY WIRELESS FROM MOVING TRAINS.

Communication by wireless telephone between moving trains and the stations of a railroad, heretofore considered one of the hardest problems in the whole wireless field, has been brought to practically a working basis on two of the railroads of this country—the Lackawanna and the Union Pacific. One of the interesting things about this latest development in wireless is that while they accomplish practically the same purpose the systems developed on the two railroads differ radically in most of their essential features. The May Popular Mechanics Magazine, in an illustrated article, describes the two systems as follows:

"On the Lackawanna Railroad the wireless waves are transmitted directly between antennae carried on the train and the aerial at the railroad station, whatever the distance may be, while the system developed on the Union Pacific utilizes for distance transmission two wires strung on the telegraph poles that parallel the track, so that the wireless waves are only required to bridge the gap between the telegraph line and the antennae carried on the train, a distance that rarely exceeds 75 ft. and is usually less than 50 feet."

That the system used on the Lackawanna is a success has been demonstrated by telephone conversations recently carried on over a distance of

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## CARLSBAD LOCAL ITEMS

T. O. Wyman and son were in Carlsbad Monday.

Lee James was in town Sunday and Monday, returning to the ranch Tuesday.

Dock Vest was in the White City Friday on the look out for Mrs. Vest, who was returning from Albuquerque that day.

H. M. Smith of San Antonio, Texas, registered at the Palace, is looking over New Mexico with a view of locating.

W. J. Bolt and wife from Paducah, Texas, have rooms at the Metropolitan. They are here for Mr. Bolt's health.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace James and Miss Mabel Austin skiddoo'd for Elsworth James' ranch six miles out last Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Joyce returned Monday night. Mr. Joyce from Detroit, Michigan, and Mrs. Joyce joining him at Roswell.

John R. Joyce has bought a touring car and with a number of friends he is touring the coast between Los Angeles and San Francisco.

A. J. Richmond of La Huerta who has been a sufferer for the past three months is feeling some better though he had a serious attack last Sunday.

E. J. Viall, wife and little grand daughter, Frances, are at the Palace. They are from Windom, Minnesota. They may locate in the valley.

FOR SALE CHEAP.—Seasoned board and batten posts and stays for sale, at Pecos Valley Lumber Co. Strongest and best lasting posts on the market.

Dr. Friedman spent Wednesday in Artesia and when asked how many days he would spend there, remarked that he would be there only one unless marooned.

Sacks of mail were distributed here Tuesday morning to the number of 125. This was the first through mail Carlsbad had received since last Thursday week.

Mrs. Victor Minter was very ill at her home Sunday and Monday. Her life was threatened from gall stones but we are glad to state the crisis has passed.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dickson lost their fine milk cow Sunday night, not from high water, but maybe from fright, any way they found her dead Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. West, of Artesia, were here last week Thursday night. Mrs. West returned to Artesia and Mr. West left on the train for his ranch between here and Pecos.

Mr. Charlie Pardue brought Wardie Leck home from her visit in Loving. On asking Wardie if she was glad to come home, replied: "Yes, I wanted to see what mother brought me."

B. H. Bassett, cashier of the American National Bank, of Roswell, and W. C. Winston also of Roswell, stopped over night here Wednesday last week on their way from El Paso.

Theodore Anderson and family were here here for the winter are returning to their home near Monument where they hope if the good rains continue, they will make good crops.

Rev. J. N. S. Webb closed a term of eight months of public school Tuesday on Rocky with a picnic dinner and a program. Mr. Webb is an efficient teacher, and is liked by patrons and pupils.

The mail for the rural route did not go Friday or Saturday owing to high water. Mr. Ross was supposed to be resting, but could be, with so much excitement about the dams giving way?

Mr. Belcher, a stockman from the Orange country, New Mexico, stopped over Sunday and Monday in Carlsbad waiting for the roads to dry off and high water to fall. He was on his way to Hope.

Mrs. G. A. Beckett, Mrs. M. C. Stewart's mother, who has been visiting here for ten days past, returned to her home in Hope Tuesday with her son, Dave, who dashed into town Monday night in his roadster.

Mrs. E. Hendricks, Mrs. Mary James Mrs. Wangler and Miss Margaret Simonds were guests of Mrs. Joe James in La Huerta Sunday night where they felt safe if the water did creep into Carlsbad unaware.

Mrs. Carl Gordon and some of her near neighbors, ladies with their children, deserted their homes Sunday evening, going in the big roomy wagon to Father Gordon's west of the canal spent the night feeling safe, and returned Monday morning.

Joe James, the "genial" cow man visited in his two story brick residence in La Huerta during the cry of "dee ye" to high quarters, going thither again to the ranch when the car would carry him safely over the mud and water.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kerr returned Sunday night from an extended trip east or north. They were too happy

to tell us just where they spent the time, but Mary suggested: "In the moon". Anyway we are glad they are home again.

Mrs. Dick Thorne, Mother Thorne, Mrs. English, Richard and Agnes, Mrs. Beckett, Mrs. M. C. Stewart and family, Mrs. Harbert and the two girls, spent Sunday night with Mrs. C. N. Jones at their home, where they felt safe from the high water.

During the heavy rain storm last Friday night the electric wire near the home of Henry Dickson at the flume, was snapped in three pieces and the wall of the building was soaked black. No damage was done but business picked up for a while.

Mrs. J. D. Ogle and the two younger children went to Roswell last Friday and returned the middle of the week. Mrs. Ogle is visiting a sister there that she has not seen for six years and fearing Mr. Ogle would rush off to Texas without notice she decided to go during high tide.

Elsworth James, Jr., mashed the middle finger of his hand so bad recently, that all the flesh with the nail was torn from the bone. Dr. Doesp found it necessary to clip the end of the bone. The little fellow got his finger in the hinge jam of the door and the heavy door swung shut. The wound is healing nicely.

Mrs. Frank Joyce, one of the most interesting and popular society women of Carlsbad, came up yesterday, to attend the Operatic concert at the Armory last night. Mrs. Joyce will be the guest of relatives here until tomorrow when she will leave for her home, joining Mr. Joyce, who is returning from the east.—Friday's Roswell Record.

A number of families on the south went to Rom Ohnemus' ranch when warned of the approaching danger of high water last Sunday. A. J. Hitchcock and sister, Mr. Porsheau and wife Walter Craft and family and from town, Mrs. R. Ohnemus, Matt Ohnemus and wife, Joe Fessler and family, Mrs. Mary Kircher and the girls. Each family driving the cows and horses with them for safety.

Charley Ward was here Tuesday and when asked how about the rain, said: they had a hard rain, that the water washed away part of their fence, came within a few feet of the house, drowned several head of cattle, and left evidence in many ways that McKittrick had been on a rare right. The water ran into Joe Walker's house and Joe said he rolled up his bed and climbed the hill where he could see how things were going.

R. H. Judkins and wife made a start Thursday of last week for Illinois. They had gotten as far as Knowles Tuesday, as Mrs. Walker, who has care of the children during their absence, said they received a card. Mrs. Judkins is advised by her physician to make the change. They will make the trip in their car, stopping in Dallas, Fort Worth and many other places on the way. They are planning to visit in Chicago.

W. R. Bilibrey hove into Carlsbad Monday about noon, with a bit of mud on his boots and plenty on his car. J. L. Foley and wife who closed a successful term of school at Nadine accompanied him. When quizzed about his boots, said Lone Tree draw looked like a river and he had to crawl out and put on mud chains before he could cross. Also mentioned a rain falling at Caprock that damaged the road across the sands, cutting two or three ditches across the road.

Mrs. Sally L. Robert, of Artesia, well known here, left this week for the home of her younger son, Fred Robert, in Valiant, Oklahoma. She is anxious to see the new grandson. Her older son, John Robert, wife and two children, Agnes and little John, will visit in Valiant during the month of May. Mrs. Robert has not been very well this last winter but her many friends in the valley are anxious that she has a pleasant visit and returns to her home benefitted by the change.

Bob Williams of Tonapah, Nevada, arrived here Tuesday afternoon. He left his home on the first train after he received the wire stating his mother's life was in danger, of which he was coming Tuesday evening all five of the children were together and as they stood on the porch at Mr. Hannah's residence one remarked, "this is the first time we have all been together for thirty-two years". Mr. Williams states he had a long tiresome journey, traveled four days. He is deputy sheriff and assessor at Tonapah.

Frank H. H. Roberts, president of the Normal University of Las Vegas, was a visitor at the Current office last week. He was speaking a good word for their normal, and soliciting pupils for the summer school. He states they are going to have the largest summer school ever held in the state and teachers can attend the summer school for eight weeks and pay all actual expenses, including the railroad fare for \$47.00. That girls in the high school will have work in the training school at same rate, provided they agree to teach school at some time in the future.

Mrs. Tom Kinder's friends paid her a visit last Sunday evening. Most of them being young folks. Miss Adams furnished the delightful music and the time flew rapidly. Near midnight part of the crowd ventured back home and slept peacefully until morning. More

would have returned but Mr. Greenlee's car flew the track and was in mud so deep they did not get it out until morning. Then the crowd took lunch and went up to Avalon to see the sights, among the guests for the night were Miss Mary and Jewel Hubbard, Marry McKim, Della Gist, Jack Greenlee and others.

Last Friday night and early Saturday morning Dark Canyon and Hackberry draw were "heap big rivers", Dark Canyon having about twelve feet of water extending over to Cat Claw draw and Hackberry was about 1-2 mile wide. The two put the railroad bridge across Dark Canyon out of commission, no trains going over from Friday evening until Wednesday. A crowd of people were up and down the track all Saturday forenoon looking at the damage caused by the high water. The water was over the floors and walls of a number of houses in San Jose and lower part of town, no lives lost. Some furniture was washed away.

### HIGH WATER ON ROCKY.

The heaviest rain fell about the gap, poured in Rocky creek from Dead Man, and every draw, washing down the wind mill and filling up the well of Bill Jones' near the gap and washing out everything near the creek, taking Sam Jones' early corn the hen house and all the chickens but one, that was sitting on high ground, washed away the bridge on Rocky, all the irrigating ditches, four head of cattle for Mr. Delk and one of Mr. Kuykendall's best milk cows that was on low ground. Since that time the men are clearing the roads of boulders filling up wash outs and getting the road passable again.

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I won't advertise my garden hose until after the rains. Come in then for yours.

J. R. LINN.

### AUTOMOBILE TRAVELS ON LAND AND WATER.

A curious vehicle that travels both on land and water has been brought into service on the coast of Oregon, for carrying passengers between Marshfield and a railway terminal 65 miles distant. This vehicle, which the inventor calls the "Amphibion", consists of an automobile body mounted on standard wheels and equipped with large pontoons, one fixed to each side of the car. The craft is driven by an aerial propeller, having a diameter of 7 1-2 feet, and operated by an 80-hp. aeroplane engine. Along the smooth beach sands the "Amphibion" has attained a speed of 75 miles an hour. When the driver comes to a bay or inlet he drives boldly into it. The pontoons float the vehicle, while the aerial propeller drives it across the water at a speed of 15 miles an hour. A picture of the machine appears in the May Popular Mechanics Magazine.

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### HORTICULTURAL MEETING

Report of meeting of Board of Horticultural Commissioners held at Carlsbad, April 5th:

President, John W. Lewis, Carlsbad district.

Secretary, J. B. Cecil, Artesia district.

Member, Bryant Williams, Hope district.

The honorable board of county commissioners this day appointed Mr. Bryant Williams of Hope for a period of two years, and J. B. Cecil of Artesia for three years.

The Horticultural Board believes in and shall insist in future in dipping of all nursery stock in lime and sulphur, 32 degree test, 1 to 12 ratio. Also inspection of same where practical.

That a county sprayer be placed at Artesia as a means of full enforcement of the spraying law. Same being authorized by county commission.

That secretary take up with best authorities means of combating Boris. The Boris being prevalent in some sections about Carlsbad.

That all scale infections be handled with dormant and summer spraying with lime and sulphur. Times of spraying to be gauged by the severity of the infection. Dormant mixture to be 1 to 12 ratio. Summer mixture 1 to 40.

That the summer application of such spray material may be made in conjunction with Asenical Spray used for eradication of the codling moth.

That in cases of pear and fire blight cane be cut back at least 16 inches below last line of demarcation. All cuttings burned, and knife to be washed in kerosene sublimite solution as a means of spreading infection.

That all nursery stock showing galls, root knot, and scale infection of any kind be destroyed.

That black leaf 40 in ratio of 1 to 800 is recommended for eradication of aphids of all kinds.

That spraying for codling moth shall start on small orchards when blooms are all off. On large commercial orchards it is necessary for spraying to commence when about 8-4 of the petals have fallen to insure the first application being completed before the closing of the calyx.

The earnest cooperation of every citizen is urged in order that the best results may be obtained.

That the greater part of our orchards are just getting to the point of profitable bearing and judicious care in all spraying operations will lead to untold benefit later on. Keep the pests from getting a foothold in the new orchards, and rid the older ones. The same can only be done by strict compliance with the spraying law. Also by the use of standard spray materials. Let no one be confused by recommendations of new and untested materials and methods.

The members of the Board are

ready and willing at all times to do all in their power to assist every tree owner to the limit of their ability. When pressed for time the use of deputy inspectors shall be used and their authority will be the same as that of board members.

That a copy of these proceedings be furnished the papers of Carlsbad, Hope and Artesia, for publication if desired signed by the board member for the respective district.

EDDY COUNTY BOARD OF HORTICULTURAL COMMISSIONERS.

The Catholic ladies will hold a market at Purdy's store Saturday afternoon, April 24th. Come and be convinced we have good things for Sunday dinner.

### NOTICE.

To A. A. Masters, Anna Masters, and E. E. Hackett, defendants in Cause No. 2154, in the District Court, within and for Eddy County, New Mexico, wherein A. J. Crawford is plaintiff:

You are hereby notified that suit against you, as defendants therein, has been instituted by said plaintiff and is now pending in said court to recover the amount of the promissory note of A. A. Masters including 10 per cent attorney's fees thereon, said note described as follows: Principal \$1,022.07, dated Carlsbad, N. M., May 10, 1912, due one year after date, payable A. J. Crawford, interest 12 per cent per annum until paid, maker A. A. Masters, endorsed "6/21/13 Paid Int. to date \$113.36"; to foreclose a mortgage of the Defendant A. A. Masters of aforesaid date, made to secure said note, on the NW 1-4 of NW 1-4 Sec. 34; also 20 acres in E 1-2 of SW 1-4 of SW 1-4, Sec. 27; all in Twp. 22 S., R. 27 E., N. M. P. M., with water rights belonging thereto; to establish the lien of plaintiff on said lands and premises as a prior lien thereon; and to sell said lands and premises to satisfy any judgment of plaintiff herein.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before June 12, 1915, judgment will be rendered in said cause against you by default. Armstrong & Dow, Carlsbad, N. M., are attorneys for plaintiff.

Witness the hand and official seal of the clerk of said court this 22nd day of April, 1915.

A. R. O'QUINN, County Clerk.

25-Apr-5

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### THREE HUNDRED AT WOODMEN CIRCLE ENTERTAINMENT.

Cottonwood Grove Entertains Last Night at Brilliant Function Marking Close of the Convention.

—Friday's Albuquerque Herald.

Three hundred people, members of the Woodmen's circle convention, visitors, families and friends of members, attended the final event of the all week state convention last night when the members of Cottonwood grove entertained at a dinner, followed by a dance. Dan Phillips acted as toastmaster at the dinner, and a long list of entertaining responses were given. Among the speakers was Mrs. Julia A. Sharp, state manager, and elected delegate to the national convention in St. Paul July 13th next. At the conclusion of her address Mrs. Sharpe was presented with a magnificent bouquet of carnations from the members of the convention. A very entertaining musical program was given at the conclusion of the dinner, and dancing followed.

Impressive Memorial Service.

The dinner marked the close of the biennial convention which meets in 1917 at Roswell. In the afternoon the memorial service of the order was held as tribute to its dead who have passed away during the past two years. Fourteen members of Cottonwood grove of this city, dressed in white, carried out the impressive ritualistic exercises of the order, a muffled drum and the beat of the triangle marking the reading of each name. Appropriate music accompanied the service, and Mrs. Margaret Taylor, supreme manager, of San Antonio, Tex., who has been an honored guest at the convention, read the obituary, which was prepared and read at the last national convention at New Orleans by Mrs. Emma B. Manchester, the supreme guardian of the order.

The convention here has been successful in all ways and the members from other cities and towns have complimented members of Cottonwood Grove on the entertainment provided. The Commercial club also has been congratulated on a very enjoyable automobile ride to which it treated the visiting ladies yesterday afternoon.

### PUBLIC LANDS OWNERSHIP.

By R. P. Ervein.

During the past several sessions of Congress I have observed that a large number of measures have been introduced by both Senators and Representatives of "public land" states, having for their object the securing of a more liberal policy on the part of the Federal government as to the passing to private ownership of the public domain.

The sentiment in this state is heartily in favor of such legislation, and I have no doubt that a liberal policy on the part of the government in the administration of the unreserved and unappropriated public lands within your state would meet with the hearty approval of your citizens.

I am not familiar with the public land conditions in your state, except in so far as information that can be gathered from government reports, but from a period of seven years observation from the position of Land Commissioner of this state, and being brought in daily contact with the government policy, I am free to say that I favor any legislation that will have the tendency to liberalize our public land laws, which have been growing steadily more restricted. In fact, to be perfectly frank, I am of the opinion that all unreserved and unappropriated lands should be granted the respective states having same within their borders.

Knowing the views of our Representatives in Congress and the sentiment of our people, and judging from the efforts of Representatives in Congress of public land states to secure legislation of this kind, I believe it would be a wise course to secure concerted action, and I am writing you to ascertain your views as to the desirability of holding, some time during the year, a convention to be composed of the senators and representatives of public land states and at such a convention views could be exchanged, conditions in the different states become common knowledge, and if thought wise, general legislation of a character be decided upon and recommended, and a course of action mapped out by which we could render to our representatives assistance that would enable them to secure results.

I am at this time, taking the matter up only in a preliminary way with the State Land Commissioners and would be very glad to have your views as to the desirability of holding such a convention, and if I can count on your active assistance in the matter.

Very respectfully,

ROBT. P. ERVEIN, Commissioner.

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## THE GRANGE

Conducted by J. W. DARROW, Chairman, N. Y. Editor of the New York State Grange Review

## REALGRANGE WORK

Service Should Be the Slogan of the Organization.

Illustrations of What Granges Are Doing For the Betterment of the Communities in Which They Are Located—Typical of Grange Endeavor.

By J. W. DARROW.

If the grange exists for anything at all it is to serve. Service should be its slogan—service to its members and to the community. There is no other reason for the grange's being than that it is to help somebody in some way, and that somebody may be among its members or some one outside its membership; it may be a collection or number of individuals who constitute the community. In some way the grange must prove its right to exist by rendering community service, and this it does through educational, social and financial channels. This larger service, which will be largely attributive in character, is the grandest service that the grange can hope to render.

I have used the term "community service." What is a community? It has been defined to be that territory, with its people, which lies within a team haul of a given center, and this center (and I am speaking strictly of the rural community) is usually a village, small or large, sometimes so small as to comprise only a few houses, a store, a church, a school and a blacksmith shop. Beyond this locally prescribed community circle the influence of its leading rural personalities does not extend; within this radius individual affairs are of quite common knowledge. Social intercourse is very largely restricted within this circle, and families are accustomed to exchange visits with each other ten times oftener than they go outside this community to visit. While this definition of the community or the individual's larger home must of necessity be quite flexible in most strictly rural sections, yet it is in reality but a greater or lesser unit of social organization of local country life. It is with this people that the grange must directly deal, and to them it must dedicate its largest service. Nowhere else can its influence be so strongly emphasized. Its lasting work must be for and among the people where it "lives, moves and has its being."

To illustrate what I mean by community service let me give some instances, typical, yet real, of what granges all over our land have actually done for their respective communities.

To improve the appearance of its town a grange appropriated from its treasury money for cash prizes to be given for the greatest front yard improvement made in the village during the year. The prizes were awarded in the fall on the report of an inspecting committee, and it is said the whole town caught the spirit of improvement. The "front yard contest" was made an annual affair. The appearance of the town was transformed.

A village had a library, but it far from realized the possibilities of such an institution. It had a choice lot of books, but they were poorly housed and had no semblance of being catalogued. The grange led the way toward having suitable quarters fitted up and the books put in proper shape for convenient handling. Then came a cozy reading room, then an increased appropriation for library purposes, and finally the grange set on foot a project for a new library building, enthused the public over the plan, led in entertainments for the library benefit, and in due time the library was completed.

Another grange interested itself in getting a telephone project through. In fact, many granges have been responsible for the prompt introduction of telephone service in rural districts. But this grange set two active canvassers to work from each subordinate grange in the county. Within two weeks they had secured pledges for over 100 telephones in half a dozen towns, and the problem was solved, and solved by the grangers of the country. They got their telephones a year or two earlier than they would have if they had waited for some one else to start the enterprise.

In a small country town there were a number of young men whose only place of resort was the village store. The members of the grange saw the need and provided for it. They opened up an unoccupied room in their hall as a reading room for the young men and supplied it with papers and magazines. Later a piano was purchased, and other conveniences were added. This was three or four years ago, and now nearly all the young men belong to the grange, recognizing what it did for them.

In another small town the only means of water supply were the wells on each man's property. A very dry summer came along, and every well failed. The situation was critical. There was a grange in that town, and it arose to the occasion. At its own expense it put in a modern driven well on the village common, and a fine supply of water was obtained, and it was thrown open unreservedly for the use of anybody. This was genuine leadership in a community enterprise that was highly appreciated.

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### WORRELL-DANNELLEY, McLENDON-McLENDON—

A delightful double wedding took place Sunday at the Dannelley ranch about twenty miles north of Clovis. Chess Worrell and Miss Josephine Dannelley, and W. R. McLendon and Bessie McLendon were couples whom Reverend Lambert joined in marriage. Early in the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. McLendon, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davenport went out to the Dannelley home where the ceremony was performed. The couples returned to town about five o'clock, where by their friends they were paraded up and down Main street several times, after which they had six o'clock dinner at the Harvey House. A large crowd met with them at the Harry Miller home in the evening where they kept them until near

### one or two o'clock a. m.

Both couples are well known here, and have scores of friends who will wish them joy and happiness in their unions.

The above clipped from the Clovis Journal refers to well known Carlsbad people who now reside near Clovis. The Current joins their many friends here in extending congratulations.

### HARD SLEDDING.

Frank Stolaroff visited a friend in Artesia going up Saturday night and returned under difficulties Sunday night. All went well until they were two miles this side of Lakewood.

The passengers crossed a stretch of water on hand cars, fifteen or twenty passengers taking three hand cars to cross them over and went back for the mail and did not dare cross over with mail. Frank said he was used to sailing, but felt better when he was safe home and found there was no water in the streets of Carlsbad as reported.

### Plants For Sale.

Cabbage, Early Jersey Walnefield, Early Dunn Head, Early Flat Dutch, 10c doz., 50c per 100.

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