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The Carlsbad Current

TWENTY-FOURTH YEAR.

CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO, FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 1916.

NUMBER 11.

BANDIT IS EXECUTED

EXECUTION SQUAD FOREMAN EXECUTED.

Baca-Valles, Notorious Bandit and Villa Butcher, Pays Penalty in Juarez.

Man Who Had Officiated at Many Similar Ceremonies Hears Grim Order That Sends Him Into Eternity.

—El Paso Times, Wednesday.

With his back to a cottonwood tree, behind which his hands were tightly bound with coarse rope, Colonel Miguel Baca-Valles, the official executioner of the Villa army, was executed at 5 o'clock yesterday morning at a point 100 yards from the National Railway station in Juarez, where stood a special train laden with sleeping American refugees. Only one shot was used by the Carranza execution squad to kill the prisoner, who met his death with a stoicism characteristic of his Indian ancestry.

Execution Before Dawn.

It was the darkest hour of the morning—just before dawn—when an escort of twenty soldiers, led by Captain Alejandro Reginio, filed past the railway station to a water tank station a block away, where the prisoner had been under guard for five hours. His guards at the tank said that he had spoken only six words during the night. They were: "May God be merciful to me!" He smoked cigarettes continuously during that time.

When the execution squad arrived Colonel Baca-Valles rose heavily in his feet and came forth from the little hut without a word. Two blocks away, on the bank of a muddy irrigation canal, stood a gnarled cottonwood tree.

The March to Death.

Toward it marched the military escort with the prisoner, hands bound, in their midst. The moon showed almost blood-red behind a bank of clouds, but gave little light. Electric globes twinkled faintly through the morning mist at the station 300 feet away. A searching chill was in the air, but the prisoner did not tremble, though he wore no coat. Instead, he had on a grey coat-sweater.

Once, on the short walk, he stumbled and nearly fell. His 240-pound body was carried along easily. His black hair, curly and thick, was uncovered. When he stumbled, he recovered quickly and looked around him.

Bound to Cottonwood Tree.

Under Captain Reginio's direction, he was quickly bound to the cottonwood tree. The captain then stepped up to him and asked if he wished a handkerchief placed over his eyes. His answer was:

"No me importa. No soy coharde." (What do I care? I'm no coward). So the handkerchief was left off.

As he stood there bound he faced directly towards the Parrel refugee special, where American men, women and children, who had arrived in the night from Chihuahua, lay asleep. The refugee train was a block away. Two blocks further, but still in sight, were three boxcars on a sidetrack. In one of these lay the shrouded corpse of General Jose Rodriguez, another Villa leader, with whom Baca-Valles was intimate. Rodriguez had been executed Thursday at Madera, Chih., 150 miles south of the point where Baca-Valles was captured.

Turning from the prisoner after he had scorned to be blindfolded, Captain Reginio pointed to one of the escort and gave a quiet order. The soldier unslung his rifle from his shoulder, slipped several shells into the magazine and stepped forward facing the condemned man. When he was within arm's reach he halted and brought the rifle to his shoulder. The muzzle was within six inches of the prisoner's breast and pointed to his heart.

"No, dos, tres," counted the captain. As the third word was uttered the single executioner pulled the trigger and the Villa conolei crumpled against the tree without so much as a moan. A splash of blood spurted from his breast. Death came in less than a minute. The corpse was untied and placed on a stretcher.

Yesterday morning it was displayed in the railway station before a crowd of curious Mexicans and Americans. It was taken to Chihuahua for exhibition, together with that of General Jose Rodriguez, whose corpse was also on exhibition during the day.

Colonel Baca-Valles was captured Saturday near Palomas, Chihuahua, close to the border at Columbus, N. M., by a detachment of Carranza troops. His second officer, Lieutenant Colonel Enrique Sianeros, was also made prisoner, and, according to Carranza officials, is now en route to Juarez. He will be executed immediately upon his arrival. Eight soldiers, captured with

Baca-Valles and Sianeros, were executed on the spot.

Implicated in Santa Ysabel Affair. Carranza officers here profess to believe Baca-Valles took a leading part in the Santa Ysabel massacre, and was trying to escape from Mexico to the United States when captured. His record is a bloody one. For two years he held the position of "official executioner" for General Francisco Villa. He was in command of the execution squad, and it is estimated that he has given orders that have sent seven or eight hundred men to death.

Bodies Taken to Chihuahua. The bodies of Baca-Valles and Rodriguez were taken to Chihuahua yesterday afternoon, leaving Juarez at 3 o'clock over the National railway line. They will be publicly exhibited at the state capital as a warning to all of the fate in store for men caught in arms against the de facto government of Mexico.

"Foreman of the Firing Squad." Baca-Valles, one of the most notorious of the Villa followers, though but 24 years of age, is said to have more deaths to his credit than any single man in the now scattered northern army. He long occupied the position of chief executioner, or "foreman of the firing squad," in the Villa army, and many of the victims now lying in the graveyards at Juarez and other places bid farewell to earth with Baca-Valles' hoarse command to fire ringing in their ears.

AMERICANS ESCAPE

THE FIRING SQUAD BY PAYING A THOUSAND.

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 19.—Dr. E. R. Petakey, of the National Mines & Smelter Co., Magistral, Durango, one of the refugees who arrived early today, told of having been told up with six other Americans, waiting to be shot by the followers of General Bracamontes, who shot up the camp and took everything in sight about a week ago. The cutting of the wires to Parral at the time prevented an appeal for help. The Americans were saved on payment of 1,000 pesos.

"Bracamontes arrived with a rush one morning last week," said Dr. Petakey. "He was in the town and shooting it up and looting the stores before we knew he was there. When we scrambled into our clothes, we found bandit leader had secured the cashier, Mr. Bindell, and taken \$300 from him in gold. Bracamontes said he had come to kill all gringos. Bindell, who speaks good Spanish, talked to him all morning, but made no impression and we were ordered lined up about 2:30 in the afternoon, to be executed. Bindell kept up negotiations for two hours while we waited in line.

"Finally, Bindell persuaded Bracamontes to accept 1,000 pesos and the line was told to go home.

"The bandits left for Ende about fifteen miles south. We got word to the Carranza army and they cut across country and lay in ambush on the sides of the mountain to annihilate the bandits. But no woman there, so we believe, sent word to the bandits and they were prepared for the ambush. Only three of the band were killed and four taken prisoner.

"When we left Magistral, we heard that two or three hundred troops were coming north from the Gomez Palacio district. Whether they were Carranza or Villa men, we never heard." "On the trip north to the border at Parral," Dr. Petakey said, "we met General Petronella Hernandez at Parral, who supplied the train with a guard of 50 soldiers and mounted machine guns fore and aft of the train. He also permitted and saw to it that every man on the refugee train had a rifle and plenty of ammunition. He said when the mining men returned, he would supply them with ammunition for self-protection."

COBB'S STORY OF A SAFE CONDUCT IS TO BE INVESTIGATED.

Washington, Jan. 18.—Further inquiry into the circumstantial story which came in a dispatch from Collector Cobb, at El Paso, and which told how the American mining men, killed by bandits near Santa Ysabel, Mex., had been assured safe conduct by Carranza authorities, was being made today by state department officials.

The outcome of the inquiry is being awaited with unusual interest, for upon it may hinge whether the Carranza government is to be held responsible for the death of the Americans.

Collector Cobb's dispatch and any evidence collected will be included in data sent this week to the senate foreign relations committee in response to Senator Fall's resolution calling for information regarding conditions in Mexico.

VILLA AN OUTLAW.

Washington, Jan. 19.—General Carranza telegraphed the Mexican embassy here today that he had formally proclaimed Francisco Villa an outlaw and authorized his execution by any citizen of the republic who might encounter him.

LOWER HOUSE OF CONGRESS PASSES A LIBERAL LEASING BILL

Under Provisions of Act 700,000,000 Acres May Be Had by Payment of Annual Fees to Government.

Washington, Jan. 15.—The second of the administration conservation measures, a bill under which more than 700,000,000 acres of public lands would be thrown open for lease by private interests, passed the house today without roll call. Immediately afterward the 640-acre homestead bill was taken up with a prospect that it would be passed early next week.

Opposition to the land lease bill was confined principally to far western representatives as in the case of the water power leasing bill passed last week. Led by Representative Mondell, of Wyoming, a group of members from the western states opposed particularly in the debate today the provision under which the vast oil resources on public lands in California and Wyoming would be developed under federal leases. They con-

tend that each state should be permitted to regulate development of such resources within its borders.

Representatives Baker and Church of California objected to a section giving relief to California oil promoters affected by the land withdrawals under the Taft administration as not being liberal enough. All who filed on land prior to July 3, 1910, the date of the congressional withdrawal, would be granted preferential leases provided they gave evidence of having attempted to develop their claims. The presence of a well or evidence that they were working on January 1, 1914, would be accepted as proof.

In its report the lands committee declared that the lands opened which include approximately 450,000,000 tons of coal and \$90,000,000 worth of phosphates and unknown quantities of oil, gas and mineral fertilizers should be developed immediately. The Alaskan coal fields and oil lands in naval reserves are not affected by the bill.

CARLSBAD PROJECT ANNUAL CROP REPORT

Short, but Interesting, Statistics of Project Progress.

The official live stock report of the Carlsbad Project for the year ending December 31, 1915, is just completed. The figures were obtained from the farmers themselves by government employees who visited every farm in the project for the purpose. The Carlsbad Project is operated by the Reclamation Service and contains about 25,000 acres of irrigable land. About 15,000 acres were under cultivation the past year, there not being enough settlers to occupy the entire irrigable area under the project.

This live stock report tells a remarkable story of progress in the Carlsbad Project this year. January 1, 1915, there were 462 head of cattle on the farms. At the close of the year 1915 there were 4320 head, of which 639 head are classed as dairy cattle. The rest are beef cattle, some of which are on feed for market, while others are being wintered on the farms to be returned to the range in the spring.

Only ninety-six head of sheep were on the project farms on January 1, 1915. By December 31, 1915, the sheep had increased to 5096 head. A part of the sheep is in feed lots, A. J. Crawford among others, finishing about 2,000 lambs. Others are old ewes that will go to market in the summer after producing a lamb crop and still others are being wintered on the farms and in the spring will go

also shows an increase in farm equipment of \$26,670. On the whole this report shows a remarkable advance in the live stock line in the Carlsbad Project during the year 1915. Development is along correct lines and there is generally prosperity in sight. A. M. HOVE.

DIPHTHERIA IN ROSWELL.

—Tuesday's Roswell News.

Roswell has a case of diphtheria in its midst in the person of little Mary, the 4-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Jones, who reside at 608 East Third street, who was stricken with the malady last week following her association with a child from Hagerman who visited the Jones family here on Thursday of last week.

It appears from the statement of County Health Officer Dr. W. T. Joyner, and the attending physician, at the bedside of the stricken child, that a little daughter of Al Jones, of Hagerman, visited the family of Marcus Jones in this city last Thursday and remained over night a bedfellow with little Mary. The child from Hagerman was not known to have been exposed to the malady, but the Jones family at that place had been under quarantine on suspicion, the quarantine being placed by city and deputy county health officer, Dr. W. M. Brown of that place. The quarantine was raised on the family after a considerable lapse of days, as no cases had developed. The child came to

NEWS OF DIST. COURT

RODRIGUEZ WAS NOT CAPTURED BY THE CARRANZA SOLDIERS.

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 17.—General Rodriguez, the bandit chief, was captured by Mexican employes of the Madera company, Ltd., not by Carranza soldiers, according to some of the Mormon colonists who arrived last night.

They said Rodriguez had sent a messenger to Madera to demand a ransom for the town. The messenger was well treated and General Rodriguez was invited to enter the town for a conference. With a few men, he entered and was placed in jail with his men. Afterward, his captors went through the district, gathering in Rodriguez' men, about twenty-five in all, it was said. They were then turned over to Carranza soldiers. Rodriguez was promptly executed.

There are now 400 Carranza troops at Nuevo Casas Grandes and Colonia Dublan, adjoining, it was said, and three hundred at Pearson.

According to American Consul Edwards, at Juarez, the Mormons feel that they are receiving ample protection and do not wish to leave. Edwards said he had requested J. C. Hays, manager of the Babicora ranch near Madera, to indicate the place where Peter Keane, an English employe of the Hearst interests, was killed by bandits. n receiving this information, he said, the Carranza general, Trevino, will be asked to procure the body. It is hardly possible that the body can be recovered, unless it has been buried.

L. A. TOMLINSON DIES.

L. A. Tomlinson died from paralysis at his home on Greene's Highlands early yesterday morning, January 20, after a lingering illness of about nine months. Mr. and Mrs. Tomlinson have lived in Carlsbad thirteen years and Mr. Tomlinson was employed looking after the city pumping plant at the time he received the first slight stroke of paralysis from which he soon recovered and resumed his duties, but a second one confined him to his bed and he has long been as an infant, with the constant care of his faithful wife ever at his bedside. In his prime he was a splendid man, standing about five feet nine inches and weighing 175 pounds. He was born at St. Louis, Missouri, April 9, 1844, and lived less, a few months, 72 years. His parents moved from St. Louis to Springfield, Illinois, when he was a small baby, at the age of eighteen he enlisted in the tenth Illinois cavalry and served two years in the Union army and was a member of the G. A. R. At twenty years of age he left home for Misaguri and he was in various places after that in Missouri and Texas and in 1871 he had a position in a general store in Milford, Texas, where he worked three years.

He was married to his present wife who was Miss Sally, the daughter of Dr. F. K. Smith, in Waco, Texas, February 1874, and they shared together the joys and sorrows alike over forty years of married life. Several children were born to them, and all died in their infancy, but one daughter, Nannie. He leaves besides his faithful wife a daughter to mourn his loss, three sisters and two brothers, a brother and sister in Illinois, a sister in Nebraska and one in Abilene. He was an Odd Fellow and the local lodge of Carlsbad has been untiring in its efforts to relieve his sufferings some of the brothers being at his bedside every night for the past eight months. He was also a member of the Episcopal church, from which his remains will be buried at 2:30 this afternoon under the auspices of the Odd Fellows lodge from among whom the pall bearers were chosen as follows: U. G. Grantham, Joe L. Andrews, U. S. Hamilton, L. E. Hayes, J. E. Lavery and J. R. Leck. The funeral sermon will be by Rev. F. W. Pratt and the music will be by the choir and will be hymns chosen by deceased.

RESULT OF WATER USERS' ANNUAL ELECTION.

At the annual election held by the Pecos Water Users' Association on January 18, 1916, there were cast a total vote of 10041. The question of interest was the election of a Board of Directors either for or against the new contract entered into for the sale of lands at cost price by the Association. The strongest vote shown against the proposition was 2241, and this only developed in one district.

The new Board consists of: James E. Wallace, Lu Huerta district.

James Little and I. S. Osborne, of the Carlsbad district.

Simeon Webster and Henry Tipton, Otis district.

Wm. E. Rose and Chas. P. Pardue, Loving district.

Scott Etter and J. A. Hartshorn, Malaga district.

In the reorganization of the new board, James E. Wallace was chosen president; W. E. Rose, vice-president; and Scott Etter, secretary and treasurer.

L. E. Foster and Chas. A. May returned Monday evening from Tucson, Arizona, where they attended a conference of operation and maintenance officers called by I. D. O'Donnell, of the reclamation service.

January 13.

W. P. Riley vs. Drs. A. C. White, et als, dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

State National Bank vs. L. S. Cleveland, et al, dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

State National Bank vs. J. T. Price, et al, dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

State National Bank vs. Jose Madrid, plea not guilty.

State vs. Pascual Lopez; rape; dismissed by state.

State vs. Walter McDonald; selling liquor to minor; fined \$50 and costs, after plea of guilty.

S. C. Humphreys vs. N. P. Neillis, and M. F. Bromley; judgment by default.

State vs. Charley Lowrey; for assault with intent to kill; continued for term.

State vs. J. L. Toole; transporting neat cattle out of the state without inspection; continued for term.

State vs. C. Jones; selling liquor without license; continued.

State vs. P. P. Mann and A. R. McKinney; larceny of turkeys; set for Wednesday, 19th of January.

State vs. Jno. Doe Yonkum; practicing denistry without a license; passed.

State vs. S. P. Henry; malicious mischief and maliciously injuring mortgaged property; passed.

January 14th.

State vs. Jack Filster; plea of guilty withdrawn and plea of not guilty substituted; defendant fined \$75 and costs and committed to jail until fine and costs are paid.

State vs. Ynez Rodriguez; larceny sentenced to 12 and not more than 14 months in the pen.

State vs. C. D. Ham; carrying deadly weapons, passed.

State vs. Aristo Marguez; tried before jury Wednesday.

State vs. John F. Warren; selling liquor to minor; fined \$75 and costs; total \$150.

State vs. Geo. McClure; sixty days in jail.

State vs. A. D. J. Hooper; passed.

State vs. Barney Hopkins and William Murray; unlawfully killing horse; continued to next term.

State vs. Jno. I. Bryan; unlawfully discharging pistol within limits of a settlement; passed. Same; unlawfully killing neat cattle; continued.

State vs. Julian McElroy and Francis Kelly; sentenced to reform school for not less than four and not more than five years; sentence suspended during odd behavior.

C. F. C. Ladd vs. E. T. Carter, R. R. Carter and W. E. Carter; motion of defendants withdrawn.

The regular venire of the petit jury as finally made up follows:

1. J. O. Richards.
2. H. M. Chilcoat.
3. Earl Hardin.
4. W. S. Beck.
5. G. W. Fullingim.
6. J. J. Harper.
7. E. Richardson.
8. W. P. Byrd.
9. J. W. Berry.
10. H. C. Sands.
11. F. G. Snow.
12. W. F. Kruse.
13. V. E. Fatheree.
14. Henry Collins.
15. C. J. Walter.
16. O. N. Blair.
17. J. T. Collins.
18. Arthur Forehand.
19. C. S. Grammar.
20. W. G. Force.
21. Wells Benson.
22. F. G. Tracy.
23. W. R. Owen.
24. E. S. Kirkpatrick.

State vs. Jose Madrid; for burglary and larceny. Tried before jury which returned the following verdict:

"We, the jury, find the defendant guilty as charged in the first count of the indictment and recommend the clemency of the court."

"W. R. OWEN, Foreman."

Attorneys for defendant, Osburn & Robinson, moved for a new trial.

Price Henry was dismissed from further appearance at court and bondsman released.

The sum of \$1,800 was transferred from the county salary fund to the court fund.

THE TURKEY CASE.

The famous "turkey case" from Artesia is on trial today, the following jury having been secured Wednesday evening:

E. S. Kirkpatrick, W. P. Ryrd, E. Richardson, Fred Rohmer, Henry Collins, C. J. Walter, W. S. Beck, Earl Hardin, Arthur Forehand, J. J. Harper, H. C. Sands, and E. A. Roberts.

Chas. Gilbert, of Roswell, assisted by J. B. Atkinson, are the attorneys for the defense and the district attorney is prosecuting.

The case grew out of the theft of sixty-one turkeys from E. P. McCormick, residing four miles northwest from Artesia the 29th of last May. Mr. McCormick some time about the last of June found his turkeys in the possession of one A. R. McKinney and Mann, living about one and a half miles north of Artesia. He replevined the turkeys, the parties alleging they had purchased them from a Mexican in the evening when it was too dark to distinguish who he was. They gave bond and got possession of the turkeys and a trial occurred in justice court when the owners showed he had the turkeys marked with white thread, by tying same around the wing. The prosecuting witness, was on the stand yesterday forenoon and others were examined in the afternoon. The case will probably go to the jury tonight.

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Washington, Jan. 19.—Elimination of private influence for war by government manufacture of all war munitions was urged in the senate today by Senator Cummins, of Iowa, republican. He pleaded for prompt adoption of his resolution, which would authorize a special committee to inquire into the most feasible plan for acquiring and constructing plants to supply the army and navy with all arms, ammunition and equipment, including ships, and to report on the legislation necessary to prevent private manufacture of such products.

Emphasizing the effect of the European war on private munition makers in the United States, he told the senate that since the war began there had been 174 new corporations organized in this country for the manufacture of munitions, and the value of arms and munitions exported in fifteen months had aggregated \$161,964,278. He submitted a table showing estimates of the amount of war contracts of some of the larger corporations.

FARMER'S DAY.

Otis, Friday, January 28th.
Loving, Saturday, January 29th.
Previous announcements have been made in this paper relative to the Farmers meetings that are to be held in this county during the week January 24-29. Every farmer within reasonable distance of one of these places of meeting should attend. The program will begin promptly at nine o'clock in the morning and last all day. A number of prominent agricultural men will be present at these meetings.

Be there. Remind your neighbor and bring him along.

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RECORD OF IMPORTANT EVENTS
CONDENSED FOR BUSY
PEOPLE.

ABOUT THE WAR

Cettinje, capital of Montenegro, captured by Austrians.

French submarine sinks Austrian scout cruiser in Adriatic sea.

Italian steamer sunk by mine and 200 Montenegrin recruits drowned.

Russian torpedo boats destroy submarine of central powers in Black sea.

French troops have taken possession of Corfu, a Greek island possession.

Leyland liner Huronian torpedoed by submarine near spot where Lusitania sank.

Two Italian steamers were sunk by mines. The loss of life was great, according to reports.

Austria and Montenegro agree to armistice and absorption of latter by former is now conceded.

The British steamer Clan MacFarland of 4,823 tons has been sunk in the Mediterranean.

By an overwhelming majority the conscription bill was approved when the British commons refused to pass a bill killing the conscript measure.

Attack of central powers on Saloniki develops on large scale. Germans, Austrians, Bulgars and Turks take part in advance.

Germany notifies Great Britain re-atrial measures will be adopted for alleged shooting of crew of German submarine which was sunk by the patrol boat Baralong.

Gen. Benjamin Arguedo, in command of 5,000 Oaxaca troops, is reported to have been victorious in a battle at Escalante with 3,500 de facto government troops from Chihuahua.

WESTERN

Typhus fever has become epidemic in Juarez.

The safe of the Bank of Clayton, Ala., was cracked and \$25,000 stolen.

More than fifty Americans have been killed in Mexico since the United States troops occupied Vera Cruz in April, 1914.

The funeral of the Right Rev. Richard Scannell, bishop of the Catholic diocese of Omaha, was held at St. John's collegiate church in Omaha.

At Santa Fe, N. M., Miss Margaret Waddell, of Los Angeles, was given a judgment for \$10,700 for breach of promise against A. R. Manby of Taos, N. M.

Harold J. Cummings, 48, conductor, and Fred C. Selby, 29, brakeman, both of Laramie, were instantly killed at Fort Steele, Wyo., when they were struck by Union Pacific Los Angeles Limited, No. 19, westbound.

WASHINGTON

Representative Hayden of Arizona spoke against the pending mineral lands bill.

Practically the entire United States Friday night was in the grip of the winter's most severe cold wave.

Senator Clarke introduced a resolution to withdraw the sovereignty of the United States from the Philippines and recognize an independent government.

Secretary McAdoo, in response to Senator Gore's request, estimated that \$130,000,000 in revenue could be gained from taxes on tea, sugar and automobiles.

Senator Fall introduced a resolution to exempt from Panama canal tolls American coastwise ships and Pan-American vessels trading between the Americas.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo has sent a communication to Congress, requesting urgency appropriations for construction work on Colorado public buildings as follows: Durango, \$40,000; Fort Morgan, \$500; La Junta, \$20,000. For Wyoming he recommended Cody, \$500, and Basin, \$500.

Secretary Lansing telegraphed Gen. Carranza calling for the prompt punishment of the bandits who executed sixteen Americans near Chihuahua on the 10th. Through Eliseo Arredondo, the newly-appointed Mexican ambassador, it was arranged to bring the bodies from Chihuahua to Juarez on a special train.

Senator Sherman introduced a resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the United States, with the co-operation of Pan-American nations, demand of Gen. Carranza protection for Americans and other foreigners in Mexico, and proposing joint intervention if such demand is not promptly complied with.

Enormous increase of the United States military strength, costing between \$200,000,000 and \$300,000,000, is recommended in a new, confidential report to Secretary Garrison by a war college board.

FOREIGN

The Prussian Parliament met on Jan. 13.

The 1916 session of Parliament opened in Paris.

The Duke of Connaught, governor general of Canada, is suffering from grip.

Seventy persons were killed and fifty seriously injured by the explosion of an ammunition depot in Lille.

Documents taken from Capt. Voa Papen, recalled German attaché, show he made payments to alleged plotters in America.

Bert Kramer, son of an American ranchman, was executed by a Villista firing squad at Guerrero, confirmed Chihuahua City advices.

The British have seized 185 bags of parcel post bound from New York to Norway, almost at the moment the American ambassador to London announced that he had filed a protest in London.

The Swiss mails have transmitted to prisoners of war during the period from Aug. 19 to Dec. 15, 1915, 13,000,000 parcels, 70,000,000 letters and cards and 2,000,000 money orders for a total of 30,000,000 francs.

A meeting of the Friends' Meeting House Headquarters in Great Britain, called to discuss "problems of the settlement of the war," broke up after an hour of pandemonium, with the singing of the national anthem and three cheers for conscription.

After years of experiment, Director Klingenberg of the General Electric Company, has announced the perfection of an electric magnetic band, with which it is possible to grasp even the heaviest metal object and work with them advantageously with human hands.

The Ford peace expedition has elected the following American members of the permanent peace board to sit in Europe indefinitely with the purpose of using all efforts to settle the war: William Jennings Bryan, Henry Ford, Miss Jane Addams, the Rev. Charles F. Aked and Mrs. Joseph Feis of Philadelphia.

Berlin authorities announce that, although there is grain on hand in sufficient quantities, prudence dictates that Berlin shall go back to the early 1915 basis, which means that the bulk of the population will be restricted again to 300 grams of bread daily instead of 225, and that corn and other foodstuffs will be put under control.

SPORTING NEWS

Many fine horses are at the Denver show.

Frankie Murphy of Denver and Grover Hayes of Philadelphia fought fifteen rounds to a draw before the National Athletic Club in Denver.

Jesse Willard has wired that he can not fight Frank Moran in New York in March, but that if a later date around Memorial Day is selected he will meet the challenger.

Suits were filed in the District Court in Denver simultaneously, by John F. Coffey, former manager of the Denver baseball team, and his wife, Mrs. Loreau V. Coffey, against James C. McGill, owner of the Denver baseball team and part owner of the Indianapolis baseball team, in which each plaintiff seeks to recover from McGill \$20,000 damages for an alleged attack upon Mrs. Coffey by McGill.

GENERAL

Ada Rehan, the actress, died in a New York hospital after an operation for arterial affection.

Miss Margaret Wilson, eldest daughter of the President, underwent an operation at Jefferson hospital in New York, during which adenoids and her tonsils were removed.

Col. Joseph Haddock Dorst, United States army, retired, who took a prominent part in the campaigns against the Indians in the '70s and '80s and married Esther J. Archer of Denver, is dead in Warrenton, Va., where of late years he made his home.

The American Smelting & Refining Company representatives at El Paso, Tex., received a telegram from Chihuahua City stating that a trainload of employees which left the capital for Cuahuahuitlan, western Chihuahua, had been held up by Villa bandits and all the Americans killed.

The body of former President Victoriano Huerta, whose death occurred at El Paso, Tex., was placed in the receiving vault at Concordia cemetery. Members of the family and former officers of the Mexican army followed the flag-draped casket to the cemetery, where brief services were conducted by the Rev. Father Carlos Mayer.

Floyd Payer, a dishonorably discharged United States sailor, murdered Mrs. Marjorie Hill, with whom he was infatuated, at San Francisco. After shooting her dead he also killed her mother, Mrs. G. W. Evans, and her sister, Mrs. Irene White, and then, with two bullets left in his revolver, turned the muzzle against himself and fired twice. He died almost instantly.

The worst massacre of peaceful Americans in Mexican history was detailed in official messages received at El Paso, Tex., telling of sixteen United States citizens and two British subjects dragged from a North-western train, robbed of \$25,000, stripped of their clothing and stood naked along the railroad track to be shot down in cold blood.

The woman suffrage constitutional amendment, defeated in the November election, was again introduced in both Houses of the Legislature at Albany, N. Y.

LANDS IN NEW MEXICO

GOVERNMENT LAND ENTRIES
LAST YEAR 3,266,995 ACRES.

Homestead Entries Numbered 6,173,
and Covered a Total of 1,358,053
Acres—State Selected Land.

Western Newspaper Union News Service

Santa Fe, N. M.—In the last fiscal year 14,639 government land entries, covering 3,266,995.81 acres of land, were made in New Mexico. Of this number, 6,113 were homestead entries, and covered a total of 1,358,053.83 acres.

These figures are shown by the detailed report of the commissioner of the General Land Office. Outside of the homestead entries, the majorities of the entries made represent state land selections.

The entries by the United States land districts were as follows: Clayton, 2,850, covering 464,374.71 acres; Fort Sumner, 1,237, and 443,887.48 acres; Las Cruces, 2,140, and 505,925.94 acres; Roswell, 3,508, and 1,148,510.34 acres; Santa Fe, 3,945, and 446,407.08 acres; Tucuman, 1,858, and 257,809.26 acres.

Love Balm Plaintiff Scores Point.

Santa Fe.—With A. R. Manby, defendant in the \$50,000 breach of promise suit brought by Margaret Waddell, on the stand, counsel for defense in the Federal Court engaged in a determined effort to prove that the engagement was broken by mutual agreement and that thereafter their relations were merely those of "pals."

Judge Pope, in overruling a motion that the jury be instructed to find for defendant, indicated his attitude as to the evidence by saying: "The letters in the case leave too much to inference. The mutual intent is what controls." Manby entered a comprehensive denial of the charges of Miss Waddell.

Wind Demolishes Many Buildings.

Santa Fe.—Advices from Springer report thousands of dollars' damage done by a wind of almost cyclonic velocity at Cimarron, Colfax county. The brick public school building, Western Union Telegraph office and numerous other buildings were demolished and wire communication prostrated. No lives were lost so far as can be learned.

Moonlight School Pupils 18 to 70.

Santa Fe.—Men and women as old as 60 and 70 are learning to read and write in the "moonlight schools" of Santa Fe County, the first in the state, established for the first time in this school year. Over 1,000 are enrolled, according to a report by the county superintendent, the ages ranging from 18 to 70. These night schools are held from two to four times weekly.

State Mine Inspector Resigns.

Santa Fe.—Reese H. Beddow of Gallup, state mine inspector for the past three and a half years, has filed his resignation with the governor, effective February 1. An examination for applicants for the position is announced for January 29.

Boy of 19 Shoots Girl of 15.

Silver City.—Because she refused to marry him, Pedro Montes, 19, rode up behind Refugia Villanueva, 15, as she was walking home from church, and shot her twice in the head with a revolver. Montes rode to the jail, where he surrendered.

Dies After Lighting Fire With Oil.

Santa Fe.—Mrs. W. G. Johnson, wife of the postmaster at Roy, Mora county, is dead as the result of trying to light the kitchen fire with kerosene.

Confesses Killing Man and Woman.

Hillaboro.—News was received here that Albert Houchin, 17, had confessed to the police at Beaumont, Tex., that he killed R. H. Hammond and Madame Dolores, a palmist, near Los Palomas, Sierra County, November 27. The boy had been working for Hammond. He said Hammond mistreated him. He told the police he shot Hammond in his tent with a rifle and that he fired at the woman as she advanced. He is said to have admitted taking \$3,000 from Hammond's trunk.

Ranchman Found Dead from Gunshot.

Clayton.—Samuel Smith, a rich ranchman living on Cimarron river, thirty miles from here, was found dead in a country road some distance from his home, with a bullet in his head. It is supposed he committed suicide. Family trouble is believed to have been the cause.

Over \$1,000 Student.

Santa Fe.—The School of Mines expended last year \$35,862.36 and had thirty-three students enrolled.

National Guard Makes Report.

Santa Fe.—A financial report of the New Mexico national guard for the past fiscal year, made to the governor by Adj. Gen. Harry T. Herring, is said to be the most complete report of the kind ever made to a state executive. It shows a total of federal and state funds of some \$67,000 was available for the guard during the year. Approximately \$25,000 was spent under federal allotment for arms, supplies, ammunition, equipment, camp purposes and rifle practice.

NEW MEXICO
STATE NEWS

Western Newspaper Union News Service

COMING EVENTS.
Jan. 17-27.—Convention of Alliance Hispano-Americana at Albuquerque.
March.—Meeting Panhandle and Southwestern Stockmen's Associations at Albuquerque.

Eastern New Mexico is filling up with new settlers.

New Mexico last year produced 18,621,000 pounds of wool.

A company with \$25,000 has been formed at Deming to raise hogs.

Over 165,000 pounds of butter were sent out from Tucuman last year.

A contract has been let for the installation of a water system at Dexter.

Ira Thomas, catcher of the Red Sox, has bought a block of Curry county land.

A moonlight school, Grant county's first, has been organized at Brockman.

John Rudd of Dawson was seriously injured when a touring car turned turtle.

The Tularosa postoffice safe was blown open and less than \$100 secured.

Geo. Reisinger of Clovis accidentally shot himself while taking a gun from a wagon.

Work has been commenced on the Carlsbad armory, which is to cost nearly \$20,000.

Estancia is inaugurating a tree-planting campaign for the beautification of the town.

Already over \$5,000 has been raised for maintaining the New Mexico display at San Diego.

Work has been started on the permanent repair of the bridge over the Pecos river near Artesia.

J. W. Kelsey of Jordan reports that a prairie fire burned over 200 acres in that section recently.

Deming philanthropists have organized an associated charities organization to care for the needy.

Over 100 cars of alfalfa were shipped from Otis last week, most of it bringing \$12.50 f. o. b. Otis.

Work is progressing rapidly on the new dam being built by the Rayado tract people in Colfax county.

The new government sanatorium and hospital at Mesquite has been accepted from the contractor.

Over 3,400 turkeys were shipped from Hagerman for the Thanksgiving and Christmas trade last year.

Eight blocks, comprising the principal streets of the business district of Silver City, are now paved.

J. Masech, a Slav miner employed at the Navajo mine, at Gallup, was fatally injured by a fall of rock.

Manley Mason Chase, for forty years a resident of Colfax county, died at the Chase ranch near Cimarron.

In the fiscal year ended Nov. 30, last, 360,325 head of cattle were inspected for shipment in New Mexico.

One thresher at Cuervo reports threshing 336,000 pounds of beans the past season, or more than ten carloads.

The property of the National Copper Company at Silver City was sold under court order to St. Louis parties for \$4,500.

The month of December was marked by abundant sunshine and had only two days on which the mercury hovered near zero.

Guadalupe Gonzales, accused of shooting Manuel Rubio at Roswell, has been bound over to the grand jury in the sum of \$3,000.

Work is progressing rapidly on the new Lovington high school, which is to cost \$5,400.

At Tularosa, an outlaw horse recently dragged an employee of Mrs. S. E. Harbort, Eugenio Jurado, to death, after throwing him against a post.

Two thousand copies of the Spanish codification of the laws have been received from the publishers by the secretary of state. They cost \$10,000.

The high price of gasoline in New Mexico is being investigated by the State Corporation Commission, which has also asked the federal trade commission to look into the subject.

State School Superintendent Alvan N. White received an invitation to attend the national conference on immigration and Americanization of the National Americanization Committee to be held in Philadelphia Jan. 19 and 20.

Incorporation papers were filed by the Llano Irrigation Company of Questa, Taos county. It is a community affair, capitalized at \$10,000 of which \$9,675 is paid up, the shares being \$3 par. Water from Cabresto lake is to be diverted to irrigate the lands.

Wild horses have increased to such an extent in New Mexico in the past few years as to be a menace to the domestic herds, according to the annual report of the Cattle Sanitary Board. The board has therefore suspended previous restrictions, and will allow the rounding up, sale and shipment of these unbranded horses.

That New Mexico has enjoyed in the year just closing unprecedented educational progress is the belief of Alvan N. White, state superintendent of schools, in a review of the year's work.

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RAILROAD MATTER PROGRESSING NICELY.

Its Influence Already Felt in the Prospective Establishment of Other New Enterprises.

—Midland Reporter.

T. J. O'Donnell, president and promoter of the Midland & Northwestern railroad, out of Midland to Seminole, reports to us that matters are progressing with the affairs of the new road in a perfectly satisfactory way. G. W. Thaxter, chief engineer, with a crew of men, was started to work last Monday morning to run a preliminary line, and fair progress has been made up to date. Mr. O'Donnell requests us to state that all that was required of Midland has been done, and we now have nothing to do but wait.

The railroad, he says, is as sure as anything that the future must materialize, and that the greatest of his difficulties have already been overcome.

There is the greatest confidence manifested on every hand, and already the influence of the proposed road is being felt. The Walker-Smith Company, wholesale grocers, with main house at Galveston, and with branches at San Angelo, Brownwood, Sweetwater and other points, will establish a business here. Already they have leased the Mims building and it will be occupied by the 25th of this month, so rumor has it, and they will also build a large warehouse.

There is, too, a strong rumor, that the Santa Fe will extend their Lamesa branch to Midland.

Among other prospective activities it is rumored that the vacant lots on Main Street will soon be occupied by good business buildings, while plans are being made for a number of new residences, to say nothing of a contemplated oil mill, ice plant, and other enterprises none of which we have authority to mention yet.

It looks as though those who would not amount to anything are going to be badly disappointed.

MONUMENT-KNOWLEDGE

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LAHOMA

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CHAPTER XX.

Gledware's Possessions.

RED FEATHER'S mind was not constituted to entertain more than one leading thought at a time. Ever since the desertion and death of his daughter he had been his dominant passion. It was in order to find Gledware that he had haunted the trail during the years of Lahoma's youth, always hoping to discover him in the new country, gliding behind herds of cattle, listening to scraps of talk among the cattlemen, earning from Mizozo the uneasy designation, "the ghost."

Thanks to the reading aloud of Lahoma's letter, he had learned of Gledware's presence in the city which he had known years before as Westport Landing. He went thither unobserved by his numerous enemies and attracted by its tumultuous flood of life—for his mind was full of his mission. He could see only the blood following the blade of his knife, heard nothing but a groan, a death rattle.

Gledware's presence in the boat this morning had been made possible only by the intervention of Lahoma. But for the Indian's deep seated affection for her, whom he regarded as a child, the man now smiling into Annabel's pale face would long ago have found his final resting place. It was due to the Indian's singleness of thought that Lahoma's plan had struck him as good. Gledware, stripped of all his possessions, sinking as a beggar from door to door, no roof, no bed but sky and earth—that is what Red Feather had meant.

He had believed Gledware glad of the respite. That he should accept the alternative seemed reasonable. There was a choice only between death and poverty—and Gledware wished to live so desperately, so basely! The chief cared little for life. Still, he would unhesitatingly have preferred the most meager existence to a knife in his heart. How much more, then, this craven, white man! But the plan had failed because Gledware did not believe death was the other alternative. Never in the remotest way had it occurred to the avenger that Gledware could be spared should he prove false to his oath. Red Feather was less a man with passions than a cold, relent-

less fate. This fate would surely overcome the helpless wretch should he cling to his riches.

As Red Feather skimmed the water with long sweeps of his oars, never looking back, the voices of his passengers came to his ears without meaning. He was thinking of the last few days and how this morning's ride was their fitting sequel. The early sunbeams were full on him as he tilted back his head, but they showed no emotion on his face, hard set and dully red in the clear radiance.

Crouching near the summer house at Gledware's place, he had overheard Red Kimball boast to bring Gledware the pearl and onyx pin. Then had shot through his darkened mind the suspicion that Gledware meant to escape the one condition on which his life was to be spared. With simple cunning he had left the pin where the outlaw must find it. His own death would be taken for granted. What then?

What then? This ride in the boat Gledware had made his choice; he had clung to his possessions, and now death held the oars. He was scarcely past middle age. He might have lived so long, he who so loved to live! But, no, he had chosen to be rich—and to die.

When Red Feather brought his mind back to the present Gledware was describing to Annabel a ranch in California for which he had traded the house near Independence. He would take her far away; he would build a house there and thus—rooms so, terraces here, marble pillars.

Annabel listened gravely, silently, her face all the paler for the sunlight flashing over it, for the mimic sun on the waves glancing up into her pensive eyes. Somehow the sunshine, the ripple of the water seemed to form no part of her life, belonged, rather, to Edgerton Compton, rowing in solitude against the sky. Those naked trees, bare, brown hills and ledges of huge stones seemed her world boundaries, his to her, claiming her—But there was California and the splendid house to be built.

The Indian was listening now, but as he heard projected details glowingly presented no change came in his grim, deep lined face. He simply knew it was not to be. Let the fool plan!

"Beautiful one," he heard Gledware say, speaking in an altered tone, "all that is in the future—but see what I have brought you. This is for today. It's yours, dear. Let me see it around your neck with the sun full upon it!"

Red Feather turned his head, curiously.

Gledware held outstretched a magnificent diamond necklace which shot forth dazzling rays as it swung from his eager fingers.

Annabel uttered a smothered cry of delight as the iridescence filled her eyes. She looked across the water toward the island shaped clubhouse, where her mother stood, faintly defined as a speck of white against the green wall shingles of the piazza. It seemed that it needed this glance to steady her nerves. Edgerton was for gotten. She reached out her hand. And then, perplexed at the necklace being suddenly withdrawn, she looked up. She caught a glimpse of Gledware's face and her blood turned cold.

That face was frozen in horror. At the turning of the boatman's head he had instantly recognized under the huge brimmed hat, the face of his enemy as if brought back from the grave. Gledware ceased breathing, then his form quivered with a sudden burst of breath as of a man emerging from diving. His eyes rolled in his head as he turned about swimming the shore, glaring at Edgerton's distant boat. Why had he come unarmured? How could he have put faith in Red Kimball's assurances? He tortured his brain for some gleam of hope.

"This is all I have," he shrieked, as if the Indian's foot was already upon his neck. "This is all I have." He flung the necklace into the water. "It was a lie about the California ranch. It's a lie about all my property. I've got nothing, Annabel. I sold the last bit to get you the necklace, but I shouldn't have done that. Now it's gone. I have nothing!"

The Indian rose slowly. The oars slipped down and floated away in the flashing stream of the sun's rays.

Annabel, realizing that the Indian, despite his impressive countenance, showed some terrible emotion, started up with a scream. Edgerton had already turned toward them, alarmed at sound of Gledware's terror. He bent to the oars, comprehending only that Annabel was in danger.

"Edgerton!" she shrieked blindly. "Edgerton! Edgerton! Edgerton!"

Gledware crouched at his feet, crying beseechingly: "I swear I have nothing nothing! I sold everything—gave it away—left it—nothing in all the world! I'm willing to beg, to starve! I don't want to own anything! I only want to live—to live—my God, to live!"

Red Feather did not utter a word, but with the stealthy lightness and liltiness of a panther he stepped over the seat and moved toward Gledware. Then Gledware, pushed to the last extremity, despairing of the interposition of some miraculous chance, was forced back upon himself. With the vision of an inherent coward he saw all chances against him. But with the desperation of a maddened soul he threw himself upon the defensive.

locks matched in gold the silver brightness of his upraised blade.

The next moment his form shot forward, his arm gripped Gledware about the neck despite furious resistance, and both men fell into the water.

The violent shock given to the boat sent Annabel to her knees. Clutching the side, she gazed with horrified eyes at the water in her wake. The men had disappeared, but in the glowing white path cut across the lake by the sun appeared a dull red streak that changed away to faint purple and dim pink. She watched the sinister discoloration with fascinated eyes. What was taking place beneath the smooth tide? Or was it all over? Had Red Feather found a rock to which he could cling while he drowned himself with his victim? Or had their bodies



His Arm Gripped Gledware About the Neck.

been caught in the tangled branches of a submerged forest tree? It was one of the mysteries of the Ozarks never to be solved.

She was still kneeling, still staring with frightened eyes, still wondering when Edgerton Compton rowed up beside her.

"He said he had nothing," she stammered as he helped her to rise. "He said he had nothing. How true it is!" Edgerton gently lifted her to his skiff, then stepped in beside her. He, too, was watching the water for the possible emergence of a ghastly face.

Annabel began trembling as with the glare "Edgerton! He said it was all a lie—about his property—and so it was. Everything is a lie except—this."

She clung to him.

When Bill Atkins with an air of impenetrable mystery invited Wilfred Compton to a ride that might keep him from his bride several days the young man guessed that Willock had been found. Lahoma, divining as much, urged Wilfred to hasten, assured him that she enjoyed the publicity and stirring life of the Mangum hotel and expressed confidence that should she need a friend Mizozo would help her through any difficulty. So Wilfred rode away with Bill, and Willock was not mentioned.

Bill was evidently in deep trouble, and when Wilfred and he had let themselves down into the stone corridor, whose only entrance was a crevice in the mountain top, he understood the old trapper's deep despondency. Brick Willock was there, and Brick declared his intention of giving himself up. He announced his purpose before greetings had subsided. Bill called him an old fool, used unpolished language, scolded rather than argued. Wilfred, on the other hand, delayed as to his subject, full particulars of the last few weeks.

"He told me all he's been up to," Bill objected; "there's no need to travel over your ground again. What I brought you here for, Wilfred, is to show him how foolish he is to let himself be taken when he's free as the wind."

"I tell you true," declared Brick, "and then as has heard it once can take it or leave it." He was despondent, circumstantial, and it was a long time before he let them in fancy to the door of the clubhouse and showed them Red Feather and Gledware disappearing forever beneath the surface of the lake.

"There I waited," he said, "expecting first one head, then the other, to come to light, but nothing happened. Seemed like I couldn't move. But Edgerton he began rowing towards me with Annabel, she happy despite herself, and when I see it wouldn't do to tarry no longer I cuts loose the old deaf boatman and untaps his mouth. Well, sir, he lets out a yell that would 'a done credit to a bobcat fighting in the traps. I had to run for it. Fellows from the clubhouse took after me thinking I'd been murdering somebody. I skinned them Ozark bills, and I skinned myself. But Brick he says, 'When you turns loose a bobcat expect scratches,' says he."

"Don't tell about how you hid in the hills waiting for a night train," Bill pleaded.

"I tell it all," Brick was indelible. "You are here, I'm here, and it's a safe place. We may never be so put again. 'A safe place!' Bill snarled. "You

it is a safe place. But you've lost your nerve. Was a time when you'd have stood out creation in a hole like this. But you've turned to salt, you have a regular Bible character—giving up to the law, letting them clap you in jail, getting yourself hanged, very likely! And all because you've lost your nerve. See here, Brick, stand 'em out! I'll steady you through thick and thin. I'll bring you grub and water."

"You couldn't do nothing," Brick returned contemptuously. "You're too old. As for that, I ain't come to the pass of needing being waited on, I guess. It ain't dangers that entice me. It's principles. Look here!"

He walked to the crossbar that was set in the walls to guard the floor from the unknown abyss. "I found out they was a hole in the rock just about five feet under the floor. I can take this rope and tie one end to the post and let myself down to that little room where there's grub enough to last a long while, where there's bedding and common luxuries, as tobacco and the like. I ain't been smoked out. Into the open I goes, free and disposed and my hands held up according."

When he had finished the last morsel of his story and had warned some of it over for another taste there came an ominous silence, broken at last by the querulous voice of Bill, arguing against surrender.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

SHERIFF HOME WITH HAMILTON'S SLAYER.

—Monday's Roswell News.

Sheriff C. R. Young returned home yesterday from Beaumont, Texas, where he had been called at the request of the sheriff of Sierra county in connection with the Hamilton murder, which occurred near Palomas Springs, November 27, 1915. J. A. Houchin, a young man 18 years old today, confessed to the foul murder of T. R. Hamilton and the woman named Swayzee, a clairvoyant, who was with Hamilton in his cross-country trip from this city to the mountains near Albuquerque.

The facts in the case as related by the boy to the district attorney at Beaumont, and in the presence of Sheriff Young and the Sierra county authority, is a weird, disjointed story, on the part of the confessed murderer to frame an excuse for the crime of murder and robbery. He states that he killed both Hamilton and the woman, but was in such a mental condition at the time that he was in no wise responsible for his actions. After the murder of the two he searched Hamilton's person and his belongings for money with which to make his escape, and found \$5,000 in a sealed package. That he then made his way to Cutter, a point on the railway, by night, and there boarded a freight train for Rincon, thence a passenger to Deming, from which place he went to El Paso. From El Paso he went to Kansas City, where he bought an automobile, which he drove to Muskogee, Okla., and left in a garage in his name. From Muskogee he went to Seymour, Texas, where his family reside. He says he had about \$200 when he reached home, which he turned over to his father, with a full statement of the murder and robbery. That his father used some of the money to buy necessities for his mother and sister, and that he and his father then went to Weatherford to consult an attorney. The attorney advised that the young man leave for Beaumont and remain in hiding there for a time. He selected a non de plume for purposes of communication with his parents, and this is what led to his apprehension. He happened to select an alias in name which fitted to a man by that name at Beaumont, and a letter from the father fell into the hands of the Beaumont citizen. Following this information, a detective caused the arrest of the young man.

Mr. Young says the boy presents a pitiable case of the remorse which invariably follows the perpetration of such a foul crime. That he is hysterical and resorts to ruses of insanity, reaching a little and claiming that he is constantly praying for the murdered pair. The sheriff states that the boy revealed the question as to what he did with the remainder of the money which he obtained from Hamilton, and the general supposition was made that he had left it with his father, before his departure for Beaumont.

Houchin, taken in custody by the sheriff of Sierra county, had no money on his person, and he will stand trial. According to Mr. Young, the boy will not resist arrest, but will make a full confession to the hideous crimes he committed, and whatever penalty will be imposed.

DOGS GUARD BODIES OF DEAD AMERICANS.

Three Canines Found by Rescuing Party; One Was Wounded by Bullet; Others Mistreated.

Stabbed with bayonets, kicked and shot at by the Mexican murderers of eighteen Americans, three dogs, pets of the Cusi Mining company officials, bear the true story of the Santa Ysabel massacre of Americans. But they can't relate the horrors they witnessed. They are "Whiskers," C. R. Watson's registered Scotch Airedale; "Carrots," a bull terrier belonging to Miss Elizabeth Simmons, of El Paso, and "Snookums," a bull terrier owned by Michael Ryan, superintendent of the Cusihuirachi mines. The dogs were being taken to Cusihuirachi by Mr. Watson. Mr. Simmons and Mr. Ryan intended to join the party later at Cusihuirachi and Mr. Watson consented to take the dogs on his special. "Carrots" and "Snookums" were rescued, together with "Whiskers," by the American relief party. "Carrots" was brought here yesterday by Mr. Whitley of Chihuahua and given to Miss Simmons. "Snookums" was returned to Mr. Ryan at Chihuahua and has been left there in care of a vet-

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The communication from the entire board of county commissioners published elsewhere refuting the statement that the records of the board had been changed, should forever put at rest the silly twaddle that the board was in the habit of passing certain matters to record and then having them withdrawn or changed. It would seem that sensible men drawn as grand jurors would finally learn where to draw the line on jobbery and legitimate complaint.

It is some times conceded by men who have not made a thorough study of the situation, that New Mexico is about 3,000 Republican but when you come to figure out the situation you will more than likely see that such is not the case. At the last state election the offices were about equally divided. Since that time the government land office shows that over twenty thousand settlers have come into the state. These settlers are mostly from Oklahoma and Texas, both Democratic states, which means that a large majority of these settlers are Democrats. This being true, it is only reasonable to figure that the twenty thousand settlers have already overcome the pitiful little three thousand majority claimed by the Republicans. In addition to this, the last legislature was so grossly incompetent, and the Republican legislation that it enacted was so pitifully lame, that a large number of the Republicans in the state are ready to turn to any party for relief. With these conditions facing the Republican party in the state, there is scarcely a doubt but that they will lose in the coming election this year. It is only up to the Democrats to start the ball to rolling at the committee meeting in February, and the Republican gang will go the route of every party who have failed to stand to the interests of the people, and only looked to their own selfish ends. — Santa Fe Eagle.

WHIT WRIGHT.
County Commissioner Whit Wright announces this week for the office of county treasurer having been out and announced in the Artesia papers for the past two weeks. Whit, as he is familiarly called by his hosts of friends, will carry his home town, Artesia, almost to a man, having beaten J. H. Graham for the office he now holds by polling the almost total vote of his own town. A man is generally judged by the impression he makes at home and if the rule holds good, Whit will be a hard man to beat. As to his qualifications, Whit has run the office in the absence of the present county treasurer and as an accurate account man, equal in ability to find, he is kind hearted, and whole souled and the personification of accommodation. He has lived in the county about six years and for some time before coming here was a resident of the state. He has served as county commissioner and as deputy treasurer some of the time especially in him for the office is a man of aspiration and of elected will make a very obliging and competent official.

J. D. WALKER.
The announcement of J. D. Walker, for county treasurer, subject to the democratic primaries, will be found in another column. Mr. Walker is one of the old timers of this county and has, years ago, served the county in various capacities. He was elected the first treasurer of the county in 1907, years ago last November and served in that capacity two terms. He was then elected sheriff and tax collector the fall of 1909. After this he was elected treasurer and served in that office for the past ten years he has refused to allow his name to stand before the people as a candidate for any office and has helped his friends in every way in his power. The following, from the Daily Current of July 25th, 1904, when Mr. Walker announced for sheriff, is as good now as it was then:

"Mr. J. D. Walker's announcement for sheriff will be found in this issue. Mr. Walker came to the county in 1885. He is well known and highly respected. His qualifications for the office are perfect competency, both in office work and cool judgment. He is a believer in every effort to promote economy in county affairs and if elected will do his best to run the office economically as good execution of the duties permit. Mr. Walker is a strictly temperate man, never using liquor in any form, just such a man as is needed for sheriff."

This was twenty-one years ago last July and ever since then no one will say that he was ever known to take a drink of any kind of liquor or beer. While Mr. Walker has no prejudice against any man who does drink moderately he is a pronounced teetotaler himself. Mr. Walker served the county in many ways and if there is anything against his record we have failed to hear of it for the past twenty-five years.

In another column will be found the announcement of Scott Etter for commissioner from this, the first district of Eddy county. Mr. Etter has been secretary and treasurer of the water users' association for four years and at the last meeting of the directors was again chosen for that office. He has been prevailed upon by his many friends to allow his name to be used for the office of county commissioner and from his knowledge of land values and the general knowledge of county affairs he has acquired in the past eight years of residence in the county, he comes well equipped to handle the office to which he aspires.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ANSWER REPORT OF RECENT GRAND JURY.

The recommendation of the Grand Jury of Eddy county in its final report to the Court on the 13th day of January, 1916, in which this Board was requested to install the county treasurer in the office now occupied by this Board, and to remove the probate judge from his office and place a vault therein for the benefit of the county treasurer and said recommendation having been duly considered, we are of the unanimous opinion that said recommendation can not be complied with for the following reasons:

Because there is no vault in the office now occupied by this Board and to remove the Probate Judge and place a vault in his office would work a hardship upon said Probate Judge and would entail considerable cost to the county to install said vault.

Because the county treasurer has a vault in his present office and this office was given the treasurer at his own choice and he has never requested this Board to change him to any other office.

Because we believe the Grand Jury failed to call before it either the county treasurer or any member of this Board and must have acted upon this recommendation without being fully advised upon this matter. And we further believe if this Board is to change the offices of the various county officers upon the recommendations of each Grand Jury that same might occur every six months and thereby cripple the efficiency of our officials.

We recognize that the law placed this responsibility upon this Board and we intend to handle this in the very best possible way.

We further note that the Grand Jury recommends that this Board shall keep a permanent record of its proceedings and that if an action of this Board is rescinded that an order of such rescission shall be entered and made of record and in reply to said recommendation we desire to say that such has always been the policy of this Board and at no time has this Board ever destroyed any record of its proceedings and does never intend to do so.

The Board having heretofore ordered the District Attorney to bring suit against W. H. Woodford for overpaid salary as county commissioner, and said District Attorney having written a letter to the Board under date of January 13th, 1916, informing said Board that he had complied with said order and had filed said suit and that same is now pending in the District Court and upon motion duly made and passed said letter is ordered filed with the Clerk of this Board.

**C. W. BEFMAN,
V. H. LISK,
WHIT WRIGHT,**
Commissioners

The announcement of C. E. Mann, of Artesia, appears in this issue for the office of county commissioner from the second district. It is generally conceded that the town of Artesia, on account of its large property interests should be represented on the board of county commissioners and the sentiment of a large majority of the people of that town seems to favor Charles Mann as he is familiarly called. The Mann came to Artesia nine years ago and has been engaged in the drug business ever since. He is a native of Wise county, Texas, and a graduate of Baylor University of Waco, Texas. He is a young man of thirty-two and has some very distinct ideas of the duties of county commissioner among which is that all property should bear its just share of the burden of taxation. He was asked if he believed in low taxes and stated that he had no objection to the commissioners could do otherwise than see that all taxpayers were assessed and taxed on the exact amount of property owned. He believes that no class should escape their just assessment, that the cow ranchers should pay their just share of the burden of taxation on every head of stock, the land owner on every acre of land and the merchant on all his goods. Then, he believes that taxes will be as low as they can be brought unless the legislature sees fit to put its reckless and extravagant appropriations for the almost worthless state supported institutions where thousands of dollars of the people's cash are thrown away each year. Mr. Mann will be a live wire on the county board and will favor economy as far as it can be with good service and good goods. The chances are Mr.

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TO MEN WHO WEAR CLOTHES.
I have influenced my Chicago tailors to hold back a few of those \$13.50 and \$17.00 suits for me, and can save you \$5.00 to \$7.00 on a strictly made-to-measure suit. We can renovate your old hat to a queen's taste.
HAT AND CLOTHES HOSPITAL.

THOROUGHbred POULTRY PAYS Cost No More for Their Keep Than the Mongrels, With Results Certain in the Long Run.

L. A. SWIGART.

As will be seen by the announcement column, the name of L. A. Swigart is announced for commissioner of commissioner's district No. 1, and if the stock owners of the county are to be consulted it is certain they will consider his candidacy as a compliment for it seemed for a time that the three districts were to be supplied with a representative of the stock interests being announced. Mr. Swigart is one of the oldest stock owners of the county, coming here in 1900 and has been actively engaged in the sheep and cattle business since. He has served as a member of the board of education in Carlsbad for several years and has given a great deal of his time in the discharge of his duties to the satisfaction of the public and without remuneration.

Mr. Swigart is not a politician, but a plain business man and while he is a college educated man, he is a full-fledged graduate of the school of hard knocks. Mr. Swigart was brought up by Democratic parents and has always voted the Democratic ticket, straight and is now, and always has been, a booster for Democracy and for the Democratic national ticket. While quite a young man, he was elected assessor in his home town of Akron, Ohio, on the Democratic ticket. His friends are many and he has no enemies which is fortunate when a man runs for office.

The Current is authorized to announce the candidacy of B. A. Nymeyer for the office of surveyor of Eddy county, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

On account of the lateness of the hour when Mr. Nymeyer handed in his announcement this forenoon it is impossible to make any extended mention of his record and work as surveyor but will appear next week.

The announcement of Roy S. Waller for the office of tax assessor of Eddy county will be found under the head of announcements and though a little late it has been generally known that he would be in the race. At present Mr. Waller is filling out the unexpired term of John W. Price, to which position he was appointed by the county board when Mr. Price resigned and never having been elected he feels that he should at least give the voters an opportunity to say whether or not he should fill the office. Mr. Waller does not claim to be an infallible assessor, but points with some degree of satisfaction to the many difficult problems he has been compelled to go up against while assessor. The whole rolls were made out twice last year and again this year and for the entire time he has been in office the assessor was compelled to make changes and do double work for which he received only one assistant to help except his regular deputy. He has visited every section of the county to personally assess property and is at present in Hope on the work of assessing. Roy has many friends and they will, no doubt, put out strong efforts to elect him.

The King of Greece, late Thursday night, summoned the Associated Press correspondents in Athens, for the purpose of making a protest through the press, of the United States, which he said was the only form of public opinion open to him, against the recent action of the allies in their operations at Saloniki in blowing up the bridge at Demir Hisar, in occupying Corfu and other islands, which Greece claims.

He said the situation is as if a foreign power had occupied that part of the United States which had been won from Mexico after the Mexican war, and that the plea of military necessity advanced by the allies was like that given by Germany for invading Belgium and Luxembourg. It is the interest, the king declared, for Great Britain and France to talk about the violation of the neutrality of Belgium and Luxembourg, in view of what they had done and are doing themselves. He denied the military necessity for the blowing up of the bridge or for occupation of Corfu and he also challenges them on the contention that submarines of the Teutonic allies are being supplied from a Greek base.

He said that the allies, in pique over the failure of all their calculations in the Balkans, were trying to unload on Greece their own stupidity and that eighty per cent of the Greeks at the beginning of the war were in favor of the allies but now not twenty per cent would turn their hand to render them aid.

King Constantine did not feel that he could afford to demobilize while the fate of Saloniki was undecided and while he did not think it probable that Germany would be victorious in the sense that she could take London, Paris or Petrograd, he believed it would be difficult, if not impossible, to conquer Germany in a military way if economic conditions did not force her to sue for peace. He said finally, in his opinion the war would end in a draw.

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How can we teach the public why we advocate thoroughbred poultry? One way is by telling them that all of the successful poultry plants of today are stocked with pure bred poultry. The Rhode Island Red, rock and cradled in the lap of utility, is one of the glories of the fancier, both as a fancy fowl and as a food producer. The grand old Barred Rock and the White Leghorn are also examples of what the pure bred fowl can do. Tell the boys and girls that a flock of one colored fowls will always have the same kind of flesh, that red ear lobed fowls lay a brown shelled egg, and white ear lobed fowls lay a white egg; tell them the products of mongrels are not uniform and never will be. Say to the farmer he should raise pure bred fowls for choice, as he chooses his brand of flour or plows. It costs no more to house, feed and take care of pure bred fowls than it does mongrels, and you will have more even results. It is worth knowing that health and vigor is the keystone thought of the fancy breeder, for he (the breeder) must have vigorous fowls to stand the excitement and long hours of light and confinement in the show room, because it means the best of productiveness. The boy or girl is a true artist in as much as he is trying to produce absolute perfection in form and feather. His entire dream is perfection; and money consideration jars the artistic soul. The coming of the utility poultry men in thorough bred poultry in the last few years has done more for the fancier than any one factor in the last forty or fifty years. This utility factor is constantly making new fanciers, fanciers whose aim is utility and beauty, and who realize the great possibility of pure bred poultry, with its uniform products, and a dislike to the mongrels and their uncertain products.

DELIA S. MULLANE.

GERMAN AUTHORITIES DECLARE THAT THE PEACE PILGRIMS ARE UNDESIRABLE.

The Hague, Jan. 16, via London, Jan. 17.—Dr. Chas. Aked, Mns. Rosika Schwimmer and others of the Ford peace board, after having vainly appealed to the German minister at The Hague for permission for the Scandinavian peace delegates to return home through Germany, telegraphed today to Berlin for the desired permits. Recent efforts of members of the Ford party to cross Germany have been blocked by the German military authorities, with the explanation that the delegates are undesirable.

Twenty-five subjects of Denmark, Sweden and Norway who came here with the peace expedition, desired to return to their homes which they are unable to do unless by way of the North sea. This route is regarded as unsafe. Included in those marooned here is Paul Lyndhagen, mayor of Stockholm, who says he may lose his position unless he returns soon. Mme. Schwimmer, who is a Hungarian, wired authorities at Berlin that the blockade against the returning delegates is proving a great inconvenience to the expedition, and urged the lifting of the embargo.

FIFTH SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

To be held at Otis, New Mexico, January 31st, 1916.

PROGRAM.
Morning Service.
10:15 Sunday school lesson.
11:15 address.
12 basket dinner.
Afternoon Service.
1:30 devotional exercises.
"The Rural Sunday School", Mr. Guy Perkins.
"The Ten Commandments", Miss Leota Baird.
Music.
"The Object of the Sunday School", Mr. Leon Mudgett.
"Teaching Children to Give Thanks", Mrs. Robbie Bouden.
Solo, "Then We Shall Understand", Mr. Bert Rawlings.
"The Historical Condition Prevailing During the First Century of the Christian Era", Mr. C. H. McLenathan.
Music.
"The Twentieth Century Sunday School", Mrs. E. S. Kirkpatrick.
Music.
Round Table, conducted by Judge D. G. Grantham.
Music.
Report of each Sunday School Superintendent in the Association.
Benediction.
All subjects open for discussion.
Officers: B. H. Ellsworth, president; Mrs. W. E. Nutt, Mr. F. W. Rosa, Mrs. E. E. Hartshorn, Mrs. F. G. Snow, Mr. C. L. White, Mr. J. L. Williams, Mr. Ira Stockwell, Mrs. Wm. Jones, and Mr. Tom Middleton, vice-presidents; J. B. Leck, secretary and treasurer.

BASKET SUPPER.

The basket supper given at the new Catholic school house last night, was well patronized. A good crowd was there and the baskets brought \$30 besides the baskets they had the best of cake and coffee for sale. The proceeds will be used for the benefit of the building. The young folks spent a few hours dancing and the evening passed very pleasantly.

Mrs. Pat Middleton and the three children, Gladys, Opal and the baby boy, came down on the mail car Friday. The baby boy was very ill with pneumonia having been sick thirteen days when they came down. The baby is still very ill but is improving some now.

The conviction of the hog thief was a good job of the present term of court and if the prosecuting attorney only convicts a few of the sneaking pilferers he will not only earn his salary but the eternal gratitude of a long suffering public that has about gone the limit in patience with the sneak thieves.

GEORGE O'CONNOR'S PLACE

THE HOME OF THE COW BOY

CHURCH NEWS

METHODIST CHURCH.
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Sermon (with special music) 11 a. m.
Senior Epworth League 6:30 p. m.
Sermon (with special music), 7:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.
Stewards' meeting, First Wednesday, 8:30 p. m.
Woman's Missionary Society, First Thursday, 3:00 p. m.

Bert Rawlings has been chosen as leader of the Methodist choir, and all members are urged to come and help the choir in every way possible.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
Services at the Christian church: 10 a. m., Bible school.
11 a. m., communion and preaching.
3 p. m., Junior C. E.
6:45 p. m., Senior C. E.
7:30 p. m., preaching.
Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., prayer meeting.

The chicken dinner given by the ladies of the Christian church Wednesday was one of the best ever gotten up and they realized about \$30 which will be used for church purposes.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Regular Meetings:
The Presbyterian church sabbath school at 10 a. m.
Morning worship at 11 a. m.
Evening worship at 7:30 p. m.
Endeavor meeting at 6:45 p. m.
Prayer meeting, Wednesday, at 7:30 p. m.

The subject of the morning sermon next day at the Presbyterian church will be "The Gospel Power-house". In the evening the course will be continued on "The Main Epochs of Life" and will be concerned with "Risking Storm". The treatment conforms to terms of life at sea.

THE BAPTIST CHURCH.
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
11 a. m., preaching service.
6:30 p. m., B. Y. P. U.
7:30 p. m., preaching service.
7:30 p. m., Wednesday, prayer-meeting.
7:30 p. m., Thursday, choir practice.

The Fidelity class of the Baptist Sunday school met with Miss Katherine Hildebrand last night with Miss Hildebrand as teacher. At the close of the class meeting the young men surprised the young ladies, bringing refreshments. A social time was passed for a few hours playing games. There were about twenty of the young ladies and fifteen or more young men.

GRACE CHURCH (EPISCOPAL).
Lord's Day Services:
Holy communion 1st Lord's day at 11 a. m.
Morning prayer and sermon at 11 a. m. on all other Lord's Days.
Bible school at 10 a. m.
F. W. PRATT, Vicar.

ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH.
Sunday 10 a. m., High-mass and sermon.
Low-mass every morning during the week at 7:30 o'clock.

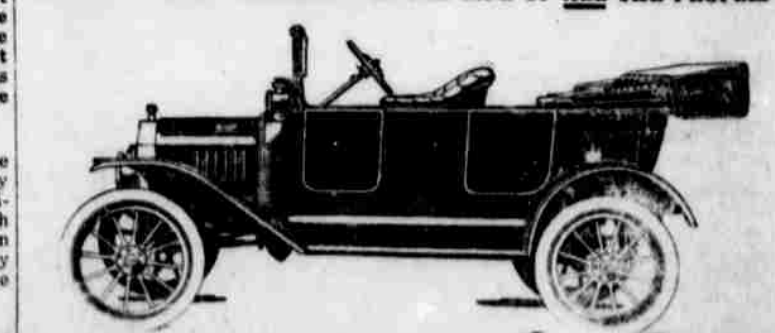
The Scouts will meet Friday evening at the Presbyterian manse. The interest is "Miscellaneous".
Mrs. Sue Shepherd, of Roswell, was here three days the last of the week getting out a directory for the Methodist and Presbyterian churches.

A. M. Hove and William, his son, returned from a three week's sojourn in Minneapolis, Minn., where they visited relatives and friends. They returned last Friday evening.

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CARLSBAD LOCAL ITEMS

Today is farmers' day at Otis.

Mrs. N. B. Butcher is quite ill today.

John T. Ball, of Artesia, came down Monday.

J. T. Collins was here from Artesia Saturday.

Will Fenton was on the streets last Wednesday.

Ural Boyd was here from the ranch last Tuesday.

Johnnie Kireher is quite ill this week with lagrippe.

Turman Rawson, of Artesia, was here Tuesday.

Joe Newman is in town today, arriving yesterday.

Dolph Shattuck is here from the mountains today.

There will be a band concert next Sunday afternoon.

Dallas Jones came in Tuesday from the Gordon ranch.

R. Q. Leatherman returned to the 9 K ranch yesterday.

D. B. Mills, of Artesia, is here this week attending court.

Dolph Lusk and wife were guests of Hotel Bates Saturday.

The foot ball team is billed to play in Artesia tomorrow.

Tom Pendleton, from Monument, was in town yesterday.

Boone Kindel is ill this week with threatened appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Alston, from the plains, are here this week.

Charles Grammer is courting this week, being one of the jurors.

Roadmaster Keen and J. T. Miller, claim agent, were here Tuesday.

E. Hendricks and Leslie James returned from Santa Fe last night.

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Will Lee Magby came down from Dog Canyon yesterday to attend court.

Jas. W. Berry and E. Dawson, of Dayton, were in Carlsbad Monday.

Lee Brown, of Artesia, was in the county seat the early part of the week.

J. B. Atkinson, of Artesia, is in town again this week, returning Monday.

Mr. Discher, of St. Louis, was a guest of J. M. Halbert and family over Sunday.

Earl Manning and J. M. Meram, of Knowles, were in the latter part of last week.

Miss Minnie Moore at the Cottage sanitarium is reported much improved this week.

T. B. Callahan, of Amarillo, Texas, traveling freight and passenger agent, was here Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Berry, of Roswell, was in Carlsbad at the Rightway hotel the first of the week.

Bob Williams and Earl Hardin, of Monument, were guests of the Rightway hotel Monday.

The freshman class will entertain the seniors at Mrs. John Lucas' residence Friday night.

Dr. W. H. Moore, of Pecos, was in town Wednesday evening leaving for home yesterday morning.

Pete Etcheverry, a sheepman of Lovington, came in Monday and has been here most of the week.

Frank Hardin, of Knowles, came in Wednesday and had the Current sent to his brother in Terrell, Texas.

C. J. Buck, Nosh Buck, E. P. and H. M. McCormick, all of Artesia, are in town attending court this week.

Mrs. M. Everett, of Obion, Tenn., is visiting her son at the cottage sanitarium and will be here a few weeks.

Reagan Middleton, one of the Monument merchants, came in Sunday and was here a few days the early part of the week.

Virgil Albritton was a passenger Monday morning to Lakewood where he looks after the interest of the Lakewood Progress.

Earl Hardin came in from Monument Sunday to be on hand to answer to his name when the petit jury was called Monday morning.

E. L. Perry, of Artesia, Singer sewing machine agent, came down last Saturday and spent a few days in town the first of the week.

Walter Darenthon, his son and daughter, Walter, Jr., and Miss Mary, are guests of the Palace hotel. They are here from Plainsview, Texas.

Gus Dean was in from the Forest Reserve Wednesday with a fine load of juniper wood, which he had as trouble in disposing of, the weather being cold.

GERMAN RECITATION.

The German recital given by the pupils of Mrs. Lange, teacher of German at the Grattan school, under the auspices of the Grattan Mother's Club, was a decided success. The auditorium of the school was taxed to its capacity by parents and members of the club. Mrs. S. I. Simmons, president of the club, introduced Mrs. Lange, Dr. Hatch of the Polytechnic high school and Mrs. Herman, all of whom gave short and interesting talks, after which coffee and cake were served.—Asbury Heights Advance.

The above from a California paper published near San Francisco, refers to Mrs. Louis Lange, of Carlsbad, a lady who made many friends during her short residence here. She is now a teacher in San Francisco and from all accounts is a valued one.

Miss Lillian Crawford entertained the senior class and part of the faculty last Thursday night at her pleasant home in Rio Vista. Home made candy was served during the evening. Miss Lillian proved a very genial hostess, seeing that every one present had a delightful time and served hot chocolate and delicious cake.

Mrs. Ben Dickson, and the two children, Mae Wright and Robert, will leave tomorrow for El Paso, Texas, to spend a month with her mother, Mrs. Roberts and family.

William H. Mullane, Jr., who has spent the past few weeks with his "grand-dad" left for Van Horn, Texas, today with his mother and sisters, where he will take up his school work and make up for lost time.

The basket ball team will motor to Lovington and mix things with the Lovingtonites tomorrow and here is hoping the Carlsbad high school team will come off with colors flying.

Johnson Graham showed up Tuesday at the county seat with a crowd of friends who came in Glen Hardin's car. In the crowd were: Elbert Shipp, Perry Andrews and Col. Hardin and sons, Glen and Boone.

The Brown oil well near Dayton is producing about twenty five barrels of good crude oil per day all of which is used by the Oriental Cement Company, that has the well leased.

Dick Chad and wife, of the Delaware ranch, were in town Tuesday, having returned from their holiday visit at their old home in Omaha, Nebraska, last week, Thursday.

Dr. Baker, of Artesia, was down to the county seat this week as an expert witness on ligatures in the famous turkey case that was on trial yesterday.

Jules Baker, the cattle inspector for the sanitary board and the cattle raisers of Texas for eastern Eddy county, was in Wednesday and made this office a pleasant call.

Carroll Hamilton, of Dark Canyon, returned from a six weeks trip to Texas points last week. He came by way of Midland, Texas, in a 25 Studebaker he purchased while away and says the sand between Andrews and Midland is very bad on account of recent wind storms. He visited San Angelo and several other points while absent.

Frank Stolaroff came in from Douglas, Arizona, Monday and left yesterday for Roswell to visit his brother. He will leave for the East next Monday with his brother from Pecos going to Pecos to take the T. & P. for the East. He states that the conditions in Douglas have been very bad for some time, that bullets from the Mexican bandits and soldiers had broken much glass in the town and that it was quite a art to keep from being hit by stray bullets.

The Current could not get a full report of those promoted in the different grades for this week, but a full list has been solicited for next issue.

Mrs. E. S. Sprong, who has had a second share of lagrippe, found it more severe than the first, in all she has been ill for about six weeks at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bert Sands. She is well enough to be up again, and hope she will not contract it the third time.

Mrs. J. H. Mullane and the two little girls, Gracie and Della, returned from Knowles Wednesday where Mrs. J. H. Mullane was called by message that her father, W. H. Wimberly, was very low with pneumonia. Mrs. Mullane states that he had a close call, but is able to be propped up in bed. Mrs. Mullane spent Thursday in Carlsbad with Wm. H. Mullane and family, leaving today for their home in Van Horn, Texas. Jim Mullane will meet them in Pecos and see that they get safely home.

Coleman Whitfield came in from the ranch Tuesday and spent a few days in town.

H. H. Eubanks and H. H. Clark, are doing repair work at Dark Canyon Wells this week.

E. Hendricks and Leslie James were passengers to Santa Fe, going Friday night. They have been gone all the week.

Frank Thomas, from Dog Canyon, has been here several days this week.

James F. Bicker, of Memphis, Tenn., with his family, a wife and two children and his wife's mother, are here for the remainder of the winter and have rented the Gee residence.

EDDY COUNTY HOSPITAL NEWS.

T. E. Williams was operated on Wednesday and will be able to leave the last of the week.

Miss S. Marshall, of Monument, is recovering rapidly from her operation.

Mr. Von De Witt, of Artesia, is doing nicely and is able to be up.

Mr. J. Coleman returned to the hospital after spending a week on Rocky.

Mrs. H. Smathers is quite ill with lagrippe.

Mrs. Ida Cooper who was operated on last Friday evening, was moved to the home of her sister Wednesday.

Mrs. M. H. Williams, from Nadine, was operated on Saturday and is doing well.

Mrs. R. Berry, of Jackson, Miss., is very ill with pneumonia and her little daughter, six years old, is suffering with lagrippe.

Miss Anna Klaunder, who has been so seriously ill, is getting along nicely.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John W. Moore, an eight pound baby girl, Thursday at one p. m. Mother and baby doing fine. They expect to return to South America as soon as possible.

ANDERSON SANITARIUM.

Sunday Little Jim Baker was operated on for an abscess on the glands of the neck—the left side only.

Last Tuesday Mastora Serapio Madrono, Mexican, working for the government, at Malaga, was operated on by Mr. Fowler, from near Roswell, who was here for treatment last summer came back Wednesday.

Mrs. Earl Kendall was released last Thursday and returned to her home in Malaga.

Clay McGonagill came in Tuesday night from Animas and leaves for there today with a saddle horse which he will ride to Toyah and then ship on to Animas.

Who said it was better to be born lucky than rich? Well, anyway, that's John W. Moore. He arrived in Carlsbad Wednesday evening, coming home from Central America, enjoyed seeing all the home folk and next day, Thursday, he made the acquaintance of a wee baby girl, which was born at the Eddy County Hospital Thursday at one o'clock. John is one of the Carlsbad boys and congratulations are extended.

Clayton Miller, who was reported very ill is no better. His father, Felix Miller, is getting along fine.

E. Purdy is able to be up and around, having been very ill ever since Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Bujac royally entertained Mrs. F. L. Hopkins with a farewell supper last night at Hotel Bates just prior to her departure for home in Albuquerque.

Mrs. J. E. Couch, sister of Dr. Renshaw, has been the guest of Mrs. Wm. Hannah this week. She and Mr. Hannah being from the same part of New York state.

Daddy Below, a cousin of Mrs. S. L. Page, who has been here a few weeks, returned to his home in Denton, Texas, Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Ollie Thayer returned from Denton, Texas, Wednesday evening. She stated that it was sore cold there Monday, it being 10 and 12 degrees below zero and as she came through Fort Worth everything was covered with sleet.

Paul Axes came down from his ranch at Queen, Louie accompanying him and left for Roswell Wednesday morning to reenter the N. M. M. I.

Mr. Allison has been doing a good job of repairing his house as well as other things, having pulled and put in a partition, which makes it more easily warmed and has added a number of windows, making it much lighter and more pleasant. The house has been straightened which adds much in the way of looks and comfort.

J. A. Hardy, Jr., and wife were host and hostess Saturday evening at a gay dancing party. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Knorr, Mr. and Mrs. Tipton, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Ashcraft, Misses Mary Mize, Catherine Finlay, and Helen Melvaine; Robert Finlay and Ernest Ruden. They were refreshed with ice cream and a variety of cakes.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Ed. Carter entertained with cards and luncheon at their home in Carlsbad Tuesday evening. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hardy, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. E. Ashcraft, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Melvaine.

The regular monthly meeting of the Parents-Teachers' association at Otis was last Friday night, J. W. Knorr, the county agriculturist, was present and various subjects discussed. The idea of buying a pig for the school was discussed and accepted. Mr. Knorr was appointed as a committee of one to find the pig, which will be fed on scraps from the lunches and some corn. At the close of school it will be sold and the proceeds go to the association.

Distilled Water at Steam Laundry, 10c. per gallon.

Frank Barfield left on the train south yesterday, after spending about twenty-four hours in Carlsbad.

George Pendleton was in from the ranch yesterday.

M. G. Price, and R. M. Campbell, both of Roswell, were guests of the Palace hotel this week.

J. N. Duff, of Lebanon, Indiana, who has 820 acres of land near Dexter, is in Carlsbad this week looking over the project.

DANCING.

A perfectly glorious time was enjoyed by the younger set Friday evening, when Mrs. O. J. Cudd was hostess, many enjoying dancing to numbers on the graphophone, while others played the game, buncos, and two tables played cards. Homemade candy was enjoyed throughout the evening and Charley Brown (colored) presided at the punch bowl and served dainty refreshments at twelve o'clock.

The guests list includes Misses Helen Melvaine, Mary Mize, Sweetie Bunch, Thelma Hyatt, Minnie Jones, Grace Jones, Mary Hubbard, Jewel Hubbard, Winnie Dishman, Harriette Vaughn, Mildred Rackley, Mamie Lowenbruck, Madge Brown, Ruth Pendleton, Juanita Cudd, Lyndall Cudd, Willie Matheson; Messrs. Bernard Brown, Charlie Witt, Russell Riskey, Charlie Walker, Bill Lusk, Harry Hubbard, Allen Stewart, Babe Cooper, Pete Kraft, Huling Ussery, Mr. Dresher, Pete Lowenbruck, Otto Matheson, Oscar Ussery, Robt. Toffelmire, Arthur O'Quinn, Harold Riskey, Dallas Jones, Bill Sweick, Walter Pendleton.

J. H. Graham and daughter, Miss Eliza, also Miss Grace Huston, who is visiting her brother, Nat Huston, and family came in from their ranch last night and stopped at the Bates hotel.

Uncle Joe wanted the new Buick looked over and reeled as they are expecting to make a trip to Post, Texas, having received a letter stating his oldest sister, Mrs. R. Reynolds, aged 74 years, had fallen over a post guard and broken her shoulder. They return to the plains today and expect to leave for Texas in a few days.

The rain of yesterday, though light was greatly needed, not only here, but in many other places. The rain on the mountains near Queen was heavier, it being reported that the mountains at present have a very good season in the ground.

J. M. Campbell, father of the Meadows Frank and Wm. Jones, also Kilgore, and the Campbell boys, returned in "sex" speed machine of Campbell, for a short visit in the valley.

Johannie Stewart, wife and the big boy, Wesley, came to town yesterday afternoon, to buy the cow boy some boots and spurs. He is now about four months old and weighs eighteen pounds.

Jim Jones is taking another tussle with the old enemy, lagrippe. His brother, Sam, was here yesterday for drugs and said he would take out enough for himself, as he was feeling bad again.

Conductor Montgomery was called east, some of his family being ill, and W. G. Nutter has the run to Roswell.

The ladies of the Baptist church will give a valentine tea February 14, at the home of Mrs. W. C. Sellers.

John R. Joyce left this morning for Pecos, Texas, where he will attend a meeting of the directors of the Pecos Mercantile Company and will then go to Florida for a visit.

Distilled Water at Steam Laundry, 10c. per gallon.

The Masonic lodge will confer the fellow craft degree on George O. Roberts tonight at 7:30.

A. R. Swan, who has been in Oklahoma, for the last sixty days, returned this week with a number of home smokers and is showing them the valley.

C. R. Price and partner F. J. Winter, of Houston, Texas, came in yesterday.

Mrs. T. F. Barber, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, a sister of Mrs. A. J. Muzzy, will join Mr. and Mrs. Muzzy today and enjoy our delightful climate for a few weeks.

Willard Bates, from Panama Tanks, came in yesterday to take out his car, having gotten the road in very good shape. Mr. Bates' family is with him at Panama ranch.

S. P. Hostler, of Malaga, with his wife, are just returning from the east. This is Mrs. Hostler's first trip to the valley and she expects to make her home here.

J. B. Gillett and wife returned to Marfa, Wednesday. They had been to Roswell where her father, R. P. Bean, was very ill, and died there last night.

George Adams and John Wells went out to the Adams ranch Monday, and returned Wednesday afternoon.

The sale Monday was well attended everything bringing a fair price. The horse sold for \$150. Mr. Ellsworth bought the mare, paying \$176. The navy beans brought four cents per pound and the Indian corn 1.35 per hundred.

Miss Culver, from San Francisco, California, is here this week starting the piano contest at the Corner Drug store.

Allen Stewart went to the Queen country Tuesday by auto to bring down witnesses to be used in the case between the Guadalupe Sheep Company and Francisco Etcheverry.

Miss Janie Kindel joined the basket ball team, going to Lovington today. They left this forenoon. She will visit relatives while there.

About twenty of the Otis school children are coming to town tonight in a body to enjoy the movie. They have earned this treat by having so many credits. Each child that earns 600 credits at home are allowed the pleasure of seeing the picture show. Three automobiles will bring them.

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EASTERN STAR

At the regular meeting of the Eastern Star camp No. 14, held the 17th, instant, the following officers were installed for the present year:

Mrs. E. S. Kirkpatrick, W. M.

R. D. Fuller, W. P.

Mrs. B. L. Walker, A. M.

Mrs. R. L. Hunsick, Sec.

Mrs. C. N. Waite, Treas.

Mrs. M. C. Stewart, Cond.

Mrs. J. E. Wallace, A. Cond.

C. H. McLenathen, Sent.

On account of sickness and inclemency of the weather, only one appointed officer was present and was installed. The remainder of the appointive officers will be installed later.

Mrs. Leona Morgan, P. G. M., was the installing officer. Mr. McLenathen, in behalf of the chapter, presented Mr. Fuller with a Past Patron's pen.

At the close of the business meeting doughnuts and coffee were served and a social time ensued.

J. D. Riggs, who, about a year or more ago, purchased 480 acres of the old Tansill farm, has disposed of the whole tract for property in Oklahoma and Kansas. He traded with Mr. Hulick, of Medford, Oklahoma, 320 for 480 of Oklahoma land near Medford which is well improved, and traded 160 acres with Dan Stone of Barber county, Kansas, for 280 acres of Kansas land at which place Mr. Riggs will reside. Mr. Riggs and son and daughter in law, will leave this week for their new home. Since coming here Mr. Riggs lost his wife who died shortly after their arrival and he has been somewhat unsettled since and anxious to return to or near the country he came from. The family has made many friends since coming here and all are sorry to see them depart.

B. V. Culp came in with his auto from Monument last Saturday accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Burk and Mrs. J. H. Hughes and daughter, Mrs. Bob Williams. The party came to bring Mrs. Williams to the hospital where she underwent a serious operation and where she will remain until fully recovered. At last accounts she was doing well.

D. Truitt and wife, of Roswell, were registered at the Bates hotel the first of the week.

C. W. Merchant, of Abilene, Texas, is in the valley seeing his many friends coming last Saturday.

H. S. Lincoln, of Wichita, Kansas, a brother-in-law of J. D. Riggs, is in the valley.

Rev. A. A. Davis returned to Pecos this morning but will return on the evening train and go to Roswell where he will officiate as minister at the funeral services of R. P. Bean, who died there last night.

Mrs. J. H. Houston, of Loving, entertains her Sunday school class tonight.

L. G. Ellett, wife and little daughter, Margaret, of Otis, are in Carlsbad today shopping.

Vernon Middleton, who has been here for treatment the past two weeks, with pneumonia, and suffering at the same time with an abscess in his head and ear, has recovered sufficiently to return home on the mail car Tuesday.

The Woodman Circle met Monday night at the hall. Minnie Kirkpatrick was initiated. The drill team entertained the audience for a while, and delicious cake and hot coffee were served.

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D. W. Murphy, drainage engineer, for the Reclamation service with headquarters at Denver, arrived Monday and left Wednesday night accompanied by P. W. Dent, district counsel, of El Paso. They are in Roswell in connection with condemnation proceedings relative to the over-flowed lands adjacent to McMillan reservoir. Mr. L. E. Foster, project manager, went to Roswell this morning on the same mission.

Roman Ohnemus bought this week the H. H. Harges land joining him on the east of the fifty acres 64 acres water right. Mr. Ohnemus is under to close the detl segt two cablegrams across the ocean to Paris, France.

Miss Maudie Lucas, a one time Carlsbad girl, but now of Roswell, came down Sunday to spend a couple of weeks, the guest of Mrs. C. N. Jones and family. Miss Maudie has a position as saleslady in the Everybody's store in Roswell and is enjoying a well earned vacation.

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Dr. T. E. Presley, of the firm of Drs. Presley & Swearingin, specialist eye, ear nose and throat, will be in Carlsbad 24 to 27 and from 5 to 10 of each month, in the office with Dr. Lauer. 1Oct-Dec11

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Death Ends Career of Former Provisional President of Mexico and Famous Military Leader.

BURIAL LIKELY IN MEXICO.

Secretary Issues Statement Declaring That Being Thrown Into Jail Broke Down His Health. Temperament Marked the Life of Noted Man—Knew No Fear Nor Pain.

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 13.—General Victoriano Huerta, former provisional president of Mexico, died at his home here at 3:35 o'clock tonight. General Huerta, who succeeded General Francisco I. Madero in executive power in the City of Mexico and later left Mexico, died of sclerosis of the liver. He was surrounded by his family when the end came. His death was not unexpected. Funeral arrangements are to be made tomorrow. It is believed an effort will be made to arrange his burial in Mexico.

General Huerta's death was expected since yesterday afternoon. His will was signed last night, following the administration of the Catholic rites. He asked his lawyers to say that he had forgiven his enemies.

This afternoon General Alessio Robles, private secretary of the dying

general, issued the following:

"In the actual moment of gravity in General Huerta's condition I only wish to state regarding the injustice and cruel treatment given to him by the United States government that the treatment is responsible for his present condition. When he was President of Mexico he gave all guarantees to Americans regardless of the many difficulties he had met with in his administration. In this country he was thrown in jail like a common criminal and his health completely broken down, causing his death."

Huerta devoted himself to the military career at a very early age. Born at Chihuahua, in 1854, he entered the Chapultepec Military Academy at the age of seventeen and passed through the full course to graduation in 1875, when he was commissioned a second lieutenant of engineers. During his academic term he was known for his predilection for scientific studies, particularly astronomy and mathematics.

When Porfirio Diaz began his reorganization of the Mexican army, Huerta was promoted captain of engineers and while holding this rank devised the plan for a Mexican general staff corps. He was an active member of the Military Map Commission created to draft a staff map of Mexico on a large scale, and he had charge of all the astronomical work of the commission, leading expeditions and surveying parties over the wildest regions of the republic.

During the ensuing years Huerta

saw much active service. In 1901 he left the staff and took command of the infantry in the campaign against the Yaqui Indians. After this campaign he was again put in charge of the general staff's topographical work in Sonora. He participated in the subsequent Yaqui campaigns and also in the campaigns in Yucatan against the Maya Indians. As a reward for his Indian service Huerta was given the rank of brigadier general and once more detailed to the general staff.

Huerta commanded the detached government forces in the State of Guerrero at the beginning of the Madero revolution.

When Madero acceded to the presidency, General Huerta was sent back into Mexico with a force to put down the Zapata rebellion. As a result of the ill-feeling growing out of this campaign Huerta was recalled. Subsequently he led the army against Orozco, and was in command at the battle of Bachimbi, one of the bloodiest fought at this stage of the revolution.

For this service he was promoted to be a major general. He was then recalled to the capital and given leave of absence because of an affection of the eyes, and thus did not take part in the suppression of the first uprising led by General Felix Diaz in October, 1912.

Returned With Rod of Iron.

In the second Diaz revolution which resulted in the overthrow of the Madero government, Huerta was immediately called to active command as the senior ranking general (two in the capital). He escorted Madero from Chapultepec to his palace on the day of the ten days' fighting and was placed in entire command of the government troops. He directed the troops during all the subsequent fighting and the conduct of these operations led to severe criticism on the part of Madero's friends. It was charged that he did not carry out the operations with any spirit, that he disobeyed the commands of President Madero, and before General Huerta entered the city it was this conference that sealed the fate of the Maderos.

Huerta was charged with being the moving spirit in the consummation of the plot that resulted in the seizure of the person of President Madero and his brother, Gustavo. The assassination of the President his brother, Gustavo, and the vice president, Pino Suarez, followed.

During his incumbency in office as provisional president Huerta ruled with a rod of iron. In his brief reign there were suggested something not meeting with the approval of the dictator, there followed either a resignation or some foreign mission calculated to bring about political oblivion for the man who dared take an opposite view. Among his supporters were many of the older and ablest statesmen of the republic.

For his enemies there was either the dungeon in one of Mexico's vermin-infested and dark prisons or death. His dominant attitude was manifested at one time when he ordered the arrest and imprisonment of 15 Mexi-

can congressmen. And it was apparently easy for him to order the execution of an enemy. How many met death at his order is not recorded.

Protected Foreigners.
Probably no man in office was ever the target for so much criticism as he received at the hands of the American press. He paid little heed to this, and it was only now and then that he expressed an opinion of the attitude of the American government. At one time he made the statement, and with considerable emphasis, that he could bring peace to the republic if the United States, with its "hands off" policy would only go to the length of preventing the shipment of arms and ammunition to the "patriots" who were fighting him. Despite this, he did not give up hope of, eventually bringing about peace, but in the end he found that the other side was better supplied with the sinews of war—money—than he.

However, despite the cruelties that he inflicted upon his fellow countrymen, he gave Americans and foreigners generally such protection as he could in those portions of the republic remaining under his control. It is notable that the greater part of the American colony in the capital was friendly to him. Many of these upon their return to this country frankly told in interviews that the American government had made some grave blunders in handling the Mexican situation, and especially when it did not lend its moral support in certain respects. These Americans said that foreigners as a whole had received from Huerta greater respect, consideration and protection than any President since the abduction of Diaz.

Huerta declined to salute the American flag as a result of the Tampico incident, and the sending of troops to Vera Cruz is still too recent to necessitate comment.

Away from his capital, rather, his official career, Huerta was democratic to a degree. He mingled with the crowds in the cafes, drank copiously of cognac, and if the reverses of his army annoyed him it was not apparent in his demeanour while among associates. He proclaimed President.

Huerta was proclaimed the provisional president of Mexico February 18, 1913, and took office the next day. Three days afterward Francisco Madero, one of his brothers who had Maria Pino Suarez, vice president under Madero, were assassinated while riding under guard from the palace to the penitentiary.

This crime aroused a storm of indignation throughout the United States. In many quarters there were demands for intervention but President Taft, who was on the eve of leaving office, decided to take no action which might commit the incoming administration of President Wilson.

Immediately on assuming office President Wilson refused to recognize Huerta as the head of the Mexican government in spite of the fact that such recognition had been granted by Great Britain. At the same time the Maderistas rallied under Venustiano Carranza, governor of Coahuila, and Francisco Villa declared against Huerta.

Following the refusal of President Wilson to recognize the provisional president, United States Ambassador Henry Lane Wilson was recalled from the City of Mexico. The situation between the United States and Mexico then remained at a practical deadlock until August, when President Wilson sent John Lind, former governor of Minnesota, to the Mexican capital as his personal representative. Mr. Lind presented certain proposals to Huerta chief of which was that the provisional president should resign and permit a national election at which he would not be a candidate. Huerta peremptorily rejected these proposals.

In the meantime the Mexican congress had been growing restive and one senator had the hardihood to make an open attack on Huerta in the Senate chamber. He promptly disappeared and when his colleagues demanded an investigation Huerta marched a body of troops into the Hall of Congress, seized 110 deputies and threw them in jail.

Resignation Again Demanded.

His next step was to call an election at which only Huertistas were allowed to vote with the result that he was declared President with General Blanquet, vice president. Mr. Lind again demanded that Huerta resign, and, meeting with a second refusal, left the City of Mexico on November 12, for Vera Cruz.

Throughout the winter the tension between the United States and Mexico continued to grow more acute. Mexican warships were dispatched to Mexican waters and a large number of Mexicans were concentrated on the border. At the same time the Constitutionalists, as the Carranza faction called themselves, advanced from the north, defeating the Huerta troops in battle after battle.

The climax came in April when a party of American bluejackets were seized at Vera Cruz and thrown into jail. The Americans were quickly released but Huerta refused President Wilson's demand for a formal salute to the Stars and Stripes as a measure of reparation. On April 12, American bluejackets and marines landed at Vera Cruz in force and occupied the city after some street fighting in which a number of Americans were killed.

Shortly afterward a mediation proposal was made by Argentina, Brazil and Chile and accepted. Conferences were held at Niagara Falls but brought no decisive result.

Matters dragged along until June 7, when Huerta's finances exhausted, his army thoroughly beaten and disorganized, his enemies growing steadily stronger, presented his resignation to the Mexican congress. He sailed from Puerto Mexico a few days later on the German cruiser Dresden and after a short stay in Jamaica, chartered a steamer and set out for Spain. On November 22 President Wilson ordered the evacuation of Vera Cruz.

On March 3, 1915, General Huerta left Spain certainly for Buenos Aires. He disappeared at Algiers, Morocco and early in April boarded a steamer for New York, believing he was coming to this country simply on a pleasure trip. After reaching New York for some time he started west

with the announcement that his intention was visiting the San Francisco Panama Exposition. On June 27 he was arrested by Secret Service agents at Newman, N. M., on a charge of conspiring to overthrow the government of a friendly country. He was released on bond but was reassessed by Secret Service men at El Paso on July 3, when apparently planning to cross the border.

Removed to His Home.

Huerta remained in jail until December 26, when he was permitted to be removed to his home in El Paso on account of the serious nature of his illness.

During Huerta's stay in America numerous stories were circulated from various sources asserting that he was being backed by German agents in a plot to embroil this country with Mexico. These stories were officially denied by Count von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador. They were revived again, however, by statements by Federal officials that Franz von Rintelen, a German agent had spent large sums of money endeavoring to cause disturbances on the Mexican border.

FREE SEEDS.

The following letter explains itself: House of Representatives, U. S., Washington, D. C., January 12, 1916.

My Dear Sir:

I understand that in nearly every postoffice in New Mexico there are packages of seed undelivered.

I would respectfully request you to put a short notice in your valuable paper asking the postmasters to distribute such packages to any one to whom they would be of value.

It might also add that any person who is interested in such seeds may call on the postmaster, and he will be pleased to give them such as they can use.

I am, Yours very truly,
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At Otis, Friday, January 28th.

At Loving, Saturday, January 29th.

The farmers of the Otis and Loving districts are urgently requested to attend Farmer's Day on the dates given above.

An entire day will be devoted in each district to lectures and demonstrations. The speakers that will be present at these meetings are Messrs. H. M. Bainer and L. L. Johnson, agricultural demonstrators for the Santa Fe railroad, Prof. D. E. Merrill, entomologist from the New Mexico Experiment Station and Mr. J. W. Rigney county agent of Chaves county.

The program will begin promptly at nine a. m., and last until four p. m. Bring your lunches and come prepared to stay for the whole program.

J. W. KNORR,

County Agent, U. S. Dept. of Agri.

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RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR.

To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 4 oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and removes dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.

EDDY GROVE CAMP W. O. W.

Meets first Thursday night each month at W. O. W. Hall. Visiting overalls and members urged to attend.

A. R. O'QUINN, Clerk

J. W. IRBY, C. C.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

Notice is hereby given that the tax-assessor of Eddy county will be in the following places on the dates mentioned below:

Malaga, January 10.

Lincoln, January 11 and 12.

Lafayette, January 13 and 14.

Dayton, January 15.

Hone, January 17, 18, 19, 20.

Artesia, January 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29.

Failure to render property will subject the owner to penalty of 20 percent.

Property owners and agents are requested to meet the assessor on the dates mentioned.

APPLICATIONS FOR GRADING PERMITS.—NOTICE is hereby given that all applications for permits to grade cattle, horses, hogs, sheep and goats within the ALAMO NATIONAL FOREST during the season of 1916 must be filed in my office at Alamogordo, New Mexico, on or before March 1, 1916. Full information in regard to the grading fees to be charged and blank forms to be used in making applications will be furnished upon request. R. F. BALTHIS, Supervisor. Jan. 28—Feb. 25.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Roswell, New Mexico, December 31, 1915.

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

List No. 6588. Serial No. 033504.

N. 1-2, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6589. Serial No. 033505.

N. 1-2, SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6590. Serial No. 033506.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6591. Serial No. 033507.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6592. Serial No. 033508.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6593. Serial No. 033509.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6594. Serial No. 033510.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6595. Serial No. 033511.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6596. Serial No. 033512.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6597. Serial No. 033513.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6598. Serial No. 033514.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6599. Serial No. 033515.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6600. Serial No. 033516.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6601. Serial No. 033517.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6602. Serial No. 033518.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6603. Serial No. 033519.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6604. Serial No. 033520.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6605. Serial No. 033521.

SW 1-4, Sec. 25, Tp. 25-S, Range 37-E, N. M. P. Mer., 320 acres.

List No. 6606. Serial No. 033508.
W. 1-2 NE 1-4, Sec. 19, Tp. 25-S, Range 33-E, NE 1-4 NE 1-4, Sec. 17, Tp. 25-S, Range 35-E, N. M. P. Mer., 120 acres.

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

EMMETT PATTON,
Register.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Roswell, New Mexico, November 30, 1915.

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

List No. 6605. Serial No. 033527.

SW 1-4 NE 1-4, Sec. 20,

NE 1-4 NE 1-4, Sec. 29, Tp. 25-S,

Range 21-E, N. M. P. Mer., 80 acres.

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

EMMETT PATTON,
Register.

14-Jan-5

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

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Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, Jan. 10, 1916.

NOTICE is hereby given that J. Stanislaus Stachowiak, of Carlsbad, N. M., who, on Sept. 23, 1909, made HD. E. Serial No. 020259, for W. 1-2 NW 1-4; and W. 1-2 SW 1-4, Section 21, Township 21-S, Range 27-E, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before A. R. O'Quinn, Probate Clerk of Eddy County, at Carlsbad, New Mexico, on Feb. 15, 1916.

Claimant names as witnesses: Washington W. Simpson, Christopher C. Hutto, Henry H. Clark, John G. Smith, all of Carlsbad, N. M.

EMMETT PATTON,
Register.

Jan. 14—Feb. 11

NOTICE.

In the Probate Court, Eddy County, New Mexico.

No. 306.

In the Matter of the Estate of Charles Burton, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that R. E. Hillger, Administrator of the estate of Charles Burton, deceased, having filed in this court his first and final report of his administration of said estate, and a petition for his discharge as administrator of said estate, the hearing of the same has been fixed by the court for the 6th day of March, 1916, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the court room of said court in the Court House at 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 the said report should not be settled and allowed and said administrator discharged.

R. E. HILLGER,
Administrator.

Jan. 14-Feb. 4

BOOT AND SHOE

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COUNTY NEWS ITEMS

**ABSOLUTELY RELIABLE NEWS
GATHERED BY THE LIVE
WIRES OF THE CUB-
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PASSING EVENTS AT KNOWLES.

Mrs. M. C. Pearce, the teacher in the primary room, has been quite sick during the past week.

R. C. Garrison, an old resident, who still has his homestead here, and went to Texas during the past year, has returned to this place, visiting the old home.

W. L. Tomlinson, Sr., returned from Carlsbad, where he was summoned to serve as a grand juror, last week.

Juanita Cooley, who has been quite sick during the past week, is reported to be improving.

J. M. Moran (Slats), returned from Carlsbad last Thursday. Seems he was invited to come in, by the sheriff for the district attorney wanted to have a talk with him.

Dr. Dearduff was over from Lovington several times last week, seeing several, needing professional attention.

W. G. Woerner returned from Carlsbad, where he has been during the past week, visiting his mother who has been ill with lagrippe.

J. W. Morris, the working boy from the south west, was in town among the merchants the other day, seeing the sights and doing some trading.

Wm. Holloway returned from Carlsbad last Friday where he had been on a matter of business. He came in the Turner flyer.

Cap. Bestman, from everywhere, made his initial trip to this part of the plains last week.

Manager Heard, of the Continental Oil company, was in this section the other day checking up his business.

Jim Love, the Lovington jitney man, was a visitor in a business way in Knowles a few days ago.

C. J. Lowery, the new cowman, ranching a few miles west of Knowles, returned home from Carlsbad a few days ago.

Brown Jones returned from Midland last Saturday bringing in a varied assortment, for the local merchants.

Jim Shaw, the all-round genius residing a few miles north, was a caller in town the other day.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Peveler report the arrival of a strange young lady at their home, last Thursday night and they claim to believe surrounding conditions warrant her remaining permanently.

Harry Manning, who was interviewed by the sheriff last week, returned home the other day. He stated he preferred not to go.

That Lamson coal may cost a lesser price than the article they sell at Carlsbad, but, oh my! it's the limit.

W. D. Grimes was in town with a load of prime butter which is always anxiously looked for by the consumers.

Dr. A. W. Roberts the veterinary from Lamson, Texas, made his regular round in this section in a professional way last week.

W. D. Bartlett was noticed on his way to Lamson the other day. He has certain business interests at that point.

Charley Vanamaber, alias Dogy Charley, has been quite sick with lagrippe during the past two weeks.

Frank Cone one of the popular boys of the plains, who has been to Arizona for several years past, has returned. Frank still retains the fine homestead near town, which he lived out, before leaving for the mining country.

Will Brecken came in from Seminole the other day, making the initial trip in a new Ford, which was thoroughly remodeled. It couldn't be told from a real automobile, she really looks good!

Quite a norther blowed up in this section about three o'clock in the morning last Saturday night, which tasted very much like the real thing, freezing up everything in the house, and was productive of considerable snow, during Monday.

It's got us guessing, why the Current is so anxiously looked for, inquired for, and scurried for, when it is about time for its arrival, in these digits.

A grass thief is fully as good as a purse thief, in our opinion: we are unable to see why he should be any worse, about the only difference is the horse thief generally gets landed first.

Amos Reeves, the prosperous cow man from Monument, was noticed taking a spin in his new Buick six, the other day, and claims its just good enough for him.

Several good prospects in the way of homeseekers are in this vicinity and will, no doubt, be permanent residents, for they express themselves as being well pleased with the country.

A good citizen can be punched along enough and hard enough through jealousy, personal and other matters, to some times make an outlaw of him, then who is to blame, hah?

Luen Culp was in town last Saturday in his new Buick six and claims she walks about when he steps on her.

Quite gratifying to see several of our friends show up in their accustomed places in the columns of the Current; looks like they love their neighbors, honor old glory and are willing to serve their country.

C. A. Miller went to Monahan, in his car last week and met with bad luck near Five Wells in the way of breaking an axle, fortunately near enough to a phone line to ring Seminole for a car to bring him to that point, then phone Knowles for a car to bring him home—leaving his car in the sand-hills.

The plan that partially succeeded in getting off with Tom Ansell's car, seems to have been hatched by local talent, but in the end the game was blocked by the officers who located the car as well as the parties about fifteen miles north of Big Springs, Texas; and, of course, the boys are now sorry, but this after-thought came to

their minds just a little bit too late to derive any pleasure out of the long joy ride.

Mrs. Charley Miller has been very sick with lagrippe, during the past ten days—there being so many sick people with this malady at this particular time, making careful nursing rather a difficult matter.

W. H. Wimberly, who has been very sick with pneumonia, for some weeks, was reported to have a change last Saturday, and has slightly improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Noy Stiles, Dave Willhoit and sister, Ada, and Jess Moran, enjoyed a very pleasant day hunting birds across the line this week. They report birds plentiful and in prime condition, they say they ought to know for they tried em for dinner at the Top Heard mill in the draw.

Mr. and Mrs. McNeese, and Miss Mamie Holloway of Midland, Texas, are visiting Mrs. McNeese's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Holloway, and will remain for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Lusk, of Carlsbad, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. O'Neal during the past week.

Mrs. L. L. Coleman has returned to Warfield, Texas, where she has been teaching school during this term. Mrs. Coleman came home to pass her vacation here and enjoy the holiday festivities which are always indulged in and they all claim they are worth the while—at any rate they always come.

Mrs. Velma Mullane and daughters, Grace and Della, visited Mrs. W. C. Cooley last Sunday. Mrs. Mullane hopes to be able to leave her father shortly and return to her home at Van Horn, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock Townsend went to Midland, Texas, last week, taking their child there for medical treatment. Their many friends hope to hear of material improvement in the little one real soon.

Professor Wyatt lectured in the hall last Saturday night, and put on a picture show, which pertained to his travels around the world. The Professor being an eloquent speaker, and the views of a very entertaining nature, therefore, the entertainment was thoroughly enjoyed by all present and all expressing a desire of again seeing a similar performance announced, which we will all look forward to with much pleasure.

Mezames Emerson, Graham, Chance Pung and Miss Ida Killough visited Mrs. Cooley last Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Sylvia Thornton, manager of the local phone office, returned from Brown wood, Texas, by way of Midland, last week. Mrs. Thornton has been to the latter point visiting relatives during the holidays.

Mrs. E. Robinson returned from Biebee, Arizona, last week. Mrs. Robinson went to that point some weeks ago visiting her son, Fred, who is interested in mining business in that section. She returned via Carlsbad.

Messrs. Beech and Lottel, of Linn county, Texas, arrived here last Monday morning, visiting relatives in this section, they report the long drive during Sunday's blizzard as being exceptionally cold and very uncomfortable.

Two detachments of land seekers one from Fisher and the other from Scurry county, Texas, remained in the wagon yard during the snow storm last Monday before getting out, and looking at their prospective purchases.

The local report is, Seminole and Midland, Texas, have signed up for their railroad, and will begin surveying during the present week. Seminole having made up the required bonus demanded which is reported to be \$20,000, ten sections of land and fifty town lots. If the report is correct, their heads are level, for they occupy a position where they will control the market for a vast territory.

Colonel Frank Hardin and sons, Glen and Boone, Perry Andrews, Elbert Shipp, and Johnson Graham, went to Carlsbad last Tuesday on a matter of business in Glen's Buick six. Seems the snow that covered the ground had no terrors for them.

Mrs. John Dewhirst has been confined to the house during the past week suffering with a severe case of lagrippe, but at this writing is reported to be improving.

The report is, John Warren has sold out his business at Carlsbad, receiving the price he asked, in cash, and we understand it to be John's intention to move to his Oklahoma farm as soon as he is able to "fix" his business interests in this country but states he intends to return from that point, at the earliest possible moment or as soon as he can dispose of his property in that country.

Thomas Jefferson Johnson, the expert mechanic who can fix anything from a baby pin to a locomotive, has prepared to make his regular Texas tour, which usually requires about three or four months. His regular customers will see him when he comes, and if there's anything about the place that requires his attention, he'll sure get it, and bring it to life.

B. W. Opdyke moved the last end of his cattle this week from his place west of town, to his ranch near Wilson, Texas. Paul Ray was in charge of the outfit, with a long cold drive ahead of him. Mr. Ray in commenting on this country stated that this is the best cattle country he had ever seen, more cattle can be pastured on less acreage by long odds, than the Texas country, with less feed, and go through the winter in better shape and a far greater percentage of calves and considered every acre worth at least ten dollars, in fact, he would not take that price if he owned any in this section.

J. A. Syfrett, mayor of Midway, N. M., the progressive spirit of that section, was a caller in Knowles the other day, and states that everything is in prime condition in his part of the country and also claims that his people are looking forward to the advent of the Midland-Seminole railroad.

Carranza seems to be the most up-to-date ruler of the day. He sets up his capital whenever he gets ready, at any time or place, and stays there until his fertile mind hatches a plan that suits him, certain influences seem to have supreme control over this new ruler, they keeping him in the field according to their special interests,

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and keep him in his "tree" so as to prevent other interests to meet up with him, for fear they might CORRUPT him. Whiskers is never asleep to his personal interests, for his record is, that he is some scheming politician himself.

J. A. Mosley, the expert experimental farmer, from a few miles southwest of Knowles, was an interesting visitor in town last Saturday and during the course of his conversation, stated he would not trade his farm here for any black land Texas farm that he has ever seen. He claims he knows, for he has been there and has never yet been caught asleep.

We notice Carlsbad has lured a \$20,000 armory which will be quite an addition to that beautiful valley town. Carlsbad is wide awake, and more generally gets what she gets after showing a live, up-to-date spirit, which will not be blocked. Why got the plains country wake up and try to do something. Come, let's go! Let's spirit of progress pervade the air. Nothing stirring, unless you help it along.

The custom of "going some" by amateur lady drivers has become quite popular in this community, but recent incidents seems to have put a damper on the custom, said incidents seem to have been rather rough on clothes, etc. We really don't know, have their word for it.

The recent wholesale slaughter of Americans in Mexico is indeed a deplorable incident, the question remains, whether the instigator was Villa or Carranza, at the same time, this terrible crime lies at Carranza's door, for these men were in Mexico at his invitation, who assured them every protection, which wound up all same England's promise to Belgium. We wonder whether or no, the administration will go after the Carranza bunch like they go after the German government, for a much lesser offense.

A grand birthday celebration was indulged in at this point last week, which was a source of much pleasure to some, all same Irish wake, during the hosts absence—we never object to pleasant features coming to the front among the boys, but some times in an unthoughtful manner, they hew somewhat too close to the line, for any special comfort, causing suffering, to some, who are not in on the deal. Right? No?

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MALAGA MURINGS.

Work on the big canal is progressing rapidly.

Miss Marie Scott, from Coad's ranch, is visiting Mrs. E. Donaldson and children today, stopping over on her way north for a month's visit.

M. B. Newtham, W. F. Gerlach, Miss Roberts Henderson, J. L. Williams and C. W. Beeman were Carlsbad visitors Tuesday attending the Water Users' meeting. Mr. Beeman took them up in his car.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Hostler arrived in Malaga Wednesday morning from Chicago where they had been spending the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Coad arrived home from Omaha, Nebraska, Saturday, the 15th, instant.

Miss Bertie Beeman who has been ill with throat trouble, is improving at present.

C. K. Egbert, wife and baby, were in Carlsbad last Friday.

Mrs. Chas. Gerlach is on the sick list this week also Baby Evelyn.

J. O. McKeen is in Carlsbad doing bull work in the district court.

Next Sunday is Rev. J. T. Redmon's day to preach at Malaga. Remember the hour, 3 p. m.

Fred Weaver and family are residents of Malaga now. Mr. Weaver has work on the canal for several months.

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RODRIGUEZ IS VERY DEAD.

Juarez, Mex., Jan. 19.—The body of Jose Rodriguez, the bandit leader executed last Thursday at Maders, was positively identified today by a number of Americans, including United States officials, who knew the Villa side when he was here prior to the collapse of the Villa regime. A gold fountain pen, bearing the initials, J. E. R., helped the identification which was made originally by employees of the Babricora ranch, who captured Rodriguez when he appeared at the ranch, presumably to kill Maximino Marquez, a former foreman.

General Almeida, one of the bandit leaders reported executed by Carranza officials, was killed, according to the ranch employees, in an effort to rescue Rodriguez. One of those who identified Rodriguez was C. E. Tracy, a mine company employee, who trailed Rodriguez' force from Sonora after the defeat of Villa. Tracy was trailing the band because they stole fifty-three bags of concentrates from the El Tigre property, in Sonora.

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LOVINGTON.

—From the Leader.

H. M. Smith, of Knowles, was in Lovington Thursday.

Two prospectors, T. C. Hart of Fisher county, Texas and A. O. Seal of Nolan county, Texas, were in our little city this week.

Mrs. Wm. Collins had her mother's name, who lives in Missouri, placed on the Leader list this week. Also stated that she intended attending a family reunion dinner to be given in honor of her son-in-law, Walter Wright's birthday next Sunday, in which she and her family, Mr and Mrs Casey and Mr and Mrs Jim Reed and family would be present.

Fronzo Caudill sold six head of yearlings to Luke Warden this week at \$41 per head.

Lagrippe is still the order of the day. You are not keeping up with the fad if you have not had a touch of it.

The Leader, was mistaken in its statement last week that Mrs. E. J. Stokes was suffering from blood poisoning caused by a severe burn. She was very sick, and had received a slight burn prior to that time, but that was not the cause. We are glad to report, however, that she is much better at this writing, Thursday.

Miss Mayme Hart returned to school at Albuquerque after a pleasant time spent in Lovington with her sister and friends during the holidays.

T. A. Miller of Abilene, Texas, was in our little city Thursday taking orders for hardware. He stated that things were flourishing down in the Abilene country, that farmers and people in general were putting money in the banks were making better showing of deposits than they had done in years.

Mr. Emmett George was reported quite sick Thursday.

Miss Mary Eaves returned to Albuquerque to school last Saturday after having spent two weeks in a round of pleasure with home folks and many friends here.

Frank Warden purchased a new wind mill this week which is always a valuable improvement to a place.

F. J. Robinson went to Roswell Thursday in company with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Fairweather returning Thursday.

Miss Foster Lee left last Sunday for Floydada, Texas, where she will visit for several days.

We learn that Tom Ansell had his new auto stolen from his ranch last week. Also another car was stolen from another gentleman we did not learn his name but the stolen property was overtaken at Hamlin, Texas, and restored to their owners while the thieves were placed under bond.

The high school building is looking quite prominent upon the high school grade under the skilled workmanship of the number of carpenters at work on it.

T. P. BINGHAM'S SEVENTY-SIXTH MILE STONE.

—Lovington Leader.

On last Monday, the 10th, instant, Judge T. P. Bingham celebrated his seventy-sixth birthday at his home in Lovington. He was born in Mississippi, moved to Texas, spent fifty years of his life there and the rest of it in Oklahoma and New Mexico.

He is one of our most prominent citizens, and although growing old, he is very active. He is one of the few ex-confederate soldiers living in this country. Last winter he and grandma were very feeble, but seem to be doing very well this winter. Grandma sees that the people are law abiding and grandma looks after her domestic affairs. She prepared grandma a fine birthday dinner, the table just seemed to be groaning under its weight of good things.

The guests of honor were as follows: Edward Van Gieson, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Gowan, Mr. Steele, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bingham and their six children, Mrs. John Gaither, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Hayes, Rev. L. O. Vermillion, and the writer. Quite a number of others were invited but could not get there on account of the stormy day. We wish for Grandma many more happy birthdays. He says he is going to live to be one hundred years old, and we hope it will come true.

It is our prayer that the last days of these two dear old people here on earth, may be full of sunshine and happiness, and when they pass out of this life into the next, they may have a blessed reunion in "the land that is fairer than day."

Their pastor, J. H. CLOUSE.

UNLAWFUL TO SELL LIQUOR IN SIERRA BLANCA AND ALLAMORE, EL PASO COUNTY.

Hereafter it will be unlawful to sell intoxicating liquors in justice precinct number five, which embraces Sierra Blanca and Allamore. As a result of the election held there some time ago on the proposition of voting saloons out of the precinct, fifty voters cast their ballots against the saloons, while five favored them. The returns from the election were canvassed by the county commissioners yesterday, who declared the pros winners.

So that the operators of the Hazel mines in the vicinity of Hot Wells will have good roads, the commissioners voted to repair the roadways in the neighborhood of Allamore and Hot Wells.

If you MUST swear, call at the Current office and do it legally. Notary always in.

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BANDITS MIX IT WITH CARRANZA TROOPERS.

Chihuahua City, Mexico, Jan. 18.—Fighting between bandits and Carranza troops occurred yesterday at Guerrero, 125 miles northwest of Chihuahua, according to advices received here today. The bandits numbered 200. They fled, leaving one machine gun, 85 rifles, \$5,000 rounds of ammunition in the hands of the Carranza troops.

General Jacinto Trevino, Carranza military chief of Chihuahua, declared today that all bandits would be ruthlessly hunted down and no quarter given. Trevino claims to have 3,000 men, with 300 officers, in this vicinity.

The bandits, who looted Matamoros, an isolated mining camp south of Matamoros, Durango, not only took all the supplies, according to advices received today, but warned all miners they would be killed if they did not abandon the place. Only three foreigners boarded the train which left here today for Juarez. The rest express no fear for their safety.

Leslie Webb, a company named Robinson and twenty picked Mexicans, are guarding the mines at San Azules, thirty miles south of Parral. Three Germans are left at Teanalepa mines, near Santa Barbara.

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U. S. AND FRANCE TO INTERCHANGE IDEAS

Federal Trade Commission Now Studying Comp. on System.

Paris.—One effect of the war, if plans now making are carried out, will be to bring about a closer interchange of ideas, particularly commercial ideas, between the United States and France. The American federal trade commission is now studying the French comptoir system of trade, while at the same time a plan is under discussion for the sending of French young men to America every year to study American production, price cutting and industrial expenses. Before the war there were about 150 comptoir organizations in France, including mining companies, steel manufacturers, wholesale grocers, silk and cotton manufacturers, etc.

The system is not believed to constitute a violation of the Sherman law for the reason that members of the

comptoir may do as much business as they like at the same time independently of it. Two firms may join in a comptoir to develop a certain market, and at the same time compete actively everywhere else.

The comptoir is capitalized for a nominal sum. Its officers sell for all the various firms whose goods it handles on a common basis and distribute the profits yearly. In France there are not only comptoirs for the foreign trade, but also for the domestic, and buying comptoirs are also in existence.

A Moving Spectacle. Berlin, Wis.—After being bound and gagged and knocked unconscious with a mop handle wielded by a thief who ransacked the house and obtained \$370. Miss Anna Roelter managed to get on her feet after regaining consciousness and summon other members of the family by placing her chin over the rim of the dinner bell and ringing the bell.

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Monday Ed. Kissinger came down from Artesia and went out to the ranch which is four miles west of Charlie Ward, on McKittrick canyon, where he and Sam Jones are partners.

Rube Knowles moved his family to Artesia last week from his ranch near Lakewood. They will place the four children in school at Artesia for the remainder of the term.

J. W. Tulk came in from his ranch Saturday and expected to return yesterday. Mr. Tulk says stock of all kinds are looking and doing well on and around his ranch.

Mrs. Wells Benson is pleased to have her sister and two children for guests, Mrs. M. E. McIntosh, her daughter, Miss Dorothy, and a son, William. They came last Saturday from Redlands, California and expect to be here for some time.

Mrs. F. L. Hopkins, now of Albuquerque, who came last week to be with Miss Anna Klaunder at the hospital, expected to return to Albuquerque today. Miss Klaunder is doing as well as could be expected.

Miss Edith Lee, the new eighth grade teacher, or who has one part of the grade since it was divided, came last Saturday and has rooms with Mrs. Carl Herring.

Miss Vera Hines was called to Pecos, Texas, to nurse a case, and left Monday morning. Miss Hines has had a very pleasant stay in Carlsbad and at Queen, having spent the holidays in that vicinity.

T. C. Hornt is having the show windows repainted and Jack Halbert is doing the work, and believe me, he knows how and with the display of new goods that will be arriving each week and the up-to-date window trimmer, Collins Gerrells, things will be looking just right at Horne's.

Mrs. A. A. Davis now of Pecos, has spent the week with her daughter, Mrs. Myron K. Clark. Rev. A. A. Davis came up yesterday and they expect to return to Pecos today.

Little Jim Baker, who was ill at the Anderson Sanitarium and was thought to be well enough to return to her home, was brought back to that institution Sunday morning and operated on the same afternoon. The physicians fear another operation may be necessary.

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PEOPLE FROM BARKSDALE, TEX.

J. M. Blackmon, accompanied by his wife, and son, Gus, came in from Barksdale, Texas, Wednesday afternoon in their Ford. Mr. Blackmon will look over this section with a view of purchasing a ranch and making his home here. He has been in the angora goat business in Edwards county, Texas, for a number of years and has sold out. It is probable he will purchase sheep or cattle. Mr. Blackmon says he was much surprised when reaching Carlsbad to find such a fine large town with such an equipment for public conveniences such as electric light, water, sewer power, sewer system and fire protection as well as the shade, side walks, streets, and fine residences. He expected to find the ordinary western town such as Pecos and Fort Stockton, but not a little city such as he did find. Many who had been here in early days had described the town as one of the ordinary western towns.

BABY DIES.

Little Loveta Sifford died last Friday afternoon. She was the seven months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Sifford and had whooping cough and pneumonia and had been ill for several weeks. She was the fourth child.

Funeral services were held at the home Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Rev. J. T. Redmon officiating and in his sympathetic way, giving them many comforting and consoling messages from God's blessed book. The white casket with the little folded hands that had endeared themselves in a thousand ways to the mother's heart were laid to rest in the Carlsbad cemetery. "Oh, these treasures from home and from heaven, They have made us more manly and mild. And I know now how Jesus could liken The Kingdom of God to a child."

TEMPERANCE.

The B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist church had a very interesting program Sunday evening, January 16. The subject being Temperance. Wilmer White gave a short talk on political aspect of Temperance. Miss Leota Baird had a very interesting paper on the personal aspect of Temperance.

Bernard Brown gave a reading which was enjoyed very much. Clayton Wyman gave a very interesting talk on the temptation which comes from wrong companions.

Mr. Chilcoat talked a short while on alcohol being dangerous as a medicine and brought out some very interesting facts.

Mr. Ross gave a very interesting talk on Temperance which was greatly enjoyed. Perhaps the most interesting part of the program was the musical numbers. The male quartet rendered by the young men's class, was greatly appreciated. The duet "Jesus Will" by Mrs. Jos. C. Bunch and Mr. J. M. Halbert was considered very good and was greatly commented on by all those present.

The program was closed with a very interesting talk by the president, Victor L. Minter.

The mail car from Queen Tuesday was well patronized, having several passengers—Pat Middleton, Ned Shattuck, W. R. Chaplin, Mrs. Webb and one child. Mrs. Webb is a relative of Mrs. Claud DeMoss and had spent the holidays with them. She expects to visit a few weeks at Eunice and return to her home in Arizona.

Wm. H. Mullane went up to Artesia Monday where he bought Mrs. Sallie L. Robert's fine milk cow, and loaded her on the local coming this way and took her off here without any trouble. The cow has been trained to follow if you have a halter on her.

Mrs. Keen Barr, of Lovington, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Geer, and family, returned home Saturday going by way of Roswell where Mr. Barr was waiting for her. Mr. Barr was quite ill with measles at the time. He waited at the depot until daylight for Mrs. Barr, as the engine was out of commission and the train was delayed until they could get another engine. Mr. and Mrs. Barr returned to Lovington Monday and the last we heard he had not suffered any bad effects from being exposed.

Beattie Wilson purchased this week seven Black Minorca hens and a cock. They are thoroughbreds, coming from Minnesota, also two dozen White Leghorn hens which he took to his dairy farm west of town.

The excavation for the new army building has been completed and work is being delayed as steel for reinforcing of the concrete foundation has not come, but is expected now any day. The plans for wiring the armory have been looked over and the Public Utilities Company are anxious to see the building completed and the lights aglow.

Mrs. J. S. Oliver, Preston, Louisa and Hazel, returned Friday evening from a three week's visit with Mrs. Oliver's sister, Mrs. J. E. Carbon, of Roscoe, Texas. Mrs. Oliver and the children spent the holidays there and say they enjoyed their visit.

LOTS FOR SALE.

The two choice lots opposite the Methodist church on the north, formerly owned by the late John Byrne are for sale at a sacrifice. Any one desiring a couple of fine corner lots can purchase them on time or for cash by applying at the Current office.

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WAR NEWS OF TUESDAY.

Entente interests appear to be watching closely the situation in Albania, and recent advices from London declare that adequate forces are now at hand to defend that country. The belief is indicated in these advices that Italy's precautionary measures in Albania territory have gone far toward safeguarding the future interests of Montenegro.

Little attention, so far, has been paid in entente quarters to reports that allied troops have been landed near Athens, as German press utterances indicate.

From German sources comes the additional report that a landing of entente forces has been made at Piraeus, the seaport of Athens, as well as in the bay of Phaleron.

An Austrian aeroplane squadron again has raided Ancona, Italy. One person was killed, but only unimportant material damage was done, Rome declares.

In the recent sinking of the Italian steamer Eridis, which struck a mine in the Adriatic, 260 persons were drowned, it now appears.

Denial is entered by the semi-official news agency in Berlin that Captain von Papen, recalled German military attaché at Washington, made payments in connection with attempts to blow up munition factories or bridges.

The situation in the Balkans, suddenly grown tense from the allied point of view, with the capitulation of the Montenegrins, has entered a new and critical phase, according to reports through German channels, which state that the entente powers have demanded that Greece, within twenty-four hours, deliver their passports to the ministers of the central powers in Athens.

Lack of compliance by Greece would cause the allies to take "necessary measures," declare Berlin advices, which are based on a dispatch from Sofia, given out by the semi-official German news agency.

It had previously been reported from Berlin that the allies were adopting extreme measures with Greece, landing troops at the port of Athens and giving other evidences of an intention to coerce her.

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STOCK NOTES

WILLIAMS BUYS BULLS.

Fifty thoroughbred white faced bulls, one and two years old, came in Tuesday for the Cedar Lake ranch, owned by S. T. and Col. Williams. They are undoubtedly some of the finest stock ever brought to the valley for ranch purposes, and it is understood that they cost the Williams Bros. something over \$5,000 for the lot. They were raised by John Roberts, elder son of Mrs. Sallie L. Roberts of this city, on his ranch in Kansas, and come from stock worth \$500 a head.—Artesia News.

Jim Simpson yesterday purchased the stock of cattle formerly owned by Will Craig, but sold to Bruce Jones and Frank Smith last fall. Now the boys have made a good sum on their deal and left for a trip to Hot Springs. It is said Mr. Simpson paid \$12,000 for the 200 head and the ranch, which is known as the old Nelson horse camp. This is one of the largest deals of the past month.

E. W. Alston has 800 lambs on the road from his ranch forty-five miles east to deliver to A. J. Crawford, who will feed them, on his farm ten miles south. The lambs are expected in today.

Edwin Stephenson bought, this week, five head of registered Duroc Red brood sows from W. H. Harroun at Malaga, and five head of the same breed from Mr. Rose at Loving, and will only handle the best, besides these he bought all of Mr. Tracy's young stock and several head from M. E. Davis.

AMERICAN MORMONS ASK CARRANZA FOR PROTECTION.

Tired of being repeatedly ordered to leave their homes in Mexico by the department of state, the American Mormon colonists, representatives at El Paso called on Mexican Consul Andres G. Garcia seeking military forces be stationed in western Chihuahua to protect them against attacks by the Villistas, who have threatened to kill all Americans in northern Mexico. On condition that troops are sent into the colony district, the Mormon colonists will remain at their Mexican homes.

Consul Garcia has promised to request more troops from the Carranza government to be placed in the colonies.

The Mormon colonists have been ordered out of Mexico seven or eight times during the last few years.

Mrs. Ollie Thayer and her daughter, Miss Mabel Thayer, left Saturday morning for Denton, Texas, where Mrs. Thayer will place Mabel in the young ladies industrial art college. Mabel will have many advantages there, and while she will be greatly missed here, her many friends feel sure she will make great progress and improve her many opportunities.

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