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# The Carlsbad Current

TWENTY-EIGHTH YEAR.

CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1919.

NUMBER 2.

## FARM BUREAU HOLDS MEETING

Held Its Annual Election at Court House and Listens to Reports of Officers—Enthusiasm Rampant.

Last Saturday the farmers of Eddy County held their annual meeting of the Eddy County Farm Bureau, at the Court House. The sessions lasted all day long, and were opened by President W. W. Galton, of Otis. Reports were given by the County Agent, and by the County Club Leader. The tendency during the last year has been for the County Agent to get away from the individual instruction or "county doctor" plan of helping farmers, toward a method of demonstrating in groups, of work to be done. As there are eight hundred farmers or more in Eddy County, and as each of them has his troubles at times not always convenient for the county agent to teach him, the method has been adopted of searching out demonstrators throughout the county, who would assist the agent in his work. Certain demonstrations, such as working, poultry demonstrations, vaccinations, corn tests, etc., are planned, and these demonstrations are known in advance, so that more than one farmer may attend and receive the benefit of up-to-date work.

The meeting was enthusiastic, for the work of the Farm Bureau is becoming better known, and is being appreciated. The work of the coming year was outlined, and will consist in the introduction of cotton into the Artesia fields, the continuation of prairie dog eradication, the successful marketing of hay, the building of bonded warehouses, continued improvement of poultry, the blackleg control, and orchard pest control.

Successful demonstrations conducted last year were the acid phosphate test at Atoka community on alfalfa, the spraying demonstrations against the codling moth and the scale at Artesia and Hope, and the corn demonstration at Loving. This test convinced many that the native Mexican June corn is most successful of any varieties now known. Other plans were at Cottonwood and Hope.

Officers for the coming year are W. W. Galton, president; N. C. Deering, vice president; Claude Wright, secretary-treasurer, and the Executive committee also includes Charles Rogers, of Artesia; F. E. Fite, Hope; A. L. Torpening, Artesia; J. N. Cunningham, Carlsbad, and Mrs. W. W. Galton, Otis.

W. W. Galton was elected as delegate to the State meeting of Farm Bureau delegates to meet at State College, from January 12th to 17th. Charles Rogers was named as delegate alternate. This convention will form a State Farm Bureau, which in turn will affiliate with the National Farm Bureau, recently organized.

Delegates attended the meeting from all points of Eddy County, and the influence of the Farm Bureau is being felt all over the county. County Agent A. Z. Smith's annual report was of much interest, but is too lengthy to give in detail. So also was that of Miss Lu B. Hughes.

Wednesday Justice of the Peace Frank Richards rendered a verdict in favor of J. C. Newman, who was at odds with Louis Lange over an accounting. Newman was awarded the sum of \$40.32. Lange is given ten days in which to pay.

## MISS GARY LOVETT MARRIED.

Miss Laura Lovett, of 111 Los Angeles street, announces the engagement of her charming niece Miss Gaby Lovett, to Cleo Durden, nephew of Judge and Mrs. L. A. Dale, of this city.

Miss Lovett has, for the past two years, been a resident of El Paso. She came to Texas from Chicago, where she studied music at Northwestern university. On many occasions she has shown talent and ability as a musician and entertainer.

Mr. Durden has resided with Judge and Mrs. Dale since he received his discharge from the army. He served two years with the 39th division, which saw much action during the war. For the past 4 months he has been foreman for a local printing concern.

The wedding will take place at St. Clement's church Wednesday, December 17, but it is announced that only the immediate family will be present.—El Paso Herald.

Miss Gaby Lovett is well known in Carlsbad, where she taught music in the Carlsbad schools. Her sister, Miss Willie Lovett, is employed in the office of District Attorney Dow as stenographer, but is at present in El Paso, and is expected to spend the holidays with her people there. The many friends of Miss Gaby Lovett extend their felicitations over the event.

## Walker-Baldwin.

Yesterday afternoon at the Methodist parsonage, the Rev. George H. Givan celebrated the marriage of Caldonia Walker and W. K. Baldwin, both of Carlsbad. The witnesses to the ceremony were L. Roy Walker, a Legion man, and Miss Elie Lee Tice. The bride is sixteen, and the groom thirty-five. Several other friends were present at the ceremony, to extend their congratulations.

## Miss Tracy to Marry Lieut. Eddy.

Invitations are out for the wedding on the last day of December of Miss Josephine Murray Tracy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Gallatin Tracy to Lieut. George Eddy of the United States Army. The wedding will be at Grace Church at six o'clock. An interesting fact concerning the ceremony is that the bride will wear the wedding gown worn by her mother, and that the wedding will be on the anniversary of that of Mr. and Mrs. Tracy.

## Circle Elects Officers.

Last Thursday night the Woodmen's Circle had its election of officers for the coming season. Many members of the Circle were present to take part in the voting and then participate in the refreshments served during the social hour. The officers elected were Mrs. J. B. Leek, guardian; Mrs. Hewitt, advisor; Mrs. Toffelmire, clerk; Mrs. Vest, banker; Mrs. H. C. Collins, attendant; Miss Pearl Edmondson, assistant attendant; Mrs. Erta Forehand, chaplain; Mrs. B. Brown, manager; Mrs. McCord, inner sentinel; Miss Blanche Barnett, outer sentinel; J. B. Leek, captain and Miss Catherine Chilcoat, musician. Dr. Pate and Dr. Culpepper were recommended as physicians to the Circle.

## NEW BANK AT LOVING.

S. D. Stennis is organizing a new bank at Loving. It will have a paid in capital of twenty-five thousand dollars and surplus of five thousand. Over twenty stockholders have already been secured, and these are all from the lower valley. The bank has applied for a national charter.

## DIXIELAND IS SCENE OF MUCH OIL ACTIVITY, FINANCED BY STRONG CONCERNS.

Three Tests Gained Down in Close Proximity to Railroad, and Are Well Financed.

J. R. Nash, of Los Angeles, and a salesman of deep well machinery, passed through Carlsbad Tuesday, on his way to his home office, that of the Armstrong Manufacturing company, of Waterloo, Iowa. Nash is selling the rigs which will go down in the Dixieland neighborhood.

"Three concerns are planning to drill at Dixieland," said Nash, on Tuesday. "Geologists think this is a favorable location, and we are going to find the oil, if it's there. I am now preparing to ship out rigs, and there is another all ready set up, which we sold. The Dixieland syndicate, which is owned by Chicago people, and under the direction of Ira J. Bell, is not troubled about finances, and is going after the stuff. Three miles west of the Dixieland well, the Texoil Syndicate of St. Louis is drilling, and two miles southwest the Dixieland Syndicate well, the Citizens' Oil and Gas company, of Indianola, Miss., with a capitalization of two hundred thousand dollars, is going to drill. J. P. Leonard of the Citizens' Oil company, is a wealthy planter of Mississippi."

It is understood that six geologists have said that the surface indications show that the Dixieland country is decidedly in the running as regards formation, and that deep tests are likely to make fortunes for their owners.

## COLEMAN RANCHERS ARE ARRESTED WHEN WINE IS FOUND ON RANCHES.

Martin Pavellitch and Modesto Pasquale, charged with making wine in violation of the war-time prohibition act, were arrested in Colfax county by Deputy United States Marshal Alfredo Delgado on the way home from Ft. Leavenworth, where he had taken prisoners sentenced in the federal district court. The deputy marshal returned to Santa Fe this morning.

More than 100 gallons of wine, in process of fermentation, was found in a shed on one man's ranch ten miles from Raton. Fermenting wine was found on the other's ranch also, but not so much. The wine was seized and the men were held under bond by the United States commissioner at Raton to await the action of the next federal grand jury.

## A GREETING OF THANKS.

To the Carlsbad Elks and others, for their kind Christmas present of an artificial limb, which I am very proud of, although it is a little like a Ford, it needs cranking up at times. I hope that none of you may ever be so unfortunate as to have to wear one, and that you may all live long and prosper. Many thanks to you all, and wishing you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Yours truly,

EDWARD WILSON.

Uncle Ed, whose leg was recently amputated, is now wearing an artificial leg, for which he thus expresses his thanks. He has just recently returned from El Paso, where he spent three weeks, having the limb fitted. Carlsbadites, Elks and otherwise, contributed to the cost of the limb to the amount of one hundred and seventy-five dollars, which was sufficient to pay expenses and all other sums required. The aged carpenter, who has been exercising his craftsmanship in Carlsbad for many years, is exceedingly grateful for the gift so kindly given.

## AT THE CRAWFORD THEATRE.

On Monday next, Dec. 22nd., the management of our popular playhouse is giving his patrons the treat of the season and a program that is bound to please the most fastidious. Beginning at 7:30 sharp, Thos. Ince, the great producer for the Paramount-Artcraft people will present "The False Faces," another Lone Wolf story by Louis Joseph Vance. This Artcraft Special played in New York and all other big cities at \$1.50 prices. Now, listen, folks, comes the special treat: Reese Bros. Africaners, a regular ALL COLORED Minstrel show with ten people will give you an entertainment, for which you usually pay from \$1.00 to \$2.00. Real harmony singing in popular and plantation melodies, that will take you back to the old South before the war. Real dancing, as only real negroes can dance and joke! Um, Um. Not stale old jokes, that have been buried for a century, but right up to the minute jokes, that will make you hold your sides. Laugh and the world laughs with you, is an old saying. If you don't laugh at this show, you had better see a doctor. If you are troubled with indigestion, come to this show; your ailment will be gone after the show.

AND NOW FOR THE SURPRISE: You get to see the feature Artcraft Picture and Reese Bros. Minstrel Show for the price of 50 cents; children under 12, only 25 cents. The doors will be open at 7 P. M., so you better come early and get a seat. Remember the show starts promptly at 7:30.

## SENATOR'S SON CHARGED WITH KILLING GIRL.

Insanity Will Be Defense of Young Man Who Drove to Police with Girl's Body.

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 16.—Eleven jurors had been accepted tentatively when adjournment was taken late today in the trial in the superior court here of Harry New, alleged son of Senator Harry S. New, of Indiana, charged with the murder of Miss Freda Lesser, his sweetheart. Two were women, Judge Gavin W. Craig indicated he might order a night session tomorrow.

Le Compte Davis, leading counsel for New, made it clear the defense offered would be insanity.

New is alleged to have shot and killed Miss Lesser on the night of July 4 in Topanga canyon, a few miles from this city. He drove in his automobile to the police station with the body of the girl beside him and surrendered. A confession to the murder was obtained, the police said. According to a statement given out by the police at the time, New is alleged to have said he killed the young woman in a fit of rage when she refused to marry him. An autopsy indicated that Miss Lesser was in a delicate condition.

## CROPS ARE WORTH 14 BILLION.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The total value of the country's important farm crops this year aggregates \$14,922,749,000, the department of agriculture estimated today in its annual report. That compares with \$12,600,526,000, the aggregate value of last year's crops as finally revised. The total area planted in these principal crops is placed at 359,134,473 acres, compared with 356,497,162 last year.

## "Professor Pepp" Makes A Hit.

The Senior players, an all-star cast, put on "Professor Pepp" last night at the Crawford to a capacity house. The comedy was the best ever staged by a High School cast, and clever bits of acting gave promise of real dramatic talent possessed by certain of the players. Financial returns totaled nearly three hundred dollars. The play is to defray the expense of the High School Annual. Miss Van Wie and Professor Donnelly assisted in training the players. Space is not allowed for a detailed critique of the play.

## PLEASANT ENTERTAINMENT BY CARLSBAD HIGH SCHOOL.

Tuesday night a musical program was given by the students of the grammar school and the junior high school classes, under the direction of Miss Charlotte M. Harrison, musical director for the school. Artistically and financially it was a great success, for the singing and recitations were excellent, and a substantial sum was realized from the work, which will be given to charity.

The program was opened at a quarter to eight, by the Girls' club an organization of twenty-six girls, who sang "Holy Night", while the big auditorium was darkened, and the only lights were those upon the Christmas tree, which stood upon the stage. The voices of the girls, offstage, made a beautiful and impressive opening number for the evening.

This number was followed by many others, for there were twenty-four in all, and every room from the first to the eighth, was represented by both individual recitations and by group singing. The only musical organization which did not participate in the entertainment was the High School chorus.

The singing of the Girls' Glee club, which gave as its other numbers "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" and "There Were Shepherds Abiding in the Fields" was particularly praiseworthy, and received much favorable comment. Miss Catherine Chilcoat assisted at the piano for the Glee Club numbers, and Miss Marion White accompanied the other musical selections. The Glee club singers were dressed in white middie and skirts and black ties, which was the only costume seen on the stage, except that of little Miss Mary Thelma Guter, who, crowned in a dainty night robe and with a candle in her hand, recited a little chant "o Santa Claus, and then in the whispering twilight of the big auditorium, lighted only by the gay candles on the Christmas tree, blew out her little light, and bade her friends good-night.

Miss Harrison was assisted in her decorative scheme by the Public Utilities Company, which furnished the lights and wired the big Christmas tree, and gave the musical director an opportunity for her unique lighting effects. Receipts of over forty dollars were voted to be given to the Child's Hospital at Albuquerque, under the management of Dr. Lukens.

Miss Harrison, who will go to her Chicago home for the holidays, plans a continuation of musical work during the coming spring season.

Miss M. H. Lyon is quite ill at the Thayer home. Her sister, Grandma Shattuck, is considered much better. Both ladies are over eighty, and their health is being carefully guarded.

## UNION LABOR ASKS THAT RAILROADS REMAIN UNDER GOVERNMENT CONTROL.

Delegation Calls on President, and Is Informed That Executive's Mind Is Open on Subject.

Washington, Dec. 17.—President Wilson's mind is still open on the question of returning the railroads to private control, Secretary Tumulty today told a delegation representing union labor and some farmers' organizations which called at the White House to present a letter asking the executive to delay return of the roads for two years.

The president, Mr. Tumulty said, would be glad to get the views of the labor and farmer representatives who insisted that a fair test of government operation in peace time should be given.

While the delegation was at the White House the senate was speeding up consideration of the Cummins railroad bill and apparently was nearing a final vote. Under its measure, the roads would be returned to their owners within 30 days after the bill became a law.

## PLASTER COMPANY CAN'T GET CARS.

F. E. Hubert, manager of the Globe Plaster and Mining Company is authority for the statement that his company which is a regular shipper all the year round, and as such entitled to due consideration, was given nine cars in a month's time, when he could have used sixty. The company is behind on its orders seventeen hundred tons, and the demand for his plaster is steadily growing, but the business is being crippled by the inability of the government-operated railroad to furnish the cars. The plaster company is the county's biggest single employer of labor, and any misfortune which strikes it of necessity is reflected in the welfare of its employees. Government ownership is not working out to good advantage for the Globe Plaster and Mining Company, it appears.

## PRAIRIE DOG ERADICATION TO CONTINUE.

C. F. Bliss, biological assistant, was in town the first of the week in conference with County Agent A. Z. Smith and Doc Vest, county foreman, in regard to the continuation of prairie dog eradication. It was decided that the country west of the Pecos would get its first treatment of poison, and that the land east of the Pecos would be re-treated. The work will start about the first of March, and will be under the charge of Foreman Vest. Bliss came in on Monday, and was chaperoned about the country by his field man, visiting several spots where the poison had been effectual.

## Brown Well Alone Proves This Is An Oil Field.

Dr. Devereaux, President of the Mo-Tex Oil Company, while visiting the Pecos Valley oil field was heard to remark that "The Brown well alone proves this to be an oil field."

And we very much agree with with the Doctor in said opinion, relative to this field. We believe that any reasonable man will concede that the Brown well could not put on its big oil and gas "blow-outs" were it not supplied from a big nearby pool. Would not conditions that produced one big pool in the field produce several similar pools and does not the oil showings in about 100 water wells, scattered over this field indicate seepage from several different pools.—Artesia Advocate.

## Ex-Congressman Taggart Highly Pleased With Oil Outlook.

Ex-Congressman Joseph Taggart of Kansas City, who spent a week in the Pecos Valley district investigating the oil situation, returned to Kansas City highly pleased with the very favorable oil prospects he found in this part of the state.

Mr. Taggart had previously made several oil lease investments in the Hope country. He made a personal inspection of the rock outcroppings around Hope and was very favorably impressed with the big "reverse dip" to the west that he found on the anticlinal structures in the Hope neighborhood.

On his way back to Kansas City he visited the Baden Oil people of Kinfield, Kans., who have big holdings in the Hope country, and it is believed that some plan for development work in the Hope district after the holidays was worked out. It is reported that the Baden people will be at work in township 16-23 right after the first of the year.—Artesia Advocate.

## ALLEGED COTTON THIEF IS CAUGHT

Jose Lopez Bound Over In the Sum of Five Hundred Dollars by Justice Richards.—Clever Detective Work Apprehends Him.

An interesting case which came before Justice of the Peace Frank Richards this week was that in which Jose Lopez was charged with the theft of cotton. Deputy Sheriff Patton apprehended the alleged thief with a neat piece of detective work, which led the court to bind the native over to await the action of the grand jury in the sum of five hundred dollars. Joe Werthelm and Juan Balla went on the bond.

L. W. Arthur had noticed that cotton to the extent of at least two bales had disappeared from his cotton shed, in which he stored it. He suspected Jose, to whom he had extended the privilege of his shed room at night time. Jose would back his wagon, loaded with cotton into Arthur's shed, and take it out in the morning.

Deputy Sheriff Patton, on being informed of the circumstances, left certain marks in Arthur's cotton, and then instructed the latter to notify him when Jose started his wagon to the gin. Monday Jose started, and Patton reached the gin just as the native was driving under the auction pipe. He assisted Jose to kick the cotton under the pipe, and found white doing it, cotton which he had previously marked in Arthur's shed.

Jose had little to say when the preliminary trial came off.

## MAY REOPEN PEACE TREATY FIGHT IN SENATE.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Expressions that seemed to point toward a reopening of the peace treaty fight within a few weeks were voiced on the senate floor today when the subject bobbed up in the midst of consideration of the railroad bill.

Differing widely in their suggestions for a solution, they stood together on the general proposition that politics ought to be forgotten and that he senate, acting independent of executive opinion, ought to do something and establish a state of peace.

Senator Knox of Pennsylvania, a leader in the "irreconcilable" Republican group of treaty opponents and a member of the foreign relations committee, brought the subject to the floor by another attempt to get before the senate his two resolutions to establish a state of peace. The effort was blocked, but he obtained unanimous consent to send this measure to the committee, where he expects to renew his request for action early in the new year.

## BIG PLANE MAY COME.

Lieut. George R. Pound of the United States Navy, is hoping to visit Carlsbad soon in a big navy bomber. The lieutenant is in the naval recruiting service, and saw active duty in Flanders, with the British air service, in taking the big night birds over the lines with their heavy loads of T. N. T. A tentative schedule will bring the aviator and his S. E. 5 plane here on the 18th of January. Lieut. Pound hopes to be chosen in the crew that will take the big navy airplane from San Diego to Manila, a distance of seven thousand miles.

## OLD-TIMER VISITS VALLEY.

P. J. McShain, who used to be president of the Pecos Water Users Association, and an influential farmer in the lower valley, is in town this week, and is highly pleased over the bright prospects he finds. Mr. McShain is prospecting for a location for his son, who was gassed while in France, and who is now in Chicago, but who is not in shape to continue in that rigorous climate. Mac is at present in Oklahoma, where he has a big pasture, and raises fine stock, and dabbles in the oil game. Like the genial Irish fighter that he is, McShain sent three boys across the water to fight for the republic. One of them was gassed, and one is lying "under the lilies in France."

Eddy County is entirely free of the flu and the small-pox, considered an usual distinction at this time of the year. The small-pox is raging in the northern part of the state.

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## Ordinary Life Dividend Record

COVERING A PERIOD OF ONE-HALF A CENTURY

In 1866 the New York Life Insurance Company issued Policy No. 37529 on the life of Henry Fisher, Architect, of Sioux City, Iowa, for \$5,000 at the age of 24 on the Ordinary Life Annual Dividend Plan with an annual premium of \$101 a year. He used the annual dividends to reduce the premium. The amount of these dividends and the net premiums appear in the table below:

Year	Div. Net Prem.
1866	\$101.00
1867	101.00
1868	101.00
1869	101.00
1870	101.00
1871	101.00
1872	101.00
1873	101.00
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1911	101.00
1912	101.00
1913	101.00
1914	101.00
1915	101.00
1916	101.00
1917	101.00
1918	101.00
1919	101.00

The net premiums paid to date amount to \$3,398.05  
The cash reserve value is \$3,700.55

If this policy were cashed in today instead of showing a net cost of fifty-three years, it would show a profit of \$402.50, which gives him protection on a \$5,000 policy for fifty-three years with no cost whatever, or, putting it in another way, he has received an average annual dividend of 37.07 per cent during the entire fifty-three years.

When the 1919 premium is paid the Cash Reserve value will be \$3,858.55. By the payment of \$39.60 his cash value is increased \$68.00.

LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES:

M. K. Clark C. C. Sikes

### COUNTIES GET BIG SUM FROM STATE FOR SCHOOL MAINTENANCE.

The apportionment of \$349,327.35 from the current school fund among the 28 counties of the state was announced today by Superintendent of Public Instruction Jonathan H. Wagner. The apportionment was made on the basis of the school census, \$2.85 going to every boy and girl enumerated for school purposes.

Bernadillo county got the biggest share, having the biggest school enumeration, and De Baca county the smallest. The amounts received by each county follows:

County	Enumeration	Amount
Bernadillo Co.	11,333	\$32,299.05
Chavez Co.	4,417	12,588.45
Colfax Co.	6,683	19,016.55
Curry Co.	3,310	9,433.50
De Baca Co.	1,119	3,189.15
Dona Ana Co.	5,228	14,899.40
Eddy Co.	3,144	8,960.40
Grant Co.	7,628	21,729.80
Gaudalupe Co.	2,999	8,521.50
Lea Co.	1,898	5,152.80
Lincoln Co.	3,019	8,604.15
Luna Co.	3,334	9,501.90
Moro Co.	4,642	13,289.70
Otero Co.	2,865	8,165.25
Quay Co.	4,050	11,542.50
Rio Arriba Co.	6,095	17,370.75
Roosevelt Co.	2,865	8,165.25
Sandoval Co.	1,979	5,614.50
San Juan Co.	1,811	5,161.35
San Miguel Co.	8,679	24,709.50
Santa Fe Co.	8,774	25,005.90
Sierra Co.	1,479	4,215.15
Socorro Co.	5,275	15,033.75
Taos Co.	4,523	12,890.55
Torrance Co.	3,611	10,291.35
Union Co.	6,063	17,279.55
Valencia Co.	3,681	10,490.85
Total		\$349,327.35

### TENTH OIL WELL IS TO BE STARTED IN LOWER PECOS VALLEY.

Roswell, N. M., Dec. 12.—The tenth oil well is to be started in the lower Pecos Valley shortly. The Commonwealth Oil company of New York already has the drilling rig in Roswell. It is expected that the site will be picked in a week, presumably on the south side of the Hondo river southwest of Roswell. The company has 490,000 acres in the valley, leased or purchased.

One well already has been started by the company at Pichacho and intends to start others from time to time. Contracts under which its holdings were acquired provided for starting one well by November 23. The Pichacho well fulfilled the agreement. The company agreed to start others at specified intervals.

The deepest well of the nine is the Lincoln No. 1, which is reported to have reached the depth of 2217 feet. It is expected that oil formation will be struck at between 2700 and 3300 feet in the valley. This well is three miles northwest of Lake Arthur.

In the lower Pecos region wells are being drilled at Taiban, west of Portales, southeast of Portales, at Kenna, Lovington, six miles west of Carlsbad, at Seven Rivers and the Carter Oil company of Oklahoma has two rigs at work.

More than one million dollars has changed hands in the lower Pecos valley in the last 90 days in purchase and leases as the result of the oil excitement. One deal involved \$350,000 and another

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\$250,000. In the first the Commonwealth company got ready acquired holdings.

### ARRESTED FOR LARCENY.

G. O. Chance, of Knowles, was arrested this week and brought to Lovington Wednesday for a preliminary hearing before Justice of the Peace, P. S. Eaves, for the larceny of parts from a practically new car which he had in charge to repair for some minor defect. The car belonged to Jim Williams of Knowles. The parts claimed to have been taken, which he replaced with old ones, were connecting rods, crank shaft, pistons complete, crank case and transmission and cover.

W. A. Stansell is attorney for the defense and Ernest Best acted as District Attorney for Bob Dow of Carlsbad.

Witnesses for the state are as follows: C. B. Mitchell, Jim L. Williams of Knowles, and W. M. Snyder and A. C. Cook of Lovington.

The trial was carried over until the next grand jury meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Jones returned the first of the week from the oil fields, where they tarried a couple of weeks looking over the advantages, as well as the disadvantages, and decided Carlsbad was the best place.

### NOTICE OF SUIT.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to J. Ethier Small, C. O. Swickard, Annie Wilkerson, Howard C. Kerr, trustee, Mrs. W. C. Wilkinson, Mary C. Wilkinson and Mrs. Jay E. Small, and unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to plaintiff: You and each of you are hereby notified that suit against you by R. N. Stanfield, trustee, plaintiff, and you as defendants in cause No. 3100, has been instituted by said plaintiff and is now pending in the District

Court in and for Eddy County, New Mexico, to quiet title to the 8 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 25, Twp. 23S, Range 27 E., N. M. P. M., and the 8 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 30, Twp. 23S, Range 28 E., N. M. P. M., in Eddy County, New Mexico. You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before January 15, 1920, judgment will be rendered in said cause against you by default. Armstrong & Wilson of Carlsbad, N. M., are attorneys for plaintiff.

Witness the hand and official seal of the county clerk of said county this 26th day of November, 1919. (SEAL) D. M. JACKSON, County Clerk.

### NOTICE OF RECEIVER'S SALE.

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to an order in cause No. 3228 of the Civil Docket of the District Court, Eddy County, New Mexico, wherein W. J. Gossett is plaintiff and Lee Donald is defendant, which order was made and entered on the 1st day of December 1919.

I will on the 9th day of December 1919 at 2 o'clock P. M. at the place of business of the firm of Gossett & Donald on Canyon street, near Fox street, in Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico, offer for sale and sell at public auction all of the property in my hands as receiver and belonging to the partnership of Gossett & Donald, consisting of the stock of merchandise on hand, the pool tables, cigar stand, cold drink stand, the barber shop, the chairs and other equipment, the lease of the room now occupied by said business and other goods and chattels connected with said business, said business now being conducted by me as a going concern, the terms of sale to be cash upon the date of sale.

Witness my hand this 3rd day of December 1919.

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### IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT THE CENSUS.

Enumeration begins January 2, 1920.

The census is required every ten years by the Constitution of the United States and by Act of Congress. The date named for beginning the 1920 census is January 2, but the "Census Day" is Jan. 1.

In cities the population enumeration will be completed in two weeks. The enumeration of farms will be completed within thirty days. The censuses of manufactures, mines and quarries, oil and gas wells, and forestry and forest products will, as a rule, be taken by special agents and by correspondence, and not by enumerators.

The census is the means by which the Government ascertains the increase in the population, the statistics concerning agriculture, and the vital information concerning the resources of the nation.

The census inquiries are defined by act of Congress. The information gathered is strictly confidential, made so by law. Census information can not under any circumstances be used as a basis for taxation, nor can it be used to harm any person or his property.

It has nothing whatever to do with detection, arrest, prosecution, or punishment of any person for any violation of any law.

### Important Questions Asked of All Persons.

1. Age at last birthday.
2. Each person ten years of age

and over will be asked whether he is able to read and write.

3. Each person will be asked his birthplace as well as the birthplace of father and mother.

4. If foreign born the date of coming to the United States will be asked, and, if naturalized, the date of becoming a citizen; also mother tongue or native language.

5. Each head of a family will be asked whether his home is owned by him or rented. If owned, whether the home is mortgaged or free of debt.

6. Each person will be asked his occupation and whether he is an employer or employee or is working on his own account.

The answers to the above questions give valuable and vital information to the government concerning the health, welfare, and progress of the persons under its protection.

### Important Questions Asked of Farmers.

1. Each occupant of a farm will be asked how many years, if any, he worked on a farm for wages; how many years, if any, he was a tenant; and how many years, if any, he farmed as an owner.

2. Whether he (a) owns, or (b) rents, or (c) partly owns and partly rents his farm, or whether (d) he operates the farm for others as a manager or superintendent.

3. How many acres in his farm? Number of improved acres? Number of unimproved acres? Number of acres of woodland?

4. Total value of farm? Total value of buildings? Value of implements and machinery on farm?

5. Whether farm is mortgaged? If so, the amount of mortgage.

6. Expenses for feed, fertilizer, and labor in the year 1919?

7. Several questions concerning artificial drainage on his farm.

8. Number of cows, horses, sheep, chickens, and other domestic animals on the farm January 1, 1920.

9. Quantity and acreage of all crops grown on the farm in 1919, including fruits and vegetables?

10. Quantity of milk and butter sold off the farm during the year 1919?

Correct answers to the above questions are of the utmost importance. The United States Department of Agriculture assisted the Census Bureau in preparing the questions on the agriculture schedule and appeals to farmers everywhere to keep farm records for census purposes.

### Farm Defined.

A farm for purposes of the census includes all the land cultivated by a single farmer either by his own labor alone or with the help of hired labor. It may be in two or more separate tracts, but it is all one farm if it is all under one management.

The land cultivated by a share hand or cropper, or by a cash renter, constitutes a separate farm and is not to be counted as the owner's farm or included in it, but should be reported in the name of the tenant.

### Enumerators Identification Cards.

Census enumerators will carry identification cards as well as written commissions. These will be shown promptly by the enumerators upon request of any person. In all cases where persons are suspicious of impostors these identification cards should be demanded. It is against the Federal law to impersonate a Census official, and impostors should be reported to the authorities.

### Census Questions Must Be Answered.

The Act of Congress providing for the Census makes it the duty of all persons to furnish the information asked for by the enumerators to fill out the census schedule. No persons should hesitate, neglect, or refuse to answer fully and accurately all the enumerator's questions necessary to fill the schedules as required by the Act of Congress.

Keepers of hotels, apartment houses, boarding or lodging houses, or tenements, must assist the enumerator in getting the information concerning the persons living in such hotels and houses.

Each man needs the help of every loyal citizen in this gigantic task. He is counting on you.

### TEXANS INVESTIGATING PECOS APPROPRIATIONS.

The people of the Pecos valley of Texas are very much in earnest to bring about the greatest irrigation development that the water supply of the Pecos river will warrant. For several years they have had men in the field studying water and land conditions. They have looked over the river conditions for a considerable distance into New Mexico and have collected data on the run-off of the Pecos in the past and present.

On Monday of this week W. T. Potter, chairman of division No. 1 of the Texas Board of Water Engineers, and John Maxwell, assistant attorney general, of Austin, Texas, came to Santa Fe to look over the records in the office of the state engineer as far as they apply to the Pecos river.

They are preparing to look into the legal status of the Pecos river water supply. Whatever of the waters of the Pecos river, not already legally held, will no doubt be claimed by Texas.—State Record.

All kinds of local blanks for sale at Current office.

### ARIZONA WILL TAKE NEW MEXICO WATERS.

The following news dispatch from Phoenix, Arizona, shows that state active in irrigation development and also that waters of the Gila and San Francisco rivers will be taken from New Mexico.

Reclamation of more large areas of land in Arizona by means of irrigation projects became a strong probability when the state land commission, acting in conjunction with officials of the United States reclamation service, decided on an investigation and a final report on salient facts concerning five irrigation projects. Three are in San Carlos, San Francisco river and Red Rock river projects. Two others are to be reported later, the commission announced. A \$30,000 appropriation was made available for the investigation and report.

The San Carlos dam site is located on the Gila river, in Arizona and the project contemplates the reclamation of an estimated 100,000 acres, possibly more, chiefly in Pinal county, between the towns of Florence and Casa Grande.

The Red Rock river site is located in New Mexico in a position commanding irrigable lands in Arizona on the mesa south of Franklin Greenlee county.

The San Francisco dam site also is in New Mexico, near Alma, and it is proposed for development as an auxiliary to the San Carlos project.

The state's part in these enterprises is one of co-operation with the United States reclamation service.—State Record.

### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with a final decree of foreclosure sale entered October 17, 1919, in case Number 2972, District Court of Eddy County, wherein C. R. Brice, Trustee, and Theodore B. Conover, are plaintiffs and C. C. Lewis, Grace E. Lewis and the Public Utilities Company are defendants, all and singular the hereinafter described property was ordered sold at public sale to the highest bidder for cash by the undersigned trustee, to-wit:

Commencing at the point on the west side of the Pecos Valley and Northeastern Railway where the line which separates township 21 and township 22 intersects the west boundary line of said railway; thence along the west boundary line of said railway for a distance of one hundred and thirty-four feet; thence at right angles with said west boundary line and in a westerly direction for a distance of ninety feet; thence in a southerly direction and parallel with the west boundary line of said railway and at a distance of ninety feet therefrom for a distance of two hundred and forty-two feet and at a point on Church Street of the town of Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico; thence along the north side of said Church Street in an easterly direction for a distance of ninety feet to the point of beginning, making a tract of land ninety feet wide by two hundred and forty-two feet long, and being the same land upon which is located the Carlsbad Ice Factory in Carlsbad.

The amounts to be realized from the sale of said property upon foreclosure are as follows:

Principal debt	\$4000.00
Interest thereon from June 9, 1918, to date of sale	516.45
Cash advanced by plaintiff for taxes	125.09
Interest on same from April 25, 1919, at 8 per cent per annum to date of sale	6.82
Trustee's fee	100.00
Attorney's fee	400.09
Cash advanced for suit data	5.50
Total	\$5153.78

together with all costs of suit and sale.

Notice is hereby further given that the undersigned trustee, as aforesaid, will sell all and singular the above described property to the highest bidder for cash, at the front door of the court house in Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico, at ten o'clock, A. M. January 20, 1920, to satisfy said sums of money. The terms of the sale are that the purchaser shall pay cash at the time the property is struck off to him.

CHAS. B. BRICE, Trustee.

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Consul Commander.

### NOTICE OF SUMMONS.

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, TO:

Frederick W. Stevens, Alice Caroline Stevens, Alice Caroline, wife of Frederic W. Stevens, Fred W. Stevens, J. D. Rackley, and Unknown claimants of interest in and to Lots 11 and 13 in Block 45 of the Stevens Addition to the Town of Eddy, now called Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico, adverse to plaintiffs.

You and each of you are hereby notified that a suit is now pending in the District Court of Eddy County, New Mexico, No. 3111 on the Civil Docket thereof, wherein E. A. Swartz and Howard Prater are plaintiffs, and you and each of you are named as defendants.

That the general objects of said suit are to establish the plaintiff's estate against the adverse claims of you the defendants, and each of you, in and to the following described land and appurtenances thereunto belonging situated in Eddy County, New Mexico, to-wit:

Lots 11 and 13 in Block 45 of the Stevens Addition to the town of Eddy, now called Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico;

and to bar and forever estop you and each of you from having or claiming any right or title in and to said premises adverse to plaintiffs, and to forever quiet, and set at rest the plaintiffs' title in and to said premises.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before the 17th day of January, 1920, judgment will be rendered against you by default; that Dover Phillips is attorney for plaintiffs, and his business and post-office address is Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Witness my hand as Clerk of said court and the seal of said court on this 28th day of November, 1919.

D. M. JACKSON, County Clerk.

(SEAL) 28 Nov 26 Dec

### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

State of New Mexico:—Greeting:

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE. Notice is hereby given that in Cause Numbered 2919 on the civil docket of the District Court of Eddy County, New Mexico, wherein E. P. Bujae is plaintiff and W. D. Mahony is defendant, which is a foreclosure of a mortgage upon the property hereinafter mentioned, and in which cause final judgment and decree was rendered on the 2nd day of October, 1919, in said court, in favor of the plaintiff finding that there was due the plaintiff, the sum of \$1500.00 as principal, with interest thereon from the 2nd day of October, 1919 at 10 per cent per annum and the sum of \$150.00 as attorney's fees, with interest at 6 per cent per annum from October 2nd, 1919 and costs of suit taxed at \$10.00, and further ordering and decreeing that the property

hereinafter described, be sold, to pay the amounts found due the plaintiff, together with attorney's fees and costs.

The amount of said sums (exclusive of costs and expenses of this sale) with interest as provided in said judgment to the 5th day of January, 1920, the day of sale hereinafter mentioned, including cost of suit is to-wit: The sum of \$1699.75.

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

That certain railway right of way running from a point between the Pecos River and the town of Hope, Eddy County, New Mexico, at or near preliminary survey No. 9339 plus 09 to a point at or near preliminary survey No. 10438 plus 50 or the equivalent thereof, in or near the town of Artesia, in Eddy County, New Mexico, making an aggregate track mileage of approximately 21 miles, together with yards, terminals and side tracks at the said towns of Hope and Artesia, making an aggregate track mileage not exceeding 25 miles in all; said right of way being further described as beginning at the Rio Pecos, at or near the town of Hope, in Eddy County, New Mexico, running in an easterly direction therefrom to and through the town of Artesia, in Eddy County, New Mexico, intersecting at the latter named town, the right of way of the Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company; the right of way of the said San Diego, El Paso and St. Louis Railway Company being One Hundred (100) feet in width nearly the entire distance; 250 feet width in the town of Hope, 400 ft. in width in the town of Artesia with varying additional width at side tracks and other points along the road, it being the right of way of the San Diego, El Paso and St. Louis Railway Company over what is called the Hope-Artesia Division, running from the town of Artesia to the town of Hope and through portions of both of said towns; it may be further identified by tracing the same on the surface of the earth beginning at or near the north part of the town of Artesia and following the graded road-bed west to the said town of Hope.

Therefore, the undersigned will on the 5th day of January, 1920 at 10:00 o'clock A. M., at the South front door of the Courthouse (old building) at Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico, offer for sale at public vendue the above described property, to pay and discharge said principal, interest, Attorney's fees, and costs of suit and costs of this sale, actually accrued and to accrue, to the highest and best bidder for cash and notice is further given that any surplus received over and above the money to pay said principal, interest, Attorney's fees and costs, will be paid over to the Clerk of the District Court of Eddy County, New Mexico, to be by him held subject to the further order of this Court.

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

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 22nd day of November, 1919.

CHAS. H. JONES, Clerk of Court.

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The next president must be a man who has human sympathy, and a strong desire to advance living conditions for the masses of the people. He must be positively committed to law and order and against class legislation. It will take a great man to solve all the problems that the coming term is to present. No one who has not shown himself a big constructive leader can hope to win the next election.

Peace without a treaty, without conditions, without contract—happily peace—a peace of misunderstanding, is what Republican Senators would have. Other allied nations are not willing to sign a peace treaty without the League of Nations guarantee, yet some U. S. Senators argue to do that, when the war cost to the United States was as great as any other nation, notwithstanding the fact that we were last to become involved.

Almost every statement coming from railway unions is a threat to strike for higher pay, and this regardless of the costly fact that their wages have been raised time and time again within the past two years. Since federal control of railroads their employees can get a raise almost before breakfast if they ask it. Then there is no cause for surprise that the labor unions' delegations are in Washington this week imploring the President and Congress to not allow the railroads to go back under private ownership control. "The public's interests," they say, but a glance at the rise in the wage scale the past two years will show whose ax they have to grind.

## PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES.

The national political conventions are now only seven months away. Some of the delegates to these conventions will be chosen very shortly. The country has been so stirred by war issues and economic disturbance, that purely political problems have been somewhat set aside, until they demand immediate action.

Some politicians used to say that they hoped the opposite party would make the weakest possible nominations, as it thereby increased the chances of their own side. That is a very narrow minded philosophy. When one party puts forward its best man, it forces the other to do the same. Thus it

works to advance the standards of all political life and government. When one party makes an inferior nomination, it helps the self-seekers in the other organization to gain their way.

The people want a man of force and decision. Years ago it was often common to nominate for office both high and low, men of a colorless character, on the ground that they had no enemies and had never aroused any antagonisms.

The time for that kind of game has gone by. No man can handle present industrial and economic questions unless he has proved himself one of initiative and leadership. He must be an original and constructive thinker, who can himself take the lead and offer programs for maintaining social order and human advance.

## THE CHRISTMAS MESSAGE.

And ye, beneath life's crushing load,  
 Whose forms are bending low,  
 Who toil along the climbing way,  
 With painful steps and slow,  
 Look now; for glad and golden hours

Come swiftly on the wing:  
 O rest beside the weary road,  
 And hear the angels sing.

These lines familiar to many express the thought of the Christmas season. Here we are struggling along in a world of toil and strife and sordid desire. We are absorbed by the petty ends of daily life. So much money must be made in a certain time, we must all hold on to every little article of our own rights, without much regard to the rights of others. We jostle and batter and crowd down each other as we grasp and gain and get. Passion and arrogance go so far that 10,000,000 men have just had to die and half the property of the world has had to be sacrificed, to defend even the simplest and most basic conceptions of justice.

Yet over all this scene of dark and selfish turmoil, the clear stars of God are shining. Their message of love and mercy and peace on earth is brought to man through the sacred Advent of Jesus.

Something deep in the heart of of man has always answered to this call. He has responded to it with joy and confidence. Every Christmas has brought forth its singing of carols which are the poet's and minstrel's prophecy of the new and better day when life's turmoil shall cease in the city of brotherly love. It has brought the laugh offering of gifts, much of it, foolish and mercenary, yet all prophetic of the time when man shall be more anxious to give than receive.

Let us then throw ourselves at this season into the joyous spirit of the carol singers and the gift makers, and do our share to help

man arise from these lower levels of sordid life, into the kingdom of good will. There the Star of Bethlehem lights the world on its climbing path upward to the skies.

## HOLIDAY TRADE.

The holiday trade at the stores makes a great deal of extra work. Where these stores have to make from two to three times as many sales as usual, people must wait to be attended to. They must not take too long in deciding what they want. At the same time customers naturally like to examine purchases, deliberate over them, and ask information.

Holiday buying is facilitated where people study newspaper advertising in advance. If they go to the stores without much idea what they are going to buy, it takes a lot of looking and questioning before they make up their minds. If they have read the advertising carefully they have a clear idea what they want.

They can be assured that it will be reliable, for merchants do not advertise the things they are doubtful about. Sales made under those conditions are quickly arranged, and it becomes possible for a limited force to do more than the usual volume of business.

People should do their Christmas shopping in a patient and good tempered spirit. They must remember that clerks at that time are tired and flustered, and can't be expected always to manifest a perfect disposition. Some people get all out of temper if they are delayed in being waited upon.

If they find themselves tempted to say the sharp word, they should reflect that if they had made their purchases a month ago, they would have secured better attention. Defects in store service are due to the failure of the public to anticipate its wants. If the whole town insists in doing the same thing at the same time, some one must necessarily be inconvenienced.

The attention of all water users under the Carlsbad project is called to the annual call for the election and meeting of stockholders, which is printed in another column of this issue. The election will take place in the association rooms at ten o'clock on Tuesday, January 29th, and three directors are to be chosen, to succeed J. A. Hardy, C. P. Pardue, and A. W. Daffman, whose terms expire at that time.

George Chandler of El Paso Gap was operated on this week, for chronic trouble in his leg. Mrs. Chandler came down the early part of the week to be with him, and was a guest at the Springs hotel.

Charley Grammar, the Angora goat specialist, was in town this week

THE CARLSBAD CURRENT FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1919.

## ENGAGEMENT EXTRAORDINARY

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Mrs. Ellsworth James and young son are in town for the Christmas holidays from the Ellsworth James ranch on the Caprock.

Aaron Blackney of El Paso Gap was a guest at the Springs hotel this week, on his way to Texas, to visit his people. Blackney has been staying with his cousin, Cox, in Dog Canyon, since his return from overseas.

Ed Woerner is again seen on the streets, after a serious operation performed some weeks ago.

The stores are displaying Xmas windows which reflect the gaiety of these season. Gifts this year seem, as usual, to run from the frivolous to the useful, and from the candy cane to the lordly automobile. Many people this year are investing in the big music boxes so generally displayed by merchants all over town. The attractive cabinets are welcome for the double blessing they bestow upon mankind, first in the banishing of the old screamers, and second, that if records are judiciously chosen, they afford a real treat to music lovers.

The Methodist Sunday school will give a Xmas entertainment at their church next Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock and all the scholars there next Sunday will have their names registered and will receive a treat, so you had better be there or you may lose out. I also want to thank the business men of Carlsbad for their liberal contribution and wish them all a Merry Xmas and a prosperous New Year. EDWIN STEPHENSON, Supt.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Stewart and Miss Jewel Hubbard motored to Roswell last week. Allen returned, leaving the ladies, the guests of Mrs. Dick Bates and daughters at the N. M. I.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter O'Chesky and Roy Fry were called to Texas by a message stating that Mrs. Fry was badly burned. They left Monday morning by way of Peers.

Jake Kircher is back from the oil fields, to spend the Christmas holidays. He expects to return to his work at Ranger, where he is smelting, about the first of the year.

The postmaster states that it is imperative that patrons of the office bring slips with them when calling for packages, especially in the holiday rush. To give an idea of the volume of business and work done by the office, on Tuesday of this week there were 1179 letters handled, on Wednesday, 1193; and on Thursday, 1972, and less than 20 per cent were put in the office before 4 p. m.

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FOR SALE:—Good farm as there is in Valley of 292 acres; 80 acres in irrigation. Address BOX 31, LOVING.

FOR SALE:—The Johnson Cafe. A favorable location, and modern equipment. For particulars, see Mrs. J. S. Johnson, Carlsbad, N. M. 12-26p

FOR SALE:—One new, rebuilt typewriter, No. 5 in excellent condition. Inquire at Eddy County Abstract Company office, east of Hall of Records.

FOR QUICK SALE, 120 acres choice irrigated land and two houses and lots in Carlsbad. V. L. SULLIVAN, 701 Mills Bldg., El Paso, Texas. 19Decp

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WANTED:—To buy any kind of old books or magazines. Highest market price paid. SAM MOSKIN.

FOR SALE. 2 1/2 acre tracts irrigated land in La Huerta on Main road. 1 tract has 5-room house with 2 large sleeping porches; the other has 5-room house and 1 sleeping porch. Both properties have large concrete cisterns and other improvements. See J. E. WALLACE.

FOR SALE CHEAP:—Big Percheron horses, blocky kind, 4 and 5 years old. May be seen at my farm southeast of town. W. C. BINDEL, 2Janp Phone 45N.

FOR SALE:—9 Acres 3/4 mile South of Artesia. 4 acres in bearing apple orchard. Water right. Price \$1000.00 or will trade for good automobile. FRED BRAINARD Artesia, N. M. 6Dec27

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A. O. Branard, who owns property north of the flume, came down from Amerillo the past week, looked over his interests here a few days and visited with H. C. Dickson and family, leaving for Tucson the first of the week, where he plans to spend the winter.

# Roswell-- Comanche Oil & Gas Co.

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In asking the public to join us in this venture we are confident that we will be able to make you on your investment, for we hold leases on 60 acres of land in the oil bearing area at Comanche, Okla., as well as a drill site within 1200 feet of production. We promise you quick action on your investment for we began operations on our holdings on Oct. 29th, 1919, and are pushing the work. There are many advantages to be derived by investing in a company in which you are either personally or through some mutual friend acquainted with the men behind the company.

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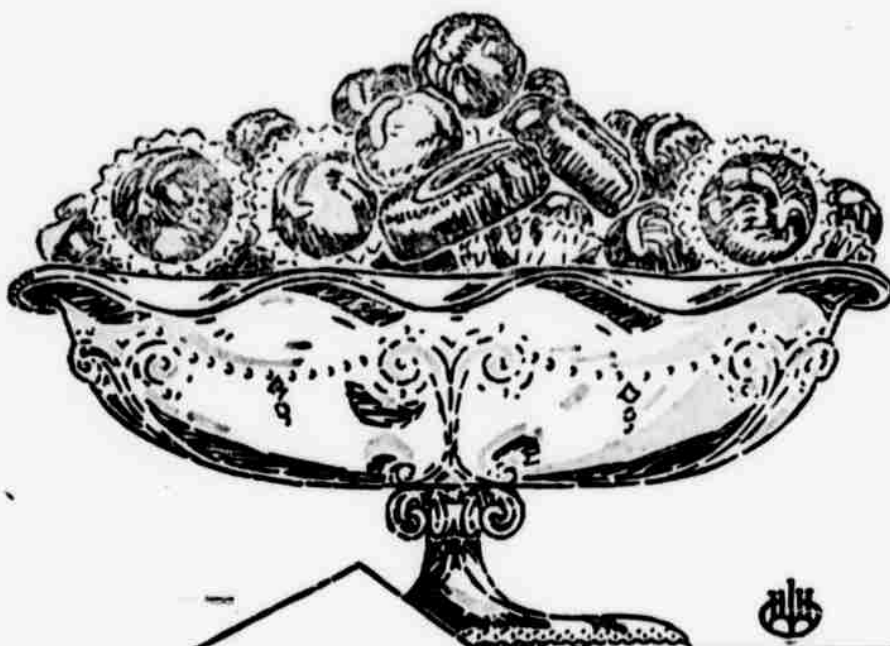


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# Tete-a-Tete Chocolates

For intimate occasions these chocolates are delightful as only a "tete-a-tete" can be.

The package itself suggests a daintiness and deliciousness which is more than realized in eating these fine chocolates.



Ask to see some of the two dozen different kinds of beautiful Brecht Package Chocolates.

Brecht Candy Co. - Denver

## CHRISTMAS REBORN

My heart's throbbin' like it used to, old tunes play along its strings  
At the thought of Christmas comin' and the thought of Christmas things  
And the thought of little children climbin' out of little beds  
With the Christmas candles throwin' gold-  
op glory on their heads,  
And a-standin' like I've seen them all about the Christmas tree;  
There is memories a-plenty comes along the years to me.  
But no memories are sweeter than the memories that come  
Of the fur-off Christmas mornin' and the children with their drums.

Little children tippytoin' down the stairs in nighties white,  
Then a sudden rush an' clatter, and a squealin' of delight  
When they see the tree a-standin' in the crispy Christmas daze,  
And a look has made them certain that old Santa Claus is gone—  
For although they write to Santa tellin' what they'd like to get  
They are always sort of skeered that they will find him there till yet  
When they're gettin' up so early, so they give a squeal to see  
That he's got his work all finished and has left the Christmas tree.

Children late years ain't been gettin' all they writ him for,  
For his work was interfered with by the horrors of the war;  
But the war is done and ended, and we've got to rise and go  
All the galls for this here Christmas that we ever used to know,  
Got to do our shoppin' early, and enough for years gone by;  
Got to bring back Santa Claus and get the Christmas tree, an' try  
To forget that there was hain't in the world, an' grief and tear;  
Got to do our shoppin' now and brighten up the comin' years.  
—Judd Mortimer Lewis.

## CHRISTMAS ACTS AS TONIC

Happy and Exhilarating Mental Spirit Has Good Effect on People, Declare Medical Observers.

Close observers in the ranks of the medical profession have noted one very interesting fact concerning the Christmas season: that it generally has a good tonic effect upon their patients. In explanation of this the London Lancet says that since Christmas has come to be regarded as a time for good cheer, a universal feeling of contentment and happiness is engendered at this time of joyousness, routine is for a while relieved, a certain freshness is given to the daily round, differences of opinion are sunk, and a charitable spirit prevails. Is it, by the way, hoping for too much that the season of good fellowship should leave some lasting effect upon the manners and methods of all?

It may not be easy to trace exactly why this sense of exhilaration and well-being comes with the advent of Christmas, for the psychological factors concerned are not simple. But the main point is that the mental state does everybody good, and the annual festivity is just as excellent an institution as the prescription of the physician which gives tone and vigor to the struggle in life's race. There is no need nowadays, thanks to the good sense of the people and the counsels of their medical advisers, to moralize about the evils of a stupid indulgence in food, alcohol and tobacco on a festive occasion such as the present. Practically everybody realizes the great physiological advantages of being wise on a merry occasion and the disadvantages of being a fool.

Many more persons than formerly feel where use ends and abuse begins, and they act sensibly accordingly; and so far from being a crime to make the season festive by enjoying, on a little extended scale perhaps, the creature comforts of life, some decided good is done to both the mental and physical health of the individual.

The festive season may, therefore, be welcomed which brings cheer to thousands, which induces the generous and charitable to brace the mental and physical functions of the community at large, giving it the opportunity of relinquishing its business and its worries for a time, to start again refreshed and ready for "the trivial round, the common task." The prescription "A Merry Christmas" is sound so long as the "signature" of good sense is observed.

## ESPECIALLY AFTER CHRISTMAS.



Miss Romantique—You men—before marriage you pay compliments, but after—  
Mr. Wise—We pay the bills.

## Christmas.

It is a blessed thing to believe in Christmas and all that it means. It is a blessed thing to be able to hear the song of the heavenly visitors. It has never sounded sweeter; never more necessary, never more full of hope and promise.

## WORK IS GOING FAST ON FIRST TEST WELL.

Work is progressing rapidly and satisfactorily on the first well of the National Exploration Company which is now being drilled just west of Picacho, in Lincoln county. According to those who have visited the well, this week, the drilling operations are most satisfactory to the drillers and it is expected that

the well will be completed in record time.

There is much enthusiasm over the well in the Hondo valley and persons for miles around come to the well every day to watch the massive machinery work and to see the big drill as it comes up from the ground. The drillers are keeping a most complete and accurate log of the well so that they may be guided in other wells which they are going to drill in this section.

Every few feet samples are taken and are carefully examined, marked and laid away for future reference.

The well is now down 250 feet and the drilling is continuing day and night. The derrick is now being wired for electric lights, and every thing about the place is being put in the best of shape.

Many are going up from this city Sunday to attend the big barbecue and to see the machinery in operation. Those who have the

celebration in charge expect 2500 people and are making preparations to show them a good time.

The announcement of where the second well is to be drilled has not yet been made and there is much speculation hereabouts on this subject. —Roswell Weekly Star.

Mrs. Will Fenton and daughter, Mrs. Joe Lusk, were in town this week, doing their Christmas shopping.

Louis Leftwich shipped a car of cotton to Colorado, Texas, the first of the week.

## CHICHESTER'S PILLS

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for their liberal patronage

### CHRISTMAS DINNER

12-25-'19

Chicken Bouillon in cups  
Blue points with Lemon  
Celery Queen Olives  
Roast young Turkey; oyster dressing; cranberry sauce  
Mashed potatoes  
Candied sweet potatoes  
Fruit salad whipped cream  
Hot Mince Pie Pumpkin Pie  
Steamed Plum Pudding, hard or  
Wine Sauce  
Tutti Frutti Ice Cream Cake

during the past  
year and wishes  
for them a

**Merry  
Christ-  
mas**

and a

**Happy New  
Year**

### PROTECT THE WATERS.

The water resources of New Mexico are much more extensive than is generally understood. Because of this lack of information, comparatively little attention has been paid to the development of the irrigation possibilities. Time, a considerable area is already under irrigation, but so far it is only a last start.

The state Record has also called attention to the danger that, unless the waters of inter-state streams be looked after, much water that rightfully belongs to the state may be diverted to neighboring states. That this danger is present unless something is done at once, is evident. We need not think that waters may forever be wasted.

From Austin, Texas, comes this news dispatch regarding the Pecos river:

"For the purpose of investigation the records bearing on the use of the waters of the upper Pecos river as demanded by a resolution adopted by the legislature which alleged that New Mexico is using more than her share of the Pecos river waters for irrigation purposes. Assistant Attorney General John Maxwell left today for Pecos City. He probably will also go to Santa Fe and Carlsbad, N. M."

"In the event the charges are borne out Attorney General C. M. Cureton will institute an original proceeding in the United States supreme court to have a judicial adjudication of the water rights of the Pecos river."

This is interesting information

on the Carlsbad project, the Ft. Sumner district, and every other section using the Pecos river water for irrigation. It is no longer a matter of taking surplus water from the Pecos river, but of taking water from the Pecos river, and the claim is now advanced that New Mexico is using more water from the Pecos than it has a right.

In other words that New Mexico is using water that rightfully belongs to Texas.

It would appear that the people have been sleeping on their rights as far as the waters of the Pecos river are concerned. A few years ago when this matter was up, action could be developed. At that time the rights could have been readily established. Now it looks like a law suit.

It is time to get busy not only on the Pecos, but on the Gila, and other interstate streams unless the water resources of New Mexico fades into thin air.—State Record.

Mrs. R. L. Walters, nee Mabel Lowenbruck, is at the Lowenbruck home in town, for a short vacation. Mrs. Walters expects to return to her home in Dallas by the first of the year.

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and Scalp Itch  
World's greatest remedy,  
and only one backed by  
\$100,000 GOLD BOND  
If you have dandruff or itching  
scalp, use only this. It is the only  
one that cures. The only one that  
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### A Gift From Santa



### When God's Revelations Come.

It was while they were watching their flocks—the common duty of their common days—that the word of Christ's coming was brought to the shepherds. It is when we are faithfully busy with common duties that God's revelations usually come to us.

All kinds of legal blanks for sale at Current office.

### AMERICAN RED CROSS

MERRY CHRISTMAS



### THERE'S A SONG IN THE AIR

There's a song in the air!  
There's a star in the sky!  
There's a mother's deep prayer,  
And a baby's low cry!  
And the star rains its fire  
While the beautiful sing,  
For the manger of Bethlehem  
Cradles a king!

There's a tumult of joy  
O'er the wonderful birth.  
For the Virgin's sweet boy  
Is the Lord of the earth.  
Aye! the star rains its fire,  
While the beautiful sing,  
For the manger of Bethlehem  
Cradles a king!

In the light of that star  
Lie the ages unpeeled,  
And that song from afar  
Has swept o'er the world.  
Every hearth is aflame,  
And the beautiful sing  
In the homes of the nations  
That Jesus is King!

We rejoice in the light,  
And we echo the song  
That comes down through the night  
From the heavenly throng.  
Aye! we shout to the lovely  
Evangel they bring,  
And we greet in his cradle  
Our Savior and King.  
—Joseph G. Holland.

### LORE OF THE YULE LOG

Should Be Lighted From Portion of  
Last Year's Which Should Be  
Preserved for Good Luck.

The Yule-log, a probable variant of the bonfire—so characteristic of sun festivals—has some interesting folklore of its own.

In medieval England, its duration coincided with the Christmas revels. As long as it burned, the tenant had a right to feed at the lord's expense. The log was often cut from an ash-tree—the sacred tree of our Saxon forefathers. There is a gypsy legend that our Lord was born in a field and brought up by an ash-tree.

The log should, properly, be lighted with a portion of last year's log, a piece of which is always supposed to be preserved for luck. At the same time that the Christmas fire was lit, the Christmas candle had to be lighted. (A portion of last year's taper was also to be kept.) It was unlucky to snuff the Christmas candle, which burned for 12 days—the period of festivity. At St. John's college, Oxford, can still be seen the ancient stone socket with the Agnus Dei stamp, in which the Christmas candle was placed on the high table.

On the Isle of Man, the folk formerly carried long tapers to church on Christmas eve.

AND BEFORE CHRISTMAS, TOO.



"Jeanette, you are the light of my life. You're my sun, my stars, my all, you're my—"

"Yes, George. I know all that; but you're broke."

### The Bubble Burst.

Young Tom was spending Christmas in the country and had been invited to the beautiful home of a sweet young thing named Agnes.

"What a charming place!" he said enthusiastically, to Agnes' proud parents. "Does it go as far as those woods over there?"

"It does," remarked the somewhat unsympathetic father.

"Ah," said Tom, still cheerily; "and to that old stone wall over there, sir?"

"It does," came the gruff answer; "and it goes as far as the river on the south, and to the main road on the north."

"Beautiful!" put in Tom.

"Yes," went on the old man, "but it doesn't go with Agnes!"

Then Tom faded peacefully from view.

### Stockings for Christmas Only.

The Christmas stocking as generally known is one taken from the bureau supply for daily wear. In certain parts of the country, however, the Christmas stocking is never in use except to be "hung from the chimney with care." The New England stocking of this kind is usually long in the leg and knitted from woolen yarn. There are stockings on Cape Cod which have been used by four generations of children. Once emptied of their treasure on Christmas morning they are rolled up and marked and laid away for the next year's festivities.

The Question of Importance.  
Millionaire—Tell me, child, that young man who wants to marry you this Christmas, has he got any money?  
Miss Innocence—Money, father! Why, he has just given me a cluster of diamonds studded with pearls.  
Millionaire—Yes, I know. Has he any money left?

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Of lasting worth  
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### SWALLOWING BEAN IS FATAL FOR CHILD.

At Raton, Dec. 21.—Louis Ruth, the two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Floyd of Raton, accidentally swallowed a large bean last Sunday morning which lodged in her throat. She was brought to this city at the home of James Floyd and medical aid was summoned at once, but it was found

that it was impossible to relieve the little one and she died at noon. The funeral services were held at the Mesa church and burial was in the family lot in the Mesa cemetery.

What have you to sell? What do you want to buy? Don't do without anything or keep anything you don't need. Current want ads make quick trades.

## WASTE

Is unpatriotic in time of peace as well as in time of war. You can

## Conserve Sugar

by boiling or baking (preferably baking) your Sweet Potatoes WITH THE SKIN ON. Here's the reason: A large part of the sugar contained in the sweet potato lies in the thin layer just under the skin. Paring while raw wastes lots of this sugar. Bake them in a hot oven with the skin on, after rubbing the skin with a speck of cooking fat. When done the paper-thin skin peels off readily leaving the sweet potato candied in its own sugar. Yum! Yum! No added sweetening required. Try it.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(By REV. P. B. FITZWATER, D. D.,  
Teacher of English Bible in the Moody  
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LESSON FOR DECEMBER 21

THE KINGDOM OF THE PRINCE  
OF PEACE.

LESSON TEXT—Isaiah 11.  
GOLDEN TEXT—Thou shalt call his  
name Jesus; for he shall save his people  
from their sins—Mat. 1:21.  
PRIMARY TOPIC—The Wise Men Visit  
the Baby Jesus.  
JUNIOR TOPIC—Bringing Gifts to Je-  
sus.  
INTERMEDIATE TOPIC—The Reign of  
the Prince of Peace.  
SENIOR AND ADULT TOPIC—Perma-  
nent World Peace When the Prince of  
Peace Shall Reign.

On this Christmas occasion let us  
take a forward look into the golden  
age which is ahead of us. It is the  
time of which the wise of all ages  
have spoken and the poets have sung.  
It will not be brought about through  
improved social conditions or even a  
League of Nations, but by the per-  
sonal coming and reign of the Prince  
of Peace, the Lord Jesus Christ. It  
is the kingdom which Daniel said the  
God of heaven should set up (Dan.  
2:44, 45; 7:13, 14).

I. The Lineage of the King (v. 1).  
He is of royal stock, the seed of  
David. His birth took place nearly  
2,000 years ago. This Christmas sea-  
son is a memorial of it.

II. The Gifts and Power of the King  
(v. 2).

These result from the resting upon  
him of the Spirit of the Lord. Because  
of this endowment he is equipped to  
administer the affairs of the kingdom.  
A sixfold characterization of the Spir-  
it's gifts shows the completeness of the  
equipment.

1. The Spirit of the Lord. This  
title shows that he is to be qualified  
for his work by divine inspiration.

2. The spirit of wisdom. He is om-  
niscient. Only a king of such wisdom  
can rule over the whole earth.

3. The spirit of understanding. This  
understanding, coupled with wisdom,  
gives discernment and discrimination.

4. The spirit of counsel. This means,  
doubtless, the gift of making decisions.

5. The spirit of might. This means  
the ability to execute his decisions. De-  
cisions would be of little value with-  
out the ability to execute them.

6. The spirit of knowledge. This  
refers to his reverent attitude toward  
God.

III. The Nature or Character of the  
King's Rule (v. 3-5).

1. A quick understanding in the fear  
of the Lord. He will have ability  
quickly to discern Godly fear in the  
human heart.

2. An unerring judgment. He will  
not judge after appearances.

3. Ability to render decisions ac-  
cording to the merits of the case. His  
decisions will not be based on hearsay,  
nor on plausibility, but on first-hand  
knowledge.

4. Impartial judgment of the poor.  
The time is coming when the poor will  
get justice.

5. Reproof with equity for the meek.  
Jesus said that the meek shall inher-  
it the earth.

6. He shall smite the earth with the  
rod of his mouth. When he comes  
the earth will be utterly wicked. Apos-  
tasy will be manifest on every hand.  
His blessed reign will be ushered in  
by the judgment of the nations (Matt.  
25:31-46).

IV. The Harmony and Peace of the  
Kingdom (v. 6-9).

This harmony will prevail in the  
relationship of men and will be ex-  
tended to the animal kingdom. War  
will be no more. The cow and the  
bear will feed together; the lion will  
eat straw, not flesh. The sucking child  
will sport with the most deadly ser-  
pent. Paradise will indeed be restored.  
This will be made possible through  
the personal reign of the Messiah in  
Jerusalem (v. 9).

V. How the Kingdom Will Be Set Up  
(v. 10-13).

1. The elevation of the King (v. 10).  
His elevation will be a sign to the na-  
tions; to this sign they will respond.  
The only way to bring unity among  
the nations is to exalt Jesus Christ.

2. The regathering of Israel (v. 11,  
12). Out from the nations of the earth  
Israel will be gathered. Israel and  
Judah will unite under the one king in  
the city of Jerusalem.

3. Envy will disappear from Ephraim  
and Judah (v. 13). When they see him  
and are joined to him the tribal an-  
tipathy will disappear.

4. There will be physical changes  
which will alter the surface of the  
earth (v. 13, 16). When redemption  
will have been completed not only the  
spirits of men will be in accord, but  
there will be harmony in the animal  
world, and changes will be brought  
about in the earth itself which will  
make it fit for the conditions under  
which men will then live.

Blessings.  
No man can get a blessing and keep  
it all to himself without having it  
like stagnant water in his soul; but  
if it overflows to others it shall become  
a perennial spring to himself and to  
the world.—Witten Merle Smith.

Opportunities.  
Opportunities approach only those  
who use them.—Emerson.

The Broad Hat.  
A broad hat does not always cover  
a venerable head.

# Last Call

This is the last chance we will have before Christmas to call your attention to our splendid stock from which you can select gifts for your relatives and friends for the holiday season. If in doubt call on us. If you know what you want, nine times out of ten we can supply it. Call anyway—

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### IMPORTANT POINT IN OIL LAND LEASING SETTLED BY COURT.

Judge C. R. Brice, of the Fifth Judicial District, Monday rendered a decision in a suit which has attracted considerable attention among holders of state oil leases and which involved the ownership of about 51,000 acres in the Pecos valley.

This decision brings out the status of parties interested in state oil leases but whose names are not indicated as owners thereof by the records of the state land office and also the legal status of parties holding the leases under trust agreements.

Early in August Byron O. Beall purchased from trustees several state leases in the Pecos Valley which Ben C. Davisson, James E. Bordeaux and J. S. Epstein of Roswell and Judge Parker, of Santa Fe owned and which were held in trust under a partnership agreement by Davisson and Bordeaux as trustees.

In making the deal Mr. Epstein was not consulted by the trustees and when informed of the sale he

immediately instituted an action to dissolve the sale.

By the decision rendered, Judge Brice holds that the trustees held no power to dispose of the Epstein interests but that the other interests were legally salable, and, therefore, rendered a decision granting to Mr. Beall four-fifths of the area and to Mr. Epstein one-fifth.

The lands involved are scattered throughout the Pecos Valley and are said to cover some of the most promising oil territory in the state. While the consideration of the deal has not been made public it is known to have been in the five figure class. Mr. Beall states that he expects to dispose of a portion of his area in order to provide funds for the development of the remainder and hopes to have a rig on the property and drilling within the next sixty days.

If you are in the market for a new car, don't fail to see the 1919 series new model Studebaker at the Ohnemus Shops and Garage—"Can Fix It."

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### EDDY GROVE CAMP NO. 5 IS GROWING.

Eddy Grove Camp No. 5, Woodmen of the World, is a rapidly growing lodge, and the officers of the camp hope to have five hundred members by the middle of next year. It already numbers two hundred and thirty-eight members. Changes have been made lately in the form of the policy which now, officers of the camp say, is equal in strength and value to those of old-line companies. At the last meeting of the camp, the following endorsement of the Sovereign Camp was passed:

"Eddy Grove Camp No. 5, Woodmen of the World, Carlsbad, New Mexico, December 4th, 1919.

"BE IT REMEMBERED:

"That Eddy Grove Camp No. 5, duly assembled in regular session this date, after discussion and meditation, relative to the adjustment of rates enacted by the Sovereign Camp assembled in July, 1919, do hereby commend and endorse the action of the Sovereign Camp regarding the adjustment of rates.

We furthermore heartily endorse and commend Sovereign Commander W. A. Fraser for his untiring efforts in behalf of the interests of the members of the Woodmen of the World and the fraternal spirit he has shown in his efforts.

E. A. KIRKPATRICK,  
Consul Commander.

L. S. MYERS, Clerk.

R. H. KING, Adv. Lt.

J. B. LECK, Manager.

R. N. HAMBLIN, Manager.

THOS. G. GUNTER, Manager.

W. R. WHITE, Escort.

DAVID H. GEER, Sentry.

J. R. KENNEDY, Watchman.

Pat Middleton butchered three fine hogs at his farm south of town. They have stored for home use seventy-five pounds of sausage and 150 pounds of lard and with the fine sweet potatoes and 350 gallons of canned peaches, prunes and peaches, a bountiful harvest of cotton and choice alfalfa, their own Jersey cows for milk and butter and fine poultry, they should not feel the touch of the high cost of living. But it takes management, as well as work, to keep the farmer prosperous and J. P. and his faithful wife are ever on the alert.

Normal passenger service was resumed on the Santa Fe on the eighteenth.

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NOTICE OF SUMMONS.

The State of New Mexico, To: James D. Ludlam, C. L. Higday, and Unknown Claimants of interest in and to the E $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 33, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, N. M. P. M. adverse to plaintiff.

You and each of you are here-

by notified that a suit is now pending in the District Court of Eddy County, New Mexico, No. 3113 on the Civil Docket thereof, wherein C. W. Beeman is plaintiff and you and each of you are named as defendants.

That the general objects of said suit are to establish the plaintiff's estate against the adverse claims of you the defendants, and each of you, in and to the following described land and appurtenances thereto belonging situated in Eddy County, New Mexico, to-wit:

E $\frac{1}{2}$  of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section thirty three (33), Township twenty three (23) South, Range twenty eight (28) East, N. M. P. M.

and to bar and forever estop you and each of you from having or claiming any right or title in and to said premises adverse to plaintiff, and to forever quiet, and set at rest the plaintiff's title in and to said premises.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before the 17th day of January, 1920, judgment will be rendered against you by default; that Dover Phillips is attorney for plaintiff and his business and post-office address is Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Witness my hand as Clerk of said court and the seal of said court on this the 5 day of December, 1919.

D. M. JACKSON,  
County Clerk.

By THELMA TOFFELMIRE,  
Deputy.

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## LOST!

A Large Number of One-time, Somewhere very Faithful Methodist People. A Great Many of them are Lost to the Sunday School and the Epworth League. Some seem to Have Lost Interest in Religion, in the Church and even in God. Others seem to Have Lost Interest in Themselves and in the Great Hereafter.

WILL YOU NOT HELP US FIND THE LOST THAT THE LORD MAY RECEIVE HIS OWN?



# Electrical Gifts

SERVE BEST—  
THEREFORE ARE  
MOST APPRECIATED.

We have Electrical Gifts  
for every purse, person  
and purpose.

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Production Specialist Here.  
Four salesmen whose chief business is to sell the "Bazar" to the public. They are M. L. Lyday, O. L. Taylor, W. H. Greenaway, and Robert Shaffer, of the Western Real Estate Company, of San Francisco. They are in general possession of the office in El Paso. The bazar is a large, attractive, and well-illustrated volume, and is a gift of a half a dollar per copy. It is a gift of a half a dollar per copy.

a week, going back to El Paso, for Christmas. They "sold" two thousand acres of cotton and alfalfa lands in Pecos and vicinity. They are specialists in crop production and apparently come well recommended.

—SEE—  
SWIGART & PRATER  
—FOR—

Fire & Auto Insurance  
With the Big Companies.

## WOMAN CHARGED WITH MURDER OF BABY SON.

First Told Story of Kidnaping but Changes It and Admits It Was Not True.

Atlantic City, N. J., Dec. 16.—Mrs. Esther Miller Blake, a prisoner in the city hospital, charged with the murder of her 5-year-old son, has abandoned her story that the child was kidnaped by two negroes in Ventnor last Friday night, according to Dr. L. R. Souder, county physician. She told the doctor at another interview today that the kidnaping story was a "delusion."

"I have had delusions before and I guess I had one this time," said Mrs. Blake, according to the doctor.

Mrs. Blake still denies that she threw the child into the ocean from a fishing pier, as alleged by the police. Dr. Souder said, but she now tells a different story as to what happened.

"I slipped on a board pavement and in falling struck my head," the physician said she told him. "I became unconscious and how long I remained in that condition I do not know, but when I came to I was panic-stricken, and I ran to the nearest home. I was in a frenzy, and I do not remember what I said."

"Mrs. Blake told me the board walk pavement was slippery," continued Dr. Souder, "but she says she does not remember whether she was on the board walk or one of the approaches. All she appears to remember is that when she fell the boy ran away from her. She told me that he had a habit of running off impulsively."

"I do not know where he went, but I am positive that I did not interfere with him in any way after I fell to the pavement," she told me.

"There is no question in my mind but that Mrs. Blake is impaired mentally."

The body of the child will be taken to Baltimore tomorrow for burial. The inquest will be held here Thursday.

Calling Cards at Current office.

## "JOKER" SEEN IN WILSON'S TERMS OF SETTLING COAL STRIKE.

Miners Would Get Double Advance If Terms That Ended Strike Are To Be Carried Out.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—The senate coal investigation committee, resuming today its inquiry into the administration strike settlement agreement, was told by Tracy W. Guthrie, president of the Hillman Coal and Coke company, that one clause in the proposition advanced by President Wilson and accepted by the miners would bring "about an increase in the miners' wages at least doubling the 14 per cent which Dr. H. A. Garfield, resigned fuel administrator, thought justified."

While the senate inquiry was in progress the railroad administration withdrew the last semblance of the restrictions on fuel resulting from the strike and began diverting coal to the original consignees instead of distributing it to points of greatest need. Mr. Guthrie was called to present actual facts from payrolls upon wages.

"No one cent of miners are idle all the time, according to a statement with 23 mines," he told the committee. "That is, we have to have 120 names on the payroll in order to get 100 men on the job as a constant factor. Miners like to celebrate all American holidays and a lot of foreign ones. Then they have 'Mitchell Day' on April 1, in honor of the late John Mitchell. They have 'rabbit day' on Nov. 10, when everybody adjourns to shoot a rabbit."

From mine accounts, he read the record of one miner who in 187 days of the present year, earned \$3,970, or an average of \$15.50 a day. He paid \$72 rent for a "company house" during the period and his fuel bill was \$5. Other records furnished showed earnings during the first nine months of 1919, ranging from \$1,400 to \$2,100, for pick and machine miners.

All kinds of legal blanks for sale at Current office.

# To Truck Owners

We have in stock Goodyear Solid and Goodyear Cushion Tires for Trucks and can install a set on your truck in a short time.

Stockwell Auto Accessory Co.

310 West Fox street

## STORY OF MURDER PROVES INCORRECT.

Fame follows after some men, and thus it was that Jack Thompson, now of Mannford, Okla., but formerly a cowboy employed at the K-C ranch, awoke one morning to find that he had become famous overnight, and that by no fault or wish of his own. He saw it all told in detail in the papers how he had murdered a man. His home paper first, then another printed the story and another, until it appeared in the Current and was in this manner circulated among his many old-time friends in the mountain sections of Eddy county. The story pictured him with a sentence of 99 years hanging over his head for his awful crime. His victim, the narrative said, was shot once, twice and seven times with an automatic pistol before Thompson had satisfied himself. Friends quickly began to ask about Jack and deplored his plight.

Then Thompson decided to visit the Carlsbad country once more, and while here was confronted with the story of his alleged crime. On his visit here he is informing those whom he meets the truth of the matter, and that it started by a little fight at Wynona, Oklahoma, with one shot fired, while he was attempting to defend himself, and no harm done at all; not even an arrest being made.

## NO RECONSTRUCTION LABOR IN FRANCE FOR EX-SOLDIERS.

For a month past, the Office of the Assistant to the Secretary of War, in charge of soldier re-employment has been receiving many letters from ex-service men all over the country, inquiring about reconstruction jobs in France at large wages. In some way or other the report has been spread widely that there are unlimited opportunities of this character, which is very far from the truth.

In a bulletin issued today, Lieutenant Colonel Mathew C. Smith, executive head of the Washington bureau, says:

"Firms which have reconstruction contracts for France have been circularized by this office, and they state that they are not employing any labor there as yet. The supervising heads for such projected reconstruction are technical men already connected with their respective personnel."

"There are very few jobs of any kind for American soldiers in France at this time, and the statement that contractors are now offering good pay to all ex-service men who will sign up is without foundation. The report that the French Government wishes to hire former soldiers from the United States is also incorrect."

The number of discharged soldiers seeking information about jobs in France clearly shows that the ex-doughboy, now that he has been home for a little while, seems quite willing to take another trip overseas. However, his best opportunities are in America.

## NOTICE.

No. 398.  
In the Matter of the Estate of John F. Ball, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, was on the 14th day of October, 1919 appointed executrix of the estate of John F. Ball, Deceased, by Honorable William B.



There Is No Getting Away

from the fact that we are HEAD-QUARTERS for SASH, DOORS, BUILDING PAPER, PAINTS and LUMBER of all kinds.

To look elsewhere is a waste of time; to buy elsewhere is a waste of money.

C. M. Richards  
Lumber Dealer

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Robinson, Probate Judge of Eddy County, New Mexico.

Therefore, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file the same with the County Clerk of Eddy County within one year from date of said appointment as provided by law, or the same will be barred.

FRANCIS BETHEA BALL, Executrix.

JACOB J. SMITH

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# LINCOLN ON PROPERTY

PROPERTY is the fruit of labor; property is desirable; is a positive good in the world. That some should be rich shows that others may become rich, and hence is just encouragement to industry and enterprise. Let not him who is houseless pull down the house of another, but let him work diligently and build one for himself, thus by example assuring that his own shall be safe from violence when built.

—(Abraham Lincoln.)

A CHOICE GEM—PASS IT ALONG

Our pleasure is to serve you.

Pecos Valley Lumber Company

# Gala Extremes Take Paris by Storm

—in beautiful drawings and abundant description,  
the December Harper's Bazar brings you first news  
of the latest alluring whims of FASHION.

Would you ever have  
thought of  
LEATHER HATS  
for evening wear?

That is exactly the newest Paris craze, and the effect of leather delicately trimmed with ostrich is undeniably stunning. Of course a particular kind of leather is used, and the fashioning must be along certain lines suited to the "fabric." But you will read all about this—and see scores of other charming hats to delight the most critical—in your DECEMBER BAZAR.

Dare they cut the  
CORSAGE LOWER?

"The absolute brevity of the corset is again demonstrated for the hundredth time. Shoulder straps are mere threads. A scrap of velvet or bit of tulle, to which sometimes is pinned a rose, makes these amazingly brief bits of dress, which one must admit are oddly smart." No woman who aims to be smartly gowned will want to miss the eight page, generously illustrated Paris letter in the DECEMBER BAZAR.

SPORT CLOTHES  
to tempt the arm-chair fleet

The days are gone when wintry weather excluded nondescript clothes. Even "Alice-at-the-fire" will be tempted from her cushions and blazing logs by the fascination of the new charming sport costumes—the suits of plaids, suede jackets cuffed with wool, and fascinating jaunty hats and scarfs, all shown in the DECEMBER BAZAR.

THE WOMAN WHO  
UNDERSTOOD MEN

Holworthy Hall tells us about her in "The Specialist"—a great story complete in the December Bazar. This together with Meredith Nicholson, Philip Curtiss, Mrs. Humphry Ward and Marie Henryon Ray, make this issue a number no lover of good fiction will want to miss.

For Afternoon and Evening  
Wear

# BLACK VELVET

Is Fashion's Latest Decree

It doesn't matter where you are going or what you plan to do—whether you are a debutante or a matron—you must have black velvet frocks for afternoon and evening if you would be very smart. They are everywhere in Paris—at the Ritz, at the theatre, and in the restaurants. They are trained or untrained, high neck or low, trimmed or untrimmed. But seeing them is better than reading about them, and in the December issue of Harper's Bazar you will find the clearest possible sketches of them from Worth, Premet, Paquin, Jenny, Renée, Madeleine and Madeleine, and others. The lovely evening gown at the right is but one of many equally charming and exclusive. And of course there are clothes of every kind and every material for every sort of occasion—all from the great couturiers and all in the

DECEMBER HARPER'S BAZAR.

The edition is limited—Buy early or you may be disappointed

In this issue  
A COMPLETE  
DIRECTORY of UNUSUAL  
XMAS GIFTS

No matter how formidable your Xmas list, you may begin and end your Christmas shopping in your favorite arm-chair—if you have a copy of this December Bazar. It contains a complete directory of original gifts selected with great care from all the smartest shops. You may choose your gifts in this easy way with the assurance that each one will be delightfully received.



# Harper's Bazar

for December—the largest issue ever published—contains 200 pages of FASHIONS, FICTION and SOCIETY, together with a complete shopping directory of enchanting Xmas Gifts.



WE WISH YOU A

**Merry Christmas**and with good will toward all,  
sincerely extend our best wishes  
for a happy holiday season.**Public Utilities Company****LOCAL NEWS**

Schools close this Friday for a two weeks' vacation.

Mayor Dow of Roswell paid the City Beautiful a visit this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Angel announce the birth of a girl, born last Friday.

John Hartshorn left for the Garber field, Oklahoma, Monday. He is drilling there now.

C. O. Swickard has purchased the Walter Pendleton dwelling, occupied by W. T. Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. George Benz of Malaga announce the birth of a girl, born Sunday of this week.

Uncle Ed Burleson and daughter Mrs. Birchall were in Carlsbad early this week, doing Christmas shopping.

Mrs. Marvin Livingston returned home Monday after an extended visit with her mother, Mrs. Tom Jones, of Globe.

Sergeant John Riggs is back in his boot shop, looking much improved in health after a visit to Texas points.

C. M. Farnsworth, president of the Roswell Auto company, and his son, Arthur, were in town yesterday, and were chaperoned by Jim Hudgins of the Southern Auto company. The two concerns are closely allied.

Francis G. Tracy has been appointed chairman of the Fair Price Committee for Eddy County, and will shortly organize his town committees.

Eighteen hundredths of an inch of rain fell Wednesday night on the project, as reported by the Reclamation service, delaying the ginning of cotton.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Prather are rejoicing over the continued good health of little Miss Francis Aline, born a week ago last Saturday, at the Thayer home in this city.

Announcement is made of a dance to be given at the Crawford Cafe on the evening of December 29th., which promises a gay time of pleasure for the wee hours before the New Year.

W. F. Mellvain has returned from a visit to Albuquerque, where the Carlsbad Mellvains visited with Miss Helen, and with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Mellvain, who are visiting in this state from their home in Columbus. R. W. Mellvain is a practical oil man, and knows the development end from "A to Z."

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Cowden and little daughter returned to their Texas home Tuesday. Mrs. Cowden and daughter have been visiting at the C. D. Rickman home for the last two months.

When selling property, get the Guaranty Abstract &amp; Title Co. to make the abstract of title; they will make it promptly. Office S. of Court House.

Auctioneer Mellvain pulled off another one of his now numerous auction sales at the Fleming farm about a mile east of Loving last Wednesday. The day was pleasantly warm and seemed to have been ordered for the occasion although it had been predicted some time since that it would be the end of things as far as the mortals on this globe were concerned. It was also an ideal day for working on the farms which kept a part of the farmers away but notwithstanding this the crowd was a good sized one. These auction sales are fast becoming a place for the farmers and business men to meet and enjoy the time socially whether they come for the purpose of bidding on anything or not. The live stock, farm machinery and poultry sold at exceptional good prices. The next auction will probably be held about the 10th of January. Watch for the advertisement and announcement in the Current.

George and Frank Fessler have rented the Cunningham farm and will make their fortunes from cotton the coming season.

J. A. Bethel is a newcomer in Carlsbad, and is now in the employ of the Beckett barber shop. Bethel is an expert barber with several years' experience in metropolitan shops. Mrs. Bethel is not in the best of health, and the change to this western country was made for her advantage and that of young Bethel, four and a half years old.

Bob Gortey, who has a fine alfalfa farm west of town, is back with his friends in the Star Pharmacy, assisting in the sale of diamonds and other articles, during the Christmas holidays. Bob, however, says that farming is the life.

In a jury trial Saturday before Justice of the Peace Frank Richards, R. A. Clark was awarded twenty-four turkeys and a fifty dollar verdict when Romolo Gomez sought to replevin the birds from him. The defendant has taken an appeal.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Penny are back in Carlsbad after an absence of two years or more. Mr. Penny has closed out his mercantile interests at Lovington, and is now resting, before he engages in the busy marts of trade. They are at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Wells.

C. C. Clark, chief inspector for the Cattle Sanitary Board, has been making the rounds of the county lately with Ed Toner, local watcher for the state, and apparently is satisfied with conditions as he found them.

The Baptist Women's Home Missionary Society met yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. L. E. Alexander. The country studied was China. After the study lesson, refreshments of hot rolls and English Pecan pudding was served.

WE HAVE THE GOOD THINGS YOU WILL NEED  
for the**Christmas Dinner**You Will Do Well To Buy Early While the Supply Is  
Bountiful and the "Choice" Can Be Had.**LOOK OVER THE LIST:**Oranges, large ones and small ones, 45 to 90 cts. per dz.  
Apples, the best the market affords.

Grape Fruit, such beauties,—FRESH.

Bananas, the best ever.

Nuts, all kinds, fresh, shelled or otherwise.  
Assorted Candies for Christmas use.**ALSO—**That Splendid line of DRIED FRUITS, together with  
the largest assortment of FRESH VEGETABLES  
arriving every day. We will also receive by Monday's  
express—**Fresh Grapes and Cocoanuts****SUGAR**Yes, it is still scarce, but we are offering syrup  
for sweetening, at the following prices:

White Karo, large bucket,	85 cts.
White Karo, small bucket,	45 cts.
Dark Karo, large bucket,	80 cts.
Dark Karo, small bucket,	40 cts.

YOU CAN'T BEAT OUR PRICES—THEY ARE AS  
LOW AS CAN BE FOUND.**Peoples Mercantile Co.****Joyce - Fruit Co.**At this season we wish to extend to all our sincere good  
wishes and to express our appreciation of the cordial  
support so generously extended.¶ We are entering the new year determined to  
leave nothing undone that will enable us to serve the  
public more economically and satisfactorily, and to this  
end all friendly criticism will be appreciated and con-  
sidered.We are showing what we believe to be the most com-  
plete and desirable line of**Candies, Nuts and Fruits**

ever brought to Carlsbad.

¶ Particular attention will be given "Community  
Free" orders: Come in early and let us have time to  
show you the attention to which you are entitled.**Joyce-Fruit Co.**

GROCERIES AUTO TIRES

The Commandry held its election last night. W. A. Poore was chosen Eminent Commander; J. S. Oliver, Generalissimo; L. S. Crawford, Captain General; G. M. Cooke, Treasurer, and J. T. Bolton, recorder. Appointive officers have not yet been named. Both the Commandry and the Chapter will hold their installation of officers on the night of December 22nd, next Monday.

The Current regrets to announce that good neighbors, the Black brothers, of Malaga, will not be in the valley next year, as they have acquired eighty acres of irrigated land under the Barstow project, and will raise cotton and alfalfa there next year.

Nola and Kenneth Jones are back in Carlsbad, after a pleasant visit spent with their grand-parents at Creston, Iowa.

John R. Joyce, who is studying at St. Johns, Manlius, a well-known prep. school outside of Syracuse, writes home that he will spend the Christmas holidays with the Statters, the famous hotel people of Buffalo and New York. John R. expects to see the New Year come in at the famous New York hostelry conducted by the Statters on tight little Manhattan Isle.

Edwin Stephenson has just purchased a fine registered Jersey bull from El Paso, whose sire was sold at six thousand dollars. The big dairy barn which is being erected on the dairy farm is nearly completed, awaiting now only the stanchions which are on the road.

A pleasant luncheon was given Monday by Mrs. Frank Joyce and Mrs. W. S. Moore, at the Joyce home on Canal street, in honor of Mrs. Waltz and Miss Waltz, of San Francisco, and Miss Lee. Besides the guests of honor, there were at the table, Mrs. Flowers, Mrs. Glivan, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Glasier, Mrs. John Merchant, Mrs. Lige Merchant, Mrs. Lettich, Miss Pratt, and Mrs. R. M. Thorne. After luncheon, Miss Waltz sang.

At the Christian Church. You will be welcome at any of the services of the Christian church Sunday, Dec. 21st.

Bible school at 10 A. M.  
Junior C. E. at 3 P. M.  
Evening service at 7:30 P. M.  
These services will be in keeping with the season. And we wish you a Merry Christmas.  
D. F. SELLARDS, Pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Humphreys announce the birth of a fine boy baby, born Monday, of this week.

N. B. Butcher is back from Oklahoma, where he went with some horses. Butcher also visited Louisiana while away.

Miss Lu B. Hughes, County Club Leader, returned last Friday night from a flying trip to Clovis where she studied county club work with the club leader of that wide and breezy farming community.

Friends are glad to learn that Dr. A. A. Bearup, who has been confined to his home for the past month, is convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. Rubo Knowles are in town for medical advice. Mrs. Knowles has been in bad health, and it is undecided as to whether an operation would be of benefit. With them is Miss Letha Kroger, who is assisting Mrs. Knowles.

For Abstracts & Fire Insurance go to the Guaranty Abstract & Title Co., The Reliable Abstracters, Office S. of Court House.

Rev. T. C. Mahan, of Roswell, will preach at the First Baptist Church Sunday, Dec. 21st., both morning and evening. A very interesting program has been prepared for the B. Y. P. U., which will meet at 6:30.

County Agent A. Z. Smith is in receipt of numerous bundles of government seeds, which have been sent the office by Senators Fall and Jones and Representative Hernandez. Any enthusiastic war garden planters who want the seeds may have same by applying to the County Agent.

Tom McLenathan and Frank Morris are on a tour of the upper valley painting signs in those towns they left Monday and will not be back before Saturday night.

J. J. Beals shipped a car of the pea green alfalfa to Ringer, Tuesday.

J. A. Hardy has purchased Flying Fox, the fine registered Jersey bull, formerly owned by Edwin Stephenson.

**Merry Christmas**

and—

**Happy New Year**

and—

Good Luck to You All.

GEORGE BECKETT.



## CAN MARRIAGE OUT OF ONE'S SOCIAL CLASS BE SUCCESSFUL?

Their worlds were poles apart. He was of the people and she was of aristocratic birth. It is the old, old story that is forever new—new because it has been touched by a master hand, because it deals with a new conflict—between love and labor—a conflict every man and every woman may soon have to face. "Children of Storm", by I. A. R. Wylie begins where most novels end.

## THE NEXT PRESIDENT WILL BE ELECTED BY WOMEN

In politics you get what you ask for. And the women of America are going to ask for—and get—the man who will be the next President of the United States. What the platform of the feminine voters is going to be, how it will be organized, what women should vote for,—all these vital problems of government are outlined by Anne Martin, Independent candidate for United States Senator.

## THE REAL DIARY OF A REAL BOY

Here is another boy who will set America laughing — "Plupy" Shute. His diary, so delightfully humorous, is infused with a charm of other days—the days when you were a boy up in New England, or the Middle West or down South. This diary places the author, Judge Henry A. Shute, with Mark Twain and Booth Tarkington—the literary fathers of a few immortal boys.

## IF YOU HAVE A JOB, YOU ARE BEING WATCHED

Love cannot change women. But other things can. And those other things that happen every day, no matter what job you have, are the things that your employer watches. There is an heretofore unexpressed truth in "The Little Girl in Business." Another true article in this issue deals with a woman who made a tremendous success by sticking to a motto.

## WILL PROHIBITION PROHIBIT?

What is going to happen to the patent medicines and flavoring extracts that contain alcohol? Will doctors revive the practice of prescribing whiskey as a remedial agent? What brews may be made at home? These questions are all answered completely by Dr. Harvey W. Wiley in this issue.

## PLANNING THE WINTER WARDROBE

The new winter silhouette, together with all the other latest Fashions, direct from the greatest designers of Paris. Through this department you can wear what is newest and smartest without making a great financial outlay. A complete Paris and New York and National service—12 pages of Fashions and 55 illustrations. P. S.—You will find a valuable Christmas forethought in these pages.

OUT NOW --- NOVEMBER

# Good Housekeeping

## "OLD FAITHFUL" HOT AIR WELL AT ALBUQUERQUE PULLING OFF STUNTS.

Albuquerque, Dec. 13.—The "Old Faithful" geyser on the mesa east of the university is likely to be the cause of an oil well in that vicinity in the next two months. This geyser spurts air instead of water and has been eruptive for the past nine years. It is becoming more explosive every day and geologists believe that it is caused by gas pressure underneath, as the roar can be heard at least 50 feet away. The well is on the property of R. W. Gilchrist and was dug in the fall of 1912 to the depth of 212 feet. When the man who was digging the well had reached a depth of about 150 feet the roaring of the air broke loose and the digger was so badly frightened that he refused to return to work for several days. The well was finally completed but about every sixty days the eruption takes place and it is said the air comes out with force enough to blow off a man's hat. Several geologists have examined the well and all say there is a heavy gas pressure somewhere lower down, and are very anxious to get a drilling outfit on the ground and if possible solve the mystery.

## REPORT OF THE FIRST NEW MEXICO EGG LAYING CON- TEST FOR NOVEMBER 1919.

The First New Mexico egg laying Contest has completed the first month, not in a blaze of glory, but rather the opposite. The total cost of feed for the month was \$9.10, and the total receipts from eggs sold was \$7.55. This indicates a loss of \$1.55. On the face of it the conclusions are against the "old hen." Not so, however, this is the first egg laying contest in which any of the entrants have ever entered hens. Many of the hens sent were somewhat immature, but during the past month they have made good progress, and the next months will, in all probability, show the balance on the profit side.

Eleven pens were entered in this contest. Before the contest started, one was returned to the owner. This pen was received in a poor condition, all the hens were suffering from severe colds. Four died soon after receiving them, and before they were taken out of the quarantine pen. Upon inquiry for replacement of these hens, the information was secured that this entire flock was sick with colds. The owner requested that his entry be withdrawn and the request was granted. Outside of this there have been but three hens which even had an indication of cold. The hens are all in good health.

Emmett Polk is back from the oil fields at Breckenridge, to spend the Christmas holidays with his family. Polk came in Tuesday night, and has the usual nice things to say about getting back home.

## Car Owners

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# MOTOR

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CORNER DRUG STORE

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO.

December twenty-first, nineteen hundred and nineteen—Order of Service—  
Invocation.  
Response.  
Chorus—"Glory to God"—women's voices.  
Responsive Reading.  
Gloria.  
Hymn—"Joy To The World." x  
Prayer.  
Trio—"O Bethlehem." Gabriel, women's voices.  
Offering.  
Trio—"Holy Voices Sweetly Singing." Heyser, women's voices  
Sermon.  
Prayer.  
Hymn—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear."  
Benediction.  
H. W. LOWRY, Pastor.

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Terms to suit purchaser.  
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Rubber Insulation—and those  
that don't.

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We can give you the names  
of some owners to refer to.

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## ADVICE ON THE ECONOMICAL USE OF IRRIGATION WATER.

(State College Bulletin)  
What is the right way to irrigate? Every farmer should be interested in the most economical method of using water, both on account of the direct expense of the water itself and because of the betterment of the water-logged condition of the land.

One of the largest factors in the consideration of this problem is the nature of the soil. Heavy soils such as adobe and clayey loams are more impervious to the absorption of water and retain a larger percentage of the water that is absorbed, while the lighter and more porous soils absorb water more readily and retain less of it, allowing a greater amount to percolate through to the underground water than in the case of the heavier soils.

When irrigating flats with the same slope and using the same head of water, it is noticeable that it takes more time to irrigate a porous soil than one of the more impervious varieties, due to the fact that the water is absorbed so rapidly that the flow across the flat is greatly retarded. Often-times a soil of this type will be entirely saturated near the upper end of the flat, while the lower part has been barely moistened.

It is better practice, therefore, to make the flats or borders shorter for such soils and to use a large stream of water so that the entire area of the flat may be flooded in as short a time as possible, thus attaining a two-fold object: a better permeage of the water and retention in the soil for the benefit of the growing crop and less percolation through the soil to add to the great body of underground water. It is the rise of this water table that is responsible for the need of drainage in our irrigated valleys and any precautions taken to decrease the amount of the rise are of direct benefit in controlling the situation.

For our better knowledge of the effect of various heads of water on long and short flats, we are now carrying on an experiment dealing with these factors. It is believed that the results obtained will be of great benefit in determining the economical relationship between them.

**E. L. BARROWS,**  
Asst. Irrigation Engineer.  
County Commissioner L. A. Swigart and County Assessor Roy Waller are in Santa Fe this week, engaged in the sessions of the Tax Commission. They will return it is thought to-morrow night.

## TURKEY DINNER AT HART HOME.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Floyd Hart served a turkey dinner at their hospitable home Sunday honoring the home-coming of their daughter, Mrs. Mabel Przybylowicz of Kansas City, and the visit of Mr. Hart's father, Dr. J. M. Hart, of Illinois; also the birthday of three members of the family, little Miss Geraldine Quinn, who has reached the age of six years and Mrs. Dr. Hart and Mrs. J. Floyd Hart.

The turkey weighed twenty pounds when brought to the festive board. Along with it were all the good things to make the dinner a success. The dinner was served on one long table, which was handsomely with its choice linen, silver and china.

The guests of the little lady, Geraldine Quinn, were Mary Francis Dow, Mrs. Elizabeth Mullane, Martin and Delbert Hubbard, John Leslie Kindel. They spent the day playing games and were served turkey dinner at a specially prepared table. The guests seated at the long table were Mrs. Przybylowicz, Dr. and Mrs. Hart, Attorney Dow and wife, T. J. Kindel and wife, H. D. Hubbard and wife, Charles Jones and wife, W. H. Mullane and wife, Rube Nelson and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hart.

## RESTRICTIONS ON COAL IN NEW MEXICO REMOVED.

All restrictions of the distribution of coal in New Mexico have been cancelled, the state corporation commission was informed this morning. This means that coal will move from producer to dealers and consumers without any interference of regulating committee. A number of complaints about shortage of fuel were received, but no action need now be taken on these complaints as no doubt much coal that has been held at various points has been released and will move to destination as quickly as possible.

## Senator Jones Has Bill to Help New Mexico Papers.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Newspapers containing more than 24 pages would be charged five times the present postage rates under a bill introduced by Senator Jones, democrat, of New Mexico. The senator said publishers in his state complained that only the big city papers with their own mills were able to obtain all the print paper they needed.

"Twenty-four pages will give ample space for current news and advertisements," said Senator Jones.

## YULETIDE BUSY TIME FOR CUPID

Some Christmas Love Superstitions, Customs and Practices in the Old World

## PURSES FOR POOR BRIDES

Money Collected and Presented in a Way So as Not to Offend Girls—Flowers Used in Proposals by Shy Young Natives of Alps.

Good St. Thomas, serve me right And send me my true love tonight. That's may gaze upon his face. Then him in my fond arms embrace.

After placing a piece of holly under her pillow, many a girl, in the north of England especially, repeats these lines to herself before retiring to rest on Christmas eve, according to a writer in London Tit-Bits.

Cupid plays an important part in many of the superstitions and customs that are still extant at this season.

Another queer custom in the north, although it is not now so prevalent as it was, is that of gathering maidens' purses. The money for these purses is collected some weeks before Christmas from the inhabitants of the mining towns, and they are given as marriage portions to the poorest among those girls who are soon to be married. On Christmas eve a full purse is quietly thrown in at the girl's window, so that her feelings shall not be wounded by an ostentatious distribution.

A Christmas practice among superstitious girls who wish to dream about their future lovers is that of abstaining from food or drink or speech during the whole of Christmas eve. Then, after all the family have retired, they make a cake of flour, salt and water.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Sprong, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Sprong came in Tuesday from Muskogee, Okla., where they have been visiting at the home of their daughter, Mr. Sprong was also employed as engineer in the Crystal Ice Plant, having handled the engines since last March. On their way home they stopped at Denison, Texas, to see their relatives, the J. M. Murphrys, thence on to Wichita Falls, where W. C. Graham, a son-in-law and railroad, is living. The next stop was at Amarillo, where J. E. Atkinson, a second son-in-law and engineer on the Santa Fe, is living. The next stop was with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Reeves, who are ranching fifteen miles west of Elida. Tom has a fine ranch, and is buying a big bunch of steer calves, which he will carry through the winter. After a brief visit in Carlsbad, they left, Thursday, for El Paso, where they will see their son, Harry Sprong, continuing on to San Diego, and to La Jolla, where Mrs. H. C. Sands, a daughter, is living. From there they will continue on to San Francisco, where Captain Frank Sprong, who lately left the service, will meet them. Frank is now in the service of the Frisco Sea Liner Company, and has been named as captain of one of the latter's ocean-going steamers.

Mr. and Mrs. Sprong will probably remain away from Carlsbad until March, when they may return, or go to Muskogee, where the engineer has a fine position offered him in his old shop, should he care to remain.

Bert Rawlins, assisted by several amateur tragedians and comedians will put on a play for the Boy Scouts on or about the fifteenth of January. "Clarinda Gackins' Courtship" will be a scream, so they say. The play is for the purpose of paying up on the Scout's note, made out last summer to pay for the hospital expenses incurred after the automobile wreck in which several Scouts were hurt. There will be many musical specialties to aid the players in putting on a merry evening.

## STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Carlsbad, New Mexico

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, NOV. 17, 1919

## RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts.....	\$958,081.68
LIBERTY BONDS.....	50,000.00
Other Bonds.....	40,000.00
War Savings Stamps.....	849.35
Banking House.....	7,500.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank.....	6,000.00
Cash and Sight Exchange.....	221,969.74
	<b>1,285,000.77</b>

## LIABILITIES

Capital.....	\$100,000.00
Surplus (earned).....	100,000.00
Undivided Profits.....	47,875.87
Circulation.....	25,000.00
Redeemable with Federal Reserve Bank.....	266,052.25
Bills Payable.....	50,000.00
Deposits.....	696,072.65
	<b>1,285,000.77</b>

THE ABOVE STATEMENT IS CORRECT.  
CLARENCE BELL, CASHIER

## Chewing Gum and Schools.

"The records show that the people of this country pay out more money annually for chewing gum than for schools, and that there are quite a number of fathers who will display more bad temper over buying their child a 50-cent arithmetic for a year's use than over a week's supply of tobacco at twice that sum."—Georgia State Superintendent of Schools.

## NOTICE OF SUMMONS.

The State of New Mexico, to: Frederick W. Stevens, Alice Caroline Stevens, Alice Caroline, wife of Frederick W. Stevens, Fred W. Stevens, J. D. Rackley, and Unknown claimants of interest in and to Lots 11 and 13 in Block 45 of the Stevens Addition to the town of Eddy, now called Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico, adverse to plaintiffs. You and each of you are hereby notified that a suit is now pending in the District Court of Eddy County, New Mexico, No. 3111 on the Civil Docket thereof, wherein L. A. Swigart and Howard Prater are plaintiffs, and you and each of you are named as defendants.

That the general objects of said suit are to establish the plaintiff's estate against the adverse claims of you the defendants, and each of you, in and to the following described land and appurtenances thereunto belonging situated in

Eddy County, New Mexico, to-wit: Lots 11 and 13 in Block 45 of the Stevens Addition to the town of Eddy, now called Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico;

and to bar and forever estop you and each of you from having or claiming any right or title in and to said premises adverse to plaintiffs, and to forever quiet, and set at rest the plaintiff's title in and to said premises.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before the 17th day of January 1920, judgment will be rendered against you by default; that Dover Phillips is attorney for Plaintiffs, and his business address and post-office address is Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Witness my hand as Clerk of said court and the seal of said court on this 28 day of November, 1919.

(SEAL) D. M. JACKSON, County Clerk.

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## At Christmas Time

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## MOSS STUDIO

called a "dumb cake." This they eat just before retiring to bed, in the belief that their somewhat indigestible supper will cause them to dream of their future husbands.

In the Alps there exist several charming Yuletide customs of proposing marriage by the language of flowers. If a girl accepts a bouquet of edelweiss from a man during the period from Christmas day to New Year's eve the action denotes that she accepts him as her future husband.

Another Christmas custom in Switzerland is for the young man to place a flower pot containing a single rose, and a note on the window sill of the girl's room when she is absent from home. He then waits for a reply. If the maid accepts the flower before New Year's eve, then the young man boldly enters the house to "ask papa." If, on the other hand, the rose is not touched, but is allowed to fade away, the proposal is rejected without a single word of love having been exchanged between the couple. This is a useful custom for bashful bachelors!

In Sardinia Christmas wooing is far more complicated. If a Sardinian father has a marriageable daughter, the would-be suitor applies to him for permission to speak to her by means of a species of telephone that has been in use for the purpose for centuries of Christmases.

It is a long string with a wooden knob at each end. The girl drops one knob out of her window and, the shutters being closed, places the other knob to her ear. Down below her would-be lover pours words of undying devotion into his knob!

On every New Year's day in Roumania a fair of marriageable girls is held. The girls are all drawn up in one line and the men in another, with the parents of both behind them. If a young man likes the look of any particular girl he steps out of his line, goes up to her and enters into conversation. If he is favorably received by the girl, his parents and her parents compare notes as to the marriage settlement and similar practical matters.

Many quaint superstitions are associated with the festive season in various parts of Britain. In Hertfordshire the wearing of new shoes on Christmas day is considered to be very unlucky; while in other parts it is thought to be inviting ill luck to allow any new leather in the house during the whole of Christmas week. Some folk say that "a green Christmas

## NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, November 16th., 1919.

NOTICE is hereby given that Samuel A. Hughes, of El Paso Gap, N. M., who, on March 16th., 1916, made Homestead entry, No. 033690, for Lots 1, 2, 3, and the E 1/2 W 1/2, Section 7, Township 26-S., Range 21-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. F. McIlvain, U. S. Commissioner, at Carlsbad, N. M., on the 23rd., day of Decmbr, 1919.

Claimant names as witnesses: John R. Bonline, Selby Cox, J. Albert Kincaid, James C. Todd, all of El Paso Gap, N. M.

EMMETT PATTON, Register.

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makes a fat churchyard," but in Devonshire they say that a green Christmas makes a prosperous year.

Superstitious people assert that one should be careful about the choice of the holly for the decorations. Part should be smooth and part prickly. Then, providing both kinds are carried into the house at the same time, all will be well. But should the prickly variety be taken in first, then the husband will rule the household during the coming year; if the smooth is brought in first the wife will be "top dog."

## A BELL.

Had I the power To cast a bell that should from some grand tower, At the first Christmas hour, Outring, And ring A jubilate message wide, The forged motto should be thus allied: Not iron of justice, But soft humanity; and rich-veined hope Cleft from a sunny slope; And there should be White charity, And silvery love, that knows not doubt nor fear, To make the soul more clear; And then to firmly fix the fine alloy, There should be joy.

—Clinton Scollard.

Vernon Middleton, one of the active members of the American Legion, has enlisted in the Pratt-Smith company, and is now "waiting on the trade." Middleton started out as hardware specialist the first of the week.



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Morning worship at the Presbyterian church next Sunday will be celebration of Christmas. There will be special songs, and the sermon will have to do with "The

Song of the Angels". At seven o'clock in the evening there will be observance by the Sunday school with a special program of exercises appropriate to the birth of our Lord.

### LAKEWOOD LOCALS.

Mrs. H. B. Engelmann and baby boy, of Whitewater, Wisconsin, came in Thursday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Howell, and other relatives and old friends. Mrs. Engelmann has been absent for six years, and it is needless to say that her relatives and many old friends were glad to see her again. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Emily Howell, who has been visiting with her for more than three and a half years. Miss Emily, who was only a little girl when she went away, has grown into a most charming young lady, and her old playmates as well as her relatives were delighted to have her back in the old home town.

Mr. and Mrs. John Angel are entertaining a bonny little girl, who came into their home near Globe, last Friday, the 12th inst. May the little "Angel" be an everlasting blessing to the home of these good people.

Mrs. Belle DeAutremont has been quite sick this week, having Dr. Glazier up to see her Tuesday. We are glad to say that she is better at this writing.

Roy Murrah, who took a car of cattle to Kansas City, returned Tuesday. Roy says it is some colder in K. C. than it is here.

T. G. Low and Nat Camp motored to Carlsbad on legal business Friday.

Robert E. Lee, of near Dunkin, was visiting with friends here this week.

Mrs. J. L. Fanning, who has been sick for sometime, was taken to Carlsbad Monday, where she could receive better medical attention. She was accompanied by her husband and sister, Mrs. H. B. Engelmann.

Everet Bates, who has been helper at the depot for some time, departed Sunday night for Denver, Colo., and thence to San Diego, and San Francisco, California, where he expects to spend the remainder of the winter.

Misses Mildred Adams, Mabel Robinson, Christine Kroeger, and Robert E. Lee visited at the Wheeler Angel ranch west of town Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. W. T. Nelson, who has been visiting with her daughter, Mrs. D. E. Webb, departed Saturday night for Portales, where she will visit with some of her other children.

Giles Whitworth has so far recovered from his hurt in an automobile accident, that he has returned to his job with Joyce-Pruit Co., at Carlsbad.

Barney Riggs, of Lovington, is visiting with friends in Lakewood this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Hopkins, of the ranch, were visiting in the White City, from Saturday until Monday.

R. B. Knowles returned Saturday from a business trip to points in Colorado.

A. F. Phillips, of the Illinois Producing & Refining Co., was looking after business matters here Tuesday.

Willis Pierson and Grant Knopple, of the Eddy County Oil & Gas Co., were business visitors to Artesia Sunday and Monday.

Miss Sallie Truitt, managing operator of our central telephone office, was a visitor to Artesia Wednesday.

The Illinois Producing & Refining Co. is pushing the work of drilling on their well No. 1, there as fast as they can secure coal with which to run the machinery.

Judge J. W. Dauron and T. G. Low were business visitors to Carlsbad, Loving, Malaga, and other points south of Lakewood Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George McGonagill, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pollard were visiting with friends in Artesia Wednesday.

Mrs. Oral Reed and sister, Miss Ellen Larremore arrived here on Wednesday from Pinon. After a visit with relatives and friends Mrs. Reed will return to the mountain town where she lives, but Miss Ellen will remain here with her grandmother, and attend our splendid school.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Sellmeyer visited with friends at Roswell on Saturday.

### XMAS LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS.

December 19, 1919.

Dear Santa Claus,  
North Pole, U. S. A.

Dear Santa:—  
I am writing you to tell you to bring me and my sister some toys for Xmas. I want an air gun and horn and a little toy car, and a little wagon, and a little rubber ball. Now, my sister, she wants a wash board, tub, and a little doll and some clothes, and a little buggy. Well, that's all we want. Come soon. Good-bye.  
LEROY FORKE.

Loving, New Mex., Dec. 13, 1919.

Dear Santa Claus:—

I am going to tell you what I would like for Christmas. I would like a ball, a jumping jack, a new tie, a picture book, and a new handkerchief. I think this will be all I like for this Christmas.

Santa, I live in a red house on the corner of the street, across from a green store. You will have to come in the door, because the chimney is a small one.  
Your little friend,  
FREDERICK PENN WEAVER, Jr.

Both Ambrose and Bill Lowenbruck, proprietors of the U. S. Market, have been under the weather this week, the former being quite ill with a heavy cold.

Calling Cards at Current office.

### EPWORTH LEAGUE PROGRAM.

The Epworth League of the Methodist church, under the direction of Miss Beryl Regnier, president, will give a Christmas program Sunday evening beginning at seven o'clock. Subject, "The Christmas Message and the Christmas Spirit."

Prelude, "La Madonna," Irene Regnier  
"Joy to the World," Congregation  
Scripture Lesson.

"O Little Town of Bethlehem," Audience  
Prayer, Rev. Dr. Waltz  
Solo, Rev. F. W. Pratt

"The Christmas Babe," Mary Leah Pond  
"Christ Is Born," Mrs. C. F. Wright  
Responsive Reading.

Psalm Nineteen  
Offertory, Mrs. J. P. Prickett  
Song, Mrs. Ailing's class

Service, The True Christmas Spirit, D. G. Grantham  
"Silent Night," Audience  
"Peace Through Good Will," Audience

Duet, Pearl Forehand, Velma  
Duet, Pearl Forehand, Velma Regnier  
Piano solo, Martha Williams

"The Call of the Christ," Rev. Geo. H. Givan  
"Hark, Ten Thousand Harps and Voices," Audience  
Benediction and Postlude.

A most cordial invitation given to all not worshipping at other churches.

In addition to this program there will be a Christmas tree for the Sunday School, Wednesday evening, at 7:30.

### B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM.

For Sunday, December 21.—  
Voluntary, Miss Brown  
Song, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," Choir

Scripture Lesson, Rev. Mahan  
Song, "While Shepherds Watched," Choir

"Story of the First Christmas," Mrs. De Weese  
Solo, "Luther's Cradle Hymn," Wardle Leck

Reading, Sue Chilcoat  
Solo, "The Town of Bethlehem," Catherine Chilcoat

Song, "All Hail Immanuel," Choir  
Reading, "A Christmas Problem," Gladys Carder

Quartet, "Holy Night," Lowell Price  
Reading, "For Christmas," Helen Minter

Song, "Jesus Shall Reign," Congregation  
Benediction, Rev. De Weese  
Meeting begins at six-thirty, p. m.

### Dividends Rolling In.

F. M. Denton, manager of the Carlsbad Oil Exchange, picks 'em right. Thursday he received a dividend of twenty-five per cent on his stock in the Big Four, which has only been operating forty days and on the twenty-fourth he will tuck away a dividend of one hundred per cent, on Ranger Central. Denton isn't the only one who is cashing in on dividends, for J. M. Pardue also got his dividend Thursday in the Big Four. The proof of the pudding is in the eating, they say, and these twenty-five and hundred per cent dividends must make pretty good pie.

### Prof. Porta All Wrong.

The world did not come to an end, as promised, on the seventeenth of the month, or the sun exploded, but Prof. Porta, who is responsible for the rumour, says that he never said that the world would lie down and quit, but that he did predict a monster storm on the Pacific coast, which, he alleges, will come before the first of the year. The government says that no such storm is looked for, and it appears that somebody is going to get the horse-laugh round about the first. It's hoped that the Italian savant is the one who gets fooled, for no one wants the worst storm in history to afflict California. With the various afflictions, political and otherwise, with which California is already saddled, it would be a rapscallion indeed who would wish a bad storm upon her.

### Profiteering in Clothing.

The Portland Oregonian notes that a woolen manufacturer testified before a federal fair price committee, that the material in a suit of a man's clothes costs only from one fifth to one-third the price of the completed suit. He priced a suit at a tailor's, and found that it cost \$45.00, while the material which came from the mills would cost but \$9.00.

As statements of this kind are going all over the country, they should be thoroughly investigated. It is strange that the government does not collect and publish complete statistics of the costs of clothing, showing how much goes for raw material, how much for labor, and how much for profit. Of course the wages of workers have more than doubled. But if the manufacturers are taking more than a fair profit, public sentiment could compel them to come down, if the fact was clearly established by impartial figures.

Mrs. Tina Draper is in town, called home by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. B. A. Nymeyer. Mrs. Draper encountered serious difficulties in getting to Carlsbad from her ranch home near the Gulf, being delayed one whole day by a wreck which piled up in front of her train. Friends regret to learn of the illness of Mrs. Nymeyer, who has always been an angel of mercy at the bedside of her neighbors.

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## Christmas Dance

FRIDAY, December 26

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### FOR SALE.

A Ford Touring 1917 Model. See W. H. MULLANE. Or phone 32

Rupert Ezell, who is breaking into the oil game in Texas, with his usual energy and ability, made a flying trip to Carlsbad Monday night, returning to the Lone Star State, Wednesday morning. Rupert thinks that the lower valley is bound for development right soon, and big development, at that.