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The Carlsbad Current

SEVENTY-EIGHTH YEAR.

CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO, FRIDAY, MARCH 19, 1920.

NUMBER 16

BILL WELL CENTER OF MANY GOOD LOCATIONS

Connects Lot for 17 Tests Since Dixiland Found Oil in Toyah Basin—Entire Valley Seething With Renewed Excitement of Oil Possibilities.

Pecos, Texas, March 12.—A forest of derricks will soon surround the town of the Bell well of the Dixiland Syndicate at Dixiland, twenty-two miles northwest of Pecos, and approximately 65 miles south of Carlsbad, as a result of contracts closed and soon to be closed by fortunate owners or purchasers of leases near the first producer between Eastland and Los Angeles, which came in two weeks ago for an as yet unmeasured supply at 657 feet.

Seventeen contracts have been let for that immediate vicinity, and several times as many more are being negotiated. Of the contracts let the majority are very near the apex of the perfect anticline on which the Bell producer is located.

While drillers are busy talking contracts the streets of Pecos, the latest boom town on the oil map, are filled with anxious seekers after favorable leases near the Bell well and in all parts of Toyah basin, and the price is advancing.

The roads of this basin, the topography of which is said by many geologists to resemble that which brought in the huge production of the Tampico fields, are dotted by flying automobiles filled with investigators anxious to get a first-hand view of the new field.

One of the seventeen new wells, that of the Sunshine Oil Corporation, to be known as the Grogan well, named for a veteran driller of Pecos valley, will be spudded in Monday. A new Armstrong rig has been set up capable of going over 1,200 feet. This well is located in the southeast corner of section 16; block 2, H. & G. N. R. R. survey.

To Drill Twelve Offsets. Twelve of the wells will be drilled in the same quarter section as that on which the Bell producer is located. This is the southwest quarter of section 21 of the same block. The contract has been let by Ira Bell, the head of the Dixiland Syndicate. Two other wells are to be drilled on the northwest quarter of the same section. The machinery for the latter two wells has been shipped.

Contracts for two wells in section 6, immediately to the east of the Bell well, have been let. E. B. Howard of Shreveport, La., has taken the contract for these wells from the lease owners, G. A. McLoney, C. C. Beck, A. G. Trees and C. A. Wilson, of Springfield, Ill.

The derricks of the Citizens' Oil and Gas company on the section west of the Bell well, and that of the Texolind have been erected again, after having been blown down by the storms of last week. The Citizens' drill is on the ground and the well will be spudded early next week. The machinery for the Texolind well is en route.

The wells of the Zone Oil company formed by officers of the United States Army located at Fort Bliss, will be spudded Saturday.

The majority of the wells near the Dixiland are to be directed toward the depth at which the Dixiland company found its supply, but the predictions of the geologists and the conditions revealed by the wells so far drilled have caused the determination to sink deep tests on the part of both Mr. Bell and the Sunshine people. Mr. Bell will drill near the Dixiland producer and the Sunshine will continue with Laura well in section 17, block 4, of the railroad survey.

The oil of the Bell well continues to bubble over the top and is being caught by two big tanks which were on the ground. Pumps are on route and production of the well should be tested in a very short time.

Flows Over Derrick After Swabbing. The Bell well, 657 feet deep, swabbed out 100 feet and shot over the derrick today. The hole filled to the top immediately and continued to run over. Drillers Garvin and Nash say the pressure proves presence of a big pool. Production is estimated at from 200 to 500 barrels.

Avalanche of Contracts on Dixiland Structure. Twelve new wells will be put down on the southwest quarter of section 20, block 2, by the Dixiland Syndicate, according to Ira J. Bell, the trustee, who announced the letting of the contract for the wells last week. The contractors are Engel Bros. of Wichita, Kans., and two complete drill rigs were to have left that place the first of the week to begin on the new contract.

At least one of these wells is to be a deep test; the others will attempt to enlarge the shallow production hit by the number one well last week, which production would seem to be certain for any drill that goes down on the Dixiland anticline, as the structure is called that crosses the Pecos river, there in a northeast-southwest direction.

The production from the twelve wells on section 20 will all be shared in by the holders of lots on section 30, which were sold in small tracts last summer and fall to finance the Dixiland drilling project, mostly to Mississippi and Illinois people. These people will also share in four wells to be put down in section 30, four drilling sites having been reserved by the syndicate in the center of each quarter section. Among the holders of large shares in this production are the Citizens Oil and Gas company, of Indianapolis, Miss., and the Texolind Syndicate of St. Louis, both of whom have derricks up near the Bell well on which drilling will start very soon, according to J. H. Lanfair, Citizens, and G. A. McLoney of the Texolind. Besides the original Texolind well, Mr. McLoney has let two more contracts to E. P. Howard on their section 6, adjoining section 29, making three wells the Texolind now is under contract.

Mr. Bell has also contracted for two wells on section 9, block 54-4, drilling to commence as soon as the drilling contractors, Campbell, Burris & Sim, finish two wells for A. W. and I. A. Bell. One of these wells is on the northwest quarter of section 20, within 1,000 feet of the discovery well; the other in section 23.

The long-delayed Citizens' equipment arrived Sunday, and was unloaded Monday at Arno switch and taken to the well on section 71, three miles west of the Bell producer. This company has had a derrick up on this holding for several weeks, and as in the case of the Dixiland and Texolind, it is a standard 84-foot derrick. None of these three concerns really expected to find enough oil under 2200 feet to justify bringing in a well, but Bell's find gave them all pleasant surprise, and they will seek the "sure-shot" shallow oil first, as will practically everyone who drills on the same structure. Later deep tests will undoubtedly be made by both Citizens and Texolind, just as Bell will do on section 20, as stated above. Nobody is disposed to quarrel with the luck that puts a pool of oil under 700 feet of spudding in, but everybody is also anxious to see the geologists' statements that a heavy sand lies at 2200 feet put to the test. If the theories of a number of the best geologists in the country are right, this sand will produce some of the world's greatest gushers.

Oil Rush On at Pecos. Pecos, Texas, March 14.—It has been a big, busy week for Pecos. The Bell well caused it all. Little did Ira Bell know what commotion he would cause in oil circles.

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DR. LACKEY, ON TRIAL FOR MURDER OF ROY MURRAH, PRESENTS HARD FIGHT AGAINST STATE'S CHARGES

MOST SPECTACULAR MURDER TRIAL EVER STAGED IN THE HISTORY OF COUNTY—DEFENSE CHARGES MURRAH DRINKING ON DAY OF TRAGEDY.

CAUSE OF DEATH DISPUTED

Physicians Testify That It Is Impossible for Man to Live 41 Days Wounded in Manner Dr. Waite Explained Murrah Was.

A murder trial believed to be without parallel in the history of Eddy county and superseding in interest any trial ever known in the courts of this section of the state, is that of the State vs. J. W. Lackey, prominent physician and surgeon, of Carlsbad, who faces the grave charge of murder. The defendant and state are bitterly contesting every inch of ground and sparring for advantage as the evidence accumulates in the case. The defendant is ably represented by his leading attorney, Major E. P. de Bujac, one of the most fluent orators in New Mexico, and the responsibility of representing the State falls upon the shoulders of District Attorney Robt. C. Dow and his assistant, Judge J. S. Osburn. Judge C. R. Brice is presiding.

It is alleged by the State that Lackey shot and killed Roy Murrah in his office on the evening of January 20th, he dying forty-one days later at the Ralston hospital in El Paso, Texas.

The case opened Tuesday, March 16, at 9 o'clock. Tuesday and Wednesday were spent in getting the jury. Special venirees were called from the surrounding country and the jury was finally completed at 7 o'clock Wednesday night.

District Attorney Robt. C. Dow made the opening statement for the State, in which he said the State expected to prove both defendant, Lackey, and Roy Murrah, were in Carlsbad on January 20, 1920, that about 7 o'clock in the evening, that Roy Murrah, in company with Jim Wilcox, entered the office of the defendant, that upon entering the office defendant and Murrah engaged in a conversation about some cattle that Murrah was looking after for defendant Lackey's wife; that they talked about five minutes; the defendant had a patient in the back room; that he came to the front and talked to them; that Johnny Bogelin was on the operating table and was being treated by the defendant; that the defendant told Murrah to have a seat that he had a patient to dress, and went on back to the room where the patient was; that he stayed there fifteen or twenty minutes and Murrah and Wilcox were in the front room and when Dr. Lackey returned to the front room that he walked to the door, jerked his gun and shot Roy Murrah without saying a word; that on the first day of March, 1920, Roy Murrah died in the city of El Paso, Texas.

Testimony of Attending Physician. Dr. Willis W. Waite, the first witness called for the defendant, testified that he resided at El Paso, Texas; that he was a graduate of John Hopkins University of Baltimore, Maryland; and in substance that he performed the autopsy on the body of Roy Murrah after he had died in the hospital at El Paso, Texas; the same day that he died; that he found two bullet holes in the body, one to the left of the median line and one in the back about the twelfth rib, close to the vertebrae. That the deceased had been shot through the large artery known as the thoracic aorta, the bullet passing through the liver. He testified that Murrah had not bled death because the hole in the back of the artery had been closed by a blood clot which had prevented its bleeding.

At this point, the State offered to introduce in evidence the aorta of Roy Murrah, specimenized, which the court refused to allow at that time.

On cross examination Dr. Waite said that the hole in the front of the artery had been closed by a contraction of the muscles of the diaphragm, close to the spinal column, which had clamped on the hole closing it.

Dr. Hugh Crouse, of El Paso, the next witness, said that when Roy Murrah was brought to the hospital, he found that he was suffering from a destructive blood clot; that he opened up the wound in his back to remove the clot; that when he did so the blood spouted and Murrah suffered a hemorrhage; that he closed it up by packing; that Murrah stated later that he felt fine; that later the doctor was passing his door and he heard Murrah cry out, and in a few seconds he was dead. That the cause of his death was two bullet holes through the thoracic aorta, with which he had lived for forty-one days. The witness testified that the bleeding was stopped

by a blood clot forming on the back of the aorta and stopping one hole and that the muscles of the diaphragm had clamped on the other hole and stopped the bleeding. He was subjected to a grilling cross-examination by the defense. He admitted that this was the first time in medical history that such a thing had happened. He denied that he had cut the artery when he opened the wound to remove the blood clot. The examination of Dr. Crouse occupied all of Thursday morning.

Mrs. Kathryn Walterscheid, called for the State, testified that she was at the Eddy county hospital the night Roy Murrah was shot, as an attending nurse; that Dr. L. H. Pate advised the patient that he was going to die and that he made his will at Dr. Pate's suggestion.

Dying Statement Ruled Out. Dr. L. H. Pate testified that he attended Roy Murrah on the night he was shot; that he advised him to straighten up his business affairs and prepared a will for him (introduced in evidence by the State) containing the statement that Murrah knew he was on his deathbed; that he said, "Well, you are a fool, I am going to get well, but give it here, I will sign it." The State then offered in evidence the dying declaration of Murrah. The jury retired for argument and the court ruled out this declaration on the grounds that Murrah never admitted at any time he was going to die but contended he was going to get well.

Scene in Office Immediately After Killing. Geo. Ratton, deputy sheriff, testified that he was called to the office of Dr. Lackey on the night of the shooting, that when he arrived Dr. Lackey, Jim Wilcox, Roy Murrah, R. E. Dick, Dr. Glasier and Charley Lassater were there; that Roy Murrah was lying on the floor in Dr. Lackey's office; that Dr. Lackey requested him to search Jim Wilcox, that he (Lackey) thought that he had a gun. Ratton did so, but found no gun. The deputy sheriff stated that the defendant said nothing more at that time, but that later Murrah attempted to say something and Dr. Lackey said, "Well, you, I could have killed you if I wanted to." That he saw no guns or revolvers around there except the one supposed to belong to Dr. Lackey, which was handed him by Major Bujac who had come in. That he had the gun and could get it. The witness then got the gun and it was introduced in evidence. It is a Colt sixshooter, caliber thirty-five. The witness testified that it had been recently shot.

Dr. Pate was re-called and testified that when he went in Roy Murrah was lying on the floor, that Dr. Lackey was over him holding a bunch of cotton to his breast. That he saw no gun on Murrah.

Eye-Witness Collapses After Severe Cross-Examination. Johnny Bogelin was called for the State, and testified that he was in the back room of Dr. Lackey's office on the night of the shooting; that he heard Murrah and Jim Wilcox come in; that he heard a heated conversation, with curse words, and they seemed to be having a quarrel, but that he did not catch all the words. That Dr. Lackey came in where he was and said: "It looks as though they were here to clean up on me." That he finished doctoring Johnny, and told him to dress, and started back to the front, and when he got to the middle door, he pulled his gun and shot. On cross-examination he testified that he could see Wilcox in the mirror in the front office, that he had a long gun in his hand; that Dr. Lackey pulled his gun and shot, but he didn't know where he had the gun.

The State attempted to impeach the witness by a statement he had made under oath to the district attorney, but did not succeed in breaking down his story as to Jim Wilcox having a gun. He was subjected to a very rigid cross-examination and at the end of his testimony, collapsed on the outside of the court room. He is a victim of shell-shock, contracted with the forces in France.

The State then closed its case. Court adjourned until 7:30 p. m. Thursday.

Defense Attempts Prove Good Reputation of State's Witness. At the opening of court the defendant attempted to introduce testimony to prove the reputation for truth and veracity of Johnny Bogelin, which was ruled out by the court. The defense then called Dr. Glasier, who testified that on the night of the tragedy Johnny told him that Jim Wilcox had a gun and that he had told Dr. Lackey about it.

Dr. L. H. Pate was re-called and testified as to the length of time Roy Murrah was in the hospital and stated he was up and walking around in ten days.

The defense called Dr. Austin Stroup of Artesia to testify as to whether a man with two holes in

CASES IN DISTRICT COURT.

The spring term of district court continues in session this week, Judge C. R. Brice in the chair and the following cases have been disposed of during the week:

On the 11th instant, the case of the State of New Mexico vs. Harry Sprung was tried. This was a case where the defendants was on trial for abandoning his wife. He was found guilty and his sentence assessed at one year in the penitentiary and also to pay all costs of prosecution. Later the sentence was suspended on condition that he live with and support his wife.

The State of New Mexico vs. Paul Ramus for larceny was tried and he was found guilty as charged. The following composed the jury in this case: Boyd Eaker, Henry Tipton, C. C. Lewis, J. E. Horner, M. A. Ohnemus, Adam Santo, J. C. Keller, A. D. Hill, J. C. Floore, J. T. Woodard, J. W. Stevenson.

State vs. C. E. Thomas, charged with assault, by agreement was continued until next term of court.

Five special venires, besides the regular petit jury, two special venires and three emergency venires—seventy-five in all—were necessary before a jury could be secured in the case of the State vs. J. W. Lackey, which is now on trial. The jury was secured finally Wednesday at the night session, the following qualifying for service: E. S. Shattuck, C. Bert Smith, W. E. Carter, W. D. Hales, Carl Smith, J. C. Moore, L. G. Ryan, C. C. Cass, Henry Tipton, H. F. Walker, R. L. Halley, E. R. Newbill. This case is occupying the attention of the court at this time and is being attended by a large number of friends of the interested parties.

The aorta could live forty-one days. The witness gave it as his opinion it was impossible.

Murrah Drinking and Armed. Claude Farris and J. W. Stevenson testified that Roy Murrah and Jim Wilcox were in their barber shop on the day of the tragedy and had some whiskey, had been drinking, and that they both took drinks with them. Claude Farris testified that Murrah had on two pairs of pants and had an automatic pistol under the waistband of the second pair, but could not recall the color of the gun. When questioned as to where Murrah got the whiskey, he said he did not know, but Murrah told him he had more where that came from.

T. J. ("Red") Smith testified that he had a conversation with Roy Murrah on the day of the tragedy, and that he had been drinking. That he heard him and the man he was with (witness did not know Wilcox) talking about going over to Dr. Lackey's office and settling with the doctor; that Murrah said, I have had enough of Lackey, I am going to have it out with the —. That he went down to the wagon yard and a few minutes later heard a shot fired.

Rufus Maders, cattle man, of Culberson county, Texas, testified he met Roy Murrah and Jim Wilcox on the day of the tragedy, asked them about the cattle which Murrah was in charge of, and which was the property of Mrs. Lackey; that Murrah would not talk business and appeared to have been drinking.

Contradiction of Dr. Waite's Opinion. Dr. Culpepper of Carlsbad, Dr. Baker of Artesia and Dr. Glasier of Carlsbad, all testified that it would have been impossible for a man to live forty-one days with two bullet holes in the aorta, and did not believe that the diaphragm would clamp down in such manner as to stop the bleeding for any length of time.

Clarence Bell, cashier of the First National Bank, testified that he measured the rooms in Dr. Lackey's office Friday morning, that the plant (a palm) in the front office was reflected in the mirror in the middle office; that he thought it was possible for a man in the middle office to have seen a man standing by the plant in the front office through the reflection in the mirror.

R. E. Dick testified that Roy Murrah had been drinking on the day of the tragedy, that he had often left his gun with the witness when in town, but that on that day he did not leave it there.

Dr. Lyander Black was the last witness to testify before court adjourned for the noon hour, and told of deceased and Wilcox coming into his office and refusing to leave until he had settled with Lackey. He left just before the shooting took place.

This is as far as the case had come up to Friday at noon, when the Current was obliged to go to press.

LAKWOOD OIL FIELD SCENE OF MUCH INTEREST

Prospects Grow Brighter—Activity in Real Estate—The First Rush Is Beginning.

Oil prospects in the Lakewood field grow brighter with each succeeding day. The oil is here; there is no sort of doubt as to that; it can be seen any day, and people are beginning to realize that the Lakewood field is now the most promising in the entire valley. This is evidenced by an unprecedented activity in real estate deals. During the past ten days approximately seventy town lots have been sold, while in nearby localities a number of tracts of thirty acres and upward have changed owners. Judge J. W. Dauron & Brother sold about thirty town lots Wednesday of this week, and the demand is rapidly increasing.

Leasing has also taken on a fresh impetus. As much as \$50.00 per acre was paid for a tract near town one day last week, which, we believe, is the highest price yet paid for a lease in Eddy county.

Tobias Ruhwedel and B. F. Ludwig, of Columbus, Ohio, accompanied by Lee Vandagriffe of Artesia were here on a prospecting trip Wednesday. These men are oil experts, and are backed by ample capital; they obtained samples of our oil, and some of them invested in real estate, and they said to

The Current correspondent that prospect for the early opening of a large field here looked mighty good to them. Other oil men from outside the state, as well as many valley people, have been here during the past few days, and have invested in real estate, and all are confident that the Lakewood field is near the opening, and will be one of the greatest finds in the entire country. Come to Lakewood!

The Illinois Producing & Refining Company resumed work on their well No. 1 here Thursday. This is the well that is making such a fine showing of oil, and the first work of the drillers was to bail out the oil so that the bottom of the hole could be reached with the tools.

Oil Runs Over Top In Well No. 1. The news reached here the latter part of this week that oil was running over the top of the casing in the Lakewood well No. 1 of the Illinois Producers Oil company, which well is a little over twenty miles north of Carlsbad. This is the well in which the tools were lost several months ago after the drill had reached a depth of 2700 feet. Work on this well has stood at a standstill for the past several months, but the oil began to run over the top this week. A crew was sent to the well from well No. 2, near Dayton, for the purpose of bailing out the oil and from responsible parties who were present at the time, it is learned that about seven barrels of oil were taken from the well. This is the second time this well has been bailed out, the drilling crew having been taken to well No. 2 just after striking oil in the well near Lakewood. This company has no stock for sale and try to keep the fact that they have oil as quiet as possible, and seem to resent any publicity or showing of enthusiasm about their good fortune. The well at Dayton is down about 1700 feet at the present time and they are pushing the work of drilling as fast as possible. Another drilling crew is now being put on the Lakewood well and it is confidently expected that oil will be discovered in abundance in a short time. Land near the well is going out of sight and there is much activity in leases and land in the vicinity of Carlsbad.

Monday night at the Episcopal rectory, by Rev. F. W. Pratt, Thomas W. Shaffer, of Carlsbad, and Miss Carrie Martin, of Artesia, were united in marriage. The groom is an employee of Joyce-Fruit and the young couple have already started housekeeping in one of the Johnson cottages on West Fox street. May theirs be a happy home.

Washington, March 16.—U. S. soldiers still remain in Siberia, but all troops there, including the headquarters of the expeditionary forces will be out by April 1. General Graves reported today to the war department.

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LOCAL NEWS

Geo. E. Singleton, a well known ranchman of this county, spent a couple of days in town recently registering at the Springs hotel.

R. J. Williams, who represented a life insurance company, with headquarters in El Paso, transacted business in Carlsbad over Sunday, leaving Tuesday for Artesia and points in the upper valley.

Mrs. Henry Tipton, Mrs. Allen Tipton and Miss Pearl Smith were pleasantly entertained at "Hardy-croft," the lovely country home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hardy, last Monday. Mrs. Hardy is noted for her charming hospitality and Monday's visitors enjoyed it to the fullest extent.

The lady members of the Brotherhood of American Yeoman have organized a "Rowena Circle," which meets at stated intervals at the homes of different members. No dues are required, the organization being mainly for assistance in case of illness, and for social enjoyment.

Mrs. J. F. Rarey is in Pecos this week, going down more particularly to eat a birthday dinner with her daughter, Mrs. William Brady. Judge Brady, who is with the Sunshine oil corporation, of Los Angeles, will spend a few months in Pecos, accompanied by his family.

J. E. Read, of Silver City, and C. O. Gilley, of the same place, are in town awaiting the outcome of the serious illness of a son of Mr. Read, who is critically ill in a local hospital. Mr. Gilley is father-in-law of the sick man.

J. H. Hewitt this week sold his home in the north part of town, George Bond being the purchaser and the consideration not given. This is a nice five-room house and the Bond family are certain to enjoy their new home, of which they will take possession the first of August.

J. F. Rarey returned Monday night from Kansas City, Mo., where he has been for some time past, attending the stock sales, and looking after some registered Hereford cattle.

Mrs. Aren was taken to the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Bearup, last Sunday, from Sisters' hospital, where she had been under treatment.

George Davis, of Roswell, was registered Tuesday night at the Springs hotel, continuing on south Wednesday morning.

Green McComb, who ranches near the D ranch, was in town from there this week and made the Current office a call.

C. E. Smiers, of the Santa Fe, passed through here en route to Pecos Tuesday morning.

Hon. Carl Livingston, who has been seriously ill from pneumonia poisoning, is now able to be about some, although still feeling the result of his sickness.

R. F. Madera was in town from his ranch southwest the first of the week.

John Murrain, wife and little son were down from their home at Lakewood, the first of the week, and attended court.

G. M. COOKE, President. F. F. DOEPP, Vice President
W. A. CRAIG, Cashier. TOM RUNYAN, Vice-President

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NOTICE TO ALL EX-SERVICE MEN.

I am taking this opportunity to notify all ex-service men who have served in the United States Army, Navy or Marine Corps in time of war and who have been honorably discharged therefrom, that I have applied to the District Court for an order exempting them from taxation in the amount of \$2,000 for the year 1919. This order has been signed by the District Judge and is now on file with the County Clerk of Eddy County. I have been unable to get complete lists of all ex-service men and, therefore, it will be necessary for each individual to sign an affidavit to the effect that he is a resident of New Mexico and has served in the United States Army, Navy or Marine Corps in time of war and received honorable discharge therefrom. These affidavits have been printed and may be procured from the office of the County Treasurer or from my office.

All ex-service men, who have been honorably discharged, are entitled to this exemption and if they have already paid their taxes they are entitled to a refund in that amount, after making this affidavit and filing it with the County Treasurer.

This law also applies to and exempts the widow of any such soldier or sailor so long as she remains unmarried.

I am very sorry that I have been delayed in this matter. The delay was occasioned by reason of the fact that I tried to get a complete list of all ex-service men, but seeing that this was practically impossible I have procured this order without the names.

ROBERT C. DOW,
District Attorney Fifth Judicial District, State of New Mexico.

TAX COLLECTIONS BETTER.

That the collection of taxes is becoming better is evidenced by a recent report of the State Tax Commission, says the Taxpayers' association of New Mexico. Whereas on November 30, 1918, the percentage of collections of 1917 taxes was 88.87 per cent of the total due, on November 30, 1919, 89.30 per cent of the 1918 taxes had been collected. On November 30, 1919, there had been collected only 82.74 per cent of the 1912 taxes. Collections have steadily improved during the past six years, due to both better assessment and more careful collections. It now appears that hereafter it will be necessary to make budget estimates on the basis of 92 per cent collections. As a matter of fact, taking delinquent taxes into account, it will be safe to figure on not less than 95 per cent. It is found that on November 30, 1919, there had been collected 95.56 per cent of the 1912 taxes, 94.46 per cent of the 1913 taxes, 94.15 per cent of the 1914 taxes, 92.50 per cent of the 1915 taxes, 91.63 per cent of the 1916 taxes, 91.63 per cent of the 1917 taxes and 89.30 per cent of the 1918 taxes.

The high collection counties are Lea, Quay, Bernalillo, Colfax, Grant, Lincoln, Luna, Curry, Mora, Roosevelt, McKinley, Torrance, Valencia and Sierra, all of which collected over 90 per cent of the 1918 taxes. In the next class collecting 80 to 90 per cent fall Chaves, De Baca, Dona Ana, Eddy, Guadalupe, Otero, San Miguel, Taos and Union counties. In the third class collecting 70 to 80 per cent we find now only five Santa Fe 79.92, San Juan 77.10, Socorro 75.31, Sandoval, 71.13 and Rio Arriba 70.31.

COUNTY TAXPAYERS' ASSOCIATIONS.

That there is an increasing interest in the business aspect of the government is evidenced by the formation of associations and leagues to study public revenue and expenditures. Three counties, Dona Ana, Torrance and Otero, now have such associations, and San Juan and other counties have the matter under consideration. The chief value arising from such organizations will lie in their insistence upon a business administration of county affairs. County commissioners will have a body of citizens whose help and cooperation they can depend upon and to whom they may make simple and comprehensive reports of their transactions, their accomplishments and the cost thereof.

Recital at Myers Home.

Miss Mary J. Johnston gave her monthly musical recital at the home of L. S. Myers on Alameda street, Saturday afternoon. The following program was rendered: "Hunting Song," Edwin Little; "Fairy Echo," Marybelle Leek; "Indian Song," Marian Hoose; "Festival March," Nancy Ervin Little; "Drink To Me Only with Thine Eyes," May Polk; "Baure," Evelyn Moore Kircher; "Good Humor," Mildred Hutchison; "Down Among the Daisies," June Joyce; "A Tender Flower," Helen Benson; "Christmas Eve," Lucille Myers; "Air of Mozart," Marjorie Snow; "Playtime," Aurelia SeKarda; "Dorothy," Wardle Leek; "Simple Confession," Mary Frances Joyce; "Vesper Chimes," Elizabeth Purdy; "Alla Marcia (Schutt) Dorothy Dick; Spanish Dance (Moszkowski), Dorothy Dick; Hayden Symphony No. 1, Elizabeth Purdy, with Miss Johnston.

Five cars of Davises, Mercers, and other relatives started out for a drive last Sunday afternoon and made quite an imposing procession as they wended their way to Avalon and other points of interest adjacent to town.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF The First National Bank

Carlsbad, New Mexico

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS FEB. 28, 1920

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts.....\$329,167.91	Capital.....\$100,000.00
LIBERTY BONDS.....50,750.00	Surplus (earned).....100,000.00
Other Bonds.....40,000.00	Undivided Profits.....20,387.42
War Savings Stamps.....916.97	Circulation.....25,000.00
Banking House.....7,500.00	Rediscounts with Federal Reserve Bank.....101,500.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank.....6,000.00	DEPOSITS.....846,519.09
Cash and Sight Exchange.....159,071.63	
\$1,193,406.51	\$1,193,406.51

THE ABOVE STATEMENT IS CORRECT.
CLARENCE BELL, CASHIER

GOOD OIL STRUCTURE IN VALLEY ABOVE LAS CRUCES.

El Paso, Mar. 19.—That there is good structure for oil in the Rio Grande valley a few miles north of Las Cruces, N. M., is the belief of Francis C. McMillin, a prominent lawyer of New York city, who was at the El Paso del Norte some time ago. While at Hill, N. M., a guest of Dr. C. L. Hill, president of the board of regents of the New Mexico agricultural college, Mr. McMillin has made a careful study of the geological conditions. On both sides of the valley at that place are mountain uplifts which there is reason to believe have caused an anti-clinal fold by lateral pressure in the intermediate valley. On the east is the San Andreas mountain uplift, and on the west of the valley is another mountain uplift. It is well known that where masses of igneous rocks force the strata upward, folds very similar to domes are formed. Volcanic necks or plugs may thus lift the formations around them, forming arched structures that are important factors in the accumulation of petroleum. Such an igneous intrusion occurs in the Dona Ana mountains, east of Hill and Fort Selden.

According to Major Llewellyn of the Fort Selden district, seepage of petroleum are to be seen along the bank of the Rio Grande below the Leesburg diversion dam and north of Hill. A company has recently been organized to thoroughly test this region by deep drilling. Mr. McMillin has just returned from an extensive trip through the oil fields of the Pecos valley and reports considerable drilling in various points.

L. O. Fullen is among the many lawyers from the northern part of the valley in attendance at court here this week.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

031936
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, Mar. 15, 1920.

NOTICE is hereby given that John F. Thomas, of El Paso Gap, N. M., who, on February 14th, 1917, made Homestead entry, No. 031936, for S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$:SW $\frac{1}{4}$:W $\frac{1}{4}$:SE $\frac{1}{4}$: Section 31, Township 25-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 Dover Phillips, United States Commissioner, at Carlsbad, N. M., on the 21st day of April, 1920.

Claimant names as witnesses: Walter R. Shattuck, of Queen, N. M.; Reos Rowls, of El Paso Gap, N. M.; Lee Magby, of El Paso Gap, N. M.; Lee Middleton, of El Paso Gap, N. M.

EMMETT PATTON,
Register.
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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

033812
033813
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, Mar. 15, 1920.

NOTICE is hereby given that Quincy E. Akers, formerly Quincy E. Flynn, of Orange, N. M., who, on January 17th, 1916, made Orig. Homestead No. 033812 for SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 22, S $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$:NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 26, and who on February 4th, 1916, made additional homestead entry No. 033813, for SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 26, Township 26-S, Range 18-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 A. F. Menager, United States Commissioner, at Alamogordo, N. M., on the 22nd, day of April, 1920.

Claimant names as witnesses: Davidson M. Holley, James T. Humphrey, David C. Lewis, Denom F. Lewis, all of Orange, N. M.

EMMETT PATTON,
Register.
Mar. 19-Apr 16

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

031978
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, Mar. 15, 1920.

NOTICE is hereby given that Mary Nevada Dillahunty, of Carlsbad, N. M., mother of Bailey E. Dillahunty, deceased, who, on May 6th, 1915, made Homestead entry, No. 031878, for S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$:NE $\frac{1}{4}$:Section 27, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 28, Township 26-S, Range 23-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 Dover Phillips, United States Commissioner, at Carlsbad, N. M., on the 24th day of April, 1920.

Claimant names as witnesses: Cliff McKinney, of Carlsbad, N. M.; Charlie Lassater, of Ous, N. M.; Ivan Thurmond, of Carlsbad, N. M.; Ed Atterberry, of Carlsbad, N. M.

EMMETT PATTON,
Register.
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LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF ROY MURRAH, DECEASED.

The State of New Mexico
To Whom It May Concern:
Notice is hereby given that an instrument in writing which purports to be the last will and testament of Roy Murrah, deceased, was on the 4th day of March, 1920 filed in the office of the County Clerk at the court house in Eddy County, New Mexico; that on the 5th day of March, 1920, an application for the probate of said will and for the issuance of letters testamentary thereon to William A. Murrah was filed in said office and that the Probate Judge of said County, by order, was fixed Monday, April 5th, 1920, at 10 o'clock, a. m., at the probate court room in the court house in said County, as the time and place for proving said will and hearing said application.

Dated: Carlsbad, New Mexico, March 5th, 1920.

(SEAL) D. M. JACKSON,
5Mar26 County Clerk.

NOTICE OF SUIT.

State of New Mexico to E. M. Carney, T. G. Carney and Unknown Claimants of Interest in the Premises Adverse to Plaintiff. You and each of you are hereby notified that suit against you by J. W. Evans, plaintiff, and you, defendants, Cause No. 3166, has been instituted and is now pending in Eddy County, N. M., in the District Court, to quiet plaintiff's title to Lots 1 and 2, Sec. 1, Twp. 18 S., R. 21 E.; and Lots 3 and 4, Sec. 6, Twp. 18

S., R. 23 E.; N. M. P. M. and two 6-hour water-rights, Nos. 64 and 65, in the Hope Community Ditch. You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before April 19, 1920, judgment will be rendered therein against you by default. Armstrong & Wilson, Carlsbad, N. M., are attorneys for plaintiff. Witness the hand and official seal of the County Clerk of said county this Feb. 25, 1920.

D. M. JACKSON,
27Feb-19Mar County Clerk.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

034194
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, January 1st, 1920.

NOTICE is hereby given that Wilks Glascock, of Carlsbad, N. M., who, on March 6th, 1916, made Homestead entry, No. 034194, for NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$:S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$:S $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{4}$:N $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$:N $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$:SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$:Section 4, Township 24-S, Range 24-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. P. McIlvain, United States Commissioner, at Carlsbad, N. M., on the 31st day of March, 1919.

Claimant names as witnesses: Shafter Ward, Collins Jerrell, Richard Smith, Beauford B. Polk, all of Carlsbad, N. M.

EMMETT PATTON,
Feb27-Mar26 Register.

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Attractions at Crawford Theatre NEXT WEEK

MON.—

DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS in
KNICKERBOCKER HUCKAROO
2 shows—7:30 and 9.

TUES.—

DOROTHY GISH
—in—
I'LL GET HIM YET.

WED.—

ANITA STEWART in
MIND THE PAINT GIRL
A truly big special.

THUR.—

GERALDINE FARRAR
—in—
WORLD AND ITS WOMAN

FRI.—

FRANK KEENAN in
THE BELLS and
THE GREAT GAMBLE

SAT.—

SHIRLEY MASON
—in—
FINAL CLOSE UP.

LOCAL NEWS

Benton Stone was registered at a local hotel from Roswell, Wednesday.

L. N. Hoag, who has large holdings in the lower valley, near Malaga, was a visitor here Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Allen Stewart returned from a two weeks' visit to Roswell, the first of the week. Mrs. Stewart has for a guest this week, Mrs. L. O. Fullen, of Roswell.

P. W. Dent, district counsel for the reclamation service, is in the city, coming from El Paso.

F. E. Little was among many others, a visitor to the oil fields at Dixieland and Pecos going Tuesday and returning Wednesday evening.

Kelly Vest, of Silver City, came in this week and will remain here until a change occurs in the condition of his mother-in-law Mrs. G. O. Merrifield, who is extremely ill.

Fred Gibson, A. Bailey, Cy Bunting, R. M. Teel, W. J. Owens and P. E. Fite, from the upper part of the valley, were registered at the Highway Wednesday.

J. C. Gilbert, candidate for district attorney, from Roswell, was in town several days this week.

P. Morrison is in town today on business.

Chas. W. Lewis, of Fort Worth, but for many years a resident of this city, is here this week attending court.

F. W. Ross, of Loving, was a business visitor to the county seat yesterday.

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DEMOCRATIC STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE TO MEET APR. 12.

Democratic State Central Committee, Santa Fe, N. M., March 17, 1920.

Carlsbad Current, Carlsbad, N. M.

Dear Sirs:

The following announcement is especially called to the attention of the members of the democratic state central committee, advisory committee, executive committee, county chairmen, and committeemen at large:

The Democratic State Central committee is hereby called to meet on Monday, April 12, 1920, in the city of Albuquerque at Jefferson Hall, 110 North Third Street, at ten o'clock A. M., for the purpose of naming the time and place for holding the State Convention to elect delegates and alternates to the National Democratic Convention at San Francisco, and for the disposition of any other matters which may come before the meeting.

Committeemen may give their proxies to women of their county and they will be recognized by the chairman.

May I urge that we have a full attendance.

Very respectfully yours,
(Signed) ARTHUR SELIGMAN,
Chairman.

(Signed) BYRON O. BEALL,
Secretary.

Tom McLenathen of Carlsbad has been in the city the past several days, looking after his sign work for the League of Army and Navy stores, his company having the contract therefor. He has with him Art Moritz who will be remembered by many Roswell folks. The sign is now an experienced gold leaf artist and bids fair to outclass his daddy in this line of work.—Roswell News.

Oil Digest Is Out.

The first number of the New Mexico Oil Digest to be published in Santa Fe is off the New Mexican press today—an edition of 15,000 with over 10,000 paid up subscriptions and the only strictly oil publication in the state.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Sprong of Carlsbad, parents of Mrs. J. D. Hart of this place, returned Monday from spending the winter with their daughter, Mrs. Bert Sands, in California. Tom Reeves, brother-in-law of Mrs. J. D. Hart, brought them here from Elida. They will spend a month with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hart before returning to their home in Carlsbad.—Livingston Leader.

Madam Minter has been confined to the house for three weeks past by a touch of her old enemy, rheumatism. She was much pleased, however, when her friend, Mrs. Gorley, called with her car and took Mrs. Minter to her home on Wednesday, where she spent a very pleasant day.

Mrs. Frank Matney left Wednesday in the Dillyhanty car for the ranch of the latter near the point of the mountains. She may remain there a couple of weeks if the change agrees with her.

Mrs. Victor Unruh left for her home in DeLeon, Texas, Monday, after a lengthy visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Smith, in Carlsbad.

Drs. Crouse and Walter, of El Paso, are in Carlsbad summoned to give testimony in the case of the state against Dr. J. W. Lackey.

Walter McDonald, candidate for sheriff, was down from Lakewood yesterday.

Dr. Swearingen, specialist, was in town this week on professional business.

Mrs. John Lucas left last week for the plains in the Lovington neighborhood where she went to nurse a relative who is ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. J. L. Martin was in town Monday, from Saragosa, Texas, coming here to pass judgment on the pictures painted by Frank Moritz for Mrs. Martin's "den". She expressed herself as greatly pleased over the pictures, which will be delivered to their owner tomorrow.

Mrs. John Murrah brought her little son Jimmie, to Carlsbad this week, from her home in Lakewood in order that the little fellow may have medical treatment. He has been suffering for some time from a growth in his nose.

Mrs. Genevieve Blevins returned the last of last week from a trip to Frederick and Snyder, cities in Tillman County, Oklahoma. Mrs. Blevins is the fortunate owner of a tract of land in that vicinity near where oil wells are going down all the time and will probably hold on to her land until she gets a good price for it.

H. B. Johnson, of Roswell, who has been in Carlsbad for several days, will leave about noon today for his home. Mr. Johnson formerly conducted a coal business in this city and is in the same business in Roswell. He still owns property on West Fox street which he recently had put in first class condition, and has rented. Mr. Johnson left a subscription for the Current while here.

If you want to save MONEY on your abstract work, see Security Abstract Company, office with County Surveyor.

OLIVER C. PAYNE FOR COUNTY SURVEYOR.

Oliver C. Payne, candidate for the office of County Surveyor, has been spending several days in town. Mr. Payne is at present in charge of the new irrigation work being constructed on the Harroun farm at Malaga, but intends to make Carlsbad his home in the future and will establish an engineering office in the county seat.

Mr. Payne came here from Indiana, where he had been a student at Valparaiso University. He is an experienced surveyor having worked in railroad, highway, irrigation and municipal projects, as well as construction work for the U. S. Shipping board in New York. He is an ex-service man, and a member of Bryan Mudgett Post-American Legion, and a noble of Mystic Shrine.

Troop 1, Boy Scouts, held their first meeting in their new quarters at the Library building Friday night and completed their organization as far as patrols were concerned. Clarence Horne was appointed scribe and Jno. Owen Eaken corresponding Secy.; Claude Brown was chosen captain of the base ball team and athletic work was started with a match tennis game between the first and fourth patrols. Frank Smith and Clarence Horne, Dibble Pate and Bill Hardy represented the first patrol and Billie Merriant, Dick Culpepper, Dudley Usery and Elmore Forehand represented the fourth patrol. Patrol four was victorious in the contest.

Miss Hattie Eaker returned Monday from a ten-days' visit to the northern part of the state.

A. R. Hebenstreit is at Carlsbad to make a bid on the paving contract that is to be let there soon.—Albuquerque Journal, March 14th.

A. G. Shelby was a visitor to Pecos and the oil fields adjacent Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Kimbrough bought the big "Stephens" car from W. E. Nutt this week.—Livingston Leader.

Professor and Mrs. Hatfield and daughter were in town Saturday from their home at Malaga.

With morning worship Sunday at the Presbyterian church, the subject of the sermon will be "The Right Quality of Giving". Sunday school at ten and Endeavor meeting at six-thirty.

Mrs. Allen Stewart returned to her home in this city from Roswell, where she has spent the past couple of weeks, getting in yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Harriett Brainard, of El Paso, is in town, coming to be present at the trial now occupying the attention of the people of this county. Mrs. Brainard has just convalesced from a spell of pneumonia.

We are abstractors by profession; not by accident. Security Abstract Co., office in court house, 25 years' experience.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church announce a market to be given at R. M. Thorne's furniture store, Saturday, March 20th, beginning at 3 o'clock, where you can get a lot of good things for your Sunday dinner.

Will Purdy left for Roswell last night to look after his business at that place.

Henry Barber Five Years Old. Dainty invitations were received by some of the fortunate little folk of the city for the party at the John Barber home, Thursday afternoon, from 3 to 6, the occasion being the fifth birthday anniversary of Henry Barber.

The Barber boys, Junior and Henry, have everything in the way of playthings that will add to their pleasure and their little guests were delighted with their arrangements made for their happiness on this auspicious occasion. Miss Mil-dred Pate assisted in entertaining the little ones and a serving of delicious ice cream, cake and candy at the close of the afternoon. The children were given souvenirs of horns and decorated candy boxes and all went to their homes happy as boys and girls always are on occasions of this kind.

Those present were Phyllis, Jeanette and Barbara Hoose, Jeanette Worthelm, C. D. and Mary Belle Rickman, William McIntosh, Billy Holt, Helen and Claire Benson, William and Earl Hanson, Joseph Yates, Marguerite Beckett, Gertrude Bell, Doris and Lois Perry, William and Bobbie Glasier, Henry Barber, Victor Lee and Helen Minter Virginia McAdoe and Jeannie McLees Stennis.

Baptist Church. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Sunbeams, 2:30 p. m. Senior and Junior B. Y. P. U., 6:45 p. m. Preaching, 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. There will be baptismal services at the evening hour. Last Sunday our Sunday school moved forward in a great way. Come and help us move forward again! We want your children in the Sunbeams too, and the Junior B. Y. P. U. Yes, and we want YOU in Sunday school—be there on time! A cordial invitation to one and all. T. C. MAHAN, Pastor.

The Carlsbad postoffice force wishes to call attention to the fact that the postoffice at Queen, which was discontinued, temporarily, is again "open for business". Mail for residents in that vicinity may be addressed as before, to Queen, Eddy county.

ALMOST FATAL ACCIDENT.

Last Sunday the little five-year-old tot of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Forrester happened to a sad accident while playing with a supposed to be empty target cartridge but which turned out to be a real live dynamite cap.

The little one had picked it up somewhere about the place, and with the entire family sitting about the stove watching her scratch it back and forth around the stove rim, it first spattered like a fuse and then went off with such terrific force as to jar the whole house, taking the first and second floors and the thumb of the little one's hand with it. It seems a miracle that none of the others were injured and that the little one escaped with her life.—Livingston Leader.

LUCY ATTRACTION COMING.

Mr. Lucey (who, by the way, is a descendant of Sir Thomas Lucey, famed in the Shakespeare deer-poaching episode of Stratford), will be seen here. He has traveled in many lands, and embodies the best things he has seen and heard in his charming entertainments, personating in rapid make-up such celebrities as Twain, Riley, Poe, Lincoln, Pope Leo Gough, Nye and many others, interspersing all with a charming flow of wit, mimicry and ludicrous fun, and sending the audience home radiantly happy from "A Night in a Poet's Workshop," coming March 30th.

HI-LINE CANAL INTERESTS IN-VOKE ASSISTANCE OF U. S.

The following resolution asking that the arid region included in the proposed Hi-Line Canal Irrigation district be put under the supervision of the Reclamation Service, was passed at a meeting of the drylanders some time ago:

Resolution.

WHEREAS, the members of the Hi-Line Irrigation District are anxious to have the lands embraced within the boundaries of said district brought under irrigation at the earliest possible moment with the minimum of expense; and Whereas, heretofore surveys have been made under the direction of the United States Reclamation Service of the proposed damsite, and canals necessary to bring said lands embraced within said district under irrigation, and preliminary cost estimates made, and

Whereas, a considerable portion of the land owners in said Hi-Line Irrigation district are also land owners under the present Carlsbad Project, and as such have had opportunity to observe the efficient and economical manner in which the said Carlsbad Project has been constructed, and the economical and efficient manner in which said Carlsbad Project is being operated; and

Whereas, it is a matter of common knowledge among the landowners of said Hi-Line Irrigation district, that the value of the crops produced under the Carlsbad Project during the year of 1919 greatly exceeds the entire cost of construction of the entire project; and Whereas, the members of said Hi-Line Irrigation district realize and firmly believe that the work necessary to be done to bring their said lands under irrigation can be more efficiently and economically done by the United States Reclamation Service, with its great organization, composed of the best construction and irrigation engineers in the United States, headed by that eminent engineer and executive, Hon. Arthur P. Davis than by private works;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the individual land owners under the Hi-Line Irrigation district, in mass meeting assembled, that we do earnestly solicit and request the cooperation of the United States Reclamation Service, in having said Hi-Line Irrigation district approved as a Reclamation Project, or having it included within the Carlsbad Project, the securing of funds for its construction, and in having it constructed and operated by the said United States Reclamation Service, as are other projects in the arid west.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Hon. Franklin K. Lane, Secretary of the Interior, Hon. Arthur P. Davis, Director of the United States Reclamation Service, Hon. P. W. Dent, District Counsel Mr. L. E. Foster, Project Manager, Carlsbad, New Mexico, to the Reclamation Record, and to the local press.

Attest: W. H. MERCHANT,
FRANCIS H. RYAN, Chairman,
Secretary.

Roswell, N. M., March 17.—In addition to rides through the famous review of the New Mexico Military Institute cadets, special entertainment for visiting ladies, and a boxing contest and smoker, all planned by the Chamber of Commerce for the visitors at the annual convention of the New Mexico Cattle and Horse Growers Association here March 29, 30 and 31, the Elks will have two of their now famous open air dances. These events have proved very popular in the past. However all entertainment features will be so arranged that they will in no way interfere with the regular program of addresses and business of the convention.

Interest is increasing in the address of John T. Atwood, assistant attorney general, on the subject, "The Packers' Decree". This subject is one in which every stockman is interested and it seems probable that Mr. Atwood will not be the only one who will have something to say on the subject.

Eastern New Mexico stockmen are especially interested in the convention because it is the first one held on this side of the state and it will be the first many eastern New Mexico stockmen have attended.

TRUE TO PROPHECY

Things at our house are beginning to take on their oldtime homelike aspect.—A little alcohol here, a little soap there, and a little varnish and paint and

ELBOW GREASE

Everywhere are working wonders at the old stand.—We were not hurt nearly so much as at first supposed.—Much of the merchandise that was really smoke damaged on display represented but a small percentage of our actual stock in these lines.—the reserve being protected in the stockroom.—This has enabled us, in most cases, to offer our customers a choice between the REGULAR and the REDUCED, and such as we have seen fit to include in the latter class has been

MOVING FINELY

our regular trade getting the benefit.—It's mainly a good old-fashioned job of cleaning house, and everybody's busy.—Among seasonable items to which we might call your attention in passing are

HAT DYE AND HAIR DYE

each in a variety of beautiful shades. If you don't need the one, you might find a place for the other.—We've got 'em both.

CORNER DRUG STORE

U. S. NAVY WILL LEAD WORLD BY 1920 IS PROMISE.

Washington, March 16.—The American navy by the end of 1924 will be the equal of that of any other nation, Representative Thos. S. Butler, Republican, of Pennsylvania, chairman of the house naval affairs committee, declared today. "Taking it 'all around', he added, "our sea force by that time will be the heaviest and best improved in the world."

He explained that we would not have as many vessels as England, but "our navy will equal that of England in value and strength," he declared.

Methodist Church. Sunday school will open at 9:45. Preaching by the pastor at 11:00 and 7:45. Epworth League service at 6:45. A most cordial invitation extended to all visitors and strangers spending Sunday in Carlsbad.

GEORGE H. GIVAN, Pastor.

"The Miracle Man" attracted the attention of the people of Carlsbad at the Crawford Theatre last night. Patrons, without exception, were foud in its praise, and the full house proved the value of judicious advertising. We predict another successful house tonight when it will be repeated. "Let us all try for a better world."

Ralph The Cleaner has worked up a fine trade in his line and so rapidly has his business increased that he has been obliged to install another cleaning machine. This is a dry cleaner and he is certainly turning out some lovely work, especially on ladies garments.

At the session of the forty-second annual communication of the Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of New Mexico, Richard H. Hanna was elected grand master; F. E. Lester, deputy grand master; Lucius Dills, senior grand warden; Joseph Gill, junior grand warden; Solomon Spitz, grand treasurer, and A. A. Keen, grand secretary.

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OFFICIAL CALL OF THE REGULAR BIENNIAL CITY ELECTION IN AND FOR THE CITY OF CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO, AND NOTICE OF THE APPOINTMENT OF BOARDS OF REGISTRATION, JUDGES AND CLERKS.

The Regular Biennial Election, for the purpose of electing a Mayor, a City Clerk and a City Treasurer of the City of Carlsbad, New Mexico to serve for a term of two years, and for the further purpose of electing one Alderman of Ward Three to serve for a term of two years (the term being the remainder of the unexpired term caused by the resignation of L. E. Hayes), and for the further purpose as hereinafter set out, is hereby called and will be held on the first Tuesday in April, being the 6th day of April A. D. 1920, as required by law.

Notice is hereby given that the following persons have been appointed by the City Council of the City of Carlsbad, New Mexico, to act as Boards of Registration, and the hereinafter named places be and are hereby designated as the places of registration in the respective wards:

FIRST WARD—Board of Registration: J. J. Beale, J. T. Woodward, Frank Moritz. Place of Registration: City Hall.

SECOND WARD—Board of Registration: E. Hendricks, L. S. Myers, Bert Ravlin. Place of Registration: Grammar School.

THIRD WARD—Board of Registration: J. E. Lavery, J. E. Wallace, J. B. Morris. Place of Registration: R. M. Thorne's store.

FOURTH WARD—Board of Registration: W. R. Owen, E. H. Hemenway, Sam Lusk. Place of Registration: High School.

The registration books shall be opened for registration of voters, beginning at 9 o'clock A. M. on the 16th day of March, 1920, at the places hereinbefore designated, and will be closed at 5 o'clock P. M. on the 28th day of March, 1920, but a certified list of the registered voters will be posted for a period of six (6) days thereafter outside the door of the places of registration hereinbefore designated and in the Post office of the City of Carlsbad, New Mexico, during which time any person noticing that his name is not registered may apply to have the same added thereto and placed upon said books within six (6) days after the posting of

STATE APPROPRIATION TO EDDY COUNTY SCHOOLS.

March 16, 1920.
M. C. C. Sikes,
County Treasurer of Eddy County,
Carlsbad, New Mexico.

From the State Appropriation of \$3757.12 to the schools of Eddy County, made by the State Department of Education on March 1, 1920, upon a scholastic enumeration of \$184 for the year 1919-1920, at \$1.18 per capita, you will please place to the credit of the several districts of Eddy County the following amounts:

No. Dist.	Enumeration	Amt.
1. Otis	248	\$ 316.24
2. L. Black River	29	34.22
3. U. Black River	25	29.50
4. Queen	51	60.18
5. Rocky Arroyo	47	55.46
6. Lakewood	135	159.30
7. Hope	377	444.86
8. Loving	252	297.36
9. Malaga	170	200.60
10. Dayton	51	60.18
11. Arista	663	782.34
12. Atoka	61	71.98
13. Cottonwood	107	126.26
Carlsbad Independent	943	1118.64
Total	3184	\$3757.12

Very respectfully yours,
GEO. M. BRINTON
County Superintendent of Schools

Wonderful Husband.
"Yes," said Mrs. Meek at the Woman's club, "John makes a model husband. If I never cook anything but what he likes, if I never want him to go anywhere he doesn't want to, and never ask him for money, why, he is the easiest man to get along with that I ever saw. Of course, he is a little fussy about his mending, and I often have to do his silk shirts over a few times, and he has a wee prejudice against my entertaining any of my own friends or relatives, but we all have our little failings, and, taking it all in all—and you can say what you please—I call my John an ideal husband."—Life.

said registration list, or the name of any person who within said six (6) days may be discovered not to be a legal voter may be stricken from the list by any member of the Board of Registration.

Notice is further given that the following persons have been appointed by the City Council of the City of Carlsbad, New Mexico, as Judges and Clerks, to conduct the regular Biennial Election, and the hereinafter named places be and are hereby designated as the voting places where said election shall be held, as required by law.

FIRST WARD—Voting Place: City Hall. Judges: Geo. Price, C. H. Dismann, R. Ohnemus. Clerks: A. L. Allinger, F. W. Pratt.

SECOND WARD—Voting Place: Grammar School. Judges: J. R. Linn, John Lowenbruck, F. L. Dearborn. Clerks: D. F. Sellards, M. K. Clark.

THIRD WARD—Voting Place: Court House. Judges: J. H. Geo. L. Anderson, D. W. Duncan. Clerks: Lee Hanson, H. E. James.

FOURTH WARD—Voting Place: High School. Judges: J. S. Oliver, Bob Hamblen, E. A. Roberts. Clerks: H. Hutchison, J. W. Lewis.

Notice is further given that there will be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Carlsbad, at the same time and at same voting places at which the Regular Biennial City Election is held, a proposition of issuing the negotiable coupon bonds of said City in the aggregate amount of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) for the purpose of providing funds for the construction and furnishing of a Municipal Building in accordance with plans heretofore adopted by the City Council of the City of Carlsbad and pursuant to Section 3563 Subsection 6th of the Compiled Statutes of the State of New Mexico 1915. Said bonds to be optional in ten (10) years and due in twenty (20) years after their date and bear interest at the rate of not to exceed six percent (6 per cent) per annum, payable semi-annually. The ballots to be used in voting upon said proposition shall be substantially the following:

FOR the issuance of the negotiable coupon bonds of the City of Carlsbad, New Mexico in the aggregate amount \$40,000.00 for the purpose of constructing and furnishing a City Municipal Building.

AGAINST the issuance of the negotiable coupon bonds of the City of Carlsbad, New Mexico in the aggregate amount of \$40,000.00 for the purpose of constructing and furnishing a City Municipal Building.

No person shall be entitled to vote upon said proposition unless he be in all respects a qualified elector of the City of Carlsbad and shall in the next preceding year have paid a property tax therein. The ballot used for submitting said proposition shall be deposited in a different box than that used for depositing the ballots for the election of officers of the City of Carlsbad. Said election will be held and conducted and the results thereof canvassed by the same officials and at the same time and place as the regular biennial election held for the purpose of electing city officials.

Done by order of the City Council of the City of Carlsbad, New Mexico, the 1st day of March, A. D. 1920.

D. G. GRANTHAM, Mayor.
D. F. SELLARDS, City Clerk.
(SEAL) 5 Mar 20

COOL LIES DECREASING.

Reports from various parts of the state indicate that cool lies are decreasing at a diminishing rate in the territory. In all judicial districts, care is exercised to prevent long terms of justice and draw out trials. One and two sessions of the grand jury are the rule. Because of prohibition, crime has been reduced and cases costing thousands of dollars are rare. It is a matter of credit to our judges and of congratulation for ourselves that we can note the tendency toward better conditions. Along with lower court costs, we find police and jail expenses becoming less and less. The less it costs for prevention and correction of bad conditions, the more funds we shall have for constructive governmental service—for roads, sanitation, schools.

Hueco Basin Well Going Down Fast
The well of the Hueco Basin Oil company is going down at a rapid rate with the best possible showing for oil. The formations encountered have been very similar to those found in the big fields of North-Central Texas. The driller is confident that commercial oil will be struck within the next 1000 feet.

THE BELL WELL CENTER OF MANY GOOD LOCATIONS.

(Continued from First Page.)

When, on March the second, he brought in at 650 feet, a well that has made the names of Pecos ring round the world. News that the Bell had flowed over the top of the casing was flashed through the country last Monday, and the big newspapers of the country all carried good sized stories under a Pecos date line telling the news. The effect of this was electrical, for scarcely had the news gone abroad when the city began the fill up with strangers and the register at the Orient and the Pecos hotels now looked like a blue book of Who's Who in Oil. Some of the most prominent operators in America are either here in person (some incognito) or are represented by their scouts. The oil scout is always the vanguard of the oncoming oil hordes. Nearly every telegram that has gone to the outside world sings the praises of the new discovery in a vibrant key. The oil is here; the facts speak for themselves.

The Bell well has created a sensation in oil circles. Although still too early to calculate with any degree of certainty the exact production, oil men from Oklahoma, Eastern Texas, Louisiana and elsewhere variously estimate the potential flow at from 300 to 600 barrels. Anything ventured in this connection, however, is clear conjecture and we do not go on record as saying it is a 100-barrel well, nor even a 300-barrel well. When the tankage, which has been shipped, arrives and the pumping equipment is connected up with the sucker rods and the well is put on the beam, then, and not until then, will anything definite be known as to the capacity of the new discovery.

Since the well was brought in there has been a steady influx of oil men from all parts of the country and word received from Shreveport indicates that even Homer has been forgotten in this excitement and all eyes are turned on the new Pecos field. Oil operators from Tulsa and the Cushing pool, producers from Wichita Falls and Ranger and Stephens and Eastland and Electra—even from the California fields—are coming in on every trail. The town is crowded. To get a decent place to stand is a problem; to eat you have to stand awaiting your turn. Crowds are waiting on the street corners and at the postoffice and other meeting points and the talk is all of the new field. Trading in leases is at fever heat at advancing prices. Near the well, acreage is high as the moon. Ira Bell turned down an offer of \$200,000 from E. P. Howard for forty acres adjoining the well. This is at the rate of \$5000 per acre. Howard personally confirmed this statement.

There has been a steady stream of automobiles to and from the well since it was brought in. Samples of the oil, which is of a light, greenish tinge, have been sent broadcast to the big refineries by their representatives in the field. The oil tests 29 gravity, is high in gasoline content and will produce the finest grade of lubricating oils. It is indeed a higher grade oil than either the Ranger crude or the Burkburnett. According to experts, it more closely resembles the Somercrest crude in Pennsylvania, which is selling at about \$6 per barrel on the eastern markets.

The oil rose steadily in the well after the test, March 24, until on Monday morning at 3 o'clock it came up to the top of the 650 feet of 6-inch casing and there flowed over the top. The well is now flowing a steady, small stream

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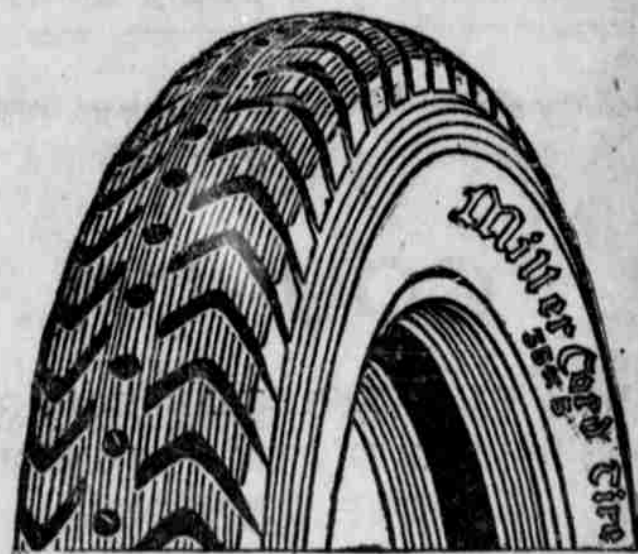
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into a barrel-shaped receptacle and from there it is diverted by pipe to a galvanized iron storage tank about 200 feet away. This tank holds about 600 barrels and is partially full. Very little gas is coming with the oil, although the fumes from the oil are strongly impregnated with a gassy substance. The fact that there is but little gas coming with the oil, perhaps accounts for the relatively small flow, because with any volume of gas the well would likely be a gusher. From all appearances this well will be strictly a pumper, as the indications are clear, even to the uninitiated, that there is insufficient gas coming with the oil to force it from the hole in volume.

M. M. Garvin, who drilled the well in, says it is drilled into the sand about 7 feet. Oil began to raise in the hole when he hit the top of the sand. He continued drilling about 7 feet, where the bit struck a hard shell. He drilled on this shell about an hour without making any perceptible hole and concluded to shut down and make a well right there rather than undertake to go deeper where it might have run into a stream of salt water and spoiled the well. Of course, what underlies is a problem which only future drilling will solve. Prof. Tucker and others say there are several oil bearing strata underlying; maybe so. Anyhow, everybody's conceding it was the thing to do to stop at 650 and make a well; which he did, and with the result that Pecos has at last found its place in the sun.

Before the summer is under way there will be a battery of wells from the 650 sand, while many deeper wells will be drilled further out in the folds of the anticline.



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RAILROAD ASSESSMENT FOR 1920 HEAVIEST EVER MADE.

The railroad assessment for 1920 is \$101,319,796, the heaviest assessment in the history of the state, John Joerns, secretary of the state tax commission, announced yesterday afternoon. The figures are final. The assessment was fixed tentatively by the tax commission at its November term, but the railroads had the right to protest at the February term. Their protests have been heard and the figures announced yesterday by the secretary go on the tax rolls.

The Santa Fe was given the heaviest assessment—\$55,956,845, including its terminal property, which was assessed at \$3,950,168. The Albuquerque terminal alone was assessed at \$1,046,085.

The total assessments for the railroads follow:

Arizona & N. M. Ry. Co.	\$1,444,819
A. T. & S. F. Ry. Co.	55,956,845
C. R. I. & P. Ry. Co.	5,567,401
C. & S. Ry. Co.	2,334,080
Continental Tie & Lr. Co.	12,500
Cimarron & N.W. Ry. Co.	132,000
D. & R.G.R. Ry. Co.	3,206,000
E.P. & S.W. System	24,172,221
McGaffey Co.	45,144
McKinley Ld. & Lr. Co.	149,600
N. M. Central Ry. Co.	462,800
N. M. Midland Ry. Co.	100,000
Santa Barbara T. & P. Co.	29,750
Southern Pacific Co.	8,247,340
R. O. & S. W. R.R. Co.	99,000
S.F. R. & E. Ry. Co.	70,500
S.F. R. & D.M.Ry. Co.	50,000
City Electric, Albuquerque	54,750
Las Vegas Transit Co.	13,505
Trin. Elec. T. Ry. & G.	70,851
Grand Total	\$101,319,796

Heards Buy Cow for \$6,000.00

Jack Heard and Will Franklin bought the Hereford cow "Granaphone 6th", 387768, by Domino, and bull calf, for \$6,000.00 from G. R. Jowell, of Hereford, Texas. This cow will add greatly to their small herd of "Anxiety 4th" Herefords. Jack also refused \$2500.00 for one of his cows, a Bright Star cow, white at the Amarillo convention.

Mrs. A. B. Edwards was a visitor to Roswell last Sunday, going up for a short visit with her aunt, Mrs. W. A. Johnson.

QUESTIONS FOR EIGHTH GRADE EXAMINATIONS.

George Lougee, chief clerk of the department of education, has mailed a bunch of trouble for the bright boy and girl graduates-to-be and others—those who won't be. In the last class, however, there won't be many. At least the records of eighth-grade examinations held in the past show that few have failed to pass.

The bunch of trouble mailed by the chief clerk contained the questions prepared by the department of education for the eighth grade examinations to be held on March 18 and 19, the first to be held this year. Two more examinations will follow at which those who "flunk" in the first will have a chance for diplomas by payment of a small fee. They are given only one free chance.

The questions, of course, are a profound secret. The county superintendents noon will know what they are—for they were mailed to the county superintendents—and later the teachers who will hold the examinations, but Little Willie, who'd stake his chance at captaining the Sluggers to know, perhaps ill-advisedly under the stress of mental anguish, won't know until the 18th of March.

Sam Muldrow, a nephew of Henry Muldrow, spent a couple of days at the home of his relatives in Carlsbad, this week. Mr. Muldrow has a flock of sheep and a small ranch west of town.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(By REV. F. B. FITZWATER, D. D.,
Teacher of English Bible in the Moody
Bible Institute of Chicago.)
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LESSON FOR MARCH 21

JOHN'S PICTURE OF WORSHIP IN HEAVEN.

LESSON TEXT—Rev. 7:9-17.
GOLDEN TEXT—Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honor, and power, and might be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.—Rev. 7:12.
PRIMARY TOPIC—The Heavenly Home.
JUNIOR TOPIC—A Glimpse of Heaven.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—A Vision of the Glorious Future.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Permanent Message of the Book of Revelation.

1. The Worshipers (vv. 9-14).
I. Who they are (vv. 9, 11). (1) Redeemed men (v. 9). They are mainly Gentiles—"of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues." They are those to whom the "gospel of the kingdom" has been preached by converted Israelites (Matt. 24:14). In the first part of chapter seven we saw God sealing his chosen ones from Israel. They were sealed with the seal of God in their foreheads, which doubtless means the supernatural endowment of the Holy Spirit on the last days (Joel 2:28-32). While this was partially fulfilled on the day of Pentecost, its larger realization is still future (Acts 2:15-21). This outpouring is for the equipment of the Jews for their divinely ordained mission, namely, to preach the gospel of the kingdom to the whole world. When God sends forth the 144,000 Jews with the unction of the Holy Spirit, the innumerable multitude from all nations will receive Christ, the slain Lamb, for their redemption. (2) All the angels (v. 11). These angels endorse this ascription of praise offered by those redeemed men by saying "Amen."

2. Whence came these redeemed? (vv. 13, 14). They came out of the great tribulation (v. 14). After the rapture of the Church (I Thess. 4:13-18), awful days of suffering and trial shall come upon the world (II Thess. 2:7, 8). It is the time of sorrow when the anti-Christ shall hold sway; such days as were not before nor shall be after, in which if not shortened no flesh could be saved (Matt. 24:15, 21, 22; cf. Dan. 7:25; 9:26, 27).
3. What they say (vv. 10, 12). (1) Salvation to our God and the Lamb (v. 10). They ascribe their salvation to God through the sacrifice of the Lamb, Jesus Christ. (2) "Blessing." They acknowledge that all blessings come from him. (3) "Glory." They acknowledge him as the glorious one and the one to whom all glory should be given. (4) "Wisdom." He is infinitely wise and all wisdom comes from him. (5) "Thanksgiving," because salvation was provided by him. (6) "Honor." Their hearts went out to him in high esteem. (7) "Power and might." They recognized that all power inhered in him.

II. The Blessedness of the Worshipers (vv. 13-17).

1. They are before God's throne (vv. 9, 15). They are in heaven and near the throne of God. Jesus Christ is now preparing mansions for those who shall go to heaven (John 14:1-3).

2. Clothed with white robes (vv. 9, 14). Their white robes suggest their character. They have been made such in the blood of the Lamb. The only way for a sinner to be made ready for heaven is through the blood of Christ.

3. They bear palm branches (v. 9). The significance of the palm is found in the use that the Jews made of it at the Feast of Tabernacles. It was a time of great joy, because it represented the gathered harvest. The bearers of the palm branches will experience the blessedness of not only being in heaven, but of enjoying rewards for their work on earth.

4. They serve God day and night (v. 15). Heaven is not a place of idleness, or altogether of singing God's praises, but a place where real, vital service is rendered to God; indeed, there are nobler fields of endeavor awaiting us beyond this life. This life is but a training school in which we are made ready for service in heaven.

5. God dwells among them (v. 15). To get to heaven at all would be truly blessed, but to be there and have God to dwell among us will be wonderful.

6. Hunger no more nor thirst (v. 16). Here life is one continuous round of hungering and thirsting. In heaven we shall neither hunger nor thirst, for Jesus Christ, the Lamb, shall feed us. The straits and necessities of life will then be over.

7. Neither shall the sunlight or heat come upon them (v. 17).
8. God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes (v. 17).

This Day Only.

Enjoy the blessings of the day if God sends them; and the evils bear patiently and sweetly; for this day only is ours; we are dead to yesterday, and not born to tomorrow.—Jeremy Taylor.

Greatest of All Cunning.
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LOCAL NEWS

Will Murray is in town from his ranch near Lakewood, attending court and transacting other business.

Judge Emmett Patton, register of the State Land office, at Roswell, was in town on business before the court, Wednesday.

The Women's Missionary society of the local Methodist church is entertaining the Epworth League of the same church at the Sunday school rooms tonight. A full attendance of the league is expected.

Harvey Fisher and family left in their jitney Saturday for a visit with friends in the Toyah neighborhood. They remained until Sunday night and had a most agreeable visit with their old friends.

Mrs. Slaughter, who had been visiting her sisters in Carlsbad, Mesdames John and George Lucas, left Monday on the return to her home at El Paso. Mrs. Slaughter lived in Carlsbad several years, in the early days, and is remembered by all the old-timers.

Dr. and Mrs. L. E. Ervin returned Saturday from Plano, Ill. Dr. Ervin was called to attend the funeral of his mother and was taken ill while gone. Mrs. Ervin being called to Plano by a telegram announcing his serious illness. Happily, however, his illness proved of short duration and he was able to return home as above stated, although not yet entirely recovered.

R. M. Thorne and Professor W. A. Poore were passengers to Albuquerque last Saturday, going there to attend the annual communication of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M., which convened there last Monday, the 15th instant.

Mrs. Sam Moskin returned Sunday from Roswell, where she and her little daughter had been visiting. Mrs. Moskin has about recovered from her recent illness.

Claude Wright is spending the week in Kansas, looking over matters preparatory to putting in his crop there. He will be gone a fortnight at this time, later the family will accompany him and plans are made for them taking up their residence there permanently.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Rickman spent the week-end in Roswell, guests of the J. W. Gmel family while there.

A large number of Carlsbad citizens visited the Bell well at Dixieland, southeast of Carlsbad, last Saturday and Sunday. In every instance, the well met the expectations of the sight-seers. Among those who went down Sunday were the following, others going down Saturday and Sunday night: Mr. and Mrs. Geo. V. Price, Mr. and Mrs. Allinger and children; Bert Rawlins, Homer King, Ural Boyd, Joe Johns, Robert Finlay, R. E. Dick, W. A. Moore, Bill Ohnemus and Ben Wheeler.

Tom Gray, Robert Lapsley, Albert Johnston, J. D. Forehand and many other Black river residents attended court here this week.

F. L. Dearborne, of the Roberts-Dearborne Hardware company, returned Sunday from a successful business trip to points north and east in the interest of his firm.

A cantata is under preparation to be given in the near future by the school children, under direction of Mesdames Karner and F. G. Snow. The entertainment will consist of choruses and representations of various flowers by the little ones. It is really a Nature play and has been given with great success in other places, and under the instruction of these ladies, will no doubt be successful in Carlsbad. The proceeds are to be used for the benefit of the local Christian church.

C. E. Thomas left for El Paso Gap, Tuesday morning after spending several days in town attending court.

W. H. Merchant returned Monday from a business visit to Pecos and other Texas points.

Huling Usery was in town this week from his ranch southwest.

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It was always the boast of Republican leaders that theirs was "the party of the business man". They have posed from the beginning as the friends of business. That friendship found expression in their tariff laws and in various domestic policies, they asserted. Yet, with all this concern and regard for business, the Republicans remained in power for forty years without devising a safe monetary system; without making provision for farm loans; without taking a step to create an American mercantile marine; without any attempt to modernize and expand our consular system in the interest of foreign commerce. A Republican Congress at this moment is opposing the enlargement of our merchant fleet, is preventing the repeal of the tax on clothing and the like; is reducing the appropriation required to continue and extend the good work of the foreign trade service of the department of commerce. And the business man can't seem to understand this sort of friendship.

What about a "Clean-Up" day for this city? Other towns around us are doing their annual cleaning at this time and Carlsbad should follow suit. Any person going about over the city cannot fail to see the necessity for this work and why not make a concerted effort and put the town in good condition for the coming season? Why not?

DILLARD H. WYATT FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

Dillard H. Wyatt, candidate for district attorney for that part of the Fifth judicial district comprising the counties of Chaves, Eddy and Lea, was born on a cattle ranch in Texas in 1891 and came to New Mexico and the Pecos valley in 1901.

He was graduated from the Roswell High school in 1910; from Missouri University in 1914 and the Harvard Law School in 1917. His education has been thorough and complete. At Missouri he received the foundation for a law education and his work at Harvard where he was graduated with honors, shows how completely he mastered the law at this the greatest of all American law schools. It has long been recognized that a man, fortified with a diploma from Harvard, has the best legal training that can be procured in America. At Harvard he was vice-president of the democratic club and took a prominent part in the politics of the old Bay State, making stump speeches all over the state and in New Jersey.

Dillard Wyatt answered the first call to the colors, going to the first officers' training camp at Leon Springs, Texas, where he was commissioned a second lieutenant and assigned to the 35th Infantry, 90th Division.

He was promoted to the rank of First Lieutenant in December, 1917, and was placed in command of Company M, 35th Infantry. He went into the trenches in August and was commander of an over-the-top company which established a brilliant record in the San Michel and Meuse-Argonne offensives. Dillard Wyatt was wounded twice in battle and was in the front of the fighting for several months. The army records show that the 90th Division suffered some terrible losses during these months and was one of the crack fighting divisions of the army. A Colonel in the 90th Division who recently visited Santa Fe and recognized the picture of Dillard Wyatt among the New Mexico war heroes, said: "I knew him, and I saw him fight. A braver man I never knew. I can see him now, trudging through the rain of shells and bullets, always obtaining his objective and always going forward."

Since his dismissal from hospitals in France, where he spent five months recovering from his wounds, and his return to this city Mr. Wyatt has been active in the work of the American Legion, serving as its post-commander, and in other reconstruction work.

The friends of Mr. Wyatt believe that a man who can lead a company through many months of fighting on the western front in France, with the lives of every man in his hands and depending on his judgment, is old enough to make a good district attorney. Had it not been for the two years, and more, he gave to his country, today Mr. Wyatt would have demonstrated his ability as a lawyer.

Mr. Wyatt is not making the race on his war record, but on his merits alone. Because of his legal training, his wide experience and his knowledge of western men and conditions and fearlessness, Dillard Wyatt, if elected, would make an excellent district attorney. Roswell Record.

A Revaluation Commission.

The County commission of Chaves county at a recent meeting passed a resolution providing for a revaluation of improvements upon real estate throughout the county. Such revaluation is to be made by a commission. A detailed report is to be made and a copy thereof will be filed with each of the appointing bodies. The expenditures will be borne in equal shares by such bodies.

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LAKEWOOD LOCALS.

Mrs. Mary Sellmeyer, who has been visiting her son, G. H., departed Wednesday night for her home in Glasgow, Missouri. She was accompanied as far as Emporia, Kansas, by her son G. H. Sellmeyer, at which place he will buy some blooded cattle.

I. M. Whitworth and family, consisting of his two sons, Giles and Ira, and daughter, Miss Vera, departed Sunday night for Chanute, Kansas, where they will reside in the future. The Whitworths have lived here some eleven or twelve years, and leave many warm friends who wish them every success in their new home.

W. P. Whitworth, of Erie, Kansas, who has been visiting here, and assisting his brother, I. M., in his preparations to move to Kansas left with his brother and family, for his home Sunday night.

Mrs. Lucile Engelmann and little son, who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Howell and other relatives and old friends, departed Sunday night for their home in Whitewater, Wisconsin.

The biggest dance of the season was held at the old hardware store here Saturday night. People were in attendance from a number of towns up and down the valley, and everybody had a big time.

J. B. Michener returned Wednesday night from El Paso, where he has been delivering some horses.

Mrs. W. T. Scott and little son, Elmer, were visitors to Artesia on Monday.

Geo. Wilcox, of Dexter, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives and friends here.

Miss Clara Scott is spending this week with friends at Globe.

Lewis Howell and family have moved into their new home recently purchased from I. M. Whitworth.

Glen O'Bannon and family, of near Lake Arthur, were visiting with relatives and friends here Saturday and Sunday.

Lewis and Tom Howell, Will Truitt, W. L. McDonald and Mrs. John Murray returned to Carlsbad Saturday.

Judge J. W. Dutton spent most of this week attending court at Carlsbad.

A. C. Crozier went up to Portales Sunday night, and is spending this week on business in that city.

Miss Ora Millman, saleslady at the Peoples Mercantile Co., has been confined to her home by sickness this week.

Will Truitt and W. L. McDonald were business visitors to Artesia Wednesday.

R. G. Adams was a business visitor to Carlsbad Tuesday.

J. M. Stroud made a business visit to Carlsbad Monday.

W. W. Snyder and wife, of Lovington, were visiting with friends here Sunday.

E. Virgil Albritton came in from Eastland, Texas, Wednesday night. He has been working in the oil towns of that section of the Lone Star state for the last year, his family residing at Abilene.

Miss Elizabeth sends hearty greetings to her old friends and classmates here, she being in school with the sophomores while living in Carlsbad. Mr. Albritton has an air of prosperity about him which is not acquired by printers as a general thing. He says, however, that it is hard to consider any place home except Carlsbad.

TO THE MEN AND WOMEN VOTERS OF CHAVES, EDDY AND LEA COUNTIES.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of District Attorney of the Fifth Judicial district, composed of the counties of Chaves, Eddy and Lea, subject to the will of said voters at the coming democratic primaries.

The law of the State is such that a candidate for this office cannot lawfully spend over \$300 to secure his nomination and election. It will be impossible, therefore, for me to keep my name before the public through the public press of the District or by the charges made by newspapers, so I take this way of space advertising to make my announcement.

That those of you who read this and who do not know me, may know what I believe are my qualifications for this office, I will state:

That I am forty-one years of age and have been a resident of New Mexico for twenty-three years, and a resident of Chaves County for fifteen years of the time. I am married and have a wife and four children, am a property owner and tax-payer; I have been continuously engaged in law work for fifteen years in Roswell. I am and always have been a Democrat and an active worker for the party, and have never held an office. I am now serving as Democratic State Committeeman and have acted as such for four years.

During the war I was a member of the Legal Advisory Board, also of the Bureau of Investigation of Alien Property, of the Soldiers and Sailors Dependents Advisory Board of Chaves County, and of the Chaves County Liberty Loan Committee, on all of which I served to the best of my ability and have received the thanks of all my superior officers and advisors, as well as letters of thanks from Franklin Roosevelt, for my services. On all moral issues I have used my influence and labors for what I believed to be the best and was State Committeeman from Chaves County of the State Prohibition Committee during the last campaign.

I believe that a public office is a public trust and that, one elected is, and should be, a servant of all the people, irrespective of color, creed or politics, and if elected I pledge myself to an honest enforcement of the laws to the best of my ability. It is my belief that one term of four years is long enough for one to have this office, and that one who aspires to it should have some years of experience in the practice of law and dealing with people, and should be qualified to look after the office personally and not be compelled to rely upon some assistant.

I believe the office of District Attorney is, insofar as it affects the general public, the most important office in the District by reason of such officer being the legal advisor of all County and precinct officers, including grand juries; and by his acts largely depends the costs pertaining to the Criminal Courts. These I pledge myself to reduce on per cent of business transacted. I solicit your vote and support in this campaign on the basis that you vote for the candidate that you would employ as your attorney if there was no such officer and you were compelled to employ an attorney to represent you in his capacity.

Yours very truly J. C. GILBERT.

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WE CAN SAVE YOU MONEY

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WANT ADS

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN:—I have three residences for sale at bargain prices. W. H. MERCHANT Phone 320.

LOST:—Wrist watch; Radiolite; case No. 590981; watch No. 20748260. Lost Wednesday night around Crawford hotel. Reward. It. JESSE PLOWMAN.

EGGS FOR HATCHING:—From Barred Plymouth Rock fowls. Fifteen for \$1.00. Phone 109 N. 3-19 tr

FOR SALE:—10 or 11 tons of first class alfalfa at the Fisher farm below town. Price \$20.00 per ton. A. E. MORDEN.

WANTED TO BUY:—Cottage from owner. Phone 321.

WANTED:—Second hand Floor Cases. Call 299. I. J. STOCKWELL.

FOR SALE. Good second-hand Ford touring car. JOYCE-PRUIT CO. 3-19-3-26-2t

FOR RENT:—Two-room cottage, vacant tomorrow. MRS. C. H. DISHEMAN. Phone 224.

FOR SALE AT BARGAIN. \$300 Saxon Runabout with self-starter, run less than 3500 miles. See at Weaver's Garage. \$450.00 Ford Touring car, used 16 months. Both cars A 1 condition. Terms to right parties. FRANCIS G. TRACY.

FOR LEASING. 100 acres deeded land, 4 miles south of Artesia and 160 acres 3 miles from Lovington, Eddy Co., New Mexico. Write me. J. M. MASON, Owner. 3Mar26

To Whom It May Concern. This is to certify that C. W. Tucker is no longer in my employ. CARLSBAD OAKLAND SALES CO. By L. W. Arthur.

WANTED TO BUY:—Eighty acres or more in either Township 18 or 19, range 26. Owners give particulars and price. Address H. H. CULVER, 1409 Wall Street. Joplin, Mo. 12Mar26

FOR SALE:—One 4-room house with bath and 2 sleeping porches. W. G. DONLEY.

FOR SALE:—Ringlet Barred Plymouth Rock eggs, extra good stock. Price per 15, \$1.00. MRS. M. N. CUNNINGHAM. Phone 95G.

JERSEY BULL for public service; fee \$3.00; opposite cemetery. Phone 202J. M. L. DAVIS.

FOR SALE:—A good Overland car. See 113-19 W. H. MERCHANT.

SINGLE COMB BROWN Leghorn selected eggs for sale; an extra good laying strain. 15 for \$2.00. MRS. G. R. HOWARD. Loving, N. M. F151f

FOR SALE REASONABLY—9x12 Writon Velvet Rug, 4-section book case, including desk section, solid oak library table. Phone 297.

THE CAMERA SHOP. Is open now in the Ray Davis studio and will give you prompt service in your Kodak work. See us for all kinds of out door work.

FOR SALE:—A Singer sewing machine. Been carefully used and in good condition. Phone 318, or see MRS. C. M. RICHARDS. 7tp

PIANO TUNER:—Those wishing the services of a piano tuner may secure the same by calling for J. L. Penny at the Purdy Furniture store.

A BARGAIN:—A four-room modern house for \$1850.00 for quick sale. The best buy in town. If you have a better bargain than this, just let me know and I will buy it. C. A. NELSON.

FOR SALE:—Six full blooded S. C. Rhode Island Red hens and one cockerel, \$15.00. Box 146. Phone 284.

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

If you are in the market for a new car, don't fail to see the 1920 series new model Studebaker at the Ohnemus Shops and Garage—"Can Fix It."

Snowfall in Elevated Regions of the State for February.

There was a light fall over the Pecos and southwest district and no stored snow remained in lower levels; 18 to 20 inches at the headwaters of the Pecos and Gallinas, and 6 to 9 over the highest southeast mountains. Good early rain will be needed to maintain the flow. Cows, about 20 inches above 9,000 ft. on north and west slope, east and south slopes nearly bare, prospects poor. Harveys, 18 inches remain at 10,000 ft. Jacarilla, 9 inches over highest mountains. Mack 4 inches above 8,000 ft. Parsons, about 20 inches at 9,000 ft. on the White Mountains. Mayhill, practically no snow in this vicinity.

In place of an Easter Card—
Your photograph.
Both seasonable—
but one a permanent reminder of
YOU

There's a Photographer in
Your Town
(An early appointment means time
for careful work.)

The Moss Studio

I hereby announce to the public my candidacy for the office of Treasurer and Collector of Eddy County, New Mexico, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries, when held.

If selected for this position by the voters I pledge my entire personal attention to the duties of the office and courteous treatment and prompt attention to all.

AUD E. LUSK.

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Commissioner of Eddy County, New Mexico from District No. 3, subject to the will of the democratic voters as expressed in the primaries when held.

G. R. HOWARD.
Loving, New Mexico.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Clerk of Eddy county, New Mexico, subject to the action of the democratic primaries when held.

D. M. JACKSON.

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of county commissioner of Eddy county, New Mexico, from District No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

MILTON R. SMITH.

I hereby announce as a candidate for the office of Treasurer and Collector of Eddy County, New Mexico, subject to the action of the democratic primaries when held.

I desire to place my name before the voters of Eddy county as a candidate for Sheriff, subject to the democratic primaries, the date of which will be set later.

GEO. A. BECKETT.

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of sheriff of Eddy county subject to the action of the democratic primaries when held.

GEORGE BATTON.

I wish to announce to my many friends and the general public that I am in the race for 1920 for Sheriff, subject to the action of the democratic primaries when held, and solicit your co-operation.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Superintendent of Schools of Eddy County subject to the action of the Democratic primary whenever the same shall be held.

GEO. M. BRINTON.

I do hereby announce myself a candidate, subject to the action of the Democratic Party at its primaries, for District Attorney for the Fifth Judicial District of New Mexico.

DILLARD WYATT.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of county commissioner of Eddy County, New Mexico, from District No. 2, subject to the action of the democratic primaries when held.

G. R. BRAINARD.
Artesia, N. M.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Commissioner for the second district of Eddy County, subject to the action of the democratic primary, when held.

HOLLIS G. WATSON.

I hereby announce myself for re-election to the office of district attorney of the fifth judicial district subject to the action of the democratic primaries.

ROBT. C. DOW.

I wish to announce myself a candidate for the office of Assessor of Eddy county, New Mexico, subject to the action of the democratic primaries.

L. S. MYERS.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor of Eddy county, New Mexico, subject to the action of the democratic primaries.

JOE JOHNS.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Sheriff of Eddy county, New Mexico, subject to the action of the democratic primaries when held.

WALTER L. MCGONAGLE.

ANNOUNCEMENT. Having been solicited by a number of the business men of Carlsbad, and the stockmen of the county, I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Commissioner of District No. 1, Eddy county, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries, when held.

I have been a resident of Eddy County for twenty-two years, and served the county as Commissioner of District No. 1, for two terms. I thank my friends in advance for their support and if elected, shall endeavor to serve the county in a conscientious and acceptable manner.

J. H. JAMES.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE. I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Probate Judge of Eddy County, New Mexico, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

FRED E. WILSON.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of County Surveyor of Eddy County, New Mexico, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries, when held.

OLIVER C. PAYNE.

SERVICE CROSS AWARDED TO LOVINGTON YOUNG MAN.

Oran Crockett, formerly of Plainview, N. M., but who has been in business in Lovington for some months, received a letter from the war department at Washington last Monday night, which is as follows:

The Adjutant General's Office Washington, D. C. February 25, 1920.

Mr. Oran O. Crockett, Plainview, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:—The War Department has awarded the distinguished service cross to you for extraordinary heroism in action as per the accompanying copy of your citation.

The Quartermaster General of the Army has been directed to forward the cross for you to the Recruiting Officer, Albuquerque, N. M., who will cause the same to be presented to you.

Very truly yours,

P. C. HARRIS
The Adjutant General.

CITATION. Oran O. Crockett, runner, Company C, 8th Machine Gun Battalion, for extraordinary heroism in action north of Clergues, France, October 4, 1918. Private Crockett, during an attack under terrific shell and machine gun fire, carried messages from company to platoon headquarters, thus maintaining the necessary communication required in a successful operation.—Lovington Leader.

FRUIT RATES HIGHER.

Fruit growers of the Pecos valley received a jolt when Claude Simpson, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, got a letter from Hark Williams, chairman of the state corporation commission making a comparison of new rates for fruits, melons, and vegetables, with the rates in effect heretofore.

Among the new rates is one for apples, increasing the cost of shipment from Roswell, Artesia and Carlsbad and other points in the valley from 26 1-2 cents, the old rate, to 33 1-2 cents per 100 lbs. This rate applies to shipments to points in New Mexico and Texas.

The other new rates for fresh fruits, green vegetables melons, cider and phosphates shipped from Roswell and other points in the valley to destinations in Texas, are higher in most instances.

The new rates became effective on February 29th.—Roswell Record.

Judge Grantham requests the Current to notify all persons that while the burning of the dead grass is vitally necessary it should be done under supervision, and not entrusted to small children. Burn the grass by all means, and at once, but see to it that the fire is all extinguished and that the work is done when there is no wind blowing.

W. A. Moore is having the old Acadian Hall, on Main street, remodeled and made into a number of suites of rooms, which will be rented for light housekeeping, and which he will have no difficulty in renting, the demand for small houses being greater than the supply.

The World's Largest Production of Tires on the Smaller Cars Alone



We call attention not so much to the size of this average daily production as to the extent of the effort we put into the making of these 30x3-, 30x3½-, and 31x4-inch sizes.

The separate factory we have devoted to their manufacture is not only the largest of its kind in the world, but it makes fully effective that experience and resourcefulness which have produced the tires most popular on the higher-priced cars.

No tires bearing the Goodyear name contain a higher relative value than these tires for Ford, Chevrolet, Dort, Maxwell and other cars requiring the sizes mentioned.

If you own one of these cars, go to the nearest Goodyear Service Station Dealer for these tires and for Goodyear Heavy Tourist Tubes. He has them.

30x3½ Goodyear Double-Cure Fabric, All-Weather Tread \$23.50
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Goodyear Heavy Tourist Tubes are thick, strong tubes that reinforce casings properly. Why risk a good casing with a cheap tube? Goodyear Heavy Tourist Tubes cost little more than tubes of less merit. 30 x 3½ size in water-proof bag \$4.50

GOODYEAR

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. R. L. Halley is in Roswell this week, going there Monday evening.

Joe Cunningham made a trip to Livingston and back last Monday and says he encountered a very severe sandstorm while on the road.

Mrs. James Livingston left Wednesday morning for Tehuacana, Texas, where a grandchild is critically ill from double pneumonia. Information was received in a telegram and Mrs. Livingston left once.

Jim Martin is preparing to open a meat market in the room next to the Corner Drug store, in the old fifth building. The room will be set up, temporarily, and as it is not suffered as much from the sand as the rest of the building, it will require a great deal of repair work. Jim has his refrigerator ready to install and says he will only do a cash business, and with his limited capital expects to make a living.

Dr. R. J. Boatman has had his cottage north of the park all renovated inside and put in first class condition. New paper, in artistic patterns, adorns the walls, the woodwork has been done over and all together it's one of the prettiest and most attractive residences in the city. It has been rented by Will Ed Carter and he and Mrs. Carter will soon be at home to their friends in this cozy dwelling.

W. E. Broom, of Alamogordo, surprised the folk at the Methodist parsonage last Friday night by stepping in on them unannounced. He will probably remain a month or so to spend a part of his vacation. Mrs. Broom and baby daughter have been here a couple of weeks.

W. H. Merchant, real estate man, tells the Current he has been doing a record business this month. He sold seven lots to different parties in one day this week and his only difficulty is in having property listed for sale. Real estate and town property is changing hands rapidly and advancing in value all the time and Mr. Merchant predicts a wonderful development all over the valley the coming season.

Owing to some misunderstanding in regard to the date, the meeting of the Home and School association last Friday night was not well attended, but a most interesting meeting resulted despite that fact. Musical numbers were given by Miss Mary I. Johnston and Miss Harrison, and a cute little recitation by June Joyce, of the third A grade, the concluding lines of which brought down the house. "But oh, it made my mother squirm, because she thinks I ate that worm." The little girl responded to a hearty encore, giving James Whitcomb Riley's "I've a Visitin'." The paper by Mrs. J. F. Bush, "What Children Should Read," was very practical and was appreciated by all. F. G. Tracy gave a very interesting talk, which completed the short program.

The Morgan Jazz orchestra of Roswell, of four pieces, will play to the American Legion dance tomorrow night and will also furnish music at the Palace hotel between 5:30 and 8 p. m. This is the well known Morgan "Jazz" band, and many who have enjoyed its fine music at various times will no doubt take occasion to hear it again during supper hours at the Palace tomorrow night.

Miss Mabel Wilson, of Hopedale ranch, whose illness has been mentioned several times in the Current, was taken last Saturday to Roswell, where she entered a sanitarium that she may have special treatment. Her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. William Wilson, of Roswell, were here and accompanied Miss Wilson to Roswell.

Friday, March 26th, is the day set for the Old Timers' dance at the Armory in Carlsbad. The young men back of the affair have spared no labor or expense and as the dance has already been well advertised up and down the valley a large crowd is assured.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wells returned the first of the week from Albuquerque, where they represented the southern part of Eddy county at the meeting of the Salvation Army conference. They report an interesting and profitable meeting.

Mrs. R. C. Dow, after her very serious illness, is again able to be about and Monday was on the streets for the first time in some weeks. Her friends here are glad to note her convalescence.

Miss Julia Means is visiting in Carlsbad, from her home in Hope this week, coming down Monday.

SHOULD HAVE NEW COURT-HOUSE, SAYS JUDGE.

"This county ought to build its new courthouse as soon as possible," said Judge C. R. Brice this week to a Current reporter, as he looked over the old red brick pile. "The old building is useful enough as a court house, but it is not in keeping with the dignity of Eddy county, which can well afford to take its place among those other New Mexico counties which are adorned with beautiful public buildings. The new structure will be old before the old structure is replaced. I suggest that the people of the county seriously consider the building of the new courthouse." "People of Eddy county are prosperous and can afford to pay for a new building. Think of the debts that were paid by that million and a half of cotton money that came in this fall. Every cent of it was outside money, and I venture to say that it paid ten million dollars of debts." "Eddy county mustn't lag behind in the procession."

Notice. At the regular meeting of the Carlsbad Women's club, which will be held at their rooms in the library building in Carlsbad, next Tuesday afternoon, March 23rd, election of officers for the coming year will be held. A full attendance is desired and earnestly requested.

MRS. L. G. RYAN, Secretary.

W. H. Merchant spent Sunday and Monday in Roswell on a business mission.

JACOB J. SMITH

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NEW MEXICO GIL MEN VISIT PECOS FIELD.

F. E. Levers, a Roswell, N. M., oil man, is in Pecos, accompanied by M. B. Johns, a driller, and the two are looking for some choice prospects in this field, possibly with a drilling contract attached. Mr. Levers says the Pecos valley of New Mexico looks certain for production to him, the Illinois Producer's well near Artesia being at about the same stage as the Bell well was thirty days ago, except that the oil encountered is at approximately three times the depth. He believes that the whole Pecos valley will be brought in eventually, extending from the south rim of the Toyah basin to beyond Roswell. Much structure has been located up and down the river, most of it on the east side of the river, and test wells are fully as numerous as they were in this part of the valley before the Bell strike.—Pecos Enterprise.

At the Cemetery Monday. The meeting set for Monday afternoon at the cemetery was quite seriously interfered with because of the wind and sandstorm, which came up in the afternoon. Quite a few persons braved the storm, however, and set out a goodly number of shrubs and plants, on different lots, although no concerted planting was done. Mrs. T. J. Cooper was among those present and gave valuable assistance in planting and advice. Mrs. Cooper is very successful in floral culture and her lot in the cemetery shows the result of her hard work along that line. The invitation is extended to any person who has plants of any kind; flower seeds, shrubs, or bulbs to donate the same to the cemetery. This will be greatly appreciated and as there is water in abundance almost any plants will grow. The association has no money to expend on improvements and must depend on its friends and those interested for these things. Let us all pull together and make the resting place of our loved ones a spot of beauty. It can be done with a little work and help from each one. The location is good, the trees beautiful, and the well furnishes water in abundance, so nothing is lacking but a little interest and cooperation on the part of the citizens.

Young Society Folk Dance. A dance was given at the Academy hall on Main street, last Friday night, at which fifteen couples of young people were present and which was a very happy affair. The hosts of the occasion were Allen Hardy and Herbert Hiltson and the young folk were chaperoned by Mesdames Hardy and Bujac.

Homer Cair returned Monday afternoon from Guthrie, Oklahoma, where he was called Tuesday of last week by the death of his mother. The deceased had been ill for a long time, but was reported getting better until a short time before her death. Sympathy is extended Mr. Cair in his bereavement.

Charles Gerlach, wife and two children left Monday for Los Angeles, and after a visit there, will go on to their home at Portland, Oregon. They have been here for some weeks with relatives, who regret their leaving.

W. W. Harlin and boys from Hope are in town this week in attendance at court.

BRITISH SAILOR VISITING AT THE GAITHER HOME.

W. W. Gallon of Otha is entertaining a distinguished visitor in the person of his brother-in-law, Captain P. Clifton Brown, C. B., C. M. G., of the British Navy, who is in the south-west resting from a strenuous four years sea service during the Great War.

Captain Brown, when seen one windy day this week, admitted that his friends here enjoyed a wonderful opportunity to get all the fresh air that could be had, and that a dust storm was a new experience for a seaman straight from the fogs of the North Sea, but said little regarding his work in the war. It was learned, however, that he commanded a flotilla of destroyers in the North Sea during the early part of the war and that he was afterward sent to the Mediterranean, to hunt the submarine there. When the Greeks dethroned Constantine, and set up their provisional government under Venizelos, Captain Brown was sent to reorganize the Greek navy, and served there until the signing of the armistice. He was present at the storming of Gallipoli heights, when blundering staff work lost that brilliant opportunity to cut short the career of the Turk as an ally of the Central powers, and he has studied the Turkish question laterally from many months' residence in that far corner of the world.

"Americans are needed over there to keep order, and discipline that crew," said the Captain. "The world needs your type of men, men who can do things, who can put the job over. The need is amazing. It is not understood here." The Navy man said that it was true, although not known then, that the Turks were out of big gun ammunition, when the British fleet withdrew at the entrance to the Straits. "They were sending down big mines through the Straits, and we might have lost another big ship, but I think we could have made the trip and taken Constantinople."

Captain Brown will remain in the valley only for a short time.

Ernest Delk was a business visitor to this city from Lakewood, his home, Tuesday and Wednesday.

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RAY WAGONER, President.
PRAGER MILLER, Secretary.

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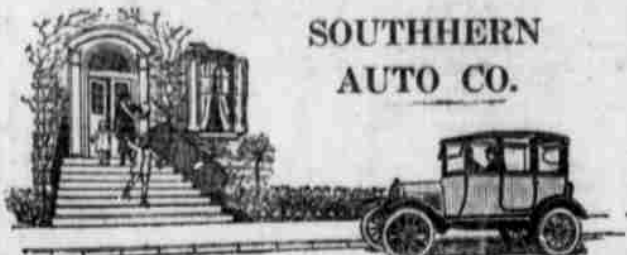
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"WHERE THINGS ARE NEW"

BUILDING BOOM HITS CARLSBAD

About \$100,000 Worth of New
Structures Contemplated, in Ad-
dition to \$250,000 for Paying.

The young men of Carlsbad have taken the bit in their teeth and are gone. The town is embarking on a building boom that is phenomenal for so quiet a town as Carlsbad has been the last few years. A hundred thousand dollars will hardly cover the cost of the new buildings to be projected within the next three months, not to consider the paving which will cost a quarter million more.

Carlsbad has suffered heavily from fire and part of this work will be replacement work, but replacement that will exceed the buildings destroyed by many thousands of dollars. Largest of all the buildings contemplated is a structure planned by Milton Smith, to cost from forty to fifty thousand dollars. Smith lately suffered a very severe loss the destruction of two-thirds of his one-story brick building, which was 65x150 feet, but plans to replace it with a structure that may double its ground site. This will be a two-story building with office rooms upstairs and store rooms in the ground floor. William Leck, who owns several business lots on the south edge of the Smith lot, plans to join with a two-story structure to replace the present unsightly blocks which now house his grocery store and a boot shop. Mr. Leck plans to utilize a second store which he owns across the street from the postoffice to house his grocery while building below, and will then replace this old wooden building with a second brick block.

The Stockwell Auto Service Station company is completing a fine concrete pebble dash filling station, further down Canyon street, at the corner of Greene, which will cost when completed, three thousand dollars. It is a showy structure, designed by Frank Moritz, and sets a high standard for other builders to follow. Stockwell, who lost heavily in the Smith fire, is a young mechanic who has already made back the money he lost in the advance in value of lots which he purchased adjoining the purchase of his new building.

Sam Moskin is a third young business man who is putting up a concrete building in which to house his fur, hide and general junk business. It will cost three thousand dollars and will be completed in a month. Sam came to Carlsbad in a generally broke condition, but has lit on both feet and is going ahead in a manner which is bringing raps of astonishment from older business men in town.

Other structures either started or planned are a ten thousand dollar home, facing Court House square, now under construction for E. T. Carter. Boyd Baker has also completed a fine structure with particularly pleasing lines a block north and west of the court house. Several other small frame businesses have been completed during the winter.

BILLY THE KID'S DREAM.

Last night as I lay sleeping
A sad dream came to me
I dreamed of a mourner weeping
With love and compassion for me.

I dreamed I was a transgressor,
All doomed and shrouded by fate.
The mourner was earnestly pleading
To turn and come home ere too late.

The mourner was my dear mother;
At the dead of the night she had come
To have me to vow with a promise
As sure as the rise of the sun.

I promised by stars in the heavens
A place for my record I'd found
The sun I would use for a witness
And turn before it went down.

Swift was the time of the vision.
Dimly I saw her pale form.
Short was the time of duration.
One moment and then she was gone.

And so my dream it proceeded:
The pictures were many it drew
Of life and foreboding disasters,
Of shadows the darkest of hue.

One was a sad picture of sorrow:
Dead men lay out on the ground,
With blood stains over their garments
That flowed from their deadly wounds.

"Fate" was the name of another;
Dark was the raging storm:
Breakers high as the tree tops;
White was the raging foam.

The doomed and fated vessel
Went down in the mighty deep.
Men lay thick on the seashore
In their last and lonely sleep.

And here my dreaming fancy
Took a somewhat sadder change,
And I a helpless prisoner
In strong and cruel chains.

I saw men building the gallows
My fate at last I had found.
The vibrating thud of the hammer
To me was a desolate sound.

But the sound was the bark of a
coyote.
With a bound I sprang from my
berth.
Of all the happy mortals,
I was the happiest man on earth.

(Note—Billy The Kid was an
outlaw that was to have a strong-
hold in Dark Canyon. Many old
time cowmen know him, and to
them it is of interest to read his
dream.)

REVOLUTION IN GERMANY

Hundreds Killed As Revolutionists
Rout Ebert Government and
Attempt to Establish New
Men in Power.

London, March 16.—After having assumed charge of the German government when Ebert and his officials fled from the city, Chancellor Kapp, head of the government at Berlin, has resigned in favor of President Ebert, says the Berlin correspondent of the London Times under date of Tuesday evening. Efforts to form a Kapp ministry have been abandoned.

Naval Guns Used in Civil War.
Copenhagen, March 16.—Four hundred workmen were killed and many scores were wounded at Kiel today when a cruiser bombarded an organized workers' camp that had been established on the heights of Eckernforde in the north of the big naval port. An entire section of Kiel was leveled by the fire from the big naval guns.

"Red" Revolution Imminent.
Berlin, March 16.—"Red" revolution hover over vast areas of Germany, and its reign of terror threatens to engulf the whole empire.

A soviet republic has been proclaimed in Bavaria, the heart of South Germany. Soviet regimes are springing up like mushrooms in the big industrial cities and provinces. Every big city in the land, including Berlin, is a battlefield. The death toll mounts into the hundreds.

Industry, commerce and traffic are crippled by strikes and sabotage, which even machine gun fusillades have failed to crush. Whole units of troops, fired of bartering oaths of allegiance between governments that do not govern, are going over to the "reds."

Sick of "self Socialism," which is what they call the Ebert regime and determined to fight to the death everybody and everything that represents kaiserism, the radical working masses have taken things into their own hands. They utterly ignore the bickering between the Kapps and Eberts. They like and fear at the peace offers and ultimatums and "negotiations" that are going on between the two rivaling "governments," whose compromise yesterday proved to have been a brazen fake.

Facts About Germany.
In Dortmund, the big Westphalian coal, iron and steel center, the "red" terror burst into the midst of a great trade fair, attended by numerous foreigners and hosts of visitors from all parts of Germany. Fifteen were killed and 50 wounded, including some of the foreigners.

In Harburg, just outside of Hamburg, 29 were killed or wounded, including some women and children. Dresden, the Saxon capital, yesterday the boasted new "seat" of the Ebert regime, was the scene of violent clashes today. The casualties were many.

Chemnitz, chief manufacturing town of the former kingdom of Saxony, saw civil war in its wildest forms. The workers, victorious after terrific street battles, formed a "committee of action" disarmed the "bourgeois" troops and distributed the captured arms among 3000 of their comrades.

Essen, the home of the Krupp, is a strategic center of the "reds." The fighting and casualties there were heavy.

In Frankfurt on Main, the big Prussian center of commerce and finance, 50 were killed and 150 wounded.

In Hanover, one of the most important railway centers of Prussia, armored cars dashed through the streets all day, their soldier occupants trying to terrorize crowds. The populace sought shelter in their homes and then replied by firing from the windows.

HAY TRADE CONDITIONS OF THE WEEK.

Although the peak of the market is passed and values have begun to decline, there is no great amount of hay moving in the east and markets are in a fairly good condition. Famine prices are over, however, and any further shortage in supplies can be due only to the condition of country roads. In the West there is little hay loading due to this cause and markets are correspondingly firm. Reports of poor quality hay are almost universal and the best grades when found make quick sales. The shortage of hay in New England was very acute during the blizzard and there are many instances where feeders were compelled to slaughter their cattle because of the inability to secure hay or grain. This forced hay in some instances to fabulous prices and it will probably be some weeks before a normal supply can be accumulated.

Special Tax Commission.

In pursuance of an act passed by the legislature at its special session, Governor Larrazolo has appointed a commission to study the entire tax situation and report to the next legislature in 1931. The appointees are H. J. Hagerman, president of the Taxpayers' association of New Mexico, Roswell; John Joerns, secretary of the State Tax commission, Santa Fe; J. E. Sheridan, State Mine Inspector, Silver City; W. O. Haydon, E. Las Vegas; J. P. McCanna, Albuquerque. An appropriation of \$5000 was made for the commission's expenses.

J. H. Hervey, attorney, is down from his home at Roswell, coming in his car, to be present at court.



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INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY.

Carlsbad, N. M., March 17, 1929.
The Carlsbad Current,
Carlsbad New Mexico.
Gentlemen:

For the information of the public and the candidates for the various offices, I wish to announce that I have received no reply from Chaves County Committee as to when they expect to hold a Democratic Primary in that county. The Lea County Committee has advised me that the first primary will be held on the 17th day of April, and that they will have a second primary on the 15th of May.

There seems to be some misunderstanding about ladies voting in the Eddy County Primary. The resolution provides that they vote in our primary regardless of whether

or the National Woman's Suffrage Amendment was adopted or not. They will participate in our primary upon exactly the same basis as men.

S. D. STENNIS, JR.,
Chairman of Eddy County Democratic Central Committee

Readjust Federal and State Revenues.
says the National Tax Bulletin: readjustment of sources of federal and state revenues is imperatively demanded to provide adequate for the growing public expenditures without stifling the continued development of industry and commerce. To bring about such adjustment, a national convention suggested to be composed of members of high intelligence representing all vocations, the federal and all state governments.

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