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MOGORDO—The Lincoln National Forest continues to grow in popularity according to the annual report of the forest officials, which shows that the Lincoln Forest had half million visitors in 1929. Roads are credited with much increase according to O. Fred the Lincoln supervisor. The national areas near Weed, made visitors in the year, made by extensive improvement of in that section. In former this was an almost inaccessible The Clouderoft district also led increase with improvement he west, of the La Luz canyon y, and the Artesia-Elk, May- highway from the east.

ANNING CLOTHES STUDY STYLE CHANGES

Without doubt there has been a change in the style of wo- clothes, says Carolyn F. Wetzel New Mexico Agricultural Col- The knee has become entirely For several years the spring il sewing consisted principally ing up the skirt another hem The change now is not en- one of doing the opposite for ire silhouette is changing. The who wishes to be well dressed ep up-to-date should get all ar out of the clothes she now r seems as if the piece goods cturers are getting the upper and there will be a decided . There is a question whether man who has tasted of the n of the long waist line, of orrecting and of skirt that does mper her movements will be to listen to the dictates of and follow in line without a . Does appear though that the who is getting ready to plan ring sewing must take the fol- points into consideration: The skirts are longer. For wear the skirt must come well e calf of the leg. 14-16 inches he floor is the accepted length. the reader not remember when ngth was in vogue before and ne blushed and said "scanda-) Uneven hemlines almost ng the floor are permissible n evening or fancy afternoon The waist line is higher. The l waistline, instead of an iny waist line located at the hip s considered better style. We again have gores and flares us. The Princess and semi- lines are good. ve all, before planning your sewing, study the new fashion and if you are near stores e and, if possible, try on the mades. The eye and the mind become used to the new lines they can be made with any of success or worn with the e of well being and of poise new dress should give.

and Papa: "Don't you think it is time the baby learned to say 'm'?" her: "Oh, no. I hadn't intend- ing who you are until he be- a little stronger."

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MICKIE SAYS—

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INSIDE INFORMATION

Starch clothes wrong side out, and leave them wrong side out until they are sprinkled.

There is no reason for removing food from a can as soon as it is opened. In fact, transferring the canned product to another receptacle might add to the danger of contamination.

Soaking any kind of fresh meat before cooking is a mistake. It draws out the juices which give the characteristic flavor and add to its food value. Before cooking simply wipe meat off with a damp cloth or trim it.

Buy sheets 24 to 36 inches wider and longer than the mattress so that the ends and sides can be well tucked in. This length also allows for a generous turnover on the top sheet to protect the blankets and comfortable.

Remember that the table is a place for good comradeship with one's children and not for discipline or nagging. Take it for granted that the child will eat happily everything served to him, and be sure that he becomes acquainted with a variety of foods.

Leather furniture coverings look better and last longer if they're rubbed occasionally with castor oil. This restores to the leather the oil that generally dries out. Rub the liquid in well and wipe off any excess on the surface, to prevent its soiling whatever touches it and collecting dust and dirt.

If you are one of the mothers who have difficulty keeping the younger children quietly at the table until everyone has finished, especially if the neighbors children are in the habit of coming to the door or shouting through the window to persuade your children to hurry, you may find it expedient to give the younger ones their food earlier than the family meal, at a separate little table. There is less distraction, you can give your full attention to their table habits, and they are spared the tiresome wait between courses which is necessary at a large family meal. Some of the foods you expect to serve at your own dinner can also be given the children, but those which would not be desirable for them can be withheld and questions avoided. A little planning will soon make it possible to fit these two meals and their preparation into the day's routine.

OIL RIGHTS TO BE TAXED

SANTA FE — Royalty rights on prospective oil production in Lea and Eddy counties are to be taxed, the state commission said Friday.

These rights are selling from \$35 to \$100 per acre, the commission has found after investigating. The amount of assessment will be determined later by the commission.

Since it is probable that oil will never be struck on much of the land on which oil royalty rights have been sold, it is believed the assessment will be comparatively light.

According to information reaching the commissioners 10,000 such rights have already been sold.

COTTONWOOD ITEMS (Miss Alma Bradley, Reporter)

Mrs. Stewart and son, F. Stewart are spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Gentry.

Miss Camille Horner and friends of Dayton were visiting relatives on Cottonwood Sunday.

Mrs. Bob Vogel of Artesia has been saying with her mother, Mrs. Will Waldrip, who has been ill for the past week.

J. L. Taylor and Clarence Vowell, of Colorado City, Texas are visiting at the home of their relatives, Jim Cullen and family.

Vernon Palmer, who has been visiting his mother and brother in Texas, returned last week and is staying at the John Norris home.

Mr. and Mrs. Huff and children, of Justin, Oklahoma, moved to the Cottonwood community last week, where they will make their future home.

Claude O'Bannon had the misfortune to break his arm last week. He received medical attention at Artesia and is reported to be getting along nicely.

The Cottonwood Woman's club met at the home of Mrs. R. Rogers last week after a business session, refreshments were served by the hostess. The club will meet next with Mrs. Jess Funk, the first Wednesday in March.

The Upper Cottonwood basketball team drove over to the oil field Wednesday to play a game with the oil field team there. Cottonwood won by a score of 15-5. The Upper Cottonwood boys also played Lower Cottonwood in a game of ball Friday. The Upper Cottonwood boys of the first team winning with a score of 15-4; and the second team winning with a score of 6-2.

"I'm looking for my ideal dog," said the lady in the canine fancier's shop. "I'd like one with a head rather like a collie and a body after the style of an Irish terrier, only with longer hair and nice, distinct markings. Do you keep dogs like that?"

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TWO SAW WAY TO LIBERTY IN CHAVES JAIL

Officers Monday were trailing George I. Trott and Everett Howell who at an early hour Monday morning sawed their way to liberty from the Chaves county jail.

Officers said this morning that they were convinced that Howell had been the leader of the plot and had been presented with hack saw blades by a sweetheart who visited him on Saturday.

The men sawed the bars from a west window and escaped, probably about 4:30 o'clock this morning.

Trott was charged with forgery and according to officials was a dope addict. Howell, was arrested at Lake Arthur for selling whiskey and was serving 90 days in jail.—Roswell Record, February 10th.

HEADLINE says: "Smithsonian to seek traces of man in Florida" and the maiden lady next door remarks: "Hub, hope this Smithsonian woman has better luck than I've had."—New Mexican.



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WALL STREET JOURNAL SLAMS INDEPENDENT OIL MAN IN EDITORIAL

The Wall Street Journal says that the little man has no business playing the financial interests of the east is reflected in a recent editorial of the Journal, which is reprinted in full and follows:

"That tariff on imports would help the oil industry in a country which exports more than it imports and produces more than it knows what to do with is a grotesque dream. There is little danger that President Hoover will be misled but there is a chance of imposing upon a congress whose clearest understanding of the tariff is that it has something to do with votes.

"It is conceivable that a tariff duty of one dollar a barrel on crude petroleum would initially make some impression upon the present excessive supply and temporarily bolster a demoralized market. Likewise, it would provide the pretext for advancing the price of gasoline to the consumer where local conditions allowed. But the oil industry is in the very act of demonstrating that low prices for crude is the only real hope of curbing reckless and wasteful production, voluntary restriction having failed to make headway alone. Nullify one of these measures with a tariff and a rising oil market and the floodgates of domestic production will be re-opened wider than before. So inevitable is such a train of events that the demand of a certain group of oil producers for a tariff is explainable only on the theory of unthinking desperation. Be it noted that it comes from 'the little fellows.' One who is drowning whether in water or in oil, will clutch at a straw.

"In reality, the proposal to put this part of the natural resources of the United States at the disposal of the world, encouraging other countries to conserve their supplies against a time when our own flush production has passed. So far as it could have any effect, a tariff on oil would operate as an export duty to be paid by domestic consumers to enable producers to dump their excess upon the world markets. For they would have to meet world prices to hold their customers and could only hope to recoup themselves by compelling domestic consumers, if and while they could, to foot the bill.

"There is, of course, every prospect that this pretty scheme would defeat itself. To think for a moment of the almost insurmountable difficulties that have attended the restriction movement the past two years, and the precarious footing on which the restriction so far achieved still rests is to realize that a tariff-made advance in crude prices would be like pressing liquor upon an inebriate already delirious.

"Much as some of us may dislike it, the only hope for oil stability is further centralization of ownership. Oil lands must pass more and more into hands of corporations able and willing to defer recovery. The cry of the small owner when he is not alarmed by real danger of drainage is that he must realize within his lifetime. He must do that by drilling or take his chances in bargaining with one or two possible buyers for the sale of his holdings.

"His position is not enviable, but a tariff on oil making demoralization relatively permanent offers him worse than nothing."

If you have a house or room for rent, try a Messenger want ad.

LAKE ARTHUR ITEMS
Mrs. Ned Hedges, Reporter

Preparations are under way for the February meeting of the P. T. A.

John Hill of Roswell, was attending to business in Lake Arthur last week.

E. L. Selby of Las Cruces was attending to business here Saturday and Sunday.

Sunday Rev. Jones will fill his regular appointment at the Methodist church.

Mrs. J. W. McCall, teacher at Weed spent the week end here visiting her husband.

Mrs. Ada Jones and daughter, Sylvia, visited with Mrs. Jones father, Mr. McNair Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Graham and family visited relatives of Mr. Graham's at Lovington Sunday.

W. E. Blanchard of East Grand Plains was in town Tuesday visiting old friends and attending to business.

It has been announced that Lake Arthur is to play Hope in a double header ball game Friday night. Be sure to see the games.

The Rev. Harold Dye filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church. Frank and Ben Frazier rendered an especially pleasing vocal duet.

The pupils of Miss Flora Smith's room enjoyed a nice ice cream cone treat, as an especial reward for good behavior over a certain period of time.

Mrs. Dick Spence, who has been convalescing in Roswell, is now able to return home, but will make frequent trips to Roswell for treatments.

The general merchandise store of J. H. Reeves was broken into and robbed one night last week and a typewriter and several dollars worth of merchandise was taken.

Mr. Parker of the extension department of the State Normal University and Coach Jacobs were visiting schools up and down the valley Tuesday and favored Lake Arthur by a visit.

Miss Velma Borschell held her demonstration in sewing at the home of Mrs. B. C. Moots Thursday afternoon. At this meeting a dress form was made for Mrs. Moots. The next meeting will be held sometime in March.

Mrs. E. C. Latta entertained the members of her Sunday school class at a valentine party at the home of Betty Walden, Wednesday afternoon when a fine time was enjoyed by all present. Mrs. Latta gave each child present a lovely valentine.

Dr. Phillips and Miss Victory, accompanied by the Roswell city nurse were in Lake Arthur last Thursday and inoculated nearly one hundred of our school children with toxin-anti toxin, the first shot was given last Thursday and a shot will be given each week until three have been administered.

The community was shocked and grieved a week ago Sunday to learn of the death of little Evanola Foster, the three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Foster. Her death was due to diphtheria. Funeral services were held the following day,

GOOD PROGRESS MADE ON STATE HIGHWAYS DURING YEAR 1929

SANTA FE—The January issue of the State Highway Journal, just off the press, is devoted to a resume of the activities of the various divisions of the highway department and their accomplishments during the past year.

W. C. Davidson, state highway engineer, contributes an article to this number of the Journal entitled, "Maintenance—1929." He gives a brief account of the work done and the monies expended for 1929. Excerpts from this interesting article follow: "There was expended during the year the sum of \$1,200,000 upon the maintenance of 5,400 miles of road. The handling of this work has provided employment for 600 men. The equipment employed on maintenance is valued at half million dollars. Segregated by types of improvement, the maintenance system is as follows: concrete, 105 miles; oil-surfaced, 299 miles; earth, 3,300 miles. There was expended upon the maintenance of structures, bridges, cattle guards, guard fences an amount of \$43,000. The 1700 bridges upon the state and federal systems received the greater part of this expenditure. Twenty thousand signs have been maintained in their original condition at a cost of 15 cents per sign. The five magnetic nail-pickers, during 1929, have removed from the highways of New Mexico 131,194 pounds of material consisting of every conceivable piece of metal from a carpet tack to a horseshoe. Statisticians could doubtless figure out astonishing savings made to motorists of the state from the data above recorded. The cost of this work was \$10,000."

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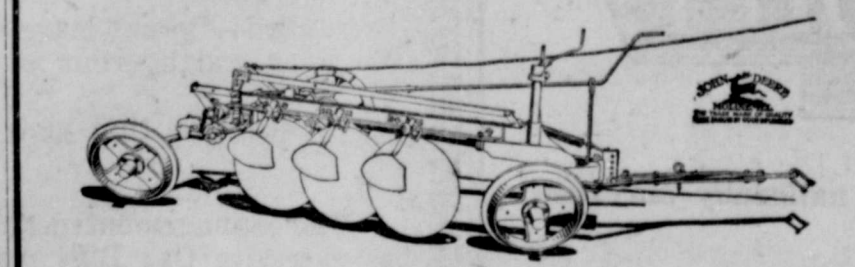
Rev. Z. B. Moon, of Artesia, officiating. Burial was made in the Lake Arthur cemetery.

KILL 181 COYOTES IN JANUARY HUNTS
Biological survey hunters killed 181 coyotes during January, according to a report to the state office at Albuquerque. They killed 27 bobcats, one mountain lion, three wild dogs and three miscellaneous animals. Total kill was 229. Two of the wild dogs were killed in Mora county, one in Torrance county.

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NEW COMPTROLLER WILL NOT RECEIVE SALARY-IS THE REPORT

SANTA FE—The state of New Mexico will for the first time have a state comptroller who draws no salary from the state, when Rupert F. Asplund takes charge of the office to-day succeeding Gilberto Mirabal who resigned.

Mr. Asplund said yesterday he will attempt to carry on the job as state comptroller and director of the New Mexico Taxpayers' association at the same time, but does not intend to draw two salaries. If it is impossible for him to fulfill both jobs, he said he would resign as state comptroller.

He said that he has a plan of putting on a general assistant in the comptroller's office to act under his supervision who will draw the present comptroller's salary of \$4,000. He believes that the work of the Taxpayers' association can be carried on with the assistance of R. L. Ormsbee, now in that office, so that he may adequately supervise both the affairs of that association as well as the comptroller's office.

"I am not in politics and I don't intend to be," Mr. Asplund said. "When I select a general assistant for the comptroller's office I will give preference to a competent republican if I can find one, because the republican party is in power. If, however, I cannot find such a man desirable for this office, I won't hesitate to name a democrat. My idea is to make efficiency the goal of the comptroller's office." Mr. Asplund has always been a republican personally.

CAVERN POEM PRIZE WINNER

A poem which took its theme from the Carlsbad Caverns has been awarded second prize in the Alberta Clark Walker memorial poem contest, held in Chattanooga, it was announced Wednesday.

The writer of the poem is Miss Bertha Nance of Albany, Texas. Other entrants in the contest ranged in years from 9 to 72, it was said, and every phase of nature was covered in the contributed works.

Miss Nance's poem follows: "As children, fearfully, we enter here

To find a world incredible, unknown,
Where frozen fancies of the gnomes
uprear
Their freakish forms and beauty
dreams in stone;
Where there are pale frost gardens
of delight,
And pools on which the sun has never
gleamed,
With cells and chambers of primeval
night,
And man has fenced a little space
with flame;
Which his frail kind may safely
wander through,
Old man and maiden, lad and portly
dame,
And shrink from falling drops of
earthly dew.

Step gently, folk, nor raise your
voices here,
The living centuries are standing
near.—Roswell Dispatch.

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BOY SCOUT NOTES

The annual meeting of the Boy Scout Council of the eastern New Mexico Area will meet in Roswell, Thursday, February 20th. From all indications one hundred men will be in attendance representing at least twenty towns in the area.

J. P. Fitch, regional scout executive, with headquarters in Dallas, will be present and an effort is being made to have a representative from the national office in New York.

The session will be held at the Masonic temple and will begin at 3:45 p. m. and continue until 8:00 p. m. The afternoon will be taken up in conferences. At 6:00 p. m. the annual banquet will be held and immediately following will be entertainment and inspiration.

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LAKE ARTHUR SCHOOL IS IMPROVING THEIR SCHOOL GROUNDS NOW

The Lake Arthur school is making a number of improvements which will add much to the appearance of the school grounds. Cement walks will be laid from the entrance of the grounds to the building. The construction work is being done by the agricultural class under the supervision of Mark Matley, instructor. Students are also erecting a fence around the school grounds and making preparations to plant a number of trees.

The improvement program is sponsored by the board of trustees and the efficient superintendent, C. R. Bernard.

BEN JAFFA SUICIDE

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A coroner's jury was called, and an inquest held before Justice of the Peace W. C. Winston. The members of the jury were L. J. Johnson, O. P. Foster, R. L. Ballard, J. L. Gibbany, Mr. Young and Bruce Connor. After hearing the testimony of several persons, and reading the note left by Mr. Jaffa, they returned a verdict of suicide.

Mr. Jaffa was recognized as a leader among the younger citizens of Roswell. Very active both in Masonic work and as a member of the Lions club, he was identified with many of Roswell's progressive moves of recent years.

He was born in Roswell on October 22, 1897, he was reared in Roswell, going through the public schools there. Later he attended the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. He then began his banking career, but it was interrupted by the war.

LAKE ARTHUR RESIDENT BUYS FARM HERE

J. A. Jordan, and daughter, Mrs. Mary Lienett of Lake Arthur have purchased an eighty acre farm in the S 1/2 SE 1/4 sec. 20-16-26, west of the Buel farm. The farm is known as the Hartell 80. The sale was made through E. C. Jackson of Lake Arthur.

—Artesia Advocate
AT THE CHURCHES
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Basketball



HAGERMAN TAKES GAME FROM MUSCATINE IOWA BASKETEERS

Local basketball fans experienced the thrill of the season Thursday night as they watched Hagerman town team emerge from a hard fought game with the "Littlemaes" of Muscatine, Iowa, with the long end of a 26-24 score.

The boys played superb ball thruout and despite the seven point handicap to begin the last half, the local team came through for a hard won victory. They showed excellent teamwork, every man playing well.

The visiting team has played from their home to the coast, and are on the return trip, having won over fifty per cent of the games matched, most of them with college teams. State College was able to score only 4 points more than the Littlemaes in a recent tilt. These men played fast and clean, and leave Hagerman with the knowledge that local fans respect them for their sportsmanship, and will welcome them back again whenever a game is arranged.

During the first quarter, Ike Boyce and George Evans placed two baskets with J. DeCamp of Muscatine throwing one free goal on a foul on Boyce for a score of 4-3 in Hagerman's favor.

The visiting team outplayed Hagerman throughout the second quarter laying up ten points by Ray, Lange, P. DeCamp, J. DeCamp and Flake to two points for Hagerman by Curly Derrick, with the first half ending 13-6 in favor of the visitors.

During the third quarter, our men held the Littlemaes to five points scored while they ran their own total up seven points more. Curly Derrick pushed through for a field goal and Lange of Muscatine made a free shot on a foul on Holden. From a double foul on Flake and Boyce, Flake made and Boyce missed. C. Derrick placed another field goal and Boyce a free throw on a foul on Muscatine. Littlemaes made one point on a foul on Slick. Boyce was removed on personal fouls and Baker substituted. After time out for substitution, J. DeCamp of Muscatine opened up with a long shot for a score. Curly Derrick tallied with a goal. The third quarter ended with the score standing 18-13 in Littlemae's favor.

During the last quarter, Evans threw two free goals and Baker one one Muscatine fouls, and the Derrick brothers brought in ten points, Slick four and Curly six, the last shot being made by Curly from the center line to win the game. The visitors made 6 points, a field goal by P. DeCamp and four free goals on fouls from Hagerman.

Until the last minute of play it was either side's game. Curly cinched it by his long, lucky shot and the Hagerman rooters went wild. Curly Derrick was high point man for Hagerman with 12 points and Lange for Muscatine with 8 points.

Lineup:
Muscatine Points
P. DeCamp, f.4
Lange, f.8
Flake, c.3
Ray, g.2

DEXTER NEWS

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Saturday.
April 20th—Howard day. Easter Sunday. Directed by a special committee.

How to spend your time from Sunday, February 23rd to Easter, April 20th, during the "Go To Church Campaign," of the Presbyterian church of Dexter.

9 weeks, 63 days.....1,512 Hrs.
Sleeping, 63 days 8 hrs.... 504 Hrs.
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Reading, 63 days..... 126 Hrs.
Recreation at your disposal 297 Hrs.
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P. S. Send children to school 45 days, 8 hours daily—360 hours.

WEST EXPRESSES VIEWS

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such a move. eL's get together and repair this road at once.
J. T. WEST.

A well lubricated young man in evening clothes stood on the curb and hailed a taxicab.

"Home, James!" he shrieked gayly as he sank into the cushions.

"Be yourself, gay boy. Where do you get that James stuff?" demanded the driver. "This here's a public taxicab."

"Ver' (hic) well—then it ish Home, Jeshe James."

A man who appeared recently in police court couldn't be persuaded to stop talking. Eventually, however, the judge managed to get in a short sentence.

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J. DeCamp, g.7

Total24
Hagerman Points
C. Derrick, f.12
S. Derrick, f.6
Boyce, c.3
Holden, g.0
Evans, g.4
Baker, c.1
Total26

Last Saturday night the high school boys' team took the fastest game they have played this season from Hope. The match was hard fought throughout. At the final score, the game was tied—15-15. An extra five minutes was played to break up the tie. During this time, Hope made one field goal, and Hagerman a field goal and a free goal, to win the game by one point, the game standing at 18-17 in favor of Hagerman at the final whistle.

Royce Lankford did the Hope team a good turn by dropping the ball thru their basket in the excitement of the play.

Lineup:
Hagerman (18) Points
Evans, f.3
Holden, c.0
Bartlett, f.3
Harris, g.6
Jacobs, g.2
Lankford, f.4
Total18

Hope (17) Points
Cox, f.11
Blakney, f.4
Bryan, c.1
Alcorn, g.1
Bush, g.0
Total17

Girls' Game

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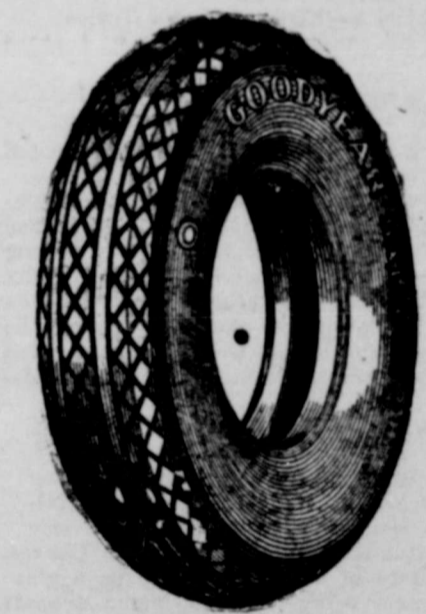
R. L. Collins has gone to Carlsbad for a few days.

Meek voice over the "Doctor, this is Mr. Heick wife has just dislocated. If you're out this way, you might drop in and see me."

Rev. and Mrs. Hall were visitors to Roswell Tuesday.

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AMOGORDO—The Lincoln National Forest continues to grow in popularity according to the annual report of the forest officials, which shows that the Lincoln Forest had a half million visitors in 1929. Roads are credited with much of the increase according to O. Fred Johnson, the Lincoln Forest supervisor. The national areas near Weed, had 100,000 visitors in the year, made possible by extensive improvement of roads in that section. In former times this was an almost inaccessible area. The Cloudcroft district also noted increase with improvement of roads, the west of the La Luz canyon road, and the Artesia-Elk, Mayfield highway from the east.

PLANNING CLOTHES STUDY STYLE CHANGES

Without doubt there has been a change in the style of woollen clothes, says Carolyn F. Wetzel, New Mexico Agricultural College. The knee has become entirely straight. For several years the spring all sewing consisted principally in taking up the skirt another hem. The change now is not one of doing the opposite for the silhouette is changing. The woman who wishes to be well dressed keep up-to-date should get all the news out of the clothes she now wears as if the piece goods factors are getting the upper hand and there will be a decided change. There is a question whether the woman who has tasted of the om of the long waist line, of corseting and of skirt that does hamper her movements will be glad to listen to the dictates of fashion and follow in line without a struggle.

It does appear though that the woman who is getting ready to plan spring sewing must take the following points into consideration: The skirts are longer. For wear the skirt must come well below the calf of the leg. 14-16 inches is the accepted length. The reader need not remember when length was in vogue before and one blushed and said "scandalous!" Uneven hemlines almosting the floor are permissible in evening or fancy afternoon wear.

The waist line is higher. The waistline, instead of an imaginary waist line located at the hip is considered better style. We again have gores and flares. The Princess and semi-princess lines are good. Before planning your spring sewing, study the new fashions and if you are near stores go and, if possible, try on the new styles. The eye and the mind become used to the new lines they can be made with any ease of success or worn with the ease of well being and of poise a new dress should give.

and Papa: "Don't you think it is time the baby learned to say 'I'?"
other: "Oh, no. I hadn't intended telling who you are until he becomes a little stronger."

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INSIDE INFORMATION

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Soaking any kind of fresh meat before cooking is a mistake. It draws out the juices which give the characteristic flavor and add to its food value. Before cooking simply wipe meat off with a damp cloth or trim it.

Buy sheets 24 to 36 inches wider and longer than the mattress so that the ends and sides can be well tucked in. This length also allows for a generous turnover on the top sheet to protect the blankets and comfortable.

Remember that the table is a place for good comradeship with one's children and not for discipline or nagging. Take it for granted that the child will eat happily everything served to him, and be sure that he becomes acquainted with a variety of foods.

Leather furniture coverings look better and last longer if they're rubbed occasionally with castor oil. This restores to the leather the oil that generally dries out. Rub the liquid in well and wipe off any excess on the surface, to prevent its soiling whatever touches it and collecting dust and dirt.

If you are one of the mothers who have difficulty keeping the younger children quietly at the table until everyone has finished, especially if the neighbors children are in the habit of coming to the door or shouting through the window to persuade your children to hurry, you may find it expedient to give the younger ones their food earlier than the family meal, at a separate little table. There is less distraction, you can give your full attention to their table habits, and they are spared the tiresome wait between courses which is necessary at a large family meal. Some of the foods you expect to serve at your own dinner can also be withheld and questions avoided. A little planning will soon make it possible to fit these two meals and their preparation into the day's routine.

OIL RIGHTS TO BE TAXED

SANTA FE — Royalty rights on prospective oil production in Lea and Eddy counties are to be taxed, the state commission said Friday.

These rights are selling from \$35 to \$100 per acre, the commission has found after investigating. The amount of assessment will be determined later by the commission.

Since it is probable that oil will never be struck on much of the land on which oil royalty rights have been sold, it is believed the assessment will be comparatively light.

According to information reaching the commissioners 10,000 such rights have already been sold.

COTTONWOOD ITEMS (Miss Alma Bradley, Reporter)

Mrs. Stewart and son, F. Stewart are spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Gentry.

Miss Camille Horner and friends of Dayton were visiting relatives on Cottonwood Sunday.

Mrs. Bob Vogel of Artesia has been saying with her mother, Mrs. Will Waldrip, who has been ill for the past week.

J. L. Taylor and Clarence Vowell, of Colorado City, Texas are visiting at the home of their relatives, Jim Cullen and family.

Vernon Palmer, who has been visiting his mother and brother in Texas, returned last week and is staying at the John Norris home.

Mr. and Mrs. Huff and children, of Justin, Oklahoma, moved to the Cottonwood community last week, where they will make their future home.

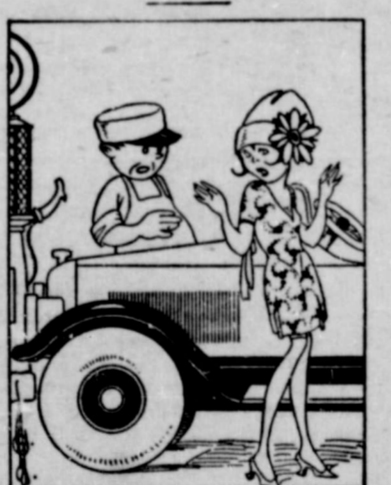
Claude O'Bannon had the misfortune to break his arm last week. He received medical attention at Artesia and is reported to be getting along nicely.

The Cottonwood Woman's club met at the home of Mrs. R. Rogers last week after a business session, refreshments were served by the hostess. The club will meet next with Mrs. Jess Funk, the first Wednesday in March.

The Upper Cottonwood basketball team drove over to the oil field Wednesday to play a game with the oil field team there. Cottonwood won by a score of 15-5. The Upper Cottonwood boys also played Lower Cottonwood in a game of ball Friday. The Upper Cottonwood boys of the first team winning with a score of 15-4; and the second team winning with a score of 6-2.

"I'm looking for my ideal dog," said the lady in the canine fancier's shop. "I'd like one with a head rather like a collie and a body after the style of an Irish terrier, only with longer hair and nice, distinct markings. Do you keep dogs like that?"
The dog fancier shook his head sadly. "No, ma'am," he said, "I drown 'em."

SUITS BOY FRIEND



He—Madam, your clutch isn't working right.
She—My boy friend never complains about it.

TWO SAW WAY TO LIBERTY IN CHAVES JAIL

Officers Monday were trailing George I. Trott and Everett Howell who at an early hour Monday morning sawed their way to liberty from the Chaves county jail.

Officers said this morning that they were convinced that Howell had been the leader of the plot and had been presented with hack saw blades by a sweetheart who visited him on Saturday.

The men sawed the bars from a west window and escaped, probably about 4:30 o'clock this morning.

Trott was charged with forgery and according to officials was a dope addict. Howell, was arrested at Lake Arthur for selling whiskey and was serving 90 days in jail.—Roswell Record, February 10th.

HEADLINE SAYS: "Smithsonian to seek traces of man in Florida"

and the maiden lady next door remarks: "Hub, hope this Smithsonian woman has better luck than I've had."—New Mexican.



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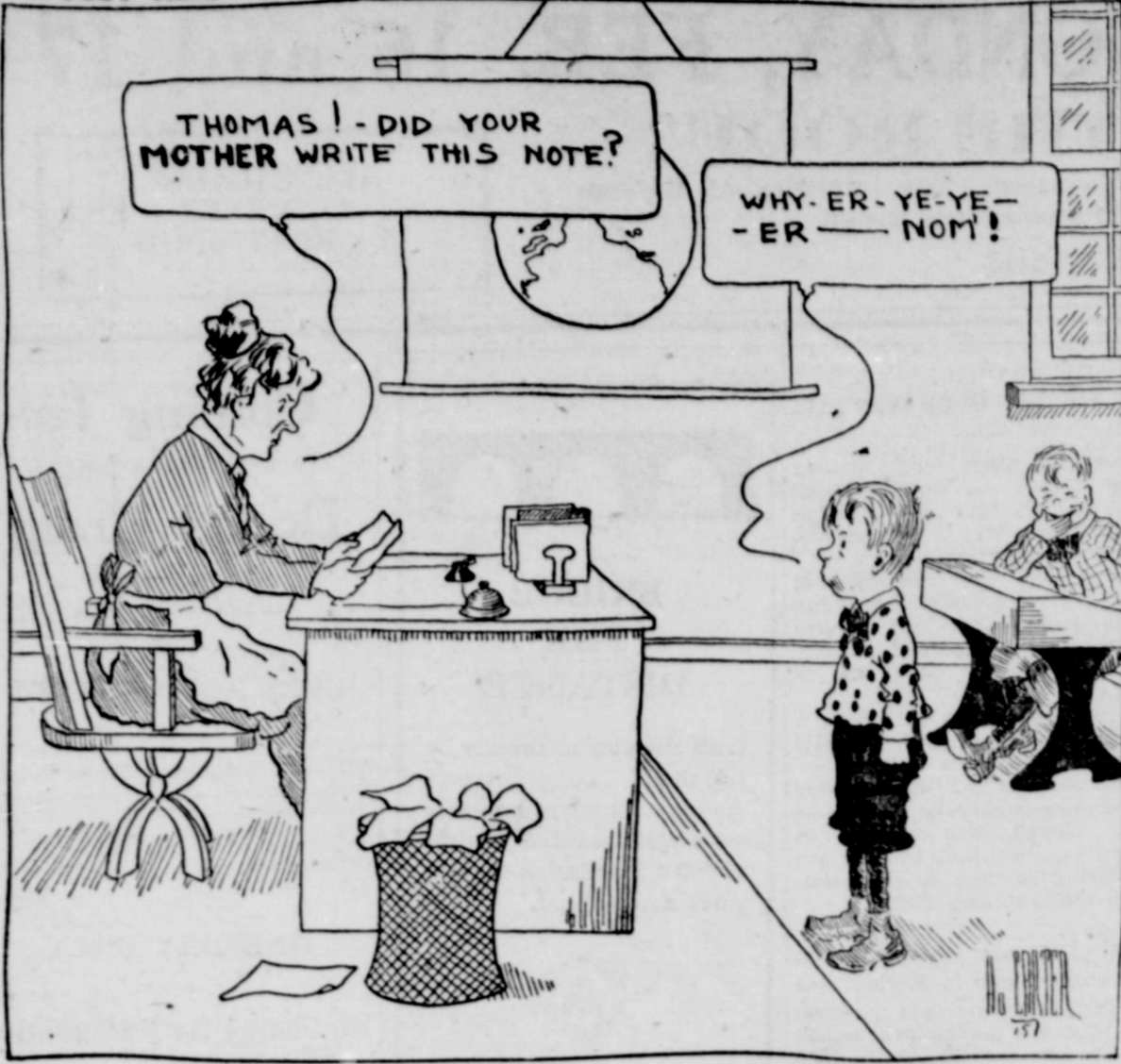
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WALL STREET JOURNAL SLAMS INDEPENDENT OIL MAN IN EDITORIAL

The Wall Street Journal says that the little man has no business playing the oil game. The attitude of the financial interests of the east is reflected in a recent editorial of the Journal, which is reprinted in full and follows:

"That tariff on imports would help the oil industry in a country which exports more than it imports and produces more than it knows what to do with is a grotesque dream. There is little danger that President Hoover will be misled but there is a chance of imposing upon a congress whose clearest understanding of the tariff is that it has something to do with votes.

"It is conceivable that a tariff duty of one dollar a barrel on crude petroleum would initially make some impression upon the present excessive supply and temporarily bolster a demoralized market. Likewise, it would provide the pretext for advancing the price of gasoline to the consumer where local conditions allowed. But the oil industry is in the very act of demonstrating that low prices for crude is the only real hope of curbing reckless and wasteful production, voluntary restriction having failed to make headway alone. Nullify one of these measures with a tariff and a rising oil market and the floodgates of domestic production will be re-opened wider than before. So inevitable is such a train of events that the demand of a certain group of oil producers for a tariff is explainable only on the theory of unthinking desperation. Be it noted that it comes from "the little fellows." One who is drowning whether in water or in oil, will clutch at a straw.

"In reality, the proposal to put this part of the natural resources of the United States at the disposal of the world, encouraging other countries to conserve their supplies against a time when our own flush production has passed. So far as it could have any effect, a tariff on oil would operate as an export duty to be paid by domestic consumers to enable producers to dump their excess upon the world markets. For they would have to meet world prices to hold their customers and could only hope to recoup themselves by compelling domestic consumers, if and while they could, to foot the bill.

"There is, of course, every prospect that this pretty scheme would defeat itself. To think for a moment of the almost insurmountable difficulties that have attended the restriction movement the past two years, and the precarious footing on which the restriction so far achieved still rests is to realize that a tariff, made advance in crude prices would be like pressing liquor upon an inebriate already delirious.

"Much as some of us may dislike it, the only hope for oil stability is further centralization of ownership. Oil lands must pass more and more into hands of corporations able and willing to defer recovery. The cry of the small owner when he is not alarmed by real danger of drainage is that he must realize within his lifetime. He must do that by drilling or take his chances in bargaining with one or two possible buyers for the sale of his holdings.

"His position is not enviable, but a tariff on oil making demoralization relatively permanent offers him worse than nothing."

If you have a house or room for rent, try a Messenger want ad.

LAKE ARTHUR ITEMS
Mrs. Ned Hedges, Reporter

Preparations are under way for the February meeting of the P. T. A.

John Hill of Roswell, was attending to business in Lake Arthur last week.

E. L. Selby of Las Cruces was attending to business here Saturday and Sunday.

Sunday Rev. Jones will fill his regular appointment at the Methodist church.

Mrs. J. W. McCall, teacher at Weed spent the week end here visiting her husband.

Mrs. Ada Jones and daughter, Sylvia, visited with Mrs. Jones father, Mr. McNair Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Graham and family visited relatives of Mr. Graham's at Lovington Sunday.

W. E. Blanchard of East Grand Plains was in town Tuesday meeting old friends and attending to business.

It has been announced that Lake Arthur is to play Hope in a double header ball game Friday night. Be sure to see the games.

The Rev. Harold Dye filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church. Frank and Ben Frazier rendered an especially pleasing vocal duet.

The pupils of Miss Flora Smith's room enjoyed a nice ice cream cone treat, as an especial reward for good behavior over a certain period of time.

Mrs. Dick Spence, who has been convalescing in Roswell, is now able to return home, but will make frequent trips to Roswell for treatments.

The general merchandise store of J. H. Reeves was broken into and robbed one night last week and a typewriter and several dollars worth of merchandise was taken.

Mr. Parker of the extension department of the State Normal University and Coach Jacobs were visiting schools up and down the valley Tuesday and favored Lake Arthur by a visit.

Miss Velma Borschell held her demonstration in sewing at the home of Mrs. B. C. Moots Thursday afternoon. At this meeting a dress form was made for Mrs. Moots. The next meeting will be held sometime in March.

Mrs. E. C. Latta entertained the members of her Sunday school class at a valentine party at the home of Betty Walden, Wednesday afternoon when a fine time was enjoyed by all present. Mrs. Latta gave each child present a lovely valentine.

Dr. Phillips and Miss Victory, accompanied by the Roswell city nurse were in Lake Arthur last Thursday and inoculated nearly one hundred of our school children with toxin-anti toxin, the first shot was given last Thursday and a shot will be given each week until three have been administered.

The community was shocked and grieved a week ago Sunday to learn of the death of little Evanola Foster, the three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Foster. Her death was due to diphtheria. Funeral services were held the following day.

GOOD PROGRESS MADE ON STATE HIGHWAYS DURING YEAR 1929

SANTA FE—The January issue of the State Highway Journal, just off the press, is devoted to a resume of the activities of the various divisions of the highway department and their accomplishments during the past year.

W. C. Davidson, state highway engineer, contributes an article to this number of the Journal entitled, "Maintenance—1929." He gives a brief account of the work done and the monies expended for 1929. Excerpts from this interesting article follow: "There was expended during the year the sum of \$1,200,000 upon the maintenance of 5,400 miles of road. The handling of this work has provided employment for 600 men. The equipment employed on maintenance is valued at half million dollars. Segregated by types of improvement, the maintenance system is as follows: concrete, 105 miles; oil-surfaced, 299 miles; earth, 3,300 miles. There was expended upon the maintenance of structures, bridges, cattle guards, guard fences an amount of \$43,000. The 1700 bridges upon the state and federal systems received the greater part of this expenditure. Twenty thousand signs have been maintained in their original condition at a cost of 15 cents per sign. The five magnetic nail-pickers, during 1929, have removed from the highways of New Mexico 131,194 pounds of material consisting of every conceivable peice of metal from a carpet tack to a horseshoe. Statisticians could doubtless figure out astonishing savings made to motorists of the state from the data above recorded. The cost of this work was \$10,000."

FARMERS

—Let the Messenger print your sale bills and have them correct.

Rev. Z. B. Moon, of Artesia, officiating. Burial was made in the Lake Arthur cemetery.

NEW COMPTROLLER WILL NOT RECIEVE SALARY-IS THE REPORT

SANTA FE—The state of New Mexico will for the first time have a state comptroller who draws no salary from the state, when Rupert F. Asplund takes charge of the office to-day succeeding Gilberto Mirabal who resigned.

Mr. Asplund said yesterday he will attempt to carry on the job as state comptroller and director of the New Mexico Taxpayers' association at the same time, but does not intend to draw two salaries. If it is impossible for him to fulfill both jobs, he said he would resign as state comptroller.

He said that he has a plan of putting on a general assistant in the comptroller's office to act under his supervision who will draw the present comptroller's salary of \$4,000. He believes that the work of the Taxpayers' association can be carried on with the assistance of R. L. Ormsbee, now in that office, so that he may adequately supervise both the affairs of that association as well as the comptroller's office.

"I am not in politics and I don't intend to be," Mr. Asplund said. "When I select a general assistant for the comptroller's office I will give preference to a competent republican if I can find one, because the republican party is in power. If, however, I cannot find such a man desirable for this office, I won't hesitate to name a democrat. My idea is to make efficiency the goal of the comptroller's office." Mr. Asplund has always been a republican personally.

CAVERN POEM PRIZE WINNER

A poem which took its theme from the Carlsbad Caverns has been awarded second prize in the Alberta Clark Walker memorial poem contest, held in Chattanooga, it was announced Wednesday.

The writer of the poem is Miss Bertha Nance of Albany, Texas. Other entrants in the contest ranged in years from 9 to 72, it was said, and every phase of nature was covered in the contributed works.

Miss Nance's poem follows:

"As children, fearfully, we enter here
To find a world incredible, unknown,
Where frozen fancies of the gnomes
uprear
Their freakish forms and beauty
dreams in stone;
Where there are pale frost gardens
of delight,
And pools on which the sun has never
gleamed,
With cells and chambers of primeval
night,
And man has fenced a little space
with flame;
Which his frail kind may safely
wander through,
Old man and maiden, lad and portly
dame,
And shrink from falling drops of
earthly dew.

Step gently, folk, nor raise your
voices here,
The living centuries are standing
near.—Roswell Dispatch.

KILL 181 COYOTES IN JANUARY HUNTS

Biological survey hunters killed 181 coyotes during January, according to a report to the state office at Albuquerque.

They killed 27 bobcats, one mountain lion, three wild dogs and three miscellaneous animals. Total kill was 229.

Two of the wild dogs were killed in Mora county, one in Torrance county.

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BOY SCOUT NOTES

The annual meeting of the Boy Scout Council of the eastern New Mexico Area will meet in Roswell, Thursday, February 20th. From all indications one hundred men will be in attendance representing at least twenty towns in the area.

J. P. Fitch, regional scout executive, with headquarters in Dallas, will be present and an effort is being made to have a representative from the national office in New York.

The session will be held at the Masonic temple and will begin at 3:45 p. m. and continue until 8:00 p. m. The afternoon will be taken up in conferences. At 6:00 p. m. the annual banquet will be held and immediately following will be entertainment and inspiration at the meeting. From point of view of work accomplished it is expected that this will be the best Boy Scout meeting held in New Mexico.

C. G. Mason, chairman of the local committee has charge of the meeting and will take a good representative to the meeting.

"What are you doing this Ole?"
"I bane a snake in a room."
"What's that?"
"A viper."

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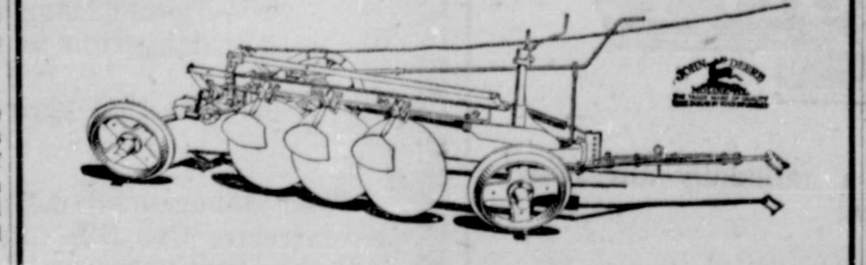
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LAKE ARTHUR SCHOOL IS IMPROVING THEIR SCHOOL GROUNDS NOW

The Lake Arthur school is making a number of improvements which will add much to the appearance of the school grounds. Cement walks will be laid from the entrance of the grounds to the building. The construction work is being done by the agricultural class under the supervision of Mark Matley, instructor. Students are also erecting a fence around the school grounds and making preparations to plant a number of trees.

The improvement program is sponsored by the board of trustees and the efficient superintendent, C. R. Bernard.

—Artesia Advocate

BEN JAFFA SUICIDE

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A coroner's jury was called, and an inquest held before Justice of the Peace W. C. Winston. The members of the jury were L. J. Johnson, O. P. Foster, R. L. Ballard, J. L. Gibbany, Mr. Young and Bruce Connor.

After hearing the testimony of several persons, and reading the note left by Mr. Jaffa, they returned a verdict of suicide.

Mr. Jaffa was recognized as a leader among the younger citizens of Roswell. Very active both in Masonic work and as a member of the Lions club, he was identified with many of Roswell's progressive moves of recent years.

LAKE ARTHUR RESIDENT BUYS FARM HERE

J. A. Jordan, and daughter, Mrs. Mary Lienett of Lake Arthur have purchased an eighty acre farm in the S 1/2 SE 1/4 sec. 20-16-26, west of the Buel farm. The farm is known as the Hartell 80. The sale was made through E. C. Jackson of Lake Arthur.

—Artesia Advocate

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Basketball



HAGERMAN TAKES GAME FROM MUSCATINE IOWA BASKETEERS

Local basketball fans experienced the thrill of the season Thursday night as they watched Hagerman town team emerge from a hard fought game with the "Littlemacs" of Muscatine, Iowa, with the long end of a 26-24 score.

The boys played superb ball thruout and despite the seven point handicap to begin the last half, the local team came through for a hard won victory. They showed excellent teamwork, every man playing well.

The visiting team has played from their home to the coast, and are on the return trip, having won over fifty per cent of the games matched, most of them with college teams. State College was able to score only 4 points more than the Littlemacs in a recent tilt. These men played fast and clean, and leave Hagerman with the knowledge that local fans respect them for their sportsmanship, and will welcome them back again whenever a game is arranged.

During the first quarter, Ike Boyce and George Evans placed two baskets with J. DeCamp of Muscatine throwing one free goal on a foul on Boyce for a score of 4-3 in Hagerman's favor.

The visiting team outplayed Hagerman throughout the second quarter laying out ten points by Ray, Lange, P. DeCamp, J. DeCamp and Flake to two points for Hagerman by Curly Derrick, with the first half ending 13-8 in favor of the visitors.

During the third quarter, our men held the Littlemacs to five points scored while they ran their own total up seven points more. Curly Derrick pushed through for a field goal and Lange of Muscatine made a free shot on a foul on Holden. From a double foul on Flake and Boyce, Flake made and Boyce missed. C. Derrick placed another field goal and Boyce a free throw on a foul on Muscatine. Littlemacs made one point on a foul on Slick. Boyce was removed on personal fouls and Baker substituted. After time out for substitution, J. DeCamp of Muscatine stepped up with a long shot for a score. Curly Derrick tallied with a goal. The third quarter ended with the score standing 18-13 in Littlemac's favor.

During the last quarter, Evans threw two free goals and Baker one one Muscatine fouls, and the Derrick brothers brought in ten points, Slick four and Curly six, the last shot being made by Curly from the center line to win the game. The visitors made 6 points, a field goal by P. DeCamp and four free goals on fouls from Hagerman.

Until the last minute of play it was either side's game. Curly cinched it by his long, lucky shot and the Hagerman rooters went wild.

Curly Derrick was high point man for Hagerman with 12 points and Lange for Muscatine with 8 points.

Lineup: Muscatine Points P. DeCamp, f. 4 Lange, f. 8 Flake, c. 3 Ray, g. 2

DEXTER NEWS

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Saturday. April 20th—Howard day. Easter Sunday. Directed by a special committee.

How to spend your time from Sunday, February 23rd to Easter, April 20th, during the "Go To Church Campaign," of the Presbyterian church of Dexter.

9 weeks, 63 days.....1,512 Hrs. Sleeping, 63 days 8 hrs.... 504 Hrs. Working, 54 days, 8 hrs.... 432 Hrs. Eating, 63 days..... 126 Hrs. Reading, 63 days..... 126 Hrs. Recreation at your disposal 297 Hrs. Going to church, 3 services... 27 Hrs. P. S. Send children to school 45 days, 8 hours daily—360 hours.

WEST EXPRESSES VIEWS

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such a move. eLt's get together and repair this road at once. J. T. WEST.

A well lubricated young man in evening clothes stood on the curb and hailed a taxicab.

"Home, James!" he shrieked gaily as he sank into the cushions.

"Be yourself, gay boy. Where do you get that James stuff?" demanded the driver. "This here's a public taxicab."

"Ver' (hic) well—then it ish Home, Jeshe James."

A man who appeared recently in police court couldn't be persuaded to stop talking. Eventually, however, the judge managed to get in a short sentence.

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J. DeCamp, g. -----7

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| Total | 24 |
| Hagerman | Points |
| C. Derrick, f. | 12 |
| S. Derrick, f. | 6 |
| Boyce, c. | 3 |
| Holden, g. | 0 |
| Evans, g. | 4 |
| Baker, c. | 1 |

Total -----26

Last Saturday night the high school boys' team took the fastest game they have played this season from Hope. The match was hard fought thruout. At the final score, the game was tied—15-15. An extra five minutes was played to break up the tie. During this time, Hope made one field goal, and Hagerman a field goal and a free goal, to win the game by one point, the game standing at 18-17 in favor of Hagerman at the final whistle.

Boyce Lankford did the Hope team a good turn by dropping the ball thru their basket in the excitement of the play.

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| Lineups: | Points |
| Hagerman (18) | 3 |
| Evans, f. | 0 |
| Holden, c. | 0 |
| Bartlett, f. | 3 |
| Harris, g. | 6 |
| Jacobs, g. | 2 |
| Lankford, f. | 4 |

Total -----18

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| Hope (17) | Points |
| Cox, f. | 11 |
| Blakney, f. | 4 |
| Bryan, c. | 1 |
| Alcorn, g. | 1 |
| Bush, g. | 0 |

Total -----17

Girls' Game

Following the boys' game Friday night, Hagerman girls' team dropped a similar hard fought game to the Hope girls by a score of 15-12. Madrig Bell Dozier was high point player in this game.

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Mrs. H. P. Cumpsten, of visiting friends and relatives.

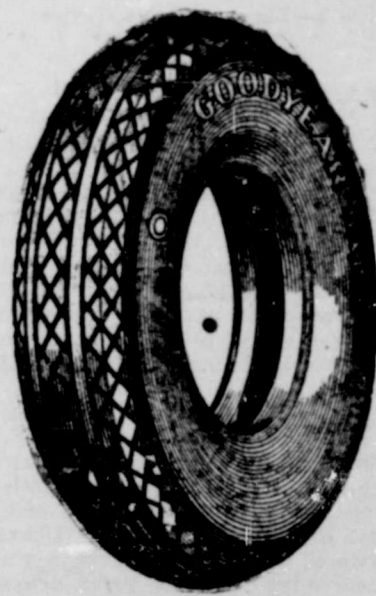
R. L. Collins has gone to Carlbad for a few days.

Meek voice over the telephone—Doctor, this is Mr. Hens wife has just dislocated her shoulder. If you're out this way you might drop in and see her.

Rev. and Mrs. Hall were visitors to Roswell Tuesday.

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