

# THE MESSENGER

HAGERMAN, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 1932

A friendly town  
A friendly community  
Served by a friendly paper.

NUMBER 2

**10 yards for 59¢**  
for 73¢

...erman town team ran wild night to trounce Dexter, only team which has beaten so far this year, by a overwhelming count of 35-5. The end of the first half score stood 18-0 in favor of Herman and Manager Collins in an entire new string of with the exception of Ike

...Kingdom Institute  
The Kingdom Institute of the zone of the Roswell district an interesting meeting at the Methodist church Sunday, charge of Dr. L. N. Linebaugh Roswell. The principal speaker of the day was Rev. R. J. Ker of El Paso, representative of the general commission on

**SOCIAL ITEMS**  
**BRIDGE PARTY**  
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sweatt were on Friday evening to a delightful dinner bridge party. Five tables of players enjoyed the delicious turkey dinner and

**LADIES AID**  
The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid met last Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Martin Brannon for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year.

**DINNER PARTY**  
Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Harshey were hosts to a dinner on New Year's. Around the snowy table covers were laid for Messrs and Mrs. Tom McKinstry, Clyde

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## STATE REDUCES ITS TAX REQUIREMENTS 25% SAYS B. O. BEAL

SANTA FE—Sweeping economies of the democratic administration have resulted in better than a twenty-five per cent reduction in the tax requirements for state general and special purposes, Chief Tax Commissioner Byron O. Beal said on Monday, emphasizing that it is the counties, cities and municipalities rather than the state, who are responsible for the total tax rate.

A review of the taxation situation so far as the state levy for 1928, 1929, 1930 and 1931 are concerned has just been compiled by the state tax department. It shows, Beal said, the total state requirements from taxation for 1931 are 23.98 per cent lower than for 1928, and 25.25 per cent lower than for 1929, the two years of the last republican biennium, and three per cent lower than for 1930, the first year of the present democratic biennium.

The total figures of state requirements for general and special purposes for the four years were: 1928 required total states taxes of \$2,402,273; 1929 required \$2,428,874; 1930 required \$1,995,644 and 1931 required \$1,937,598.

For 1931 tax reductions for state purposes were effected in all except seven counties.

## LIVESTOCK WORK IS SHOWING PROGRESS

During 1931 the work of the extension animal husbandman, W. L. Black, was divided into five sub-projects. No. 1—Prevention of losses; 2—Range stock management; 3—Sheep and Angora goats; 4—Swine; 5—Junior livestock clubs.

In furthering the prevention of losses, many public clinics and lectures on disease were held and clinical work was conducted on ranches involving a large number of both dairy and beef cattle, sheep, goats, hogs, poultry, etc.

In the management of range stock, a series of grading demonstrations was conducted with the aid of J. K. Wallace, senior marketing specialist. This is the sixth year these demonstrations have been carried on in the state and the improvement in the livestock resulting from these demonstrations has been very noticeable.

**FIRST NATIONAL ELECTS OFFICERS FOR 1932**  
At the meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank, held Tuesday, all officers and directors of the bank were re-elected to serve through the coming year.

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## DEXTER NEWS ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. T. Stone shopped in Roswell Tuesday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Adams were looking after business in Roswell Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Holley and Mrs. R. C. Reid made a business trip to Roswell Tuesday. J. W. Smith of East Grand Plains section was transacting business in Dexter, Monday afternoon.

A. C. Pinson returned Friday from Clovis, where he spent a few days looking after business and visiting his brother. Mrs. Joe Winkler and son, Joe were in from their ranch west of Roswell, Monday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Reid, Mrs. R. C. Reid and Miss Margaret Robinson attended the show at the Yucca Theatre, Sunday evening. Many of the Basket ball fans attended the games at Hagerman Friday night. Dexter won one game and Hagerman won the other.

The Missionary Society of the Methodist church will meet at the parsonage on January 21st at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Wattenbarger will be leader for the afternoon. E. L. Love who has been quite ill with flu and asthma since Christmas, is again able to be out and made a business trip to Roswell Wednesday with C. N. Moore.

Mrs. Roy Pior of Artesia, visited relatives in Dexter Sunday. Many of the Dexter farmers attended the McKinstry sale on Wednesday.

Mrs. A. C. Jones and son Allen Woody of Roswell, were the week end guests of Mrs. O'Brien. Miss Mayre Losey, Miss Renalee Banta and Miss Rosalee Birdwell visited friends in Dexter Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Mehlop and house guest were in Roswell Sunday afternoon to see the picture show, the "Champ."

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Moore and Mrs. E. O. Moore, spent Monday in Roswell, attending the conservancy meeting and visiting relatives.

Rev. Johnson returned Friday from a holiday visit with his family in Abilene, Texas. Mrs. Johnson and three small children returned with Mr. Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Graham and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. Loman Wiley and Jimmie, motored to Roswell Sunday afternoon to see, "The Champ," at the Yucca.

Mrs. M. C. Snow was among the Roswell shoppers Monday. Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Carson will leave soon for a visit with relatives in Oklahoma.

S. C. Bybee was looking after farming interests in the Dexter vicinity Monday and Tuesday. Mrs. Frank Wortman, Mrs. Isaac Wortman and house guest spent last Saturday in Carlsbad, visiting old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Buchanan of Picacho, were saying hello and goodbye, to their many friends in Dexter, Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Smith of Roswell spent Tuesday in Dexter as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McMains and the Bob Reids. Mrs. Ed Morlin, who has been visiting a daughter in Arkansas since December 23rd, is much improved in health and writes they are having delightful weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Breeb Hurst attended a delightful bridge at the Jack Sweatt home at Hagerman on last Friday evening. A delicious two course turkey dinner was served to five quartette tables. Bridge followed the dinner. Mrs. George Wilcox and daughters, Phyllis and Elizabeth went to Roswell Monday afternoon to attend Carol Louise Holland's birthday party, which was a line party at the Yucca followed by a delicious turkey dinner. (Continued on last page, column 1)

## LOCAL OIL ACTIVITY ROUTINE--NEW WELL STARTED AT HOBBS

Oil activity over the southwestern sector continues to be more or less routine with prospects for improvement by early spring. One well in Eddy county is nearing completion, this being the State No. 6, Leonard and Levers, center NW sec. 28-17-29, which is drilling again after running pipe to 2,170 feet. The State No. 6, will likely be completed as a gasser within a short time.

In the Hobbs field, the State No. 11 of the Midwest Refining Co., NE NW sec. 4-19-38, is drilling below 3,150 feet. This test encountered the first gas at 2,814 feet. The Midwest is also rigging to start on a location announced last fall but temporarily abandoned, this being the Byers No. 8, in sec. 3-19-38.

Reports from the western part of the state say that the Continental Oil Co., has recently completed its largest shallow flowing well on the Rattlesnake structure, near Farmington at 870 feet. The well is said to be flowing at the rate of 400 barrels daily.

## A NEW PRORATION AGREEMENT IS MADE

There will be virtually no change in the Hobbs proration agreement it was learned here the first of the week, following a proration meeting held in Santa Fe Friday and Saturday. The proration executive committee left an agreement signed by representatives of all producing companies for the approval of Governor Seligman and the signature of E. H. Wells, state geologist. One of the principal changes made in the proration agreement, it is understood was that the agreement could continue a year from the date of January 10th, and with the provision that the agreement might be cancelled with thirty days notice from any participating company after the first six months. The operators will continue operating on the same plan until the governor has time to consider the various angles of the present agreement.

The proration agreement has nothing to do with the daily allowable production, which is fixed by the pipe line companies. The daily allowable which was 37,183 barrels daily for December will be cut, it was said. It was stated unofficially that the cut would amount to approximately one-seventh of this amount. The present potential of the field is 1,145,417 barrels from 147 wells.

## NARROWLY ESCAPES DEATH

Little Lloyd Edgar, eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Harshey sustained a severe cut on his neck Friday night, when the impact of a collision between his father's car and that of Coy Knoll, flung him against the windshield.

## BOBCATS LOSE TO DEXTER

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## DAY'S SUCCESSORS TO KNIGHT'S

The Bobcats have mapped out a tough schedule for this year and are working hard. They will be handicapped thruout the season by their size and weight, but are expected to fight hard in every game thruout the year. With a little better team work, they will be hard to stop.

## AT THE CHURCHES

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**  
We welcome you to our regular services. Sunday school at 10:00 a. m. Preaching service at 11:00 a. m. Evangelistic services at 6:30 p. m. LEO LAUGHLIN, Pastor.

**METHODIST CHURCH**  
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Morning worship 11:00 a. m. Subject: "Can Children Be Taught Religion." Epworth Leagues 6:15 p. m. Evening worship 7:00 p. m. Subject: "David." Welcome all the time. BRYAN HALL, Pastor.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Sunday school 10:00 a. m. Morning worship 11:00 a. m. Subject: "Hearing the Heart Beat Across the Continent." Intermediate Endeavor 3:30 p. m. Vesper service 4:30 p. m. Subject: Same as for last Sunday. JAMES A. HEDGES, Pastor.

Last Monday night, Rev. Ralph J. Hall of Albuquerque, supervisor of Sunday school missions, for the Presbyterian church for all territory west of the Mississippi, gave an interesting moving picture lecture at the local church here on the "Vanishing Frontier," and scenes about "Chimayo," of this state. He was illustrating the work of the sabbath school missionary in the out-of-the-way places, much of it taken from his own splendid work in that capacity. It was greatly enjoyed by a fair-sized audience.

C. A. Wilson of South Plains, Texas, who has been spending the holidays in the Rio Grande Valley of south Texas, is visiting the families of J. E. Wimberly and H. L. McKinstry.

C. F. Frazier of Lake Arthur, passed thru Hagerman Sunday on his way to Belen and Albuquerque. Rev. Frazier has recently been elected as evangelistic singer of the New Mexico state Baptist convention.

J. L. King was a Roswell visitor Tuesday.

## Water District Established

After the only six formal objections had been withdrawn and approximately 4,000 acres of land excluded, the confines of the Pecos valley artesian water conservancy district were given final approval Monday by Judge H. A. Kiker following a district court hearing at Roswell says the Roswell Dispatch.

The action was the formal approval of the report of the district commissioners, G. R. Brainard, Artesia, George E. French, Roswell and Hal Bogle, Dexter, and the path now is cleared for procedure of the division of the district into five sections, the election of a director for each section, and the actual operation of the district, considered one of the most important features ever formed in aiding Pecos valley farming.

## Odd—but TRUE

MICHEL VIENCHANCE THE ONLY EUROPEAN WHO EVER ENTERED THE MYSTERIOUS DESERT CITY SMARA A MOHAMEDAN FORTRESS LOCATED IN THE SPANISH-AFRICAN COLONY RIO DE ORO GATHERED SOME VALUABLE SCIENTIFIC DATA BUT DIED SHORTLY AFTER FROM THE HARDSHIPS ENCOUNTERED ON THE TRIP - HE WAS 26 YEARS OLD

water from the Pecos river and should not be taxed as members of the new district, Judge Kiker said, "There is no prospect of a levy in the near future—the law says a tax 'may' be levied."

He explained further that only such levy will be made as is necessary for the success of the enterprise. He added that possibly the maximum amount the law allows never will need to be levied, but that if it does become necessary, "the expenditure certainly will be of benefit."

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ROSS R WOLFE OF STEPHENSVILLE TEXAS OWNS AND LIVES IN A HOUSE BUILT ENTIRELY OF PETRIFIED WOOD AND FOSSILS THAT HE HAS COLLECTED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

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HAROLD DYE, Managing Editor

A MILL'S A MILL FOR 'A THAT

The best feature about the up-rising of the local farmers in the protest against inclusion of their lands in the water conservancy district, is the fact that at last they are beginning to think about taxes and to protest against carrying too heavy burdens in taxation.

According to our information, Hagerman town property is assessed annually approximately forty mills. No protest has ever been made about this levy. The question has never been raised about the probable benefit which the community will receive from this amount. In short, these matters have been taken as granted entirely too long.

It may be that local farmers are mistaken in their zeal in this instance, but, be that as it may, the fact that they are at last waking up to their rights, and are willing to fight to the limit to defend them, portends a greater future for this locality.

"The friend of the people." Gosh what if nobody had invented that phrase!

The depression seems to have passed up several of our poker-playing geniuses and crap-shooting celebrities entirely.

We are at heart a pacifist, but there is one war in which we do not care to effect an arbitration—the prevalent gas war.

Every time we hear the girlish voice of Walter Winchell over the radio, the more the impression comes to us that his calling is solely column conducting in the "Mirror."

PLANNING NEW MEXICO AGRICULTURE FOR 1932

Agricultural production must be adjusted to meet conditions on each individual farm, says L. H. Hauser of the New Mexico Agricultural College. It is not advisable to attempt to say in wholesale fashion that farmers in New Mexico should produce more or less of any crop. It is probable that with almost any agricultural product that is produced in the state in any quantity, there are some farmers who would find it to advantage to produce more of that product while other farmers would find it to advantage to produce less.

If the farmer, after carefully analyzing the situation, feels that he can make more money by raising a considerable acreage of cotton than by putting the same land in some other crop, he should plant the cotton. Soil fertility problems should, however, be taken into consideration when making a decision. If every farmer plans his 1932 operations on this basis, it is likely that as good an adjustment of production will be attained during the coming year as is possible under existing conditions.

Some readjusting in production will be necessary because of the changes in the world economic situation. Increased wheat production in some foreign countries, tariff walls and the economic situation in Europe have interfered materially with our export of wheat. Cotton is another crop that is affected by the world economic situation. When prices are low, greater emphasis should be placed on increasing the efficiency of production by reducing the cost. This is especially true at this time because of the somewhat uncertain demand situation for 1932.

Charles Schwab, known all over the world as the "steel master," tells a story of a neighbor who wanted to sell him a cow.

"I've got a cow I want to sell you, Charlie," the neighbor said.

"Yes? Would she fit into my Guernsey herd?"

"No, I dunno as she would."

"Has she got anything to recommend her?"

"Well I dunno as she has."

"Does she give lots of milk?"

"No, I can't say as she gives lots of milk, but Charlie, I can tell you this. She's a kind, gentle good-natured old cow and if she's got any milk she'll give it to you."

TYPEWRITERS New Woodstocks, Coronas, and Remingtons, Rebuilt in all other makes at The Messenger.

When The Visual Telephone Arrives



LAKE ARTHUR ITEMS

Miss Ella Ohlenbusch, Reporter

W. Havens who has been ill at the home of his son, John, returned to his home Saturday.

T. F. Thomasson preached at the Church of Christ Sunday at the L. F. D., near Roswell.

T. F. Thomasson and family have moved on the old Evans farm, north of Lake Arthur.

Bob Allison who underwent an operation at Carlsbad last week is reported to be improving nicely.

A number of the folks that attended the Baptist church Sunday night pounded Mr. Briscoe, who has been ill.

Frank Frazier left Sunday for Belen, to sing in a revival meeting. Rev. Atwood of Roswell will do the preaching.

Rev. Dew, pastor of the Artesia Baptist church delivered a sermon at the Lake Arthur Baptist church Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Schulze and family of Artesia, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Ohlenbusch, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Mike Filliman who has been visiting her home folks, R. T. Spence, started home Tuesday afternoon accompanied by Mrs. Spence and daughter, Nantie.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Ohlenbusch who were called to the bedside of Mrs. Ohlenbusch's mother, Mrs. Pauline Brooks of Kennedy, Texas, returned home Friday evening.

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SCOUT NEWS

The Boy Scouts are enthusiastic over the rally which will be held in Carlsbad, sometime during the last of February. This is the second in a series of rallies held at different points over the area. The first of the series was held in Artesia last fall.

The program will vary from the last one as the idea is to completely cover the field of scouting activities in a series of four gatherings.

The program will consist of knot tying, compass relay, firebuilding with fuz stick, fireman's drag and carry, triangular bandaging and chair carry, fire by rubbing sticks, flint and steel, bird identification, tug-of-war, harmonica contest, together with two fun events.

Attendance of scouts, uniforms and registration certificates will count in the final check up. Prizes will be given the winning troops and our boys are hoping to bring home their share.

HAS FINE SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

J. R. Spence, superintendent of the Lake Arthur Methodist Sunday school report that his church had a fine Sunday school attendance record during the months of November and December. Out of membership of fifty-two, twenty-four pupils have not missed in eleven Sundays. Every member of two families attended Sunday school regularly during the two months.

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NATIONAL DEFENSE CONFERENCE CALLED

A national defense conference of all women's patriotic organizations in the state of New Mexico has been called by Mrs. Warner Blair, department president of the American Legion Auxiliary to be held in Albuquerque, January 18. The conference has been called for the purpose of considering a permanent organization similar to the national defense conference of women's patriotic organizations held annually in Washington and for discussion of matters of national defense now before the citizens of this country and for adopting such resolutions as shall be considered as to have bearing upon questions of national defense. Mrs. Frederick C. Williams, national president of the American Legion Auxiliary will address the conference.

The Las Vegas and Raton Units of the Legion Auxiliary will also be visited by Mrs. Williams before leaving the state.

FOR SALE—50 tons of hegarri heads, \$9 per ton, bundled cane, 2c per bundle, at my ranch 1/2 mile east of Greenfield Gin, Elmer Lankford, Postoffice, Dexter, New Mexico Jan. 7-2tc

United States Department of the Interior, General Land Office, District Land Office, Las Cruces, N. M., December 17, 1931.

Notice is hereby given that the State of New Mexico has filed in this office its Indemnity School Land Selection List No. 9540, Serial No. 045054, for the following land:

Twp. 15-S., R. 22-E: lots 1, 2, 3, 4, N 1/2 NE 1/4, NE 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 31.

Twp. 16-S., R. 21-E: lots 2, 7, & 10, Sec. 4.

The purpose of this notice is to allow all persons claiming the land adversely, or desiring to show it to be mineral in character, an opportunity to file their protests against the approval of the selection.

V. B. MAY, Register.

Advertisement for Triangle Lumber Co. featuring the headline 'It Will Pay You TO FIGURE WITH THE Triangle Lumber Co.' and listing products like LUMBER, HARDWARE, PAINT, and CEMENT. Location: Dexter, New Mexico.

Advertisement for CHAS. A. WRIGHT M.D. located at the office next door to the bank, hours 9-12 a.m. and 2-4 p.m. Sunday 9-10 a.m. Residence Tressler Bldg., Phone 60 Hagerman, N. M.

Advertisement for BOOT AND SHOE REPAIRING ALSO DYEING. Prices to fit times—work done promptly—all work guaranteed. Third Door West of D. T. Dewell G. B. DEVOLL, Prop.

Advertisement for Hail and Tornado LIFE, FIRE, AUTOMOBILE, ACCIDENT INSURANCE. Ethel M. McKinstry Hagerman, N. M.

Advertisement for NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS of the Hagerman Irrigation Company. Meeting on Tuesday, January 19, 1932 at 2:00 p.m. W. A. LOSEY, Sec.-Treas.

Advertisement for READ THE MESSENGER.

Advertisement for SOUR STOMACH featuring an image of a bottle of PHILLIPS MILK OF MAGNESIA and text describing its benefits for various ailments.

Advertisement for Aches and PAINS! featuring Bayer Aspirin and text describing its effectiveness for various pains.

Advertisement for FRESH ROASTED COFFEE featuring U.S. Blend and SUNSHINE coffee.

Advertisement for ROSWELL COFFEE COMPANY featuring DAN C. SAVAGE, Proprietor, located at 414 1/2 N. MAIN ST. ROSWELL, N. M.

Large advertisement for GAS HEAT Is a Boon to the Busy Man, featuring THE PECOS VALLEY GAS CO. and text describing the benefits of gas heat.

Advertisement for Peoples Mercantile, located at the office next door to the bank, hours 9-12 a.m. and 2-4 p.m. Sunday 9-10 a.m. Residence Tressler Bldg., Phone 60 Hagerman, N. M.

Advertisement for HOTEL HUSSMAN, located on the Plaza in El Paso, Texas.

Advertisement for BOWEL need watching, featuring an image of a man and text describing the importance of bowel health.

Advertisement for SYRUP PEPSIN, featuring an image of a bottle and text describing its benefits for various ailments.

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# HARDWARE DEPARTMENT SINKS \$56,500 IN SIX MONTHS

expenditure of approximately \$56,500 for the closing of the present fiscal year of the New Mexico game department has been decided by the commission, same Warden Elliott Bark Monday at Santa Fe. The commission is in view of an expected decrease in receipts from license fees. The budget includes \$2,500 for the purchase of a pumping plant at the Springs hatchery which will supply the water supply. The same amount was set aside for improvements at the recently closed Parkview hatchery site. Rearing ponds, and \$2,000 were put into rearing ponds at the Springs hatchery in the mountains and \$500 for development at the Taos hatchery.

The game commission is not for damage to crops by the several complaints made at you want deer and other game. The department can issue permits to have the animals killed, said, but none will be issued this time except to deputize at the Mercantile Co. your every wish.

**WILD TURKEYS IN THE SACRAMENTOS**  
B. Murrel, president of the County Game Protective Association states that he believes there are enough of wild turkey number of sections of the Mescalero Mountains to produce a good crop of turkey next year, if they are protected and at a time this winter. Mr. Murrel says that he has a report that a bunch of turkey has come down from the mountains and is located above the Woods in Alamo Canyon. He has a number of sections of the Mescalero Mountains to produce a good crop of turkey next year, if they are protected and at a time this winter. Mr. Murrel says that he has a report that a bunch of turkey has come down from the mountains and is located above the Woods in Alamo Canyon. He has a number of sections of the Mescalero Mountains to produce a good crop of turkey next year, if they are protected and at a time this winter.

**WATER LEVELS UP**  
The water levels of the artesian wells of the Pecos valley are one to fifteen feet higher, ranging five feet higher than the check of the water levels during the corresponding period of 1927, according to a report made by G. C. Smith of the Mescalero Reservation, other protected areas. At a number of turkey in Canyon and Cox Canyon being fed at expense of the Game Association.—Alamo-News.

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**PEPSIN**  
English Philanthropist William Tuke was a member of which family, several generations of which were celebrated for efforts in the cause of philanthropy. He was born at York on Oct. 24, 1732. His name is connected with the humane treatment of the insane, for whose care he effected in 1792 the Retreat at York, under the management of the Society of Friends, which became an institution in which the attempt was made to manumit without the excessive restraints then regarded as essential.

**COFFEE**  
Model Town a Failure  
The town, which is now a part of Hagerman, was founded in 1880 by George Mortimer Pullman, the inventor of the Pullman car and founder of the Pullman Palace Car Company. He attempted to make it a model town, and even the public buildings were the property of the company and managed as a business concern. Popular discontent with conditions led to the annexation of the town to Hagerman in 1889, but the corporation held most of the property.

**WANT ADS**  
Wanted: ...  
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## THE FAMILY NEXT DOOR



### ALL VALUATIONS ON LIVESTOCK LOWERED

Wholesale reductions in livestock valuations for 1932 in virtually all classes were announced by the New Mexico tax commission Thursday at a meeting in Santa Fe. Valuations on common grades of dairy and milk cattle and common swine which were included in the 1931 valuations were eliminated entirely this year, and there are decreases generally in all other classes, except goats are the same in range classes and increases were made in registered swine. Milk goats, not assessed last year, were included this year. Valuations on grazing lands remain unchanged from last year. The new livestock valuations as compared with those for 1931 follows:

**Range and Beef Cattle**  
The first quoted figure is for common, the second for graded, and the third for registered. The 1931 valuations are in parentheses.  
Bulls: \$27 (\$32); \$35 (\$40); \$50 (\$60).  
Cows: \$15 (18.50); \$18 (\$20); \$30 (\$36).  
Three year old steers: \$23 (\$26.50); \$24 (\$28); \$28 (\$32).  
Coming two year steers: \$12 (\$15); \$15 (\$17); \$20 (\$24).  
Coming two year heifers: \$13 (\$15); \$16 (\$17); \$21 (\$24).  
Soming yearlings: calves \$10 (\$14.50); \$13 (\$16); \$18 (\$20).

**Dairy and Milk Cattle**  
Common not assessed. First quotation graded; second registered; last year's values in parentheses.  
Holstein and Guernsey dairy cows: \$35 (\$40); \$42 (\$50).  
Heifers: \$25 (\$30); \$30 (\$35).  
Calves: \$18 (\$20); \$21 (\$25).  
Bulls \$65 (75); \$85 (100).  
Jersey dairy cows: \$30 (\$50); \$38 (\$45).  
Heifers: \$21 (\$25); \$25 (\$30).  
Calves: \$12 (\$15); \$18 (\$20).  
Bulls: \$50 (\$60); \$65 (\$75).

**Sheep**  
First quotation graded; second registered; 1931 valuations in parentheses.  
Rams: \$8.50 (\$10); \$15 (same).  
Ewes, one year and up: \$2.50 (\$3); \$5 (same).  
Wethers, one year and up: \$2 (same); \$2 (same).  
Sheep under one year: \$1.50 (\$2); \$2 (same).

**Goats**  
First quotation common, second graded; third registered; 1931 valuations in parentheses.  
Range bucks: \$5 (same); \$7.50 (same); \$10 (same).  
Range goats: \$1 (same); \$1.50 (same); \$2.50 (same).  
Milk goats: no valuation on common. \$5 graded; \$10 registered. Milk goats were not included in 1931 valuations.

**Horses and Mules**  
First quotation common, second graded; third registered; 1931 valuations in parentheses.  
Work horses: \$16 (same); \$35 (\$40); \$50 (\$64).  
Saddle horses: \$20 (same); \$25 (\$28); \$35 (\$40).  
(Mixed range horses (unbroken) \$3 (\$4); \$15 (not valued); no valuation on registered.  
Stallions and jacks: \$50 (\$60); \$100 (\$120); \$200 (\$250).  
Mules: \$20 (same); \$40 (same); no valuation on registered.  
**Swine**  
No valuation on common grade for 1932; first quotation graded; second registered; 1931 valuation in parentheses.  
Boars: \$15 (\$6); \$25 (\$20).  
Breeding sows: \$10 (\$12); \$20 (\$16).  
Hogs over one year: \$5 (\$5.50); \$10 (\$8).  
Hogs under one year: \$4 (same); \$5 (\$5.50).

### ATTEND RECREATIONAL SCHOOL IN ROSWELL

Price W. Curd, Misses Jessie George and Nelle Burt, Mmes. John Campbell and W. R. Goodwin and Harold Dye, have been attending the recreational study course under the direction of Dr. Willis Parker, at the senior high school in Roswell this week.

Dr. Parker is employed under the United States Department of Agriculture, and the purpose of the study course is to train leaders in community recreation. Dr. Parker explained the purpose in this way: "A few years ago, farm people entertained themselves in the country, and city people came out to the farms for pleasure. Now, the city attracts the farming people and they have lost the art of entertaining themselves, thus losing some of their interest in the farm life. It is the purpose of the school to train leaders in this work who can bring back to the country people the art of self entertainment which they have lost."

### ELEVATOR DAY AT CAVERNS

Governor Arthur Seligman has designated Saturday, January 23, 1932, as "Elevator Day" at Carlsbad Caverns. The Governor's action was taken at the request of Thos. Boles, superintendent of Carlsbad Caverns National Park. The elevator which is to be placed in operation officially on January 23, has been completed, according to word from Superintendent Boles, and a few minor adjustments in the power plant are being made.

Designation of the date was left to Governor Seligman by Superintendent Boles because of the governor's activities in obtaining the elevator for Carlsbad Caverns. He was, in fact, the originator of the idea and it was thru his instrumentality that the necessary congressional action was taken to provide the elevator. Governor Seligman will spend two days in Carlsbad. On January 22, he speaks on the program of the annual convention of the New Mexico Newspaper Association and on the 23rd speaks at the elevator dedication. The newspaper men will be in Carlsbad on January 22-23 and their convention program contemplates participation in the elevator dedication, according to J. C. McConvery, Santa Fe, president of the Newspaper Association.

### GETS CONVENTION

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Chicago was chosen as the convention city for 1932, by the democrats Saturday, on a cash bid of \$200,000. Robert Jackson of New Hampshire was elected secretary.

### CHARTER NO. 7503—RESERVE DISTRICT NO. 11-E

#### REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

OF HAGERMAN, IN THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON DECEMBER 31, 1931

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$100,115.19
Overdrafts	289.22
United States Government securities owned	37,700.00
Other bonds, stocks, and securities owned	9,651.88
Banking house, \$7,500.00; Furniture and fixtures, \$3,563.90	11,063.90
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	8,943.39
Cash and due from banks	30,147.66
Outside checks and other cash items	235.14
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	1,250.00
Total	\$199,386.38

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus	10,000.00
Undivided profits—net	542.87
Circulating notes outstanding	25,000.00
Due to banks, including certified and cashiers' checks outstanding	2,646.28
Demand deposits	103,437.07
Time deposits	7,541.06
Bills payable and rediscounts	25,219.10
Total	\$199,386.38

State of New Mexico, County of Chaves, ss:  
I, R. W. Conner, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
R. W. CONNER, Cashier.  
CORRECT ATTEST:  
W. A. LOSEY,  
CALVIN GRAHAM,  
WILLIS PARDEE,  
Directors.  
(SEAL)  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of January, 1932.  
J. T. WEST,  
Notary Public.

### LOCALS

J. P. Morgan, father of Mrs. T. D. Devenport, is still seriously ill.

Mrs. Roy VanArsdol returned home from Iowa on Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Collins of Carlsbad are visiting in the R. L. Collins home this week.

Col. Tom McKinstry and H. L. McKinstry and C. A. Wilson were Roswell visitors on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Orley Brock and son, Junior, Dabs Ham and Louis Hampton were visitors to Roswell Sunday.

The P. E. Kiper and the Chas. Kiper families spent Sunday in Carlsbad visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lawing, daughter, Bertha Mae, and Miss Zorabelle Harris were business visitors to Roswell Tuesday.

Ben Harris and Jewel Davis have gone to Abilene, Texas, where they plan to locate, with their families, if prospects are favorable.

County Agent, J. R. Thomas, Miss Borschell, and Dr. and Mrs. Willis Parker were in Hagerman every afternoon this week conducting a recreational school for young people.

### STATE TAXES ON DECLINE

A table which reveals that the state's portion of taxes has been decreasing since 1929 has been prepared at Santa Fe by Byron Beall, state tax commissioner. Various taxpayers' associations thru New Mexico have the idea, Beall said, that the state's revenue by taxes has been going up. This is not true, he avers. Tax receipts for the state itself decreased 23.98 per cent in 1931 over 1928, he said. In 1928 total tax receipts by the state amounted to \$2,402,273; 644; and 1931—\$1,937,598.

### TAX EXTENSION HEARING DELAYED

With the hearing of a writ of prohibition concerning the Chaves county taxes delayed until January 25, tax matters in Chaves county remained in a complete muddle with tax collections at practically a standstill, says a report from Roswell. The writ of prohibition set before the state supreme court to determine the validity of an order delaying the delinquent taxes in Chaves county to February 1 was to have been heard Monday, but was delayed until January 25.

### MONEY CIRCULATION INCREASE SHOWN

WASHINGTON, D. C.—An increase of \$758,180,985 in money in circulation in the nation during the last 12 months was shown Friday in the circulation statement of the treasury which set the per capita circulation of money on December 31 at \$45.35. The per capita total was an increase of \$5.94 over the per capita circulation of December 31, 1930. The total money in circulation at the end of 1931 was \$5,648,304,333.

The year end statement also showed that the money in the country had reached a new high for recent years and amounted to \$9,422,512,086, an increase of \$708,636,761 in 12 months.

### EDDY YOUTHS LOSE APPEAL

SANTA FE—The New Mexico state supreme court Thursday dismissed the appeal of Natividad Flores and Lewis Martinez, Eddy county youths under sentence in the state reformatory on a charge of larceny. The two youths pleaded guilty to larceny in the juvenile court in Eddy county March 12, 1930 and were sentenced to the reformatory. The court suspended the sentence. Later the court ordered the suspended sentence revoked and Flores and Martinez appealed. The supreme court held the case was not appealable.

### UNIT PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES MEETING

The second annual conference of Unit presidents and secretaries of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of New Mexico has been called for January 18th at Albuquerque. The presidents and secretaries from the twenty-six units over the state are expected to attend this conference. Prior to this conference, there will be a joint meeting of the American Legion and Auxiliary child welfare committees to outline plans for the coming year. Arthur Gallup, state child welfare chairman of the American Legion and Mrs. W. B. Cantrell, department child welfare chairman of the American Legion Auxiliary are in charge.

## High Finance

"Can we play at keeping store in here, mamma?"  
"Yes, but I have a headache, so if you do you must be very quiet."  
"Oh, all right, mamma. We'll pretend we don't advertise."

**TOM MCKINSTRY and FRANK MORRISON Auctioneers**  
Sales in the Valley for 20 years

### LAWING'S MARKET

You need your money, I need mine; If we both get ours, It sure will be fine; But if you get yours, And hold mine too, What in the world Am I going to do.

## WHY Your Electric Bills Vary

If your electric bills have been gradually getting a little higher each month since the end of Summer, the following chart may help to explain the reason:

JULY	260	DAYLIGHT	DAYLIGHT
AUGUST	315	DAYLIGHT	DAYLIGHT
SEPTEMBER	400	DAYLIGHT	DAYLIGHT
OCTOBER	490	DAYLIGHT	DAYLIGHT
NOVEMBER	618	DAYLIGHT	DAYLIGHT
DECEMBER	685	DAYLIGHT	DAYLIGHT
JANUARY	653	DAYLIGHT	DAYLIGHT
FEBRUARY	538	DAYLIGHT	DAYLIGHT
MARCH	410	DAYLIGHT	DAYLIGHT
APRIL	348	DAYLIGHT	DAYLIGHT
MAY	295	DAYLIGHT	DAYLIGHT
JUNE	255	DAYLIGHT	DAYLIGHT

THIS CHART SHOWS WHY ELECTRIC BILLS VARY

The average use of electric light in the home is three or four times as great in December as in June, because of the shorter days and the longer periods of darkness. And lighting is only part of the story. During the late Fall and Winter months more time is spent at home. The electric radio is probably on longer. More entertaining is done—the electric grill, toaster, percolator and other appliances are kept busier than in the Summer months.

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**CHE-MODEL**

**Dexter News—**  
(Continued from first page)

The Home Extension club will meet in the domestic science room of the Dexter high school on January 19th. Mrs. Loman Wiley, president of the P. T. A. and Mrs. C. M. Graham will be hostesses. The subject of Miss Borschell's demonstration has not been secured, but everyone knows it will be worth while.

Moving day hit Dexter, the past week. L. J. King formerly of the Shively estate farm, has moved to Hagerman; C. B. Krukenmiller has moved from the Calumet ranch to the Shively farm; the Hal Bogles have moved to the Felix ranch; the George Weavers are returning to their old home place, which has been occupied by the Bogles for sometime.

Mrs. Sara Epps, school girl friend of Mrs. Isaac Wortman, is the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wortman for ten days. Mrs. Epps has spent the past three years in Panama, is much traveled and is very pleasing and interesting to meet. These two childhood friends are having a delightful time talking over, bygone days which were so happily spent together.

On last Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. George Bible of Hagerman entertained with a family dinner honoring Mr. and Mrs. McKeller of California. Seated with the host and hostess, were Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Bible, Mr. and Mrs. McKeller, Mr. and Mrs. John Bible, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bible, Miss Mable Bible, Mrs. T. W. Robinson of Artesia and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miser of Roswell.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church held its monthly meeting Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock at the home of Mrs. O. L. McMains. Mrs. C. W. Sterrett had charge of the lesson, her subject being "China." Mrs. Sterrett was assisted with the program by Mrs. John G. Anderson and Mrs. Mary Thompson. During the social hour, the hostess served delicious refreshments.

Mrs. Pearl O'Brian entertained Saturday afternoon in honor of her daughter, Margaret Lee's 10th birthday anniversary. Games were

**COLOR COMBINATIONS AUTO LICENSE PLATES**

Here are the colors of the various state license plates for 1932 which are in use:

Alabama, black on white.  
 Arizona, black on white.  
 Arkansas, black on yellow.  
 California, black on orange.  
 Colorado, sienna on black.  
 Connecticut, white on blue.  
 Delaware, old gold on blue.  
 District of Columbia, black on chrome yellow.  
 Florida, yellow on black.  
 Georgia, white on blue.  
 Idaho, black on orange.  
 Illinois, gold on blue.  
 Indiana, white on green.  
 Iowa, white on maroon.  
 Kansas, black on orange.  
 Kentucky, white on maroon.  
 Louisiana, white on red.  
 Maine, white on green.  
 Maryland, red on white.  
 Massachusetts, white on red.  
 Michigan, white on blue.  
 Minnesota, gold on maroon.  
 Mississippi, gold on black.  
 Missouri, white on black.  
 Montana, white on black.  
 Nebraska, white on dark blue.  
 Nevada, orange on black.  
 New Hampshire, white on green.  
 New Jersey, white on black.  
 New Mexico, white on green.  
 New York, yellow on black.  
 North Carolina, white on gold.  
 North Dakota, white on maroon.  
 Ohio, white on blue.  
 Oklahoma, yellow on black.  
 Oregon, white on blue.  
 Pennsylvania, black on yellow-orange.  
 Rhode Island, white on black.  
 South Carolina, yellow on black.  
 Tennessee, white on black.  
 Texas, white on green.  
 Utah, white on black.  
 Vermont, blue on white.  
 Virginia, white on black.  
 Washington, green on white.  
 West Virginia, white on black.  
 Wisconsin, blue on yellow.  
 Wyoming, cream on brown.

Canal Zone, black on yellow.  
 Hawaii, yellow on green.  
 Porto Rico, white on brown.  
 Alaska, white on dark blue.

**FLOWERS BLOOMING**

The following clipping from a Robinson, Illinois paper will be of interest to many readers here:

With December weather almost like spring thruout the month, many peculiar freaks have been called to our attention. J. S. Barwick and his granddaughter Martha Jane, on Christmas day, brot to this office several blossoms from a Japanica bush, fully developed. This bush usually blossoms in April. C. H. Wallace has been exhibiting bunches of fully developed grapes from a vine at his home. Dandelions have been in blossom all over the city, and from the home of Mrs. J. B. Crowley have been exhibited a nice bunch of violets. Wild flowers cultivated in back yards in different parts of the city, have been in bloom.

played during the afternoon, and delicious pink and white cake, punch and candy were the refreshments. Those who enjoyed this delightful party with Margaret Lee were Betty Joe and J. B. Harwell, Mary Ellen Kunkel, Claribel Bible, Arlen and Irene Caffell, Earleen Durand, Mary McNeal, Phillis and Elizabeth Wilcox, Edith Bailey, Adilene Bailey, Edgar Bunch, James Adams, Gene and Wade Graham, Loreto Cole, Mary Elizabeth Rutledge. Mrs. A. C. Jones, Jr., of Roswell assisted her mother in entertaining the young guests.

**MRS. LEWIS ENTERTAINS**  
 On last Sunday, Mrs. Fred Lewis is entertained with a one o'clock luncheon. Seated with Mrs. Lewis were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crain, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Latimer and children and Dorothy Lewis.

**FINANCIERS WOULD CURB STRAY CATS**

WASHINGTON, D. C.—License laws for cats, similar to those now in force for dogs, have been announced as the 1932 objective of the International Cat Society, as its first active move toward abolishing all stray cats in the cities and country.

Organized last August at Hotel Astor, New York, with offices on Park Avenue, with J. H. Callender, historical writer, as chairman, and a governing board composed of such men as George D. Pratt, executive of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey and conservation authority, Eugene S. Wilson, vice-president of the New York Telephone Co., and Thomas Cochran, member of J. P. Morgan and Company, the society so far has confined its activities to educational work. It now plans to muster its growing forces in support of cat license measures, which have already been agitated in Connecticut and Pennsylvania. J. M. Loughborough, general manager, has informed the American Game Association. Edwin Gould New York financier, is a member.

The society is pointing out that experts of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and state conservation departments have branded straying and night-hunting house cats as one of the greatest obstacles in the way of efforts to increase bird life in urban and suburban communities. Game authorities have outlawed the abandoned or straying cats found in the fields and woods as a serious menace to game birds.

The society officials have warned that in addition to their destruction of bird life, which is economically invaluable, cats are "subject to a more virulent form of hydrophobia than the dog, and to the human form of tuberculosis, diphtheria, ringworm, anthrax and scarlet fever, and are especially undesirable when infesting city filth."

They believe that having cats licensed by their owners is a logical step in the control and reduction of unwanted strays and of pets that are permitted to wander to the detriment of other interests.

**CAVERN ROAD TO BE OILED**

The highway west of Roswell for six miles and east of Roswell for fifteen miles will be surfaced with asphaltic oil soon, according to announcement from W. R. Eccles, state highway engineer.

Sealed bids for furnishing the road oil for four New Mexico federal aid projects will be received until January 7, at the office of the state engineer in Santa Fe. The projects will require 17,500 barrels. It was explained that the present bids are not for the contract to do the work, but only furnish the material.

F. A. P. 164-A, extending from the city limits of Roswell west on the El Paso road for six miles, will require 3,400 barrels of oil. F. A. P. 12, east from the city limits for 15 miles, will require 2,200 barrels.

The road from the south city limits of Carlshad toward the Caverns, 19 miles long is another of the jobs, under F. A. P. 23-A and B, requiring 10,200 barrels. The fourth project is F. A. P. 121-B, for which the approximate quantity is 1,700 barrels, with the shipping point at Scholle.

**Smilin' Charlie Says**

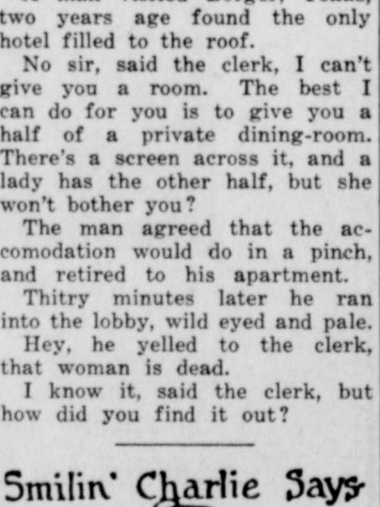
A man visited Borger, Texas, two years ago found the only hotel filled to the roof.

No sir, said the clerk, I can't give you a room. The best I can do for you is to give you a half of a private dining-room. There's a screen across it, and a lady has the other half, but she won't bother you?

The man agreed that the accommodation would do in a pinch, and retired to his apartment.

Thirty minutes later he ran into the lobby, wild eyed and pale. Hey, he yelled to the clerk, that woman is dead.

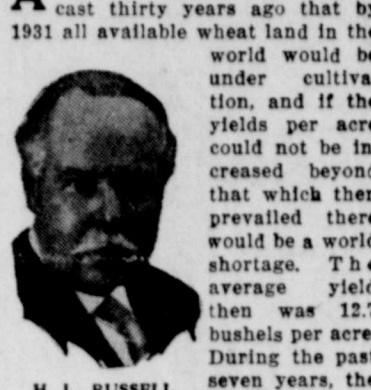
I know it, said the clerk, but how did you find it out?



"There really are some people so slow that they could be knocked down and run over by opportunity and then apologize for gettin' in the way."

**THE MACHINE AGE SPOILS A PROPHECY**

By H. L. RUSSELL  
 Advisory Council, Agricultural Commission, American Bankers Association



A NOTED British scientist fore cast thirty years ago that by 1931 all available wheat land in the world would be under cultivation, and if the yields per acre could not be increased beyond that which then prevailed there would be a world shortage. The average yield then was 12.7 bushels per acre. During the past seven years, the world over, it has been 14.1. On the 320,000,000 acres in cultivation this increase would amount to almost a half billion bushels more production than the world standards of thirty years ago. In place of dire distress due to shortage, we have had distress due to surplus.

Wheat farmers have shown no great inclination to curtail materially their output; perhaps a 10% decline compared with 70% reduction in steel. This unwillingness, or perhaps inability, to adjust production to current needs makes the problem all the harder to solve.

Not only are we now growing more wheat per unit of land, but acreage has been very greatly extended. In twenty years Canada has increased acreage 250%. Australia almost as much. Another significant fact is the materially lessened use of wheat. A much more diversified diet has developed. More vegetables and fruits are used than formerly. The reduction of 1.2 bushels consumed per person per annum since the last generation necessitates nearly 150,000,000 bushels less wheat than was formerly required.

**Machines Increase Supply**

The factor that has exerted the most potent influence in this rising world flood of grain has been the rapid development of the machine. The old days of the cradle required from thirty to forty hours of hand labor to harvest an acre of grain. Then came the binder, which reduced the process to four or five hours per acre. Now the combine does the work in forty-five minutes per acre.

Where it used to cost ten cents a bushel merely to thresh the grain, the modern combine cuts and threshes at a cost ranging from 1 to 5 cents a bushel. With this reduced cost of production, the possibility of acreage expansion is tremendous. Lands heretofore regarded as worthless except for grazing have recently come into competition with the older wheat belts.

**The Russian Effort**

Within the past two or three years another disturbing element has come into the picture. Soviet Russia is attempting a comeback fraught with possibility that cannot yet be fully evaluated. Russia is eagerly utilizing the very latest of scientific knowledge to enlarge her agricultural possibilities. With feverish anxiety she is literally pouring millions into the expansion of her university research institutes, experimental stations and breeding farms. Her scientists are combing the earth for new crops and new methods. No country in Europe is manifesting more interest and activity in laying hold of the best science, wherever it may be found.

It is of more than passing interest that the wheat yields reported on the huge trust farm known as the "Giant" ran last year as much as 18 bushels to the acre. On this single farm the crop harvested is reported to have been 3,865,000 bushels. A single farm of 47,000 acres under government control and mechanized as fast as human energy can be applied is a new factor in the world's picture.

There can be but little doubt that the Russian situation may yet assume quite a different attitude from what obtained even in pre-war days.

**Bankers Hold Farm Conference**

A "feeders' conference" was held in a state bank at Fresno, South Dakota, attended by fifty farmers. The conference stressed the feeding of low price wheat and barley, and marketing it through livestock. Later, booklets on the feeding of wheat were distributed among the farmers, and a feeders column was carried in the local paper each week.

"We have had more success with the conference and with the feeders column in the local paper, than with any other undertaking we have tried," the bankers said. "As a result there is about three times as much livestock being fed out in our territory than ever before. We plan to hold other similar conferences the coming year."

The benefits of civilization exist because of the capital accumulated by those who have gone before. Through accumulation of capital our great railroads have been constructed, our public utilities have been built and our mills, office buildings and homes have arisen.

Loose Leaf Binders, Special Ruling and Stock Forms—The Messenger

**Crying Baby Changed Mary's Mind**  
 By RUBY GRUBER

MARY HAYNES sat before the large mirror of her dressing table. Quickly, she dabbed the heavy cold cream over her pretty face. Her big blue eyes roamed from her reflected self to the little gold clock. Five minutes—she must hurry. Her fingers flew as she wiped away the greasy cream.

"Miss Haynes, five minutes—call for Miss Haynes," came a voice from the other side of the door.

She turned to the shining black face of Marie, her maid.

"Ah, Marie—I am so bothered! Why can't people leave me alone! I haven't a moment to myself—people—people—reporters, old fools with their flowers, and gifts, invitations to teas, parties, societies and clubs. Oh, how I hate it all!"

"Poor Mr. Bob Howard has been waiting for an hour in the other room. He wants to see you." Marie rolled her eyes knowingly, a smile on her broad features.

I will see him after the performance, I must listen to him! I shall be glad when he is in Europe," Mary Haynes put her hands to her head.

"Will that baby ever stop crying? Show people with children should be barred from the stage, especially when they must bring the crying infants right under one's nose."

"Could I go in, and see what's ailing the child? The mother is just a kid herself, and probably doesn't know how to attend to it." The maid spoke.

"I don't care what you do, but don't bring it in here. If you must fool around with a crying baby, stay in your dressing room with it." Mary Haynes regally left the room.

Haughtily, she entered the stage and sang the song which so pleased the audience. The myriad white faces before her were wreathed in smiles, hands were meeting in thunderous applause. With a gracious smile, she obligingly sang another favorite, and as she stretched her white arms forward, and lightly kissed her finger-tips to her loyal audience, she really felt her heart go out to them.

At last the velvet curtain closed before her, and the orchestra struck up the opening number of the next act.

Slowly, she walked toward her dressing room. Bob Howard would be waiting. She was beginning to fear this persistent young man. Which would be the best way to handle the situation, she asked her self, as she neared the door. Haughtily indifference? Or pal-to-pal talk, reasoning and trying to show him just what a career meant to her? Or just a cold "No" to all of his pleas? Undecided, she opened the door.

"Hello, Bob," she smiled, and strolling over to the mirror, wiped the heavy lipstick from her mouth.

"Mary, I am leaving the United States," Bob Howard put a hand gently on her slim shoulder.

"Now listen, Mary, I love you, I have always loved you, and I guess I always will. You loved me, too until you became famous! It has turned your head," he paused then hung his head, abashed at his outburst.

"And suppose it has? I have right to live the life I want!"

"You can't tell me you like all this yapping, and fuss they make over you," Bob Howard finished defiantly. "A woman's place is at home with her husband!"

He realized he sounded old-fashioned the instant he had spoken, but with a small boy sullenness he faced her.

"Bob, you are positively Victorian, making a statement like that—I am surprised at you—that settles the question for all time—I could never marry anyone who had ideas like that—I believe I hate you, Bob Howard."

"Mary—I always say the wrong thing. I mean this—" Bob Howard tried to explain. "You are so small, so sweet, so like you've longed in a home, instead of being around over the country, a day here, and a day there."

"We will let the matter drop, Bob. You run along to Europe. I will chase around as you term it. You may find a girl in Europe who may be the kind of a wife you desire."

The door opened quickly. The maid dashed across the room. In her arms lay the baby. It was no crying now, only lying motionless with closed eyes.

"Miss Mary, take her, she's had a bad spell, sort of fainted away. Mr. Bob, will you run and get a doctor? I want to get some water heated and hunt up some milk." The frightened maid tenderly laid the bundle of baby in the staring singer's arms. Bob was already out of the room. The maid dashed out in her search for milk.

Mary Haynes sat down in the low chair by the mirror. The baby stirred slightly, and seemed to snuggle her soft cheek against the bosom of Mary's gown. With a sigh of content the baby's hand crept under Mary's warm palm. Absently, she squeezed the tiny fist.

Bob Howard came back with a doctor, the maid came with milk, still Mary Haynes sat holding the baby.

The theater manager came in, followed by the youthful mother. Mary's eyes rested on the sleeping baby a full moment. Then, with a mischievous twinkle, her eyes shifted to Bob Howard.

"Bob, I will go to Europe with you," she said.

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**Try It, and See**

"I don't see why having your car overhauled should be such a depressing experience."

"You don't, eh? Well, it was overhauled by a motor cycle cop."

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**SITTING BULL FALLS FADES FROM PICTURE**

The following story carried in the Carlshad Current-Argus of Tuesday will be read with regret by all local people familiar with the beauties of Sitting Bull Falls: Beautiful "Sitting Bull Falls" are no more.

Last week accumulated weight of tons upon tons of ice, and possible percolation caused by fissures opened in the stone, caused a cave in that almost entirely destroyed the face of the falls.

Part of the water that once went over the ledge now runs into the very considerable cavern that was so long reached by going thru the falling water, and which was mapped and explored by Carl Livingston when a boy. It was he who cut the footholds in the smooth surface of the rock so that the climb could be made up into the cavern which began just under the top of the cliff and only a little ways under the overshot of the falls.

Whether the grotto has also disappeared, or whether it has filled with water from the stream can scarcely be determined until winds of spring melt the accumulated ice, and it is possible to safely prow around underground.

**KANSAS CITY—Catt**

300; better grade fed steers yearlings active, steady, yearlings slow, about steers week's previous decline of 75c; few loads light and heavy yearlings and light weights: The Roswell 7.00 to 8.25; bulk shorting will serve value to sell at 4.75 to 6.00. Heifer and mixed yearling fat cows, slow; weak; butcher cows 3.00 to 3.75; steers and cutters steady, and killing calves easier; top weavers 6.50; stocker feeds slow, steady to weak, 4.00 to 5.50 for bulk.

Hogs 5.000; uneven; carcasses to 150 lbs down to shippers, 1.40 on choice 180-210 lb 315 lbs 3.60 to 3.90; packers 2.85 to 3.25; stock pigs 3.75 to 4.00.

Sheep 9,000; lambs active to 50c higher; top wools others 5.65 to 5.90; fed Texas, 4.60 to 5.10; sheep, steady.

Galveston Cotton—S GALVESTON, Texas—Sales steady, 15 up. Middling Sales 650.

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By more careful attention to financial matters.

We shall be glad to assist you in any way.

**First National Bank of Hagerman**

**NOTICE!**

I have moved my cleaning establishment to Hagerman, but will continue to serve both Hagerman and Dexter communities in the usual way.

**C. C. KNOLL, Prop.**

**Keen Kleaners**  
 Hagerman, New Mexico