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DAY ON FARNHAM FARM

Party of Portalesites Visit This Ideal Country Home and Observe Many Interesting Features in Its Transformation Under Irrigation.

A party of Portales business men hied themselves out to the J. Farnham farm by auto route on Saturday of last week and spent practically the entire day there with this hospitable family. The object of the visit was to show a couple of gentlemen from Ohio the place which is undergoing a great transformation by the mixture of soil and water and brain and brawn. The soil was furnished by the hand of Nature, deposited here in a level stretch of virgin richness, like all the lands of the Portales Valley for that matter, remained for the magic touch of man to unearth the shallow water basin a few feet below and transport it over the bosom of the earth before she could fold her resources and possibilities in all its changing panoramic beauty and wealth. Mr. Farnham is the man at the helm of this beautiful farm and he has accomplished wonders in the short time in which he has had control of the heretofore lacking element—water. In this instance, as in many others over the Valley, the soil was new and the man who was to till it by new methods was also unacquainted with the gentle art of irrigation; but this man will succeed, for he is an untiring worker and uses his head to direct his feet and hands. He has the fundamental conception of what it takes to succeed under the new era which has been ushered into this section since the discovery of our unlimited water supply, though of course he is overloaded on acres as well as the other farmers of the Valley who were compelled to put in 160 acres or else stay out of the game. But the farm is ideally equipped for farming on a large scale and if Mr. Farnham and his family do not get around and in the middle of this beautiful 160-acre homestead there is scarcely any of us who need try.

Upon approaching the place, the party was immediately forced to apply the emergency brakes to the autos, for right across the road was a young Niagara which stretched out and wound its babbling channel through the place like a monster sinuous snake. The well was near, and it would be a matter of pleasure and profit to the average citizen who has not been around his own well very much to see the manner in which Mr. Farnham has provided for the measuring of the water and its distribution through the various sub-divisions of his farm. To see this well and its concrete weir is at once convincing evidence that there is something substantial upon which to build hopes for the future ideal home. The water is gushing forth in all its sparkling crystal purity out into this air and hurries on through the road-gate to its mission of slaking the thirst of mother earth and her family of tree, plant and man. And the beauty of the thing is that there is no let-up to the process, just one continuous rivulet of the liquid at the rate of about 1600 gallons per minute. From the imminence one can survey the entire tract, with its various sub-divisions; its main head ditches and their laterals

which distribute the water over the place in almost perfect accord. A nearby orchard is slowly yet surely taking on a new lease of life after having braved the uncertainties of weather conditions which have been somewhat unkind in the past few years, and now gives every promise of redeeming itself from the strangle of death by the thirst route. Quite a lot of the acreage has been seeded to alfalfa, and the teams and rakes were busy then in one part of the field gathering in the pea-green substance which makes the average western horse and dairy cow float their tails in the air like a cork-screw and put on airs like a thoroughbred.

There is one mistake which Mr. Farnham has been forced into in seeding his alfalfa this season, and that is that he did not have the water in hand in the winter for a thorough saturation of the soil and the frequent waterings this spring and summer has had a tendency to make a surface lob-lolly which has caked like a hoe-cake and as the young alfalfa is just peeping out of the ground there is little opportunity for a cultivation which would place the soil in proper tilth and put the crop on to a speedy growth.

About the place there is an abundance of small truck which will furnish and garnish the dining table, and a nearby grape vineyard will afford a nectar which would be relished by a god. At present the vineyard is furnishing an ample supply of grapes for pie which would make a boy hit his daddy. The surroundings of the place are thoroughly in keeping with modern conditions which prevail in the older settled communities, there being an ideal milk house with solid concrete troughs through which trickled a cold stream of water which keeps the milk at the desired temperature for a summer beverage, as this party can witness from having tasted the excellent buttermilk which was brewed there. The barns and granaries are thoroughly modern in their appointments, one particularly pleasing feature of the barn being the splendid apartment for the dairy herd, arranged according to the most approved sanitary methods.

But we did not see all of these things about the place until we were called in to dinner, and here hangs quite another story. The good wife and her daughter had prepared a repast which only falls to the lot of a hungry man about once a year (which is usually a "state occasion") and the way that bunch took to the chicken was a caution to the innocents. Chicken and gravy, light biscuits, lettuce with mayonnaise dressing, potatoes, grape pie and the other trimmings, with buttermilk in sufficient quantity that every member of the party had from three to five glasses each, are some of the things which gladdened the inner man of this party. If we were to say more about this excellent dinner, we might be the means of annoyance to Mrs. Farnham, for we know that there are many Portales people who will want to take up summer lodging there from what has already been said.

After dinner the party separated, part of it going to the Morgan orchard and the balance coming on to town. It was just

one of those excursions which adds spice to the life of the busy office man, and in the case of the newspaper scribe, will furnish ammunition for thought and expression for many moons. It is always a pleasure to be treated so royally, and is ever an inspiration to see what our farmers are doing toward the subduing of the desert since the advent of the irrigation era. Come to Portales Valley.

Our New Mailing System.

The Herald this week installed an up-to-date mailing system which will greatly facilitate the work in this department as well as furnish an invaluable guide to the subscriber as to how his subscription account appears on our books. The subscriber may, by referring each week to the printed label on his paper, tell exactly when his subscription expires and prepare to advance his date accordingly. It is an invariable rule of the office to discontinue all subscriptions which go out of the county at the expiration of the time paid for, as we have never been able to see the wisdom of carrying names of persons on our books who do not want the paper. This is the policy pursued by all self-respecting newspapers, and it is a fact generally understood and appreciated by the average reader. We make some exceptions to the application of this rule in the county, for the reason that we have the opportunity at short intervals to see the subscriber, who will never be forced to the necessity of "beating about the bush" if he does not want the paper.

It is taken for granted that most all newspaper readers are familiar with the mailing system which we will use; it merely prints the name on the paper and the date when your time is out, as follows: John Doe.... Aug 11; this would simply indicate that John Doe's subscription was paid up to August 1, 1911. We believe that this plan will be a matter of convenience to the subscriber, and we know that it will cut our work in the mailing department fully one-half.

Judge Lindsey to Speak at Hereford.

Judge W. E. Lindsey, president of the Portales Irrigation Co., is scheduled to go to Hereford, Texas tomorrow, where he will attend the big Water Carnival and make an address to the crowds which will assemble there on the subject of "Irrigation in the Portales Valley." The judge is amply qualified to speak instructively on this subject as he has been put through the gymnastic stunts at a lively rate ever since the organization of the local irrigation company. The Hereford people are coming into a realization of the power of irrigation in the development of their country and are just far-sighted enough to appreciate the value of the knowledge of their neighbor in such matters.

Sledge Working Overtime On Alfalfa.

J. B. Sledge is having the time of his life this week in harvesting his second crop of alfalfa and now has the out-put ready for the baler. After the field is cleared of the crop the stubble will be given a thorough renovation by the spike-tooth machine which is especially designed for the purpose, after which a thorough application of water will be made. Mr. Sledge says he is confident that the yield will average a ton per acre, which is going some for a crop which was sown last September. Another startling though not unreasonable expectation of Mr. Sledge in connection with this field of alfalfa is that it will pay the water right out on the land in two years time. By such process of calculation it would be easy to see how easily a man could acquire a competence by growing this crop in a few years time. And what is more, a man of the determination and perseverance of J. B. Sledge is apt to accomplish this very thing. The man who thinks that this is an idle statement on his part should try to buy his holding out there. It is quite likely that if one succeeded in getting it he would know that he had bought something before he got through counting the necessary dollars to complete the transaction.

Returns from Important Conference.

W. O. Dunlap, immigration agent and railway promoter, returned home today from the East where he has been in conference the past two weeks with capitalists who are to build the line of railway from Dunlap, N. M. to Ft. Worth, Texas, via Portales. Mr. Dunlap has been wiring his friends here of the progress of the work of the conference, and it is significant that all of these messages have carried the optimistic tidings that certainly the road would be built as proposed as the men behind it were capitalists who were doing things in actual railway construction and would not overlook an opportunity to construct the line from Dunlap to Ft. Worth. Mr. Dunlap was greeted at the station today by the Portales Concert Band and many friends and boosters who were anxious to show in this manner that his work in behalf of the enterprise is appreciated, for it would only be placing the credit where it is due to say that if this proposed line is built it will be largely through the efforts of this pioneer booster who has "blazed the trail" in all of the preliminary work which is necessary to interest capital in an enterprise of this character.

Bramlett Disposes of Forty.

Boyd W. Dysart, of Springfield, Mo., has been in Portales the past week in company with a party of friends who hail from the same place and has decided to cast his lot in the Valley as an irrigator. He has purchased forty acres of irrigated land from

A. S. Bramlett and intends to move onto the place in a couple of months when he will prepare the land for fall seeding to alfalfa. A little more of this kind of thing will be acceptable for it has a tendency to place in process of development lands which would not otherwise receive attention at once on account of the too prevalent condition of large holdings. Most of those who went into the project were compelled to put in 160 acres of land which is about three-fourth too much of a good thing for any one man. By reducing the acreage to about twenty to forty acres to the individual better results will be attained and of course this will be done in course of time.

City Council Meeting.

The city council held its regular weekly session last Friday evening with all members present. Several matters of importance were up for discussion and there were the usual quota of accounts to be allowed. The council elected T. E. Mears city attorney upon the recommendation of a committee which had been chosen for this purpose. In the appointment of this gentleman, the city has the assurance of the ablest representation in a legal capacity, and it is a matter of pleasure to his many friends that he has consented to make the sacrifice necessary to take the office.

A joint ordinance which provides for the licensing of a pool and billiard hall and a box-ball alley was introduced and was ordered read and published. It will come up for final action tomorrow night. This ordinance has been prepared and has a fair chance for passage in response to a petition of the citizens asking for same, and a reference to its provisions will enable the people to ascertain if they want these forms of amusement with proper restrictions. They are harmless games within themselves and with the safeguards which have been prescribed by this ordinance it would seem that it could be made as wholesome for the youth as the national game of baseball.

The matter of street improvement will come up for discussion tomorrow evening. It is hoped that the business people of the town will attend this meeting and advise as to the best manner of applying the funds which have been raised by the collection of the street tax. Of course the original idea of the council members was to supply street crossings and otherwise improve the streets about the business district, with the possible exception of some work which is needed across the railroad tract to the west.

The matter of the proposed change in the plan of sale of the school section has been referred to a committee composed of Aldermen Howard, Johnson and Brandon, who will confer with the educational board and report to the council with recommendations. This conference will be delayed until the return of A. J. Smith who is chairman of the school board. It is not known what the result of this deliberation will be, but a majority of the council still hold to the plan of a longer term of sale at a lower rate of interest.

The county commissioners have received a splendid new road grader which will be used on the public highways of the county.

Onions a Profitable Crop.

While there are hundreds of crops which can be grown in the Valley successfully and profitably, there is one staple which has been little spoken of which is yet destined to claim a large acreage of our fertile lands. We refer to the Bermuda onion, which yields a steady annual net profit of from \$300 to \$500 per acre. Down in south Texas the people are singing the song of the "Onion Scented Way to Independence," and if we are wise we will take up with the crop in the Portales Valley and there is no doubt that it will take up with us if we will only give it a chance. The farmers of the Valley will have by no means exhausted their resources for a money crop after having provided for a good acreage of alfalfa, for the onion, the canteloupe, celery, sugar beets and other crops in endless profusion can be put in on the theory that if you miss on one you will hit on another. Diversification is the rule of success in any man's country.

There are at least half a dozen Portales people who are coming to appreciate the value of the onion as a revenue producer and there may be more of whom we have not heard. Take, for example, the five acres being grown by Will Faggard which are said to be as fine as could be found in any man's country, and Frank Meyers has a few acres on the Priddy farm which are making some acrobatic stunts themselves. James Ryther is also growing a few acres on the Humble place, and we suppose that there would not be much difficulty in finding as much as 100 acres altogether which has been planted to onions this year. If we would only plant more of our acres to onions and canteloupes we would soon come into fame and independence.

Commercial Club Lowers Initiation.

The Commercial Club in its last regular session decided to lower its initiation fee from \$10 to \$1, hoping that this would stimulate more of the citizens of the town to harness up with this boosting organization. Some of the towns in the State are hitting upon a plan to increase the membership of their respective clubs which embraces the selection of two companies picked from their present membership who make a thorough canvass for new members, the company securing the greatest number of initiates being the accredited winners of a magnificent banquet at the expense of the losers. Any old plan which will accomplish the purpose is desirable, however, for as Sam Jones said about a Methodist who would trot under a Baptist wagon, "if he had such a dog he would kill him." A man who is drawing his support from a town is overlooking an excellent opportunity to do service to his community if he does not line up under the banner of some plan of concerted effort and stay there through thick and thin. Be a "jiner" this one time and swell the list of organized boosters.

Popular Election Amendment Adopted

The senate by 64 to 24, passed the resolution to provide for election of senators by direct popular vote. The Bristol amendment giving to the federal government supervision of such elections was adopted, 44 to 24, the vice president casting the deciding ballot. The house has already passed the resolution.

GLASSES PRESERVE SIGHT AND STOP HEADACHES

We have had many letters asking that our Specialist, DR. HUBSBERGER, make another professional visit to Portales, and have consented to VISIT PORTALES FRIDAY, JUNE 21st To 23rd.

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To Put on New Feature.

The Herald will, next week, open a new department in its columns under the heading of "The Portales Valley and its Makers." It is the purpose of the management to place the proper emphasis and credit on the personal element which enters into the development of this great irrigation section, which will be done by pen and half tone illustrations, gathered at random from the little army of men who are, at present, "sweating blood," as it were, to carry this excellent system of irrigation on to completion and perfection. This column will also furnish a medium for all kinds of descriptive matter of the valley, its forces as well as its factors; its opportunities and its outlook. Half tone illustrations of farm scenes and wells will also be offered, from time to time, as it will be the scope of the feature to literally track its heading, "The Valley and Its Makers." We will have a goodly number of these illustrations on hand and have already drafted on some of the makers for their likeness, from which half tones will be made. These subjects will appear, from week to week, with appropriate pen pictures of how they are working out their problems, the methods employed, etc.

There never was a more loyal set of empire builders than is to be found right here in the Portales Valley, and they are all either connected in a financial way, in the development of our splendid system of irrigation by actual ownership of lands under the project, or are dependent, in a commercial way, for the success of the enterprise. These pioneer patriots are quietly working out their own salvation and the hopes of their country, by putting their energies and their money into the first steps of the gigantic enterprise, which is always the period which tries the metal of men. After a few years of such heroic effort it will be easy to drift on down the stream of prosperity, without much effort, and praises will be a plenty for these men when that achievement has been wrought. But, in keeping with the spirit of the preceptor who said that "It was more excellent to strew flowers in the pathway of the living than on the graves of the dead," it is the purpose of the Herald to express its words of cheer to these men while they yet live, while it is yet time. Our heart goes out to these stalwart sons, who are making it possible for two blades of grass to grow where only one grew before, for they are accomplishing far more for their country and their children than were they to take a city by force of arms. Of course these same men are expecting to reap a reward for their endeavors, and they will get it, because they deserve it. But now is the time when they are sowing their brain and brawn in the enterprise with little more than a hope of the future for reward. For this reason it shall be our purpose to express our thanks for their untiring and unselfish efforts and, if possible, to gladden their hearts with the

knowledge that their endeavors are appreciated, even beyond the words of pen.

The first installment of this feature will appear with a half-tone picture of J. B. Priddy, who is doing things himself, in his own quiet way, to beckon the better day for our town and valley. A human interest sketch of this excellent booster will accompany the illustration, delineating some of the characteristic traits of the man, showing the method which he is employing in accomplishing the high ideal of his community and giving it an enduring and illustrious future. There is no significance or pre-eminence attached to giving Mr. Priddy first place in the column, we merely had in mind the starting of the feature with the best looking material which we had at command and there can be no doubt on this point, as the tall, lean manager of the Warren-Pooshee house is about the best looking of the leans of the town, who are by no means in the minority when it comes to numbers and beauty. And then, Mrs. Priddy says that J. B. is the best looking man in town, which settles the matter at one fell swoop.

Get After A Prize.

Mr. Farmer, do you want to do a great service to your immediate community, to yourself individually and the cause of bringing land under irrigation in the Portales Valley? We take it that you do, and we are thus addressing you in the hope that you will enter the competitive list for one or more of the prizes which are offered by the business men of Portales for the various farm products grown under irrigation this year.

This contest was inaugurated by the officers of the Portales Irrigation Co., and has for its object the stimulation of its members to do large things for themselves, for the company and the community at large. They want the products of your farms, orchards and gardens that have been raised under irrigation conditions this year. It is not necessary to be too ambitious in the matter and think that you must go to a great expense. Get together and show the world what this section is capable of producing under favorable conditions and the right kind of farming. You owe it to yourself and your community to do this.

But if you are going to compete for a prize, now is the time to begin. A blue ribbon product is the result of studied design and careful collecting. You should plant special plots of land and carefully attend them; lay aside in cool, dark places grains and fruits that ripen, or otherwise treat the products in the best way to preserve them. You will be surprised how fast your collection grows.

The irrigation company and the business men who will contribute prizes for the various products in the list are merely trying to show to the outside world that Portales Valley lands need only intelligent cultivation with water to make the region produce its share of the world's agricultural wealth. Success comes through resisting the things that oppose one.

Irrigated lands will furnish the arena of the world's greatest history along agricultural lines and by striving the farmers of Portales Valley can take their place at the head of the class.

Enlist with this progressive movement; and do it now.

After The Weeds.

A fair illustration of how readily Portales people comply with a just mandate of the law is to be found in the war which has been waging against the weeds about their premises as the result of an order issued by the town marshal. It will be remembered that this ordinance is an old one though its enforcement at this time is giving rise to the remarks by some that it is a new one. It

will now be recalled that this order was placed on the statute books of the town during the administration of the first city council and with this fact in mind it was no little pleasure to this writer to see one J. A. Fairly complying with it to the letter on one of the lots which he owns adjacent to the Portales Bank & Trust Co. building. Upon inquiry of this gentleman as to what he thought of this ordinance he replied that it was not the intention of the framers to force compliance in such weeds as Russian thistles and other harmless weeds, but only had reference to sunflower and other foreign growth. It looked to us like he was disposed to plead a technicality which of course lets the average layman out of the argument. But it looks good to see the streets and back yards cleared of these noxious weeds and makes a more wholesome atmosphere altogether.

Boost Irrigation Project.

There never was a period in the history of the Portales Valley when there was actual need of a more heroic class of boosting than right now. This is particularly true of the greatest project which it is our pleasure to call the foundation stone of all our future hopes, and which is for that matter, our great irrigation system which will reclaim countless acres of our lands from a semi-arid condition to one of the greatest possible productivity.

This is desirable for several reasons. In the first place the people who are actually engaged in this demonstration work are in most every instance new to irrigation methods and will naturally make their full quota of mistakes just as we all do in harnessing up to something with which we are not familiar. But this is not sufficient cause for their discouragement for they will learn with practice. This is not an art which can be acquired in a day or within a year for matter. But the irrigator who earnestly endeavors to solve the problems peculiar to his own locality is sure to succeed. A man not acquainted with the science of irrigation, especially on raw land, even if he has read a great deal, is apt to run up against things he does not understand and to make costly mistakes. One of the most common and expensive errors is in not completely filling the new land with water in the beginning. A great deal more water is required on new land, because the subsoil has no moisture and needs to be thoroughly saturated before any planting is done. Then the water can come up under and thus supply the needs of the roots of the plants. Of course this was not possible this year as the power plant was not put into thorough running order until March. In the consequent rush to get the seed in the ground most of the farmers have had to resort to plans which do not make for the best results. By watering a little repeatedly they have found that they have only made mud at the surface which caked like a hoe cake and still did not supply the roots with the needed moisture because it was above instead of below them.

But these untoward circumstances which we have experienced at the beginning of our labors does not warrant the presumption that the whole enterprise is to fail in meeting the expectations of its most ardent well-wisher. We yet have the foundation upon which to work and it would be folly to say that we could never build above it. We yet have the absolute knowledge that we have the finest soil in all the earth and an unexcelled water supply as a basis upon which to work and if the human element has failed to supply its just modicum of intelligent effort it is no cause for despondency but rather one for reflection as this feature is capable of unlimited improvement by application.

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Apropos the Times Spiel.

The Times, last week, took occasion to hand Judge McGill, the Democratic Demosthenes of La Lande, a jolt below the belt. Of course the Times man was well aware of the fact that Mr. McGill would be a long ways from Portales when the little roast appeared. Furthermore, the Times man was not present when the address was delivered and, in all human probability, does not know to this good day just what the judge did say, or for what purpose he went to Washington. It is entirely a Republican prerogative to brand as malicious, dishonest and "against statehood," any attempt to lessen the many evils of the proposed constitution. The Times man was asked why he did not come out and hear the talk if he wanted to write up the speaker? He replied that "It was too sickening, he couldn't stand it," yet, just prior to inflicting himself upon this community, he was the secretary of the Chatauqua county, Kansas, Populist central committee—how shocking, indeed.

The band did meet Judge McGill at the depot and they, also, did welcome him at the night meeting, and the judge was proud that it was so, proud of the fact that he had given freely of his own time and his own money to further the cause of statehood and, at the same time secure certain concessions from the constitution for the great common people, which might, in part, help to mitigate the many evil things hidden in that document.

That the local exponent of the faith of Fall, of Spiess, of Andrews, of Luna, aye, of the illustrious Leckliter, himself, should enter a plea of "couldn't stand it," is rather more than ludicrous, its some nauseating, it self. Cut it out, read your orders again and get in line with the more honest and progressive members of your own party.

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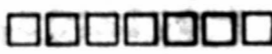
Commissioners in Session.

The board of county commissioners were in session the greater part of last week equalizing the taxes of the renditions made to the assessor and will be in session again tomorrow in the same capacity. It is probable that the commissioners will be forced to the necessity of an increase in the rate of taxation for the year 1912 on account of the decrease in the rate of tax valuation of the county. Of course this does not mean that the actual valuation has suffered a slump, but merely indicates that the average taxpayer has been charging up depreciation losses during these last few years against his property which is all right in theory but does not furnish the county with necessary revenue for current expenses without a raise in rating. From the total assessed valuation for 1912 it has been found that with the present rating the funds would fall \$1000 short for county purposes and it is the desire of the commissioners to provide some plan for an increase for local needs without an additional levy or territorial purposes.

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THE NEW CLUB.

"Clubs" certainly must be the long-suit of the young ladies of Portales. About the first of May there was organized in our midst another interesting club of girls, who, however, have just now perfected their organization sufficiently for publication. Their name is no secret. They call themselves plainly, "The Goose Girls" and their object is to gather once every week and have an evening of wholesome fun. The form of the amusement for each occasion is not fixed but shall depend wholly on the ingenuity of the hostess.

On Tuesday of last week the Club met with Miss Mattie Bell Hawkins who had asked each girl to bring a puzzle game together with a small prize for the solver thereof. This clever idea provided an interesting evening, and the puzzles proved so difficult that only about half were solved. Miss Mattie Bell refreshed the girls with lemon ice and cake, and just as they were preparing to leave they were given another happy surprise. Mr. Douthit came down in his big wagon and took the crowd on a hay ride.

The Twigg twins were hostesses to the club on Tuesday, the 13th. The games provided at the former meeting were now completed and it was found that the prize winners were Misses Lillian Smith and Lillian Maxwell. Tea and wafers were served, and the club adjourned to meet next with Miss Lillian Smith.

Miss Pearl Leach entertained on Monday night with a lawn party complimentary to Miss Magdalene Humphrey, of Clovis, Mrs. Leach's "baby sister." The cool evening breeze, the trees, the grass—all were enchanting, and as the moon rose, so did the spirits of the young folk. Punch was served between times, and summer houses and other cozy nooks proved irresistible retreats to those that are inclined that way (you know) and were just as interesting and fraught with opportunity for the more mischievous ones on pranks and adventure bent. The rare and crowning event of the evening was a raid on the large cherry orchard, which Mr. Leach generously turned over to the crowd and gave them carte blanche. Everyone had such a thoroughly good time that they were wondrously loath to leave beneath the beautiful cherry trees, and only a reluctant sense of propriety prevented a total disregard of the proper hour for departure.

On Last Saturday Miss Vera Merrill was ten years old and her little friends surprised her with a birthday party that afternoon. All those outdoor childhood games that never grow old were played and a general good time ensued. Evidently "a little bird" had whispered to Mrs. Merrill of the party to be, for she had prepared an abundance not only of lemonade, but ice cream and cake as well. At sunset, the children left wishing Miss Vera many more such happy birthdays.

On Tuesday evening Miss Sara Monroe was hostess to the T. F. C. Club, which attended en masse the concert and ice cream festival given at the Sanders' building by the Portales Concert Band.

The Daughters of Confederacy will be entertained on next Tuesday by Mrs. A. T. Monroe.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets will brace up the nerves, banish sick headache, prevent drowsiness and invigorate the whole system. Sold by Pearce Pharmacy.

Musical Recital.

The recital given by the music class of Mrs. Arthur F. Jones at her residence June 10th was an enjoyable affair, creditable alike to teacher and pupils. The musical critic from art centers would enthusiastically commend the scientific instruction imparted by this real teacher to her pupils, as evidenced by the skillful interpretation of the masterpieces of musical composition by the wee folks of the class.

"The Trip to Europe" was well rendered and much enjoyed by all present. I wonder if it could not at some later day be repeated to a larger audience?

The serving of delicious cream and cake concluded this pleasant musical and social program. Many thanks to teacher and pupils for this hour of recreation.

PROGRAM.

- Who'll Dance with Me... Presser Elizabeth Priddy
- A Little Flower... Presser Ruth Faggard
- Little Waltz... Presser Charlotte Faggard
- The First Ball Valse... Streabrog Gladys Stone—Mrs. Jones
- Duet... Streabrog Nora Fairly—Ione Austin
- Pere Waltz... D'Albert Eddy Lee Hall
- Souvenir of the Ball... Streabrog Helen Lindsey—Mrs. Jones
- The Secret... Gautier Eva Crosby
- On the Meadow... Sighner Thelma Mac Oldham
- Waves of the Ocean... Harman Bessie Warnica—Eva Crosby
- Lone Star... Dressler Sidney Pearce
- Con Amour... Beaurnont Thelma Trimble
- Qui Vive... Gauz Irma Belle Smith—Edith Reagan
- Fifth Nocturn... Seybock Hallie Mitchell
- Valse in E Flat... Durant Surlene Sandefer
- Two Larks... Seeschetzky Lillian Maxwell
- Theme for the Left Hand... Irene Smith
- A Trip to Europe.

Christian Church Revival.

The special meetings now being conducted at the Presbyterian church by Evangelists Quiggin and Grim continue with increasing interest. People of all churches and of no church are attending. The preaching is scriptural and vital. The evangelist appeals to the intellect, the heart and the will. He calls on men and women to forsake sin and definitely surrender themselves to Jesus Christ and his way of life.

The Christian Church holds much in common with other churches in that it believes in the Fatherhood of God, the Divine Lordship of Jesus Christ, the personality and work of the Holy Spirit etc; but it is distinctive in that it rejects all human creeds and confessions of faith and accepts as its only creed faith in Jesus Christ, loyalty and devotion to him. It refuses to wear only those names that honor him, and believes that the only book of discipline is the New Testament.

On last Friday afternoon a large company of people gathered around the beautiful pool of water to witness the baptism of eight of their friends. Four have taken membership by letter.

Sunday afternoon at 3:00 p. m. there will be a meeting for men. The subject will be "Is the Young Man Safe?" Come! W. R. QUIGGIN, Pastor.

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