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THERE IS NO HERD LAW IN STATE OF NEW MEX. SAYS COURT

Judge McClure Sustains Demurrer and Holds that Section 49 Has Been Repealed

Must Have a Legal Fence to Protect Crops from the Depredations of Live Stock

Old superstitions have been knocked in the head by a recent decision from the district court of this county. Case number 513, is a case of the state against Cullen M. Johnson and others, and was argued on Friday of the week. Here you have the two combinations, thirteen and Friday, yet the court held for the defendant. The complaint was drawn under section 49 of the code of 1915, which provides that it shall be unlawful for any owner of cattle, horses, etc., to permit the same to run at large during the months of March, April, May, June, July, August, September and October unless they are under the custody of a keeper, or herder. Assistant District Attorney Hockenull appeared for the state and James A. Hall for the defense. The defense entered a demurrer to the indictment claiming that section 49 had been repealed. The demurrer was argued and the court took the case under advisement. Monday of this week Mr. Hall received a copy of the opinion which holds that the section had been repealed. This opinion does away with the contention that there is at this time a herd law in New Mexico. Without going into the merits of whether or not a herd law is a necessity, it is some satisfaction to have an authoritative ruling on the present status of the matter. Parties having growing crops must provide a legal fence against live stock or suffer the damage done.

A Talented Singer

For the first time in its history Portales is to have the opportunity of extending a greeting and welcome to a famous and talented singer whom we are proud to honor and remember as a former resident of our town. Mamie Harris Rankin left Portales eight years ago and entered upon a musical career which is now of almost national fame and interest. Her wonderful voice charmed all Portales while she lived here and her splendid development since her study with the master artists of the nation, her subsequent appearance in the leading roles of Grand Opera, her Chatauqua tours and prominent concert work, all tend to arouse only the happiest anticipations of all Portales, again. Her appearance will be under the auspices of the Woman's Club at the Methodist Church, December 12th. Her program will range from the highest artistic productions to the sweet southern melodies. Mrs. Rankin looks forward with the greatest pleasure to meeting her former friends here and is arranging a special program for the occasion as a token of her appreciation for Portales and its citizenship. While here she will be the guest of Mrs. Sam J. Nixon. Many social honors will be extended her while in the city and a cor-

dial welcome is awaiting her. Admission to concert, adults, 50c children 35c. Tickets on sale at Neer's drug store.

Mrs. Mamie Harris Rankin besides touring the east in Chatauqua filled the following dates last season:

Irish Choral Society, Orchestra Hall, Chicago.

Hamilton College of Law, Auditorium, Chicago.

Perdue Alumni Association, Chicago.

Bankers Association, Chicago.

First M. E. Church in Cantata, Chicago.

May Dupue Laukart, manager Chicago Choir and Musical Bureau writes: "This is to introduce Mamie Rankin, a brilliant and successful soprano. Hear her if possible."

Musie News, Chicago: "Mrs. Rankin exhibits a soprano of beautiful quality and extended range, and sings with pleasing simplicity and ease."

The Chicago Artists Quartette: "Well known in Chicago musical circles has been engaged to sing at Unity Church, Oak Park. Mrs. Rankin, the soprano has a voice of unusual range and lovely tonal quality making it a delight to hear her"—Above is a clipping from Oak Leaves, Oak Park, Ill.

"Dear Mrs. Rankin: I want to tell you how delighted I was to hear you in 'Martha.' Though hearing your program every week for six weeks I never grew tired of it. There was something always delightfully refreshing and new in your rendition of the title role.

Cordially yours,

William Sterling Battis."

Mr. Battis is considered the greatest Dickens impersonator in America. The Victor people advertise him as such.

K. of P.'s Elect Officers

The Knights of Pythias have elected their officers for the ensuing year, as follows:

W. E. Keeter, C. C.; F. R. Smith, V. C.; H. E. Terry, Prel.; E. B. Pristow, M. of W.; C. E. Brown, K. of R. and S.; W. H. Braley, M. of F.; C. V. Harris, M. of E.; S. Howell, M. of A.; J. K. Bland, I. G.; C. W. Carroll, O. G.; W. O. Oldham, Trustee.

Langdon Gregg, cashier of the First National bank of Clovis, and a brother of A. L. Gregg, sheriff-elect of Roosevelt county, was visiting friends in the city Sunday.

The Woman's Club will appreciate your patronage to the Mamie Harris Rankin concert, and promises you full value for your money.

Thad Rice and family have arrived from Idaho and will make Portales their home. Mr. Rice owns the place now occupied by County Treasurer Jones.

G. W. Goodwin, of Comanche, Texas bought the C. V. Harris half a section west of town known as the Harley Thompson place.

A. Z. West has purchased the half section west of town known as the J. A. Phillips place, former homestead of John H. Martin.

Bailey Stewart bought 80 acres southwest of town in his ranch this week formerly known as the Harmer place.

Help the Woman's club and hear the coming singer of the nation, Mamie Harris Rankin.

C. E. Wheeler and wife, of Hereford, Texas, were in the city this week visiting.

SOME OF THE CAUSES OF SKYWARD TREND OF COAL AS GIVEN BY MANAGER OF BIG CONCERN

Scarcity of Labor, High Wages, Car Shortage and Large Demand are Some of the Reasons Given as to Why We Have to Pay More

Unprecedented Prosperity and European War Constitute a Demand for Coal that Surpasses all Previous Records. Railroads are Taking About all that They Can Supply Caru for

Mr. C. O. Leach, some few days ago, wrote the various coal mine operators and distributors for the reasons why coal was so high at this time, and the following letter is from one of the concerns written to. The others have not answered at this time.

AMARILLO, TEX., Nov. 27, '16.
Mr. C. O. Leach,
Portales, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

We have your letter of the 23rd, wanting to know why the price of coal is so much higher this year than it has been for the past few years.

I don't think that this can be attributed to any one cause, but there has been a great many reasons to make it so. The two principal reasons have been shortage of labor to produce the coal, and later shortage of cars in which to ship it.

As you doubtless know, the miners in the Swastika Fuel Co. camp are largely foreigners, being to a great extent Bohemians, Italians, Australians, Hungarians, Greeks, etc., being principally from Southern Europe. Every since the outbreak of the war, there has been a continuous passage of these nationalities back to their mother countries; and this has been one of the causes of the shortage of labor. Another cause, and one that has contributed to a greater extent to make labor hard to get, especially in the last twelve months, has been the enormous wages paid by manufacturing plants, powder factories, and other industries engaged in making supplies for the European countries at war. As for instance, I am told that the Dupont Powder plant in normal times employ from 5,000 to 7,000 men, they are at present using from sixty to sixty-five thousand men, and every one who has been reading the papers has noticed from time to time the big increase in wages granted these munition workers. This, of course, has attracted labor from the West to the large manufacturing centers. We have, as far as possible made increases in an effort to keep the men. Not such a great while since, we changed from a ten-hour day to an eight hour day, with no decrease in wages, and the first of December last, we granted an increase not only to all men who actually mine the coal, but to all employees connected in any way with the mines, and the coke ovens.

With this shortage of labor, we were unable to get out a normal tonnage in the late summer and early fall months, when the car situation was much better than it is now, so we went into the winter with an actual shortage. This shortage does not show up so much in the retailer's yard, as it does with the railroad locomotive business and manufacturing industries of various kinds. For the past several weeks, though we have had no better supply of labor than heretofore, the car situation has been such that we have not been able to get empty equipment to load all the coal we produce even with the comparatively small force of miners that we have, and our mines have been shut down on several occasions, sometimes only for a few hours, and sometimes for a whole day.

To make the matter much worse than is generally known, business conditions over the country generally have never been better, and so the railroads have been called upon to do a bigger business than for several years past, all this takes more coal for locomotive purposes, and so the railroads are calling on us for a good deal of coal that in normal times would be sent to the retail dealer. Whether we want to or not, it is up to us to furnish this coal. In the first place, they have a right to confiscate coal to the extent of keeping their trains going; and in the second place, if they did not have this right, it would avail nothing to produce this coal if the railroads could not move it to destination. These are the two things that have handicapped our production.

In the extreme east, in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois and West Virginia, which is the greatest coal producing section of the United States, there has been an abnormal demand for coal so as to keep all munition plants and steel plants going twenty-four hours a day instead of eight hours a day. Also, a number of the nations at war in Europe have been buying coal from the United States. In normal times, these countries export a great deal of coal, in fact they furnish practically all of South America and the West Indies, where little or no coal is produced, so you see in addition to what coal they are taking, all this South and Central American business has gone to mines that are close to the seashore, principally Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Alabama mines, and in keeping with the law of supply and demand, the price of coal in the East is about three or four times what it is under normal conditions.

While, of course, none of our coal goes to the extreme east, coal from Ohio, Illinois and Kentucky, all of which are good coal producing states, have responded in price to the high prices in the

extreme east, and in a measure has been shipped in that direction to make up this shortage. In turn, coal that goes into the extreme eastern part of our territory that we usually cover, has found us a better market elsewhere, and this in turn has given us a great demand for our coal, with the class of trade who are willing to pay more than the usual price.

Coal is no different to wheat or cotton, which today is bringing practically 100 per cent more than it does in normal times, simply because there is a greater demand for it than usual. However, the coal people have not advanced their price to anything like the extent of prices that most food stuffs have advanced. While on the other hand they have a much better justification than simply the law of supply and demand; as I said above, not a great while since we reduced the working hours from ten to eight, without any decrease in pay; and on the other hand we have granted two increases to the miners, and more than all every particle of material of any kind that is used around the mines has practically doubled in price in the last two years. Just one item, for instance, is steel rails, which we formerly paid \$28 to \$32 per ton for, we are today paying more than \$50 per ton for the same rails, and I could name many other items that would show equally as much advance. One among which is hay and grain for our mules, of which we buy several hundred cars per year.

There are, of course, other causes that have contributed to this, but as I see it, these are the principal reasons. And after all the territory being served by Swastika coal is in very much better condition than many places in many of the biggest coal producing states in the union. For instance, I noticed in the Chicago Herald a few days ago where a town in Pennsylvania had all the schools closed, because they could not get coal to heat the building. An item dated Chicago November 21st, says that the officials were able to keep the County Hospital, containing 1800 patients, and the poor houses and tuberculosis hospitals, containing 3800 inmates, warm only because the Rock Island Railroad permitted them to use some of their locomotive coal. And these are only a few of the items that you see every day, which evidence the extreme scarcity of coal all over the United States.

If we were disposed to, we could sell every pound of coal we produce at a much higher price than our present list. Unless the situation is relieved to a considerable extent some way, I fear there is going to be a great deal of actual suffering all over the section of country that we cover, because it is going to be impossible for us to ship anything like the amount of coal that we are being asked to furnish.

I have gone into this matter to considerable length, because I wanted to give you as near as I could the reasons, as I see them, for the shortage of coal and the price that it is being sold at today.

Yours truly,

EARL COBB, President.

Levi J. Whiteman, one of the News force, returned Wednesday from Clarksville, Texas, where he has been for the past month on business.

E. F. Connell and J. D. Thompson, of Hereford, Texas, were in Portales the first of the week on business.

THE POULTRY SHOW PROMISES TO BE A BIG SUCCESS THIS YEAR

Many Cups and Cash Prize are Offered by Portales People for Home Grown Birds

Exhibitors from all Parts of Country Will be Here with Prize Winners of Many Contests

The poultry show will start Sunday, December 10th, at 12 m. so all the birds from Roosevelt county must be in show room then. The armory and skating rink have been procured to hold the exhibits.

The county fair commissioners have donated \$75.00 to be placed on Roosevelt county birds, distributed \$6.00 to each breed, making \$1.00 on each single and \$2.00 on pens.

The First National bank is offering \$7.50 for the best pen; Joyce-Pruit Company a \$5.00 order on second best pen; Warren-Fooshee & Company a \$2.50 order for best cockerel; Warren-Fooshee & Company a \$2.50 order for best pullet; Joyce-Pruit Company a pair of silk gloves for best pen by lady exhibitor.

The Portales Valley News offers a years subscription for each of the following: Best display of poultry; best trio Barred Plymouth Rocks; best pair Bronze turkeys.

Over thirty fine silver cups are offered as sweepstakes prizes, and Roosevelt county birds should win their share of these, also, as we have as good birds here as anywhere.

The association wants to see the school children show their birds also and are offering two fine cups for them—one for best pen by school girl and one for best pen by school boy.

The local merchants and business men that are offering cups are: The Roosevelt county officials; the Roosevelt county politicians; the Roosevelt County creamery; The Portales Utilities Company.

Professor Thompson, of the state agricultural college, will be in attendance all week and deliver lectures on the management, care, production, and marketing of poultry and their by products. You should make arrangements to attend these lectures.

Through an error the following were not credited in last week's issue as donating to the support of the show: J. W. Ballow, \$1.00; S. A. Morrison, \$2.50; W. E. Lindsey, \$2.50.

Improves Billiard Parlor

Fickensher & Adams have had the interior of their billiard parlor newly papered and painted. They have also had new covers put on the tables, self-winding chalk devices, the tables all varnished and have otherwise added much to the appearance of their place of amusement. Billiards is one of the most scientific games known and has many devotees in Portales who will appreciate the improvements made.

Mrs. M. F. Jabara and sister, Miss Bryant, arrived Thursday of this week from Dallas, Texas and will make their home here.

John Logan bought 160 acres west of town near Benson.

Motor cars fitted with X-ray apparatus are used extensively by the French Red Cross society.

Adruco Barbed Wire Liniment—leaves no scar. For cuts and sores on man or beast. Saves stock. Buy it, always good. At druggists.—Adv.

New York in May started 220 new buildings, valued at \$36,237,395.

Ask for and Get SKINNER'S THE HIGHEST QUALITY SPAGHETTI 36 Page Recipe Book Free SKINNER MFG. CO. OMAHA, U.S.A. LARGEST MACARONI FACTORY IN AMERICA

For the Bedroom Desk



An attractive desk set, for either men or women, is made of heavy paper and cretonne. The desk pad is made of an oblong of heavy colored paper. The pockets at the end are made of the same paper, with a covering of cretonne pasted over it.

HEALTH HAD GOT RUN-DOWN

But Cardui Built Up Her Health And Strength So She Could Do Her Work.

Etowah, Tenn.—“About 5 years ago,” writes Mrs. Lillie Carden, of this place, “I first took Cardui. Dr. — said I was suffering with ulceration . . . and . . . turned over to one side. I suffered great pain in lower abdomen and back. For 1 or 2 years the . . . had been irregular and came about every 2 weeks, and I suffered great pain. Would cramp so I couldn't get up and do my work. Sometimes the . . . would last 4 or 5 days and come too much, which seemed to cause me to suffer very much. I would be up and down in the bed for 4 or 7 days. When I'd take the Cardui through the period, the . . . would be less and not last so long—only something like 3 days, and the suffering would be entirely relieved.

My health had got run-down and the Cardui would build up my health and strength and keep me going and out of bed, so I could do my work. It hurt me to even sweep my floor when I began it, but got so I could do the most of my work, and I didn't suffer any more, had no more cramps.” Cardui, the woman's tonic, has proven its efficacy in the treatment of womanly troubles. Try it.—Adv.

A Complicated Reasoner. “How are you going to vote this fall?” “Goin' to vote the prohibition ticket,” replied Uncle Bill Bottletop. “But the other parties are strong for killing the demon rum.” “That's jes' the point. The prohibition party is about the only party that isn't liable to get pulled enough to put our township on the dry list.”

A NEGLECTED COLD is often followed by pneumonia. Before it is too late take Laxative Quinine Tablets. Gives prompt relief in cases of Coughs, Colds, La Grippe and Headache. Price 25c.—Adv.

He is richest that hath fewest wants, as not one heart in the deck is black.

GALOMEL MAKES YOU SICK, UGH! IT'S MERCURY AND SALIVATES

Straighten Up! Don't Lose a Day's Work! Clean Your Sluggish Liver and Bowels With “Dodson's Liver Tone.”

Ugh! Calomel makes you sick. Take a dose of the vile, dangerous drug tonight and tomorrow you may lose a day's work. Calomel is mercury or quicksilver which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel, when it comes into contact with sour bile crashes into it, breaking it up. This is when you feel that awful nausea and cramping. If you feel sluggish and “all knocked out,” your liver is torpid and bowels constipated or you have headache, dizziness, coated tongue, if breath is bad or stomach sour, just try a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone.

Here's my guarantee—Go to any drug store or dealer and get a 50-cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone. Take a spoonful tonight and if it doesn't straighten you right up and make you feel fine and vigorous by morning I want you to go back to the store and get your money. Dodson's Liver Tone is destroying the sale of calomel because it is real liver medicine; entirely vegetable, therefore it cannot salivate or make you sick. I guarantee that one spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone will put your sluggish liver to work and clean your bowels of that sour bile and constipated waste which is clogging your system and making you feel miserable. I guarantee that a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone will keep your entire family feeling fine for months. Give it to your children. It is harmless; doesn't gripe and they like its pleasant taste.—Adv.

W. L. DOUGLAS “THE SHOE THAT HOLDS ITS SHAPE” \$3.00 \$3.50 \$4.00 \$4.50 & \$5.00 FOR MEN AND WOMEN Save Money by Wearing W. L. Douglas shoes. For sale by over 8000 shoe dealers. The Best Known Shoes in the World. W. L. Douglas name and the retail price is stamped on the bottom of all shoes at the factory. The value is guaranteed and the wearer protected against high prices for inferior shoes.

A Solemn Warning. “Do you think our republic is in danger?” “Certainly not,” replied Senator Sorghum. “It is reasonably safe now. All I say is that I shudder to think of what may befall it if I should happen not to be re-elected.”

SWAMP-ROOT STOPS SERIOUS BACKACHE

When your back aches, and your bladder and kidneys seem to be disordered, remember it is needless to suffer—go to your nearest drug store and get a bottle of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root. It is a physician's prescription for diseases of the kidneys and bladder.

It has stood the test of years and has a reputation for quickly and effectively giving results in thousands of cases. This prescription was used by Dr. Kilmer in his private practice and was so very effective that it has been placed on sale everywhere. Get a bottle, 50c and \$1.00, at your nearest druggist.

However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper.—Adv.

The Traditional Wager. “I'm glad my wife is in politics,” remarked Mr. Growcher. “Why?”

“Maybe she will get rid of some of those freak hats she has been buying by paying them out to election bets.”

Adruco Fly-Bane for Flies, Warbles, Mosquitoes, Gnats, Lice, Ticks and Vermin on Stock of all kinds. Increase the Milk—try it.—Adv.

Judge Seers of Brooklyn, N. Y., rules that a husband may legally spank a wife who refuses kisses.

After extensive experimenting an Englishman has perfected a steam-driven motorcycle.

STOP THAT HACKING COUGH. Mansfield (formerly Hungarian) Cough Balsam heals the inflamed and lacerated membranes and quiets the tickling nerves that lie underneath the infected portions. Invaluable for babies. Price 25c and 50c.—Adv.

New Brand. Fresh—What brand is that cigar? Soph—Brand new, child. Never been smoked before.

STOP THOSE SHARP SHOOTING PAINS “Femina” is the wonder worker for all female disorders. Price \$1.00 and 50c. Adv.

Cause and Effect. “I see shoes are going up.” “That's why the people are kicking.”

Every woman's pride, beautiful, clear white clothes. Use Red Cross Ball Blue. All grocers. Adv.

Why She Wanted It. “Algy, I want you to buy me a book.”

“I am glad you are becoming literary, my dear.”

“Fudge! This article says one way to acquire a good carriage is to practice balancing a book on your head.”—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Important to Mothers. Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, that famous old remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Fletcher. In Use for Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

A pear tree on the farm of J. S. Engle in Shoemakersville, Pa., 103 years old, is bearing fruit.

Bags for Everything



There are bags for everything this Christmas, with vanity bags and opera bags and shopping bags made of the richest broadsides and ribbons and metallic laces.

A party bag and a shopping bag are shown above, and the party bag is made of plain and figured ribbon set together with corded seams. This bag is lined with silk. It is gathered near the top on a narrow satin ribbon run in a casing formed by two rows of stitching in the bag. There are bows of the narrow ribbon at each side, and the bag is suspended by it.

A handsome shopping bag is made of heavy purple satin ribbon broadened with purple velvet and silver flowers. It opens with a “gate” fastening at the top, in silver, and is suspended by narrow purple satin ribbon. A handsome silver tassel finishes it.

Sure to Please Grandma



What to give to grandma is the question that puzzles young heads at Christmas times.

Here is a little tea cozy which is sure of a welcome from grandma, and it is the simplest thing imaginable to make. Printed Japanese silk or silk-linone or cretonne will serve the purpose with equally good results, and it takes very little of any one of these materials, even for the largest size in teapots.

This cozy is made of four sections of figured silk sewed together to form the outside, and four similar sections of plain silk or other materials sewed together to form the lining. When the lining has been made, it is covered with a thick layer of cotton batting raked down to it in several places and the cover is slipped on over it. Then the raw edges of both materials are turned up and overlaid together. A very full bow of many loops of bright satin ribbon is sewed to the top.

The gayest and brightest of colors make the tea cozy a cheerful part of a drinking. It slips on over the pot and keeps the tea hot for a long time.

One mistake many women make in buying coffee

You know how hard it is to get a coffee which really satisfies you. You know how seldom you can find a coffee which has the same fine taste and strength every morning! It can be done. You can do it if, when you buy coffee, you are careful not to make the mistakes so many women make. Read the experiences below—you yourself have undoubtedly had one or both of them.



The wrong way

Beware of loose coffee

Are you buying coffee which you get loose, coffee which hasn't been protected by a sealed package?

Are you afraid that it isn't clear? Has it lost its aroma? Are you often disappointed in its strength?

It isn't the grocer's fault. With loose coffee he can't be sure that it is the same kind he got before. You always run the risk of getting different coffee every time you buy.

And even if the coffee itself were the same, it can't be kept “loose” without losing its strength and flavor.

In packages—protected!

You can do away with every one of these disappointments by ordering the coffee which over one million other families drink.

Arbuckles' Coffee is such good coffee that way back in the sixties, when all other coffees on the market were loose and unprotected, Arbuckle Bros. protected theirs in sealed packages. This sealed package keeps the coffee's strength, and guards it from moisture and store odors. Most important of all, it makes it easy for you to be sure that you are getting the same good coffee every time you buy.



The right way

The second mistake women make Old coffee with new names

Are you continually being offered the same old coffee under new names? Under all sorts of new blends?

Did you ever stop to think of the hundreds of coffees which come and go on the market? And that all of these have tried to turn women away from Arbuckles' Coffee?

Arbuckles' is the coffee which has gone right out, always under its own name, never disguised, and held its users simply on the wonderful value it gave. You know what good value a coffee must be to do this against the competition of all the other coffees in America!

Used in a million homes

Settle, for all time, your coffee problem, by giving your family the only coffee which over a million families have proved to have the real coffee taste they want.

When you get Arbuckles' Coffee you get an entirely different coffee. No other coffee goes through the same process—in no other coffee can you get the same good flavor. The result of the care Arbuckle Brothers take in selecting it, in roasting and in packaging it, gives you an entirely different coffee from any other on the market.

Order it from your grocer today. He has it, in either the Whole Bean or the new Ground. Try it. See why it is by far the most popular coffee in America. Arbuckle Brothers, 71-Ok 2 Water St., New York.



The wrong way



The right way

Table Dainties from Sunny Climes Libby's California Asparagus and Hawaiian Pineapple From tropical Hawaii, home of the sweetest, most luscious pineapple, comes the one; and California, where the tenderest asparagus grows, supplies the other. The Libby care and cleanliness back of both is a warrant of a product that will please you. Insist on Libby's at your grocer's. Libby, McNeill & Libby, Chicago

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Governor William C. McDonald

Governor William C. McDonald, Democratic candidate for lieutenant-governor, is defeated by W. E. Lindsey, republican, on the face of the returns by a plurality of 984.

The Republican organization professes to get a great deal of comfort out of McDonald's defeat. Perhaps the most fitting comment is to say we hope it thinks it got the worth of its money. As nearly as we can figure out it cost about \$125,000 to defeat McDonald—for the lieutenant governorship. A particular determined and well financed fight was made on him in his own county of Lincoln, with the result that he lost it, a fact to which the Republican organization points with vast pride. As a matter of fact the principle fight in the whole state first and last, was made by the Old Guard on McDonald, and so it is logical and reasonable to assume that most of the slush fund was used in this particular phase of the fight—resulting in his defeat by the magnificent and stunning plurality of 984.

It might be further pointed out that McDonald was running against a man with no objectionable record to handicap him, and that practically no attacks were made on Lindsey save in his home county; and despite McDonald's admitted unpopularity with many Democrats due to his lack of the wily graces of the professional politician, it is a pretty good bet that if he had been running for governor he would have been re-elected.

Meanwhile it is well to remember that it was upon the record of five years of honest Democratic administration under Governor McDonald that the Democrats made their fight, and upon that record that they won at the polls. The position before the people of W. C. McDonald, who refused to take the nomination for governor, who got out and made a vigorous and effective campaign for his ticket, and whose own honest administration was a leading factor in the party's success, is not altogether unenviable. Certainly we would far rather be in his shoes than in shoes of the men who waged the fight on him.

All of which remarks are called forth by a rather spiteful slap at the governor by the Roswell News. And it may be well to say in conclusion that neither McDonald nor his ticket had many worse handicaps in the campaign than the ostensible support of Republican newspapers thinly disguised as Democrats.—Santa Fe New Mexican.

The New Mexican is more than half right about the injury inflicted on the state ticket in general, and Governor McDonald in particular, by that class of mongrel journalism which professes to be Democratic, yet continually holds out its hand for the slush money of the Republican campaign managers. Some of them are awfully cheap, at that, the price of their honor being less than fifteen cents per inch, single column measure. Newspapers of that class will never gain a reputation for veracity, neither will they ever be troubled with the confidence of the better class of Democrats. Each succeeding year will find their influence growing less and less until they are entirely driven out of the political field. They will have no standing with the party they have betrayed, neither will they be looked upon with favor by the bunch that debauched them. Dollar politics is a game only of the immediate present, and is indulged in only by those who want the coin now, regardless of how it is acquired. It is a regrettable fact that some of these conscienceless papers are at this time carrying state Democratic patronage without which they could not exist.

It is to be hoped that the county Democratic Central committee will, for the next Democratic primaries, make such rules and regulations as will guarantee that those primaries will be Democratic. For some years past Republicans, Socialists and Prohibitionists have been given free access to the Democratic primaries, and have, regardless of the fact that the pledge at the top of the ticket pledged them to support the nominees of that primary in state, county and nation, taken occasion, not only to not support them, but to use all their influence to defeat them. What is the use of having a Democratic primary if we are to throw it wide open to the opposition? It is not to be hoped that parties of opposite political affiliation will support our nominees in the election simply because we allowed them to participate in our primaries. Let us cut out this foolishness and have the next Democratic primaries Democratic. The sufficiency of a challenge should be judged by whether or not the challenged did in fact support the Democratic ticket at the last election. It is to be hoped that the coming legislature will enact into statute a primary law that will make action by the various political committees unnecessary. One that will give some protection to the electorate as well as some protection to the candidates.

Wilson Prosperity

Under a call from the comptroller of the currency and the state bank examiner, the two banks in Portales, the First National and the Portales Bank and Trust company, and the First National at Elida, last week published their statements. These statements show that there is at this time on deposit in these three banks, \$541,734.75, nearly two hundred thousand dollars each. This is a showing that should prove to every person who reads that Roosevelt county, at least, has been the recipient of a prosperity that might well be envied by any county in the state. The banks have plenty of money. For the first time in the history of the nation banks are hunting loans during a presidential year. This condition has been brought about by intelligent stock farming. The banks of the county have furnished money for the little men to engage as far as their resources would permit, in the cattle and hog business, and in every instance, they have made good. The cream business has also been a no inconsiderable factor in putting our people on the feet. While crops this year were not so abundant as last, yet the price they received and the live stock they had bought, gave them more real money than would have the largest crop possible to have harvested here. These statements show extremely good for the banks and they are an incontrovertible evidence that the farmers of Roosevelt county are laying up money.

Notice Woodmen

Monday night, December 11th, is the regular meeting for election of officers for the ensuing year. Arrangements are being made for plenty of good coffee and something to eat. Every member is urged to be present.
J. P. Deen, C. C.
W. H. Braley, Clerk. 2t

Produce Prices

Cream, poultry, hide and egg. Following prices good for this week: Cream, 38c, Eggs 40c, Dry hides, 25c. Top prices paid for all kinds of poultry at
J. A. Saylor

I. N. Knight of Delphos and William L. Whitson, of Valley View, transacted land business this week in Portales.

Pope's Will Approved.

Santa Fe—Probate Judge Canuto Alard approved the last will and testament of the late Federal Judge William H. Pope. The entire estate is left to the widow, Mary Hill Pope. Supreme Court Justice R. H. Hanna and Assistant Attorney General Harry S. Bowman testified as to their signatures as witnesses to the will. J. W. Ayres was appointed administrator of the estate of Guadalupe S. Mira, the bond being fixed at \$500.

New Curry County Bank

Santa Fe—The Farmers' State bank of Mexico, Curry county, incorporated and was given a charter by the State Corporation Commission. The capital stock is \$25,000, all paid up.

Slaying Jury Discharged.

Hillsboro—The jury which tried J. A. Houchin on the charge of murdering Daniel R. Hamilton failed to agree, and Judge H. F. Reynolds discharged them. The jury had been out twelve hours.

Dr. Swearingin's Dates

Dr. Swearingin, the specialist from Roswell, New Mexico, will be in Portales, at Neer's drug store, on the 20th day of each month, to treat diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, and to fit glasses.

The News will get out a special Christmas edition on December 15th. It will be something larger than sixteen pages. Now would be a good time to subscribe and get the big edition.

This office has several lithographed pictures of Senator-elect A. A. Jones and Governor-elect E. C. DeBaca, any one desiring one of them will be supplied by calling.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the Presbyterian church next Monday afternoon at 2:30. Important business.

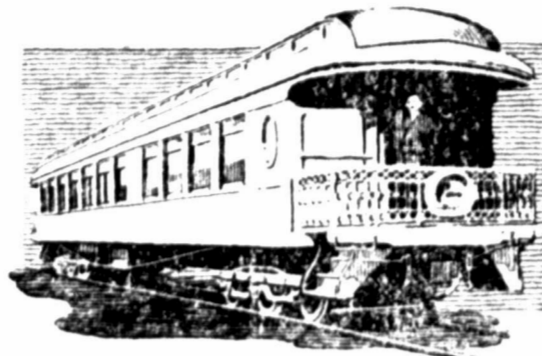
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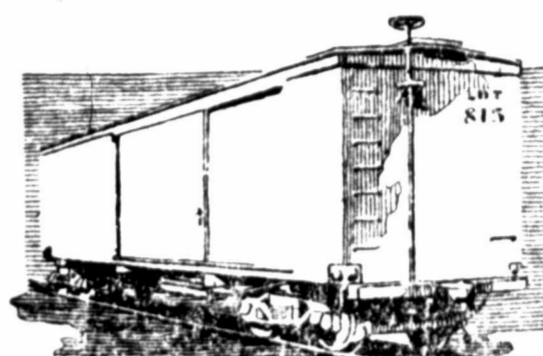
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NEW POLICY NEEDED IN GOVERNMENT RAILWAY CONTROL

Helpfulness and Encouragement
Urged by Alfred P. Thom.

CREDIT MUST BE IMPROVED

Increase of Transportation Facilities
Necessary to Secure Relief From
High Cost of Living May Thus Be
Provided For by the Railroads.

Washington, Nov. 28.—A new policy of government railroad regulation, based on constructive principles of helpfulness and encouragement instead of upon principles of repression and punishment, was urged by Alfred P. Thom, counsel for the Railway Executives' Advisory Committee, the first witness on behalf of the railroads before the Newlands Joint Committee on Interstate Commerce, which has instituted a general inquiry into the problems of railroad regulation.

"It is proposed by the Joint resolution of Congress," said Mr. Thom, "to go into a comprehensive study of the whole subject of transportation, to make a new assessment, after 25 years of experiment, of its history, its present conditions and its future needs. The railroads accept the view that regulation is a permanent and enduring part of government in America and that the first duty of the carriers is to the public. That duty is to afford reasonable facilities on reasonable terms and at reasonable rates, and this must be done before any private interests can be considered."

Certainty, Safety and Sufficiency.

Mr. Thom contended that the real interest of the public is in being assured of certainty, safety and sufficiency of transportation facilities, rather than in rates. The first consideration of the public is to obtain transportation facilities. What the cost is, is in reality a second consideration, he said.

Mr. Thom proposed an increase of transportation facilities as a method of securing relief from the high cost of living. "There have been less than 1,000 miles of new railroad constructed in the United States during the past year," he said, "less than in any year since 1848, except the period of the Civil War, and yet the cost of living is daily advancing owing to a shortage of supplies which might be remedied by securing access to new areas of production."

Credit Must Be Improved.

"This leads to the consideration as to whether railroad credit is as good as the public interest requires. It is impossible for railroads to earn enough to supply the necessary new facilities from current revenue. They must be provided from credit. Investors can not be coerced, but must be attracted."

Among the conditions affecting railroad credit which deter investors he mentioned the following:

"First, Railroad revenues are not controlled by investors, but are fixed and limited by governmental authority and not by one but by several governmental authorities, which do not recognize responsibility for assured results to investors and are uncoordinated."

"Second, Railroads cannot control and the government cannot and does not limit the expense account."

"Third, The present system of regulation is based on a policy of regulation and correction and not on a policy of helpfulness and encouragement."

"Fourth, The outstanding obligations of the railroads have already exceeded the financial rule of safety and involve a disproportionate amount of obligations bearing fixed charges."

"Fifth, The investor must accept a subordinate obligation or security with no assurance of a surplus of earnings to support it."

"Sixth, Other competitive lines of investment present superior attractions."

"Seventh, The railroad business is largely controlled by political instead of business considerations."

Look Forward, Not Back.

"We may debate about what has caused the present conditions," said Mr. Thom, "but we cannot debate about what the people need. The President has taken the view that we must look forward in this matter and make a fresh assessment of circumstances" in order to deal helpfully and intelligently with the problem. Abuses are no more prevalent in the railroad business today than in any other business humely conducted. The great question now is whether the existing system of regulation gives the public reliable assurance of sufficient present and future railroad facilities.

"Those who oppose any change must make their appeal on the ground that the present systems assure the public of the continued adequacy of transportation facilities. If they do not, no argument based on the desirability of the present dual system of regulation will be accepted by public judgment. The question of 'states' rights' is not involved. If the regulation of transportation facilities privately owned should fall government ownership must follow, and then all power of the states over the railroads would disappear."

"Let us debate this question, then, not upon any mere theory or jealousy as to the distribution of governmental power, but upon the large issue of what the public interest requires in respect of the assurance of adequate transportation service."

Notice for Publication
010559
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Ft. Sumner, N. M., October 17, 1916.
Notice is hereby given that Auyard B. Jones, of Portales, N. M., who, on March 3rd, 1913, made homestead entry No. 010559, for west half northeast quarter, and northwest quarter south-east quarter section 5, township 2 south, range 36 east, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before W. E. Lindsey, U. S. Commissioner, at Portales, N. M., on the 2nd day of December, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses:
James R. Sadler, of Eiland, N. M.; Henry Allen, of Portales, N. M.; Lawrence H. Randolph, of Eiland, N. M.; William O. Davis, of Eiland, N. M. 51-4
A. J. EVANS, Register.

Notice for Publication
Non coal 010522
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Ft. Sumner, N. M., October 29, 1916.
Notice is hereby given that Theodore Wilmes of Claudell, N. M., who on September 5, 1912, made homestead entry number 010522, for west half section 15, township 2 south, range 36 east, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. A. Coffey, U. S. Commissioner, in his office at Eilda, N. M., on the 14th day of December, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses:
Henry Wilmes of Claudell, N. M.; Philip C. Perkins, of Claudell, N. M.; Lena Wilmes, of Claudell, N. M.; Charles Toler, of Eilda, N. M. 52-5
A. J. EVANS, Register.

Notice for Publication
Non coal 010523
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Ft. Sumner, N. M., October 27, 1916.
Notice is hereby given that Melena Miller, of Eilda, New Mexico, who, on September 18, 1912, made Homestead entry, No. 010545, for northwest quarter section 26 and the northeast quarter of section 27, township 2 south, range 27 east, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. A. Coffey, U. S. Commissioner, at Eilda, N. M., on the 14th day of December, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses:
George W. Dye, Charles S. Toler, Walter Bradley, Elmer Dye, all of Eilda, N. M. 52-5
A. J. EVANS, Register.

Notice for Publication
Non coal 010522
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Ft. Sumner, N. M., October 27, 1916.
Notice is hereby given that John E. Glover, of Eilda, N. M., who on August 19, 1912, made homestead entry No. 010392, for lots 1 and 2, east half northwest quarter, section 31, township 4 south, range 33 east, New Mexico Principal Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. A. Coffey, U. S. Commissioner, at Eilda, N. M., on the 14th day of December, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses:
Wily Todd, of Eilda, N. M.; James W. Johnson, of Eilda, N. M.; James W. Johnson, of Redlake, N. M.; Samuel E. Guss, of Eilda, N. M. 52-5
A. J. EVANS, Register.

Notice of Contest
F. S. 011625 Cont 2614
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., October 19th, 1916.
To Dallas Holley, record address Bereno, N. M., Contestee:
You are hereby notified that Walter H. Gwyn, who gives Huxley, Texas, as his postoffice address, did on September 12th, 1916, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your homestead entry, serial No. 011625, made October 1st, 1914, for lots 1, 2, 3 and south half north half section 1, township 1 south, range 28 east, N. M. P. M. and as grounds for his contest he alleges that the said entryman died on or about October, 1915, leaving next of kin, that the said Hawley, widow, has failed and neglected to cultivate the said land or to improve the said land since the death of her husband, that all the improvements that were on the said land have been removed therefrom and the said land is wholly uncultivated, unimproved and uncultivated, that this affiant has been informed that the said Hawley, widow, resides at Amarillo, Texas.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken as confessed, and your said entry will be canceled without further right to be heard, before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically responding to these allegations of contest, together with due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail.
You should state in your answer the name of the postoffice to which you desire future notices to be sent to you.
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Notice for Publication
010632
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Ft. Sumner, N. M., August 30th, 1916.
Notice is hereby given that Ann P. Hodges, of Redland, N. M., who, on Jan. 29, 1913, made homestead entry No. 010632, for SW 1/4 Section 8, Township 3S, Range 37E, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Will A. Palmer, U. S. Commissioner, in his office, at Causey, N. M., on the 18th day of December, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses:
David J. Little, of Causey, N. M.; William Croft, William M. Gregory, Elisha B. Gregory, all of Redland, N. M. 51-4
A. J. EVANS, Register.

Notice for Publication
Non coal 011628
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Ft. Sumner, N. M., October 30, 1916.
Notice is hereby given that Ruby A. Brewer, of Benson, N. M., who on Oct. 20, 1913, made homestead entry No. 011628, for north half, section 19, township 1 south, range 30 east, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. E. Lindsey, U. S. Commissioner, in his office, at Portales, N. M., on the 18th day of December, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses:
Albert S. Pearson, Abner A. Cribbs, John W. McMahon, John T. Turner, all of Benson, N. M. 52-5
A. J. EVANS, Register.

Notice for Publication
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office at Ft. Sumner, New Mexico, Oct. 17, 1916.
Notice is hereby given that John B. Vernon, of Inez, N. M., who, on February 2nd, 1910, made homestead entry No. 07897, for the east half Section 21, Township 4S, Range 36E, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. E. Lindsey, U. S. Commissioner, in his office at Portales, N. M., on the 2nd day of December, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses:
Marion A. Fullerton, of Longs, N. M.; George H. Parks, of Longs, N. M.; Thomas J. Mullins Jr. of Inez, N. M.; Lawrence B. Parrish, of Inez, N. M. 51-4
A. J. EVANS, Register.

Notice for Publication
010672
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, New Mexico, October 19, 1916.
Notice is hereby given that George L. Swearingin of Garrison, N. M., who on Feb. 21, 1913, made homestead entry No. 010672, for southeast quarter, east half southwest quarter, and lots 3 and 4, Sec. 31, township 5 south, range 36 east, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Will A. Palmer U. S. Commissioner, in his office, at Causey, N. M., on the 7th day of December, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses:
Ezra E. Raugh, Zada B. Richardson, George W. Jones, Hance Arnold, all of Garrison, N. M. 51-4
A. J. EVANS, Register.

Notice for Publication
Non coal 010555
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., October 30, 1916.
Notice is hereby given that Charles L. Deas, of Causey, Roosevelt county, New Mexico, who on October 6, 1915, made homestead entry No. 010555, for northwest quarter section 14, Township 5S, Range 36E, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. E. Lindsey, U. S. Land Commissioner, at Portales, N. M., on the 26th day of December, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses:
William H. Raley, John J. Riley, William H. Clark, Robert L. Wells, all of Causey, N. M. 52-5
A. J. EVANS, Register.

Notice of Foreclosure Sale

Whereas, on the 27th day of September, 1916, in cause No. 1201 pending in the district court of Roosevelt county, New Mexico, wherein C. H. Jordan is plaintiff and J. W. Ross, D. F. Ross, M. C. Howell, Mattie E. Mitchell and Joyce-Fruit Company are defendants; and wherein the said M. C. Howell and Mattie E. Mitchell are cross-complainants, the plaintiff and said cross-complainants recovered judgments as follows:
The plaintiff, C. H. Jordan, recovered judgment upon a promissory note and a mortgage against the said J. W. Ross or James W. Ross, and D. F. Ross or Dora F. Ross, in the sum of \$1201.45, together with all costs of suit and a decree declaring the mortgage of said plaintiff, given to secure said sum a second mortgage and foreclosing same upon the following described property, to-wit:
"The southeast quarter of section nineteen and the northeast quarter of section thirty, in township two south of range thirty-seven east of New Mexico Meridian, New Mexico, which said judgment at the date of sale hereinafter mentioned will amount to \$1201.78 with costs of suit."
The cross-complainant, M. C. Howell, recovered a judgment upon a promissory note and mortgage securing same against the defendants, James W. Ross and Dora F. Ross, in the sum of \$455.00, with costs of suit, and a decree declaring her said mortgage a first lien and foreclosing said mortgage upon the northeast quarter of section thirty in township two south of range thirty-seven east of New Mexico Meridian, New Mexico, which said judgment at the date of sale hereinafter mentioned will amount to the sum of \$456.44 and costs of suit.
That the court also decreed that the defendant, Joyce-Fruit company have a third lien upon all of said described lands; and
Whereas, the court in said cause appointed the undersigned, F. E. Jordan, special commissioner and directed that all of said lands be sold and that each quarter section be sold separately, to the highest bidder for cash, after due advertisement thereof for the purpose of satisfying the said judgments and costs.

Therefore, by virtue of said judgments and decrees and the power contained in me, as such special commissioner, I will, on the twenty-eighth day of December, 1916, at the hour of two o'clock p. m., the front door of the court house in the town of Portales, New Mexico, sell said described quarter sections of land separately to the highest bidder for cash for the purpose of satisfying said judgments, interest and costs of suit.
Witness my hand this November 23rd, 1916.
F. E. JORDAN, Special Commissioner.

Notice for Publication
Non coal 011027
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., August 30, 1916.
Notice is hereby given that John H. Brewer, of Benson, N. M., who, on October 20, 1913, made homestead entry No. 011027, for south half section 18, township 1 south, range 30 east, N. M. principal meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before W. E. Lindsey, U. S. Commissioner, in his office at Portales, N. M., on the 18th day of December, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses:
Albert S. Pearson, Abner A. Cribbs, John W. McMahon, John T. Turner, all of Benson, N. M. 52-5
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CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE BEGINS RAILWAY INQUIRY

Proposed by President to Better Condition of Carriers.

MAY CHANGE PRESENT SYSTEM

Officials of Roads Prepared to Advocate Federal Incorporation, Supervision of Securities and Extension of Authority of Interstate Commerce Commission.

Washington, Nov. 20.—Ten members of Congress, five Senators and five members of the House of Representatives, began here today an inquiry into the subject of public control and supervision of railroads that may lead to the revolutionizing of the whole scheme of governmental regulation of the country's transportation lines. Incidentally the committee is to look into the question of government ownership of railroads, telephone and telegraph lines and express companies.

The members of the committee which will conduct this important investigation are Senator Newlands of Nevada, chairman; Senators Robinson of Arkansas, Underwood of Alabama, Cummins of Iowa and Brandegee of Connecticut, and Representatives Adair of Georgia, Sims of Tennessee, Cullip of Indiana, Esch of Wisconsin and Hamilton of Michigan. The inquiry was recommended by President Wilson in his message to Congress in December of last year. He described as its purpose to determine what could be done "for bettering the conditions under which the railroads are operated and for making them more useful servants of the country as a whole."

Prominent Men as Witnesses.

In order to obtain the views of all interests affected by the operations of the transportation lines the committee has invited prominent shippers, bankers, representatives of commercial organizations, railway executives, economists and others to appear before them.

The first to be heard are railroad commissioners of various states who began their evidence today. Their testimony is directed chiefly to opposing any enlargement of the federal authority over commerce that would detract from the powers now exercised by state bodies. They will be followed shortly by officials of railway labor organizations who are expected to register their opposition to the increase of governmental authority over wages and conditions of labor.

Chief interest in the hearings centers in the proposals that will be put forward by representatives of the railroads, for it is reported that they will advocate an extension of federal authority over rates and securities to the practical exclusion of state control of these matters. It is understood also that they will go on record in favor of federal incorporation of all railroad lines.

Legislative Program of Railroads.

From an authoritative source is obtained the following outline of the legislative program which the railroads will ask the committee to consider in its investigation: They will endeavor to demonstrate to the commission that one of the principal defects in the present system of railroad regulation is the lack of coordination resulting from the simultaneous and conflicting regulation by the federal government and by the 48 states. They will, therefore, ask that entire governmental control of the rates and practices of interstate carriers, except purely local matters, be placed in the hands of a federal body so that interstate traffic may be regulated without reference to state lines, leaving to the state commissions jurisdiction only over local matters and local public utilities. As a part of this plan, a compulsory system of federal incorporation is to be recommended, accompanied by federal supervision of railroad stock and bond issues.

A reorganization of the Interstate Commerce Commission will be asked, in order to enable the commission properly to exercise its increased powers. It is also proposed that the preparation and prosecution of cases against the railroads shall be delegated to some other agency of the government, possibly the Department of Justice, so that the commission may devote its energies to its administrative functions.

With the commission thus relieved of some of its present duties and equipped to handle its business more promptly, the railroads will urge that the period during which the commission may now suspend proposed increases in rates be reduced from ten months to 60 days, with provision for reparation to be paid to the shippers if the advance shall be declared unreasonable.

They will also ask that the commission be given the power to prescribe minimum as well as maximum rates so that in meeting complaints of discrimination the commission may order the advance of a rate which it considers too low.

One of the most important recommendations for which the railroads will ask favorable consideration is that the commission be specifically authorized to take into account in rate regulation the effect of rates upon total earnings in the light of expenses.

While the Newlands Committee is required, under the resolution creating it, to submit a report by January 2 next, it is not anticipated that the Committee will have come anywhere near completing its labors then.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS!

The Roosevelt County tax rolls will not be completed until about January 1, 1917, at which time a notice will be mailed you. :: ::

M. B. JONES

..TREASURER..

PUBLIC SALE!

At my place, one-half west and four miles north of Richland; twenty-two miles south and two miles east of Portales, New Mexico.

Sat. Dec. 9, '16

At Ten o'Clock a. m.

Will sell to the highest bidder

Twenty-Nine Head of Cattle

5 coming one-year-old steers
7 coming one-year-old heifers
16 head of cows, 6 will be fresh right away
1 white faced male, coming 2-years old

Four Head of Good Young Shoats

3 dozen hens
1 cook stove, 1 heating stove
Chairs, beds, furniture
1 cultivator
1 lister planter
1 Go-devil
1 section harrow, other farming tools

TERMS: On sums over \$25.00 six months time will be given. Purchaser giving note with approved security, 10 per cent in interest. 5 per cent Discount for cash. Sums under \$25.00 cash without discount.

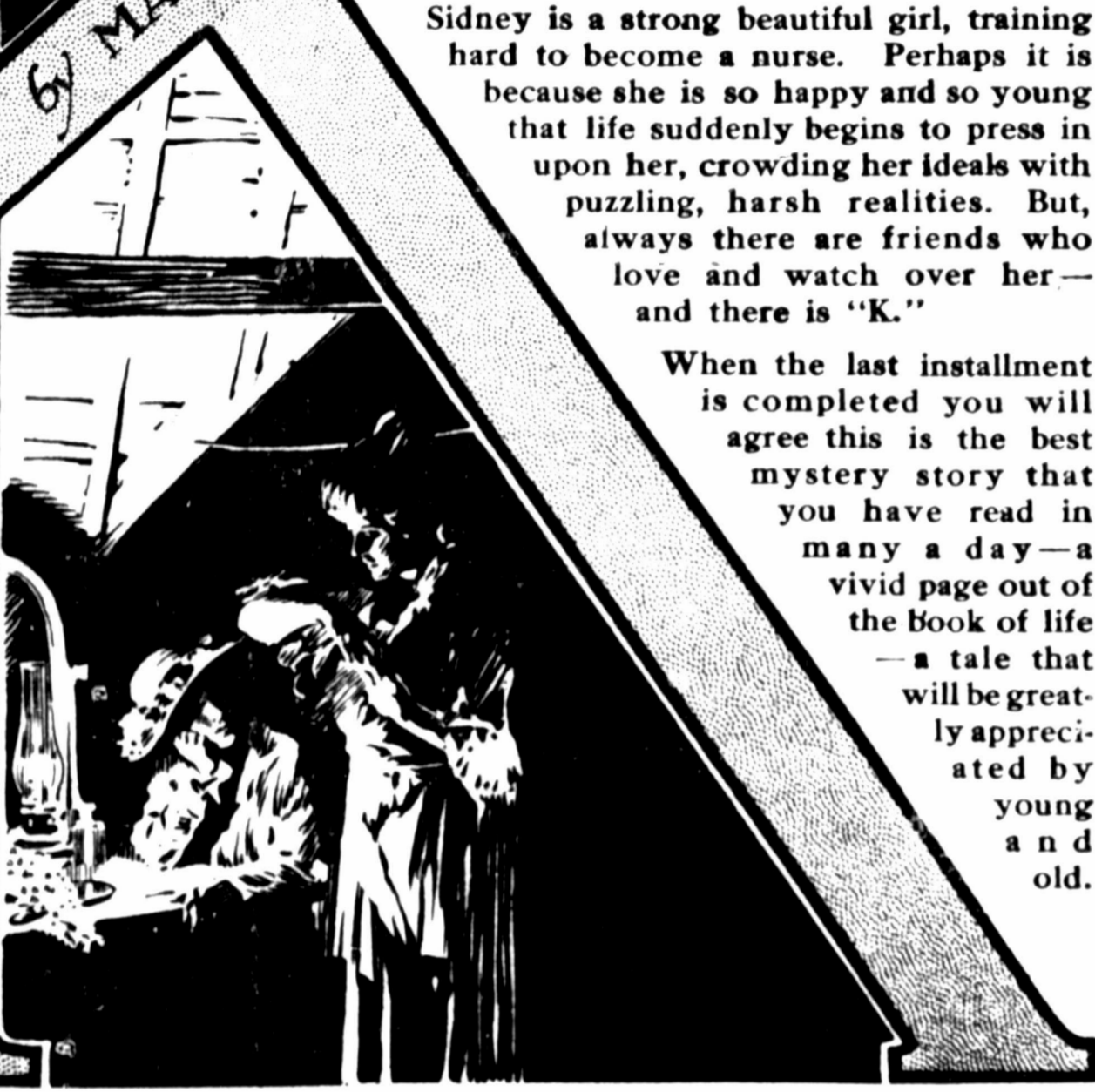
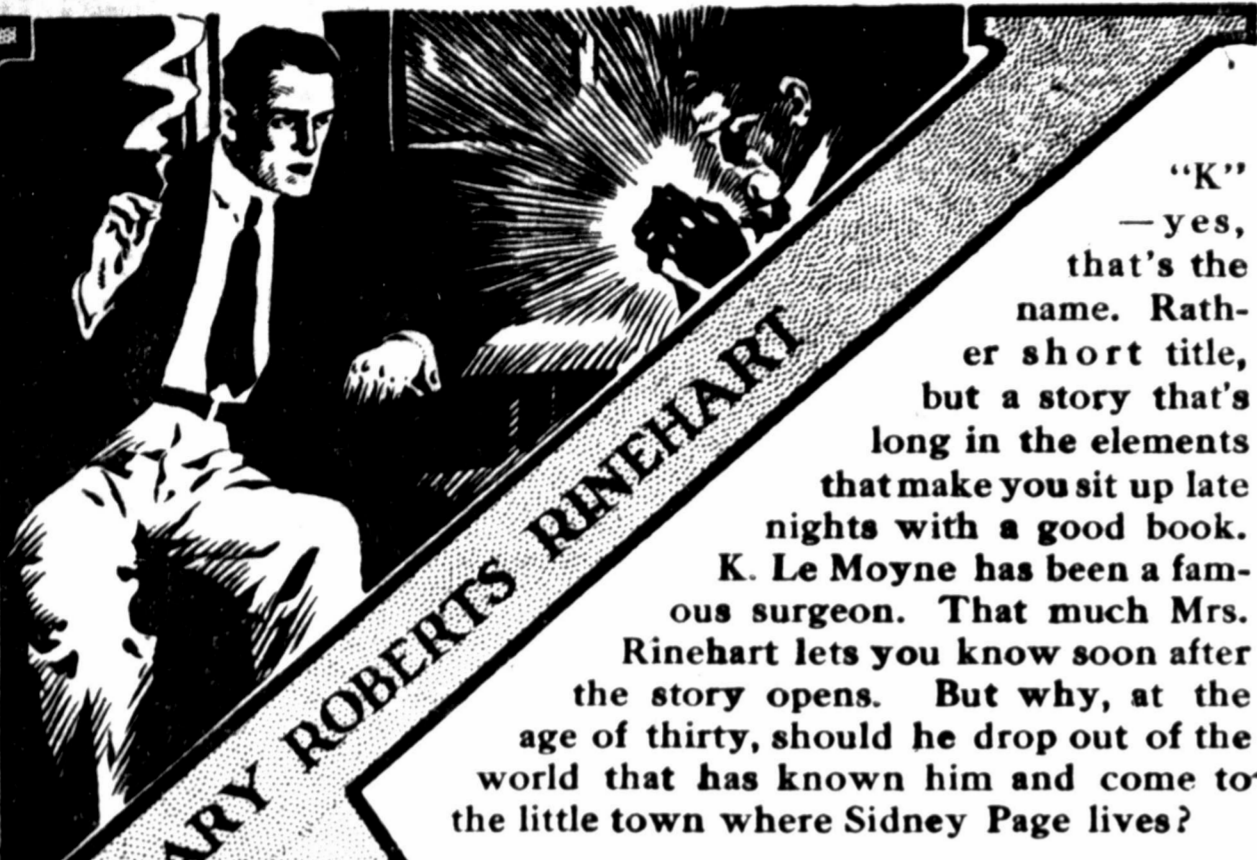
T. P. RAGSDALE, Owner

BURL JOHNSON, Auctioneer

H. W. DAVIDSON, Clerk

My place is also for sale. Half a section, fenced two-room house, barn, sheds, smoke-house, good well of water, wind mill, close to good school, will sell right.

Our New Serial



By MARY ROBERTS RINEHART

"K" — yes, that's the name. Rather short title, but a story that's long in the elements that make you sit up late nights with a good book. K. Le Moyné has been a famous surgeon. That much Mrs. Rinehart lets you know soon after the story opens. But why, at the age of thirty, should he drop out of the world that has known him and come to the little town where Sidney Page lives?

Sidney is a strong beautiful girl, training hard to become a nurse. Perhaps it is because she is so happy and so young that life suddenly begins to press in upon her, crowding her ideals with puzzling, harsh realities. But, always there are friends who love and watch over her — and there is "K."

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concerning where to buy lumber? If so we can easily convince you to get down on our side. Fine kiln dried, perfectly seasoned lumber of all kinds and grades. Our lumber is as near flawless as a lack of knot holes and blemishes can make it. Inspect our stock and convince yourself.



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I am still loaning money on farm and ranch land. I have a Ford car and a five-room house in Texas that I will trade for something here.

Joe Howard.
P. S. I inspect the land and pass on the loans myself.

E. L. Kohl, proprietor of Kohl's garage, left Wednesday morning for El Paso, Texas, from which place he will go to Toledo, Ohio, with representatives of the Overland automobile people to the big Overland convention at that place.

The Roosevelt County creamery is paying thirty-six cents per pound for butter fat this week, as against about twenty-four cents two years ago, or before the home creamery was put in.

Don't fail to hear Mamie Harris Rankin December 12th at the Methodist church.

Pecos Valley Hotel

Mrs. Cunningham has leased the Pecos Valley hotel and she asks that all her patrons, and those who really appreciate good service to make the Pecos Valley house their home. To those who have been patronizing Mrs. Cunningham, there is no need to say anything, and to those who have not, you are invited to go to that hostelry for one meal, if you do not stay, there will be no complaint. It is the best place in town to eat.

Wholesale

We freight from Clovis and Texico for 25 cents and 30 cents per hundred or to Jernigan & Jones.

I will have car extra good Jersey cows at Portales Saturday December 2nd. Part fresh, rest will be fresh soon. Will sell, worth the money.

W. F. Faggard.

LOST - Remington shot gun, (pump) between Farwell and Elida on Thanksgiving evening. \$5 reward to finder.

Dr. B. B. McGee,
Elida, N. M.

REWARD \$5.00 - For information leading to the recovery of my shot gun lost on Thanksgiving day.

Dr. B. B. McGee,
Elida, N. M.

G. W. Carr, formerly of the Portales lumber company of this place, but now engaged in the lumber business for himself at Fort Sumner, was in town Sunday of this week.

New butter milk tank, hold 2300 pounds. Will sell at a bargain.

W. F. Faggard

A. A. Rogers left Sunday for points in the east.

Sell Historic Jail

The old Murray county (Ga.) courthouse and jail, have just been sold at auction for \$5 each. The county board of education was permitted to bid them in that they might be offered to state for the establishment of an industrial branch of the University of Georgia.

Spring Place, fallen into decay since the railroad was built three miles away, was once one of the famous resorts of Georgia. In the old jail, disused since the county seat was removed to Chatsworth some time ago, there is a cell where once was confined John Howard Payne, the author of "Home, Sweet Home," who never knew a home of his own.

Payne, tradition says, was arrested at Ross Landing, the site of Chattanooga, for sedition in connection with the removal of the Cherokee Indians. While a prisoner in the Spring Place jail, he heard the soldiers on guard outside singing his own "Home, Sweet Home." His sweetheart, an Athenian girl, finally succeeded in liberating him.

Costly Newspapers

A Belgian banker, who has been permitted by the German administration to come to Paris on business connected with relief work, states that the chief luxury of life in Brussels is the purchase of London and Paris Newspapers, which can be had easily if one will pay the exorbitant price demanded.

The Times of London is worth \$6.40, The Temps of Paris \$4.40, the Matin of Paris \$4, and the other French papers \$3.60. The penalty for being caught with one of these papers is not severe and is usually not enforced against persons of good standing, but the penalty for the agency which distributes the papers would be very severe. The German officials have had no success in running down the distributors, so it is thought that perhaps German soldiers have their hand in it, for the profits on a couple of hundred copies of The Times each day are considerable. —New York Sun.

Robins Travel by Train

When a boxcar was pulled into this city the other day for repairs it was found that a robin had built her nest under the car and had hatched three young ones.

When the car was pushed on the repair track the mother bird flew around greatly excited and could not be driven away. The men searched the car and found the nest. They put the nest in a small box, cut a hole in it and nailed it to a post.

The mother bird took possession immediately and is feeding her young numerous times daily. —Vancouver (Wash.) Dispatch to Seattle Times.

Furnishing Needed Dyes

This country's demand for crude dyes is being met in part by greatly increased imports of cutch from Burma.

Bursum Will Come Back

H. O. Bursum will come back, and openly avows it. "I will stay in the game till I skin the whole bunch of traitors that defeated me," he said in the Alvarado lobby the other night. "I don't count this defeat as anything against me, it's against the fellows that brought it about, and I will continue to run till I skin the whole bunch." "Then you think the democrats did not defeat you?" he was questioned. "Yes," he answered, "they did defeat me, but they did not do it alone. Come back? Of course I'll come back, and I'll stay in the game until I have the last one of them skinned," said the twice-defeated governor. "I'll prove their statements were lies and I'll never give up till I show up the men that beat me, for the cowards and traitors that they are." Mr Bursum was interrogated regarding the famous libel suit, but requested that his reply be withheld as the matter is in the courts and he preferred not to discuss it in print. Mr. Bursum is in earnest, and being in earnest, is the best friend the democrats have in New Mexico. —Rio Grande Republic.

Mr. Bursum is mistaken. He may have deluded himself into believing that he will have another opportunity to foist his candidacy upon the people of New Mexico, but this is a mania from which he will recover. It would seem that two decisive defeats at the polls would be sufficient to convince him that his services are not desired by the better class of the citizens of the sunshine state. He had much better take his defeat philosophically and turn his endeavors to private lines. His peculiar talents do not qualify him for the governorship, nor for any other public position. The intimidation of bill posters and movie picture managers are more in his line. Furthermore, he appears to have been a brilliant success in exterminating the wild animals in "Darkest Socorro" from which occupation it would be a shame to remove him.

Another Exchange of 'Notes'

(From the Albuquerque Herald)

June 10, 1916. —To the President: I hereby resign the office of associate justice of the supreme court of the United States. I am, sir, respectfully yours,
Charles E. Hughes.

June 10, 1916. —Dear Mr. Justice Hughes: I am in receipt of your letter of resignation and feel constrained to yield to your desire. I therefore accept your resignation as justice of the supreme court of the United States, to take effect at once. Sincerely yours,
Woodrow Wilson.

November 22, 1916. —(by wire, paid) —To the President: Because of the closeness of the vote I have awaited the official count in California and now that it has been virtually completed, permit me to extend to you my congratulations upon your reelection. I desire to express my best wishes for a successful administration.
Charles E. Hughes.

November 23, 1916. —(by wire, also paid) —Charles E. Hughes: I am sincerely obliged to you for your message of congratulation. Allow me to assure you of my good wishes for the years to come.
Woodrow Wilson.

Suffrage Club Honors Mrs. Lindsey

The Suffrage club met with Mrs. Nixon, November 20th. In connection with their regular program they gave a reception honoring Mrs. Lindsey. The club has far surpassed all expectations in growth, all due to Mrs. Lindsey's untiring efforts to bring suffrage fairly and squarely before the women of Portales. The members of this club were very glad of an opportunity to

show their appreciation to Mrs. Lindsey.

About thirty-five ladies were present. This is, indeed, encouraging to note the trend of suffrage when three years ago only about six women in Portales stood for suffrage. Mrs. Lindsey gave the history of woman suffrage in New Mexico, telling how our state secured school suffrage at the constitutional convention. She insisted it is not just the vote we want, but legislation, better laws for women and children, citing many new laws passed in suffrage states.

Mrs. Culberson gave us a review of suffrage in the United States, telling us much of the work done by such women as Lucretia Mott and Susan B. Anthony to the present time.

Mrs. Nixon, who has just returned from Arizona told us how suffrage had gained in popularity since its adoption in that state and none of the evils predicted had come to pass.

Mrs. Wollard gave us a report on the present election, showing how the suffrage states stood on the presidential election. Ten out of twelve states going Democratic. It would probably be found if the exact fact could be ascertained that a majority of the women in these states voted for Mr. Wilson because they believed he would continue to keep the country at peace without compromising its honor and that regardless of party they voted for the man.

After the program the ladies adjourned to the dining room where they enjoyed a delightful sandwich course. Mrs. R. H. Bailey poured chocolate from the table which was beautifully decorated with yellow and white chrysanthemums. The guests departed at a late hour wishing Mrs. Lindsey many happy returns.

The Modern Banker

Texas Bankers' Record (Dallas): The San Angelo National bank has attracted the spotlight by employing a farm demonstrator for Tom Green county. Watch other Texas banks. Other banks throughout the Nation must follow this commendable lead.

The modern bank is something else than what the ancient bank was, in these times the banker is not content to hide himself in a hole in the wall and shave notes. Being a man of affairs, he is also a man whose interests are intimately related to the interests of the community, and if he is a good banker he realizes that his bank can be of service to the community as well as profitable to the stockholders. No citizen more than the banker is in duty bound to lend his intelligence and energy to the commonwealth.

No business is better protected by the laws than the banking business, therefore the banker is as much obligated to the people as the people are to him. The banker, of course, must always remain pre-eminently conservative in so far as the guardianship of his stockholders' and depositors' funds is concerned; nobody has confidence in a speculative banker, and no one wants a speculative bank. But being conservative in that respect does not inhibit the banker from being progressive in the larger aspects of citizenship progressive in all the movements looking toward social, political, agricultural and commercial betterments.

More and more the public goes to the bankers for business advice. Less and less does the public refer its problems to the politicians. Surely this obvious change is promissory of a new and better economic era. —Dallas News.

Colonel Sam Anderson, the merchant prince of Rogers, was in Portales Monday of this week and made the News office a pleasant call.

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