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PORTALES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WILL MEET MONDAY 16TH

The Chamber of Commerce will have an interesting meeting Monday night. Besides the swimming pool and the High school building the occasion will be enlivened by the male quartette of which S. B. Fletcher is leader.

This meeting will be open to all and the ladies are especially invited to come out and take part.

The various committees will make their reports and the future plans of the organization will be laid before the public. Do not let this meeting drag by lack of support on your part. The Chamber of Commerce move all over the state is doing wonders for the development of the state and the future of Portales depends largely on the support of the people of the town to these meetings.

Program for this meeting will be as follows:

Music by the Quartette.

Civic Pride.—Mrs. Wilcox.

Committee Reports.

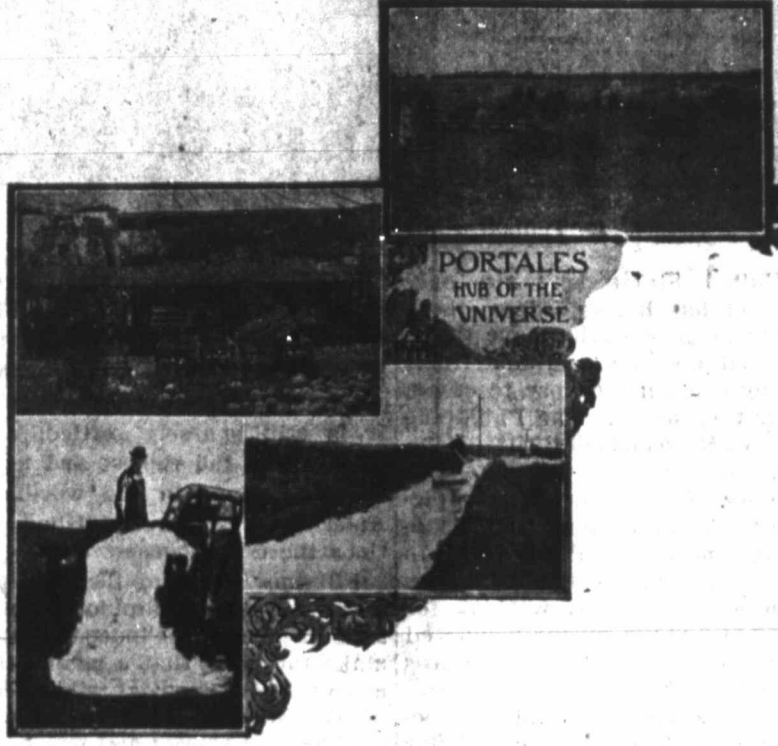
Music by Quartette.

The Advisability of a Fourth of July Celebration.—Fred Luper. Round Table Discussion.

Music by Quartette.

The Portales Concert Band is also invited to play at this meeting.

No New Developments In Duncan Murder Mystery



Just a few advantages of the Portales Valley

Wednesday night District Attorney C. M. Compton and Sheriff Jess McCormack returned from a trip to El Paso, where they have been investigating clues in the Duncan murder case.

Mr. Compton says that the men charged with the killing are still held and will be held until the matter is further sifted.

It was learned at El Paso that Duncan had a woman traveling with him. She was a tall, slender woman, with dark features, who claimed that she could not speak English. She was thought to have been French. She traveled with Duncan and was seen at a number of points between El Paso and Roswell, from there on no account of her has been found.

The parties now being held on this charge were also traced from El Paso to Roswell, and were several hours behind the Duncan car if it was the car reported by the drummers between Elida and Portales.

Another car going in the direction of Roswell was traced as having left Portales between 3 o'clock and daylight, but this car was lost below Kenna.

This leaves the case as it was before with the exception of fresh clues which will be followed as long as there is any hope.

District Attorney Compton says that he had rather ten guilty men escape than to convict one innocent man, and that his office will spare no effort to run down the right party.

The bringing of the woman into the case may turn a different light on it as to the motive, while the News has had a number of theories advanced as to how and why the killing took place, none of them have shown who and where the guilty party is.

ELECTION FOR U. S. SENATOR CALLED FOR SEPTEMBER 20

SANTA FE, May 4.—The election of a United States Senator will be called for September 20, which is the date of the election to pass on the constitutional amendments, Governor Mechem announced today. In making the announcement, Gov. Mechem issued this formal statement: "My attitude in this regard is that this vacancy should be filled by vote of the people at the earliest possible date and my only reason for not calling an election immediately upon the resignation of Senator Fall was on the account of the cost of a special election, which was estimated to be about \$60,000. But as that expense will have to be incurred for the election on the constitutional amendments, I feel justified in waiting until that election to elect the successor to Senator Fall. And in calling a special election, I want to say that I believe the people of the state of New Mexico should choose their senator, and the senator should not hold his office indefinitely by appointment of the governor. I don't believe the success of the constitutional amendments will be jeopardized in any manner. I am heartily in favor of every one of them and earnestly hope that the people of the state will vote intelligently with full knowledge of the situation on all these amendments and that it will be by a big vote and that they will not be adopted, as

is so often the case, by a slender majority. If I believed that the success of these amendments would be jeopardized by submitting them at the time of the senatorial election, I would feel it incumbent upon me, nevertheless, to call a special election for United States Senator, under the circumstances."

Governor Mechem on March 11 appointed Holm O. Bursum of Socorro to succeed Fall. Bursum it is believed, will be the Republican nominee in the special election.

Former Governor, H. J. Hagerman, in an interview in the Santa Fe New Mexican yesterday, said he hoped the governor would not call the senatorial election on the date when the constitutional amendments would be voted on.

An existing law provides that the marriage of a homestead entryman to a homestead entrywoman after each has met the requirements of law for one year preceding such marriage shall not impair the right of either to a patent. The husband shall elect upon which entry the home shall be maintained and residence thereon by husband and wife will earn both entries. The law has now been amended by providing that in its administration the terms "entryman" entrywoman" shall be construed to include bona fide settlers who have complied with the homestead law for at least one year next preceding the "doubling up."

Quite an interesting ball game was pulled off at the local grounds last Sunday afternoon between Clovis and Portales. The score was 2 to 1 in favor of Portales.

OUTLAW DOGS ARE CAUSING SERIOUS LOSS TO STOCKMEN

Two Brown Collies, Gone Wild, Killing Cattle in Roosevelt County.

Lee Garrett, who lives five miles north-west of Portales was in town Wednesday and told a News reporter that two brown Collie dogs were causing considerable loss among the farmers in his neighborhood, by killing cattle. These are two large brown Collies which have become outlaws and are ranging in that settlement and killing calves and even grown cows.

Mr. Garrett has lost three head from the outlaws.

O. R. Boren had one killed and one crippled.

Mr. McRae has had one crippled.

W. H. Beck took a shot at the dogs the other day, but failed to get them.

The Collie is one of the smartest of the dog family, but when it turns to the life of its ancestors, the wolf, it is the most cunning desperado to be found anywhere. Often traveling fifteen to twenty miles to make a kill. And traveling in company, they make a very formidable enemy, and are able to pull down and kill full grown cattle.

A strong effort will be made to kill these dogs and every farmer in that section should aid in their destruction.

CLOVIS BUSINESS MEN RAISE \$400 A MONTH TO CARRY BALL TEAM

CLOVIS, N. M., May 5.—A finance committee has raised \$400 pledged monthly for the support of a local ball team during June, July and August. By further solicitations it is expected to increase this amount to at least \$500. The plan is to hire a good battery, and negotiations are now pending with that object in view. Manager Mack states that he will try about twenty players in an effort to select a team.

LACK OF RAIN DOES NOT AFFECT FARMERS OF PORTALES VALLEY

While rain is being needed all over the eastern part of New Mexico, the fears of a drought does not affect the farmers of the Portales Valley. He has water sufficient to mature the crops of the better variety, which have put Portales Valley on the map. And there are thousands of acres awaiting the progressive farmer who is looking for a good location for himself and family. And, of course, he wants a good school too.

HARDING MODIFIES CIVIL SERVICE RULES FOR POSTMASTERS

Any of Three Highest Applicants May Be Chosen For Office.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—President Wilson's order for selection of first, second and third class postmasters under civil service requirements was modified today by President Harding to give a wider field from which postmaster may be chosen.

Instead of being required to select the candidate standing highest in a civil service examination for any specific postmastership, the administration may, under today's order, give the place to any one of the three at the head of the qualified list.

PORTALES STRAWBERRIES NOW ON THE MARKET

The Portales strawberries are now on the local market and they are the best that can be secured. This will soon develop into an important industry in the Portales Valley, if the proper attention is paid the culture and marketing of this crop.

SPRING STOCK MOVEMENT IS NOW STARTING

A considerable movement of cattle to the markets is prophesied by many stockmen, due to the fact that numerous buyers have recently appeared at several of the stock centers in New Mexico and Arizona and have been giving a number of herds a careful inspection.

The first large order received lately was given last week by a representative of an eastern house. The order was for 10,000 head of cattle now being grazed in the Crook national forest by Arizona stockmen.

Prices in the contract were \$20, \$30 and \$40 for first, second and third class stock. While these prices are not high, it is believed a general raise in price is indicated as well as an increase in demand. The stock will be ready for shipment May 15. It is reported that a number of other large orders are now being considered by growers.—Albuquerque Journal.

NEW MEXICO LAW PAMPHLETS

Now ready for distribution, Taxation laws all now in effect, \$1.50. Workmen's Compensation Law, revised to date, 75c. "Blue Sky" Law, first law of kind in this state, 50c. Gasoline excise law, 15c. Proposed Constitutional Amendments, submitted to the Special election September 20, 1921, pocket edition, 25c. State Record, Santa Fe, N. M. 1tc

Heck Harris and George Reese Jr. have returned from Berkeley, California, where they have been attending school.

PORTALES HIGH TO BE REPRESENTED AT ALBUQUERQUE

Everett Dupuy will go to Albuquerque to represent Portales High school and Roosevelt county High schools in the state oratorical contest.

Miss Dorothy Ham will go to represent the girls in the Declamatory contest. This contest is held under the supervision of the State University and it is a great honor for the pupils winning in the county contest to have the privilege to enter the state contest.

Expenses for the contestants is being provided for by donations from the citizens of Portales.

NEW COUNTY WILL CELEBRATE JUNE 14-15

MOSQUERO, N. M., May 10.—A celebration in honor of the new county of Harding, of which Mosquero is the county seat, will be held here June 14 and 15. The new county was made up from pieces of San Miguel, Mora and Union counties, and was created at the recent state legislature.

The district around Mesquero has shown great development in the last few years. It is farming country, and the principle product is wheat.

Tax Collector J. R. Shock says that it is a mistake that the penalty for non-payment of taxes has been removed till October. The penalty goes on the first of June.

No More Carnivals For City of Clovis

An ordinance which will be prohibitive to carnivals, stock companies, circuses, and the like to come to this city for performances was passed by the city council at its meeting Monday night. The ordinance is prohibitive in the high license which it carries.

The ordinance provides:

"That any person, firm or corporation shall before operating or conducting any Wild West Show, Circus, Minstrel, Menageries or Carnival, not in a regularly licensed theatre, opera house, or hall, within the City of Clovis, shall for each day of such attraction or show above mentioned, obtain from the City Clerk a license therefor, and shall pay for such license the sum of \$75.00 per day in advance, and for each side show and concession in connection with above, the sum of \$15.00 per day in advance, and for each merry-go-round, Ferris

wheel or other so-called riding device, the sum of \$5.00 per day in advance, and no game or other device shall be operated in connection with any show in violation with the city ordinance or the state law, and any violation shall forfeit any license issued together with the amount paid for such license; and for any game of skill that is permitted under the law, the sum of \$200 per day in advance, and where a street parade or bally-hoo is given in connection with any of said above, the sum of \$1.00 per day shall be paid in advance."

The penalty to be imposed for violation of the ordinance is \$100. Each day's violation will constitute a separate offense.

With interpretation may be construed from the provisions which place a daily license of \$200.00 on all games of skill is puzzling baseball fans of Clovis.—Clovis Journal.

Thawing Out Frozen Credit Present Job

Reserve Board Governor Says Worst is Over Financially; On Last Stage of Readjustment.

Cleveland, Ohio, May 4.—W. P. G. Harding, governor of the federal reserve board, Washington, told the 2,000 delegates attending the opening session of the eighth national foreign trade convention today that there is now no danger of any general financial trouble in this country.

"We are entering now, I think, upon the final stage of the great post-war readjustment period," he said. "I think the most serious of our problems are behind us from a banking standpoint. The question of how to thaw frozen credits remains.

"Frozen credits can best be thawed out by a movement, a stimulation of business, which will do the thawing out automatically.

"I want to give you this message: There is now no danger of any general financial trouble in this country. There is closer relationship between the federal reserve bank and the member bank and between bankers, business men and manufacturers, than has ever existed in the past. The time has come for renewed courage and confidence. There is no advantage in forcing liquidation further. Many men have liquidated down to the bone. They should be encouraged to build themselves up. We are reaching every day a safer basis upon which to do business. The problems before us are all solvable.

"When we consider the great crisis which America has passed through in recent years, we cannot doubt the problems which confront us today will be safely met and we will enter upon a period of safe, solid and permanent prosperity based upon a firm and lasting foundation."

MARKET REPORTS

BY WIRELESS

Arrangements have been made whereby the Bureau of Markets cooperating with the States Relations Service of the United States Department of Agriculture and the Extension Service of the Agricultural Colleges, will send out at specified times each day wireless reports on the markets. At present the closest sending station is at Omaha but many amateur operators in New Mexico are equipped with apparatus that will take messages from as far away as Omaha or further.

This service is to be extended throughout the west as far as possible. The schedule of reports from Omaha is as follows:

Livestock market 11:15 a. m.
Kansas City livestock 11:45 a. m.

Grain and potatoes, 2:15 p. m.
General market news 5:00 p. m.

The radio call signal is Q.S.T. or "everybody listen." If you are interested in this service see your county agent and help him work out a plan with your farm bureau whereby these reports may be secured and distributed in your county.

DON'T FORGET TO SPRAY

In sections where the late frost killed most of the fruit crop many farmers are debating the question as to whether it will pay them to spray fruit they have left. Sound fruit should bring good money this year and it should not cost over 35 to 40 cents a tree to spray. Unsprayed fruit will not only be destroyed by the codling moth but will be the means of developing a large crop of worms for next year.

The codling moth life history studies, which have been conducted at the experiment station for several years past, have been completed and a spraying schedule based on these studies has been worked out. This schedule differs slightly from the previous schedule in that the period between the first and second brood sprays is 1 week longer.

The Calyx spray should be given when about 90 to 100 per cent of the petals are off and the next spray within about 15 days after the Calyx spray. Do not spray any more for 46 days, then spray every 20 days until about August 20th.

BACCALAUREATE SERMON

Last Sunday at the Baptist church the beginning of the commencement exercises for the Portales High school was the Baccalaureate sermon delivered by Rev. J. F. Nix, pastor of the Baptist church.

The church was filled to overflowing. The first three seats were reserved for the High school graduates consisting of: Alta Bell, Ora Pearl Nash, Carolyn Bradley, Letha Anderson, Mardell Morrison, Cressie Turnbull, Alice Mueller, Helen Mueller, Lillian Hatch, Elizabeth Priddy, Maurine Priddy, Allie Warnica, Veta Turner, Lillian Bramlett, James Clinton Fairly, Ella Fuller, Gussie Escue, Kathryn English, Lester Brown, Lee Johnson, Curtis Boone, Eldridge Price, Ralph Jackson, Oscar McCormack, Mary Bedinger, Sarah Virginia Martin.

**SOUR STOMACH
INDIGESTION**

Theodor's Black-Draught Highly Recommended by a Tennessee Grocer for Troubles Resulting from Torpid Liver.

East Nashville, Tenn.—The efficiency of Theodor's Black-Draught, the genuine, herb, liver medicine, is vouched for by Mr. W. N. Parsons, a grocer of this city. "It is without doubt the best liver medicine, and I don't believe I could get along without it. I take it for sour stomach, headache, bad liver, indigestion, and all other troubles that are the result of a torpid liver.

"I have known and used it for years, and can and do highly recommend it to every one. I won't go to bed without it in the house. It will do all it claims to do. I can't say enough for it."

Many other men and women throughout the country have found Black-Draught just as Mr. Parsons describes—valuable in regulating the liver to its normal functions, and in cleansing the bowels of impurities.

Theodor's Black-Draught liver medicine is the original and only genuine. Accept no imitations or substitutes. Always ask for Theodor's.

Then were seated the parents and family of the class, after which the friends and visitors were seated as far as possible with the limited seating capacity of the building. A goodly number having to stand and several turned away who could not gain entrance to the building.

Rev. Nix delivered an impressive address to the class, emphasizing the fact that the graduating class was only entering the beginning of their career, and that by their individual efforts would be the result of their usefulness in the affairs of their future life. He admonished them to strive for the better things in life, and to hold steady to the honorable side of their dealings with their fellow men. It was an able sermon and ably delivered.

Excellent music was furnished by the choir and choice selections by Miss Elizabeth Priddy and the High School girl chorus.

CARNIVAL ORDERED TO VACATE STREET NEAR COURT HOUSE

The Reed Carnival company which pitched its amusement tents along the street in front of the court house in Old Town, Sunday was ordered to move from the streets yesterday by the county commissioners, who held a special meeting at the request of the city police department and a number of property owners in Old Albuquerque, who had signed a petition asking the commissioners to oust the carnival company from that section of the city.

The request of the police department is said to have resulted from the two robberies which just occurred at the homes of John Milne and Arno Huning. Although the police did not accuse any of the carnival employees of being guilty of the particular robberies, it was stated to the commissioners that the carnival had in its employ a number of suspicious characters. The shoot-the-shoots, airplane glide, merry-go-round and a number of other amusement features had already been erected in front of the court house when the order came from the commissioners asking them to vacate. A part of the license fee of \$175 was returned to the company, which is now moving to a location on privately owned land northeast of the city.—Albuquerque Journal.

AS IT HAPPENED 121 YEARS AGO

The News had the pleasure of examining a paper published January 4, 1800, now the property of W. H. Beck, of Portales.

Here's a Real Argument For Philippine Independence



A Typical Philippine Homestead

The United States isn't the only country that has homesteaders—those enterprising pioneers who leave thickly populated districts and take their families into virgin territory to create homes for themselves. The Philippine islands have thousands of thrifty homesteaders.

The above photograph shows a picture of a Christian Filipino homesteader and his family near Pikit, Cotabato province, Mindanao, P. I. Five years ago he was a cab driver working for low wages at Cebu, a thickly populated city. He went into the then wilderness of Mindanao, planted hemp and coconuts, paid for his land and has become wealthy. Thousands of similar instances could be cited. One Mindanao homesteader is worth \$200,000.

The Philippine government is encouraging the immigration of Filipinos from the thickly populated sections into Mindanao. This is the second largest of the islands of the archipelago. It is still sparsely settled, although it is one of the richest and most productive islands in the world. Many Americans have established plantations there and become rich.

Filipinos are using the stories of the many successful Filipino homesteaders as an argument for independence. They make the point that a people that can go out into a tropical wilderness with no capital save their patience, perseverance and energy and win homes for themselves, have the necessary stamina to run their own affairs.

This paper contains an account of the death of General George Washington.

John Adams was President at that time and the paper was filled by resolutions of the Congress of America.

In the advertising columns are the following:

"Samuel Freer has just received an assortment of goods adapted to the season which he disposes of for cash or country produce only, upon very moderate terms. Ashes taken in said store. Dec. 21 1799."

"For Sale—The one-half of a sawmill, with a convenient place for building, lying in the town of Rochester. By mill is an inexhaustible quantity of pine wood, and also a STOUT, HEALTHY ACTIVE NEGRO WENCH. Any person inclined to purchase may know the particulars by applying to John Schoonmaker, Jr., Rochester. Nov. 15, 1799."

Compare this dry goods advertisement with the modern stores of today:

"John Tremper has commenced business in the mercantile line, and has a general assortment of dry goods and groceries, which he will dispose of very cheap for cash or produce only. Cash paid for wheat and fur." Kingston, Dec. 14, 1799."

This paper was the Ulster county Gazette of New York, and would prove a valuable relic for a historical society.

Land LOANS

Money Ready

Coe Howard

Office--Variety Store

Sanders Building,

Class Day Exercises

Fairfield Consolidated School

MAY 13, 1921—8 O'CLOCK P. M.

Invocation.....Mr. Ebb Ramdol
Chorus....."Spring"
Welcome.....Jefferson Boone
Piano Solo—"Silver Stars".....Carl Bohm, Op.327
Irene Engram
Oration.....Georgia Moss
Incantation.....Octa Clark

"Gaudemus Igitur"

Piano Solo—"Stephanie Gavotte".....Czibula, Op. 312
OCTA CLARK

Farewell.....Josephine Jones
Address.....Judge Sam Bratton
Address.....Supt. Bickley
Chorus—"Spring Song".....Gounod
Benediction.....Mr. R. L. Houston

QUICK SERVICE GARAGE

and Acetylene Welding

CAR REPAIRING DONE IN A BUSINESS WAY

Stationery engine and pump repairing a specialty. Agency for Layne & Bowler pumps and Munsey Oil Burning Engines.

All Work Guaranteed—Prices Satisfactory

L. M. ANDERSON ROY H. WHEELER

We Are Prepared

To cut and thread piping from 1-4 inch to 2 inch.

J. B. Sledge Hardware Co.

Those Delicious, Refreshing Fountain Drinks

WILL TAKE THE STING OUT OF A DAY OF DUSTY TRAVEL. A COMFORTABLE PLACE TO REST WHILE BEING SERVED.

SWEET SHOP

Try a Want Ad for any old thing

Lowe Brothers

"Oh, I'm so glad we used Mellotone on our Walls"

People who are tired of wall paper and painted walls that look "painty," appreciate the soft, rich, velvety finish produced by Lowe Brothers Mellotone.

It's a flat oil paint, made in a variety of tints that match nature's wild-flower colorings. Is washable, sanitary, and has great lastingness.

Come in and see the sample panels and ask for interesting literature.

KEMP LUMBER COMPANY

S. B. Fletcher, Manager

Paints

ED J. NEER

—UNDERTAKER-EMBALMER—

Licensed by State Board

Calls answered day or night. Office phone 67 2-rings, residence, 67 3-rings. Agent for Roswell and Amarillo Greenhouses. Portales, N. M.

A Very Easy System

One of our patrons has tried several plans for keeping a record of all his income and expense during the year—but he has found all of them a lot of trouble to keep up-to-date.

But he has a fine system now.

The bank is keeping this record for him. He deposits all his earnings in the bank and then writes checks for all the money he spends. Even for his pocket money he writes a check once in a while and marks it "Misc. Exp."

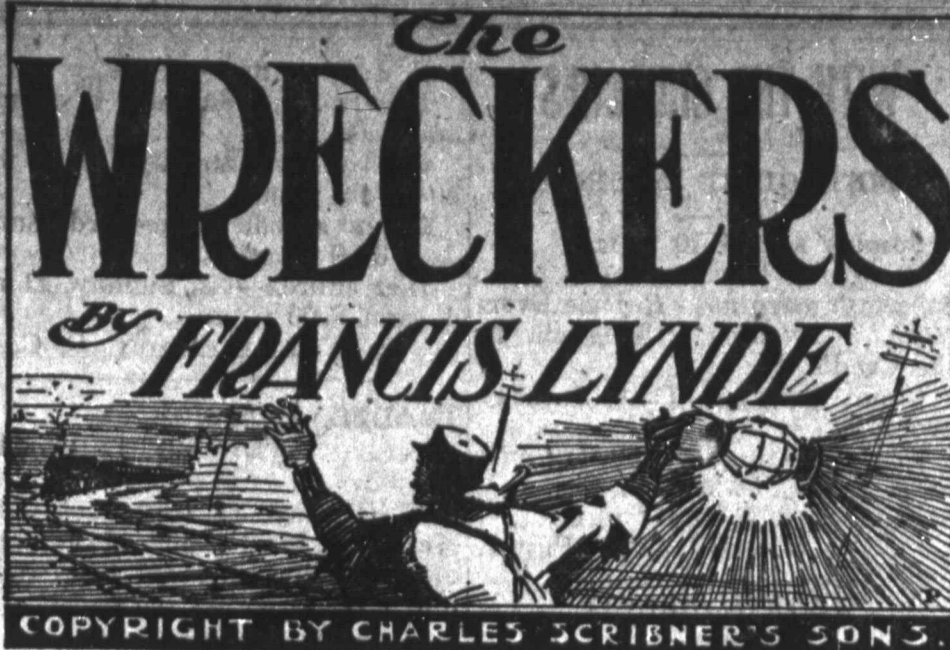
When he wants to know about the amount of his income he looks at his Bank-book.

When he wants to find out what he is spending, he looks over his cancelled checks. By sorting these old checks into several piles he finds what he is spending for food, clothing, fuel, etc.

This plan is easy. It is safe and business-like, too.

The Security State Bank

"THE PEOPLE'S BANK"



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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I.—Graham Norcross, railroad manager, and his secretary, Jimmie Dodds, are marooned at Sand Creek siding with a young lady, Sheila Macrae, and her small cousin, Unseen, their witness a peculiar train holdup, in which a special car is carried off.

CHAPTER II.—Norcross recognizes the car stolen as John Chadwick's, financial agent of the Pioneer Short Line, which is in the hands of eastern speculators. The latter offers Norcross the management of the line, his object being to keep Chadwick from attending a meeting of directors to reorganize the Pioneer Short Line, which would jeopardize their interests.

CHAPTER III.—Dodds overhears conversation between Rufus Estabrook and Gustave Henckel, Port City financiers, in which they admit complicity in Chadwick kidnaping. Their object being to keep Chadwick from attending a meeting of directors to reorganize the Pioneer Short Line, which would jeopardize their interests.

CHAPTER IV.—To curb the monopoly controlled by Hatch and Henckel, the Red Tower corporation, Norcross forms the Citizens' Storage and Warehouse company. He begins to manifest a deep interest in Sheila Macrae. Dodds learns that Sheila is married, but living apart from her husband. Norcross does not know this.

CHAPTER V.—Hatch, aware that Dodds has knowledge of his and Henckel's participation in the Chadwick kidnaping, offers him inducements to leave Norcross. Dodds refuses. Leaving the office, he is knocked senseless. Recovering consciousness, he learns that Norcross has disappeared. He is believed to have resigned and gone east.

CHAPTER VI.—Dodds connects Norcross' disappearance with machinations of Hatch and Henckel, and on recovering strength sets out to solve the mystery.

CHAPTER VII.—With Krgan, the road's master mechanic, Dodds gets a line on Norcross' disappearance. They follow a clue given them through a missing locomotive.

CHAPTER VIII.—The rescue party finds and releases Norcross from captivity to which he had been lured. Norcross resumes control of the Pioneer Short Line, refusing to give place to man whom Dunton has sent to take charge.

"Fine!" asserted the lawyer. "The stock is over-subscribed everywhere, now, and C. S. & W. is a going concern. The building boom is on. I venture to say there are over two thousand mechanics at work at the different centers, rushing up the buildings for the new plants, at this moment. You ought to have a monument, Norcross. It's the most original scheme for breaking a monopoly that was ever devised."

The boss was looking out of the window sort of absently, chewing on his cigar, which had gone out.

"Ripley, I wonder what you'd say if I should tell you that the idea is not mine?" he said, after a little pause.

"Not yours?"

"No; it, or at least the germ of it, was given to me by a woman; a woman who knows no more about business details than you do about driving white elephants."

"I'd like to be made acquainted with the lady," said Ripley, with a tired little smile. "Such gems are too valuable to be wasted on mere lumber yards and fruit packeries and grain elevators and the like."

"You'll meet her some day," laughed the boss, with a sort of happy lilt in his voice that fairly made me sick—knowing what I did; and knowing that he didn't know it. Then he switched the subject abruptly: "About the other matter, Ripley: I know you've been pretty busy, but you've had Tarbell nearly a week. What have you found out?"

Ripley briefed the general situation as it stood on the night of the engine theft in a few terse sentences. Aside from the fight on Red Tower Consolidated, the new railroad policies were threatening to upset all the time-honored political traditions of the machine-governed state. An election was approaching, and the railroad vote had influence must be whipped into line. As the grafters viewed it, the threatened revolution was a one-man government, and if that man could be removed the danger would vanish.

The execution details had been turned over to Clananah, the political boss of Port City.

The plot itself was simple. At a certain hour of a given night an anonymous letter was to be sent to Mr. Norcross, telling him that a gang of noted train robbers was stealing an engine from the Port City yard for the purpose of running down the line and wrecking the Fast Mail, which often carried a bullion express-car. If the boss should fall for it—as he did, when the time came—and go in person to stop the raid, he was to be overpowered and spirited away, a forged letter purporting to be a notice of his resignation was to be left for Mr. Van Brit, and a fake telegram, making the same announcement, was to be sent to President Dunton in New York. Nothing was left indefinite but the choosing of the night.

"I suppose Hatch was to give the word," said the boss, who had been listening soberly while the lawyer talked.

"That is the inference. Hatch probably gave the word after his talk with you, but the time was made even more propitious by the arrival of the two telegrams; the one from Mr. Chadwick, and the one from Mr. Dunton, both of which they doubtless intercepted by means of the tapped wires."

Mr. Norcross looked up quickly.

"Ripley, did Dunton know what was going to be done to me?"

"Oh, I think not. It wasn't at all necessary that he should be taken in on it. He has been opposing your policies all along, and had just sent you a pretty savage call-down. He didn't want you in the first place, and he has been anxious to get rid of you ever since. The plotters knew very well what he would do if he should get a wire which purported to be your resignation. He would appoint another man, quick, and all they would have to do would be to make sure that you were well off stage, and would stay off until the other man could take hold."

"It worked out like a charm," admitted the boss, with a wry smile. "I haven't been talking much about the details, partly because I wanted to find out if this young fellow, Tarbell, was as good as the major's recommendation of him, and partly because I'm honestly ashamed, Ripley. Any man of my age and experience who would swallow bait, hook, and line as I did that night deserves to get all that is coming to him."

"You can tell me now, can't you?" queried the attorney.

"Oh, yes; you have it all—or practically all. I fell for the anonymous letter about the Mall hold-up, and while I don't 'rattle' very easily, ordinarily, that was one time when I lost my head, just for the moment. The obvious thing to do—if any attention whatever was to be paid to the anonymous warning—was to telephone the police and the round-house. I did neither because I thought it might be too slow."

"So you made a straight shoot for the scene of action?"

"I did; down the back streets and across the lower end of the plaza. As it appeared—or rather as it was made to appear—I was barely in time. There were men at the engine, and when I sprinted across the yard they were ready to move it-out to the main line. I yelled at them and ran in. Three of them tackled me the moment I came within reach. I got one of the three on the point of the jaw, and they had to leave him behind; but there were enough more of them. Before I fairly realized what was happening, they had me trussed up like a Christmas turkey."



key, and loaded into the cab of the engine. From that on, it was all plain sailing."

"Then they took you to the old lumber camp?"

"As fast as the engine could be made to turn her wheels, Arroyo has no night operator, and when we sneaked through the Banta yard and past the station, the operator there was asleep. I saw him, with his head in the crook of his arm, at the telegraph table in the bay window as we passed."

"We ran out to the Timber Mountain 'Y,' and from that on up the old saw-mill line. The rail connections were all in place, and I knew from this that preparations had been made beforehand. They wouldn't tell me anything except that I was to be locked up for a few days."

"You knew what that meant?"

"Perfectly. My drop-out would be made to look as if I had jumped the job, and Dunton would appoint a new man. After that, I could come back, if I wanted to. Whatever I might do or try to do would cut no figure, and no explanation I could make would be believed. I had most obligingly dug my own official grave, and there could be no resurrection."

"What then?" pressed Ripley, keenly interested, as anybody could see.

"When they took the clothes-line from my arms there was another scrap. It didn't do any good. They got the door shut on me and got it locked. After that, for four solid days, Ripley, I was made to realize how little it takes to hold a man. I had my pocket-knife, but I couldn't whittle my way out. The floor-punches were spiked down, and I couldn't dig out. They had taken all my matches, and I couldn't burn the place. I tried the stick-rubbing, and all those things you read about; they're fakes; I couldn't get even the smell of smoke."

"The chimney?"

"There wasn't any. They had heated the place, when it was a commissary, with a stove, and the pipe hole through the ceiling had a piece of sheet iron nailed over it. And I couldn't get to the roof at all. They had me."

Ripley nodded and said, snappily: "Well, we've got them now—any time you give the word. Tarbell has a pinch on one of the Clananah men and he'll turn state's evidence. We can railroad every one of those fellows who carried you off."

"And the men higher up?" queried the boss.

"No; not yet."

"Then we'll drop it right where it is. I don't want the hired tools; no one of them, unless you can get the devil that crippled Jimmie Dodds, here."

"They went on, talking about my burn-up. Listening in, I learned for the first time just how it had been done. Tarbell, through his hold upon the wretched Clananah striker, had got the details at second-hand. A lead had been taken from a power wire at the corner of the street and hooked over the outer door-knob. And inside I had been given a sheet of copper to stand on for a good 'ground,' the copper itself being wired to a water pipe running up through the hall. Tarbell had afterward proved up on all this, it seemed finding the insulated wire and the copper sheet with its connections hidden in a small rubbish closet under the hall stair, just where a fellow in a hurry might chuck them."

"Tarbell is a striking success," Mr. Norcross put in, along at the end of things. "We'll keep him on with us, Ripley."

Past this there was a little more talk about the C. S. & W. deal, and about what the Hatch crowd would be likely to try next; and when it was finished, and Ripley was reaching for his hat, the boss said: "There is no change in the orders: we've got 'em going now, and we'll keep 'em going. Drive it, Ripley; drive it for every ounce there is in you. Never mind the election talk or the stock quotations. This railroad is going to be honest. If it never earns another net dollar, we'll win!"

"It's beginning to look a little that way, now," the lawyer admitted, with his hand on the door knob. "Just the same, Norcross, there is safety in numbers, and our numbers are precisely one; one man"—holding up a single finger. "As before, the pyramid is standing on its head—and you are the head. For God's sake, be careful!"

It was late in the afternoon when Ripley made his visit, and pretty soon after he went away the boss and I closed up our end of the shop and left May pecking away at his typewriter on a lot of routine stuff. I don't know what made me do it, but as I was passing Fred's desk on the way out, stringing along behind the boss I stopped and jerked open one of the drawers. I knew beforehand what was in the drawer, and pointed to it—a new .38 automatic. Fred nodded, and I slipped the gun into my left-hand pocket, wondering as I did it, if I could make out to hit the broad side of a barn, shooting with that hand, if I had to.

A half-minute later I had caught up with Mr. Norcross, and together we left the building and went up to the Bullard for dinner.

CHAPTER IX

In the Coal Yard

I knew, just as well as could be—without being able to prove it—that we were shadowed on the trip up from the railroad building to the hotel, and it made me nervous. There could be only one reason now for any such dogging of the boss. The grafters were not trying to find out what he was doing; they didn't need to, because he was advertising his doings—or Juneman was—in the newspapers. What they were trying to do was to catch him off his guard and do him up—this time to stay done up.

It was safe to assume that they wouldn't fumble the ball a second time. Mr. Ripley had stood the thing fairly on its feet when he said that our campaign was purely a one-man proposition, so far as it had yet gone. People who had met the boss and had done business with him liked him; but the old-time prejudice against the railroad was so wide-spread and so bitter that it couldn't be overcome all at once. Juneman, our publicity man, was doing his best, but as yet we had no party following in the state at large which would stand by us and see that we got justice.

I was chewing this over while we sat at dinner in the Bullard cafe, and

I guess Mr. Norcross was, too, for he didn't say much. I don't know whether he knew anything about the shadowing business I speak of or not, but he might have. We hadn't more than given our dinner order when one of Hatch's clerks, a cock-eyed chap named Kestler, came in and took a table just far enough from ours to be out of the way, and near enough to listen in if we said anything.

When we finished, Kestler was just getting his service of ice-cream; but I noticed that he left it untouched and got up and followed us to the lobby. It made me hot enough to want to turn on him and knock his crooked eye out, but of course, that wouldn't have done any good.

After Mr. Norcross had bought some cigars at the stand he guessed he guessed he'd run out to Major Kendrick's for a little while; and with that he went up to his rooms. Though the major was the one he named, I knew he meant that he was going to see Mrs. Sheila. I remembered what he had said to Ripley about a woman's giving him germ ideas and such things, and I guess it was really so. Every time he spent an evening at the major's he'd come back with a lot of new notions for popularizing the Short Line.

When he said that, about going out to the major's, Kestler was near enough to overhear it, and so he waited, lounging in the lobby and pretending to read a paper. About half-past seven the boss came down and asked me to call a taxi for him. I did it; and Kestler loafed around just long enough to see him start off. Then he lit out, himself, and something in the way he did it made me take out after him.

The first thing I knew I was trailing him through the railroad yard and



on down past the freight house toward the big, fenced-in, Red Tower coal yards.

At the coal yard he let himself in through a wicket in the wagon gates, and I noticed that he used a key and locked the wicket after he got inside. I put my eye to a crack in the high stockade fence and saw that the little shack office that was used for a scale-house was lighted up. My burst had

was healing tolerably well by this time and I could use it a little. There was a slack pile just outside of the big gate, and by climbing to the top of it I got over the fence and crept up to the scale-house.

A small window in one end of the shack, opened about two inches at the bottom, answered well enough for a peep-hole. Three men were in the little box of a place—three besides Kestler; Hatch, his barrel-bodied part-

ner, Henckel, and one other. The third man looked like a glorified barkeep. He was of the type I have heard called "black Irish," fat, sleek, and well-fed, with little pin-point black eyes half buried in the flesh of his round face, and the padded jaw and double chin shaved to the blue.

I knew this third man well enough, by sight; everybody in Port City knew him—decent people only too well when it came to an election tussle. He was the redoubtable Pete Clananah, divekeeper, and political boss.

Kestler was telling the three how he had shadowed Mr. Norcross from the railroad headquarters to the Bullard, and how he stayed around until he had seen the boss take a taxi for Major Kendrick. This seemed to be all that was wanted of him, for when he was through, Hatch told him he might go home. After the cock-eyed clerk was gone, Hatch lighted a fresh cigar and put it squarely up to the Irishman.

"It's no use being mealy-mouthed over this thing, Pete," he grated in that saw-mill voice of his. "We've got to get rid of this man. Every day's delay gives him that much better hold. We can choke him off by lobbies in the business game, of course; we have Dunton and the New Yorkers on our side, and this co-operative scheme he has launched can be broken down with money. But that doesn't help you political people out; and your stake in the game is even bigger than ours."

Clananah looked around the little dog-kennel of a place suspiciously.

"Tis not here that we can talk much about them things, Mister Hatch," he said cautiously.

"Why not?" was the rasping question. "There's nobody in the yard, and the gates are locked. It's a d-d sight safer than a back room in one of your dives—as we know now to our cost."

Clananah threw up his head with a gesture that said much. "Murphy's the man that leaked on that engine job—and he'll leak no more."

"Well," said Hatch, with growing irritation, "what are you holding back for now? We stood to win on the first play, and we would have won if your people hadn't bailed it by talking too much. One more day and Dismuke would have been in the saddle. That would have settled it."

"Yah; and Mister Dismuke still here in Port City remains," put in Henckel.

The divekeeper locked his pudgy fingers across a cocked knee.

"Tis foine, brave gentlemen ye are, you two, whin ye've got somebody else to pull th' nuts out av th' fire for ye!" he said. "Ye'd have us croak this feily fr ye, and thin ye'd stand back and wash yer hands while some poor devil went to th' rope fr it. Where do we come in, is what I'd like to know!"

"You are already in," snapped Hatch. "You know what the big fellow at the capital thinks about it, and where you'll stand in the coming election if you don't put out this fire that Norcross is kindling. You're yellow, Clananah. That's all that is the matter with you."

"Tell me wan thing!" insisted the divekeeper, boring the chief grafter with his pin-point eyes. "Do you stand fr it if we do this thing up right?"

Hatch's eyes fell, and Henckel's big body twisted uneasily in the chair that was groaning under his beer-barrel weight. There was silence for a little space, and I could feel the cold sweat starting out all over me. I hadn't dreamed of stumbling upon anything like this when I started out to shadow Kestler. They were actually plotting to murder the boss!

It was Hatch who broke the stillness.

"It's up to you, Clananah, and you know it," he declared. "Yem's had

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HUMPHREY WINS BRIDLE TROPHY

Five Mile Paper Chase Over Logs, Ditches, Fences and Streams Receives Support.

I. A. Humphrey, student in the cavalry unit of the R. O. T. C., won the bridle trophy offered by Professor E. L. Porter in a 5 mile paper chase. Nine jumps over fences, ditches, logs, and streams made the twenty riders who competed display all the skill of horsemanship at their command in order to remain in the race.

Half the entries were disqualified before the end of the course, and A. L. Peterson "came a cropper" at one of the jumps and his collar bone was broken in the fall. "Bill" Kinder was second and Reginald Daddysman third.

A view of the entire course may be had from a hill near Corvallis and a large group of spectators saw the race. On account of the popularity of the chase this year it is planned to make it an annual event.

The above from the O. A. C. Barometer, of Corvallis, Oregon, refers to the son of our former fellow townsman, Inda Humphrey.

BACK AGAIN

Thursday night, J. W. Sexton and family arrived from Colorado and where they recently moved to make their home. Mr. Sexton said that the altitude was too high for them there. Mr. Sexton says that they will locate in or near Portales, as this section of the country suits them the best.

While located at Elida Mr. Sexton was one of the strongest boosters that part of the country had, and if he brought his booster spirit back from Colorado with him, Portales is ready to kill the fatted calf and invite the neighbors in to the feast.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS

Teachers' examinations will be held this year on the following dates: June 10th and 11th. June 24th and 25th. July 8th and 25th. July 22nd and 23rd. No examinations will be held in October.

FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

At the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Monday night it would be well for Portales to take up the matter of a Fourth of July celebration for the coming fourth. This is an event that should be prepared for in advance. We have the band, the ball team, the talent for track and athletic contests. Good speakers could be arranged for and it could be made an occasion that would draw people from all over the state. Let Portales be the first town in Eastern New Mexico to announce such a celebration.

Wednesday morning Mrs. Long, Mrs. Ham and daughter, Miss Dorothy, and Everett Dupuy and Mike Lindsey left for Albuquerque by auto to attend the State Oratorical and Athletic meet.

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DEMOCRATIC IN POLITICS

A GOOD MAN GETS THE CAN

No one man in New Mexico has done more to build up the educational institutions of the state than has Dr. Frank H. H. Roberts...

With his going the Normal will lose much of its prestige as the leading teachers' training school of the west.

BEFORE THE SPRING CROP OF GRAFTERS ARRIVE

Each year with the coming of spring a new crop of grafters spring up like Russian thistles.

It is the New Mexico Diamond Mine, unlimited.

The proposition is to sink a number of shafts from 10,000 to 50,000 feet deep in various portions of the state...

Now diamonds are nothing but carbon, and coal is carbon, so the plan is to put a bushel or two of nut coal in the bottom of each shaft...

Coupon bonds with asbestos coupons will be issued to all the stockholders so that they can be used no matter where they may be at maturity.

Those who wish to get in as charter members are requested to send their names in at once.

THE NEED GROWS GREATER EACH DAY

The need for an auditorium for Portales grows greater each day. The fact is emphasized by graduating exercises of the Portales High school.

F. L. Andrews, representing the El Paso Herald is in town this week in the interest of his paper.

YOU TELL 'EM Mc.

The following is taken from "Threads" by Ray McCorkle, in the Amabillo Daily News...

"For the first time since we have assumed the management of this column we are going to impart a real secret.

"We were walking down the street the other day with nothing to do but 'look'.

"It is bad enough for a woman of mature years to fill up the cracks and crevices in her face with paint and powder...

Without wishing in the least to cast any reflections upon Jonathan H. Wagner...

They should have arranged for the election as president of the Normal of Secundino Romero of Las Vegas.

A MISTAKE

With Mr. Romero at the head of the school, there would have been an unhampered opportunity for a clearcut demonstration and exposition of Old Guard Republican educational methods...

A faculty perfectly satisfactory to the powers that be would have been assured.

Prof. Henning in charge of the school of journalism, Prof. Sully at the head of the mines department, Prof. Hawkins instilling the law into the plastic mind...

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girls are to be properly fitted for their life work. It is to be inferred that a similar house-cleaning will follow in other state educational institutions.

Meantime this ought to be a lesson to the business men of Las Vegas who connive at the bringing of large numbers of students into the state...

But no one has suggested, so far, that Republicans shall pay all the taxes for the maintenance of our educational institutions.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, was, on the 4th day of May, 1921, appointed administrator of the estate of Robert R. Miller and Mrs. Robert R. Miller, deceased...

Therefore all persons having claims against the estate of either or both of said persons, are hereby notified to file the same with the County Clerk of Roosevelt County, New Mexico...

Nazarene Church Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Young People's Society at 6:15 p. m. Everybody invited to come and worship with us.

REPORT OF CONDITION OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK

At Portales, in the State of New Mexico, at the close of business on April 28, 1921.

Table with 2 columns: RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Includes items like Loans and Discounts, U. S. Bonds, Capital Stock, etc.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO, COUNTY OF ROOSEVELT, ss: I, Arthur F. Jones, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Table with 2 columns: RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Includes items like Loans and Discounts, U. S. Bonds, Capital Stock, etc.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of May, 1921. THOS. E. MEARS, Notary Public.

Table with 2 columns: RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Includes items like Loans and Discounts, U. S. Bonds, Capital Stock, etc.

STRIPES AND PLAITS



With the stripe plus the plait, designers are endlessly ingenious. One of the new skirts for spring is shown above...

AFFIDAVITS NEEDED FOR THIS FISH YARN

Natchez, Miss.—J. T. Kerr, a planter of Concordia Parish, La., has a pair of trained wild geese.

Mr. Kerr has just finished teaching the geese to fish. He declares they know how to swim and dive, so it was only necessary to teach them to catch fish and bring them to the boat which he rows alongside.

WITH THE CHURCHES

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Subjects: morning, "Rejoice Evermore." Evening, "Kingdom in the Cradle."

ROGERS CIRCUIT

Floyd—1st Sunday, 11 a. m.

and 8:00 p. m. Rogers—2nd Sunday, 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Causey—3rd Sunday, 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.

TRADES AUTOMOBILE FOR BUTTERMILK

Wednesday, of this week Lee McKissick bought one of the cars damaged in the recent fire, trading buttermilk for the same.

REPORT OF CONDITION OF SECURITY STATE BANK

at Portales, in the State of New Mexico, at the close of business on April 28th, 1921.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO, COUNTY OF ROOSEVELT, ss: We, C. W. Harrison, President; and M. B. Jones, Cashier, of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of May, 1921. IRENE SMITH, Notary Public.

TAYLOR'S BUS LINE

Table with 2 columns: Leave Portales and Arrive Clovis times. Includes fare information: FARE: \$1.00 PLUS WAR TAX.

ATTENTION, FARMERS!

Just to Call Your Attention To a Few Facts:--

In view of the fact that you have been unable to sell your Milo Maize, Kafir Corn and Indian Corn, for what it cost you to raise it...

Your present wheat market is very low with practically no prospects for better prices and we do not believe they will be as good as they now are.

We are not predicting what the price of Broom Corn will be this year, but at any price, ranging from \$30.00 to \$100.00 per ton...

There never has been a year for the last twelve, that we have not been able to pay, and have paid, the above mentioned prices for the different grades of corn...

A.L. Gurley Broom Corn Co.

CLOVIS, NEW MEXICO



BOX SUPPER A BIG SUCCESS

The box supper at the band hall last Saturday night was a big financial success.

The boxes were auctioned off by Bascom Howard, who made a salesman equal if not superior to the professional.

The evening was enlivened by music by the Portales Concert band and the High School band.

Mrs. Roes McDowell delivered the address of welcome in a way that made everyone feel that they were glad to be there.

Mrs. Jeff White entertained the audience with a select reading.

BOYD-CANNON

On last Friday evening Probate Judge A. J. Goodwin, officiated in the ceremonies which made Mr. Thos. E. Boyd of Albuquerque and Miss Ruby Cannon of Elida, man and wife.

This young couple are well and favorably known in the Elida community. The groom is attending school at Albuquerque.

JUDAH-TURNBULL

On last Friday night Mr. Paul Judah and Miss Lillian Turnbull of Elida surprised their friends by stealing away to Portales, securing license, and with Rev. J. F. Nix as pilot embarking on the matrimonial sea.

This young couple are prominent in the social circles of the county. The groom is the assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Elida, and the bride the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Turnbull of the Pleasant Valley neighborhood.

MARRIAGE LICENSE ISSUED

The following marriage license have been issued since our last report:

Mr. Jerome P. Smith and Miss Ruby Lang, of Hale Center, Tex., on May 6th.

Mr. Arthur McFall and Miss Bessie Houk of Redlake, May 6.

Mr. Thomas E. Boyd and Miss Ruby Cannon of Elida, May 6.

Mr. Clarence N. Rice and Miss Neja M. Hatch of Rogers, May 7.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

The commencement exercises of the Portales High school will be as follows. These exercises will be held at the Baptist church.

Friday afternoon at the school building from 1 to 5 will be the school exhibit. All are invited to this exhibit.

Friday evening, May 13, 7:45. Class representative exercises.

Wednesday evening, May 18, 7:45. Senior Class play.

Thursday evening, May 19, 7:45. Commencement exercises.

Parties desiring to take lessons in typewriting and shorthand, phone 154. Prices reasonable.

Mrs. Myrtle Thomas. 27-4tp

Young & Sullins have opened a meat market in the building adjoining McDonald's Grocery, and have fitted it up in first-class shape for their business.

See their ad in this issue.

The News is \$1.50 a year.

LOCAL PERSONALS

Monroe Honea was in Elida on business last Friday.

C. T. Jackson of Albuquerque, is in town this week on business.

Paul Jones attended the school exercises at Kenna last Friday night.

Honest John sells Kax-o Shoe Cream, at George & Manis Shoe Shop. 28-2tc

Manager Dave Colligan of the Portales ball team was in Clovis Wednesday.

F. R. Smith, of Houston, Texas, came in Tuesday to shake hands with old neighbors.

Slim Snell moved to his ranch this week. His residence will be occupied by R. H. Adams.

Cashier Arthur F. Jones, of the First National Bank, was in El Paso on business this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Heath are visiting relative at Arlington, Texas, this week.

Tuesday W. B. Oldham purchased the Fred Luper residence and expects to occupy same very soon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Toler, of Claudell, attended the box supper at the band hall last Saturday night.

Go to C. M. Dobbs' for E-Z Washing Tablets. 2 tablets will do your washing. No rubbing. 5 washings for 15c. 28-2tc

W. O. Hall, president of the Silver City Normal School was in town in the interest of his school this week.

The Portales Band is planning to take a fishing trip on the river down near Carlsbad in the near future.

Tuesday, Mrs. J. B. King, mother of Mrs. J. G. Greaves, and Elizabeth Greaves left for Lubbock, Texas, for a few weeks' visit.

Ollie Powell, of the Dora community returned Wednesday from a trip to Missouri. Mr. Powell says that that country has been washed away by the excessive rains.

Mrs. J. G. Greaves and children arrived from the ranch Saturday and will make their home in Portales, provided a house can be secured to live in. At present rooms have been secured in the S. B. Fletcher residence.

On Friday of last week Mesdames O. W. and Otto Skorokowski arrived from Oklahoma City to join their husbands for a camping trip in the mountains of New Mexico.

Sheriff Jess McCormack and District Attorney Compton have been in El Paso the past week looking for evidence in the Duncan murder case.

With the closing of school there will be several changes in Portales but most of those who have been in here for the school have already contracted for houses or rooms for the next term of school.

County Agent Carl Turner is already getting busy to make his place show up in keeping with his

position as county agent. He, together with J. B. H. Young and Ed J. Neer, are laying off a border between the sidewalk and the street which will be used as a demonstration farm by these gentlemen. It has not been fully decided as to just what crop will be put in, but the decision of these gentlemen seems to lean towards broom corn and like crops, while the ladies interested in this block (who will really have to do the farming) favor flowers or vegetables.

ENTERTAINMENT AT LONGS

We, the people of Longs school are planning a very lively program for end of school to be given Thursday night, May 19th.

Among the many plays and dialogues is the famous play of "Ichabod Crane," or "Headless Horseman," and other stirring plays and speeches, including a "negro sermon" and some dark-key comedies.

FAIRFIELD FACTS

Mr. Leland Franklin, of McKinney, Texas, brother of Wm. Franklin of Fairfield, died Wednesday, May 4th.

Mr. Polk Williams has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Arnon Landon of late.

There was a party given for the High school boys and girls at the school house Friday night. After games were over, a feast was spread and eaten.

Mr. Avon Williams has two snakebitten horses.

Miss Mamie Houston was a birthday guest at the home of Mr. Bennie Vaughan at Clovis Saturday.

Mrs. W. F. Martin gave a birthday party Saturday for her son, Thomas.

WHAT SALARY TEACHERS MAY RECEIVE IN NEW MEX.

That a teacher's salary schedule for rural schools of three or fewer teachers, payments of nine months for second and third grade certificates, and twelve months for first grade certificates or better be as follows.

Teachers holding third grade certificates, minimum, \$50.00;

maximum, \$60.00 per month. Teachers holding second grade certificates, minimum, \$75.00 per month, maximum, \$100.00 per month.

Teachers holding first grade certificates, minimum, \$90.00; maximum, \$135.00 per month.

Teachers holding three year professional, minimum, \$100.00; maximum, \$140.00 per month.

Teachers holding five year professional, minimum, \$110.00; maximum, \$145.00 per month.

Teachers holding life professional, minimum, \$125.00, maximum \$150.00 per month.

That teachers of all grades be paid in either nine or twelve equal payments subject to the ruling of the County Board of each county.

NON-ADVERTISING

Eldorado Success: You know that it is a bad thing to let your watch run down. It ruins the works. It is just as bad to let your business run down, and advertising is the key that keeps it wound up.

State Press, Dallas News: The non-advertising merchant claims that advertising doesn't pay. They prove it by citing you to two or three times when they tried it and had to pay out twelve or fourteen dollars in penalty of their venturesomeness. And it is

STOP THAT ACHE!

Don't worry and complain about a bad back. Get rid of that pain and lameness. Use Doan's Kidney Pills. Many Portales people have used them and know how effective they are. Ask your neighbor. Here's a Portales case:

Mrs. J. D. McRae, says: "When a person has kidney trouble they don't forget it in a hurry. About fifteen years ago I suffered with my kidneys. My back was weak and ached so badly I could hardly go. Every time I tried to bend over, sharp pains caught me in my back and I had awful dizzy spells when I tried to straighten up. Doan's Kidney Pills were always highly recommended so I tried them. One box of Doan's cured me of the complaint."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. McRae had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

sometimes rather embarrassing to the young advertising solicitor to contract controversially a veteran merchant who has been for twenty or thirty years in the same little store, a daily witness of the conviction that he was saving money by not spending any of it with the newspapers. If the young solicitor hazards the opinion that a habit of advertising might have moved the veteran from the little store to a larger one he runs the risk of being informed that he is a smart Alexander. And if he points to the large stores which have come up through constant and efficient advertising, he is told that the larger stores got big by being conducted dishonestly or unfairly or by big capitalists who could afford big ways of doing things. The small man who does not progress is never quite satisfied that his progressive competitor is entirely honest. Even the obvious fact that most of the big stores came up from little beginnings, that their big capital was at first merely some prudent man's savings, does not have much weight with the type of business man who rigidly believes that all business should be little business.

DON'T FORGET THE MEETING OF PORTALES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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The greatest event in the lives of these people up to the present occurs May 19th. Have you ever thought of the possible influence these young people may exert in the world? Let us show an appreciation of the good work they have done.

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Up to that minute I had never thought once of the pistol I had taken from Fred May's drawer, though it was still sagging in my left hip pocket. When I did think of it I dragged it out with some silly notion of trying to hold the three men up at the door of the shack as they came out. Hatch's stop to light a cigar and to hand out a couple to the other two gave me time to chuck that notion and grab another. With the muzzle of the automatic resting in the crack of the opened window I took dead aim at the incandescent lamp in the ceiling and turned her loose for the whole magazine.

Since the first bullet got the lamp and left the place black dark, I couldn't see what was happening in the close little room. I could hear them gasping and yelling and knocking one another down as they fought to get the door open. Sticking the empty pistol back into my pocket I jumped to get action, hurrying my sore hand like the mischief in doing it.

Hatch was the first man out, but the big German was so close a second that he knocked his smaller partner down and fell over him. Clanahan kept his feet. He had a gun in his hand that looked to me, in the darkness, as big as a cannon. I was flattened against the side of the scale shack, and when the divekeeper tried to side-step around the two fallen men who were blocking the way, I snatched the folded paper from his pocket; snatched it and ran as if the dickens was after me.

That was a bad move—the runaway. If I had kept still there might have been a chance for me to make a sneak. But when I ran, and fell over a pile of loose coal, and got up and ran here, we've been digging back into his record a few lines. Every man has his sore spot, if you can only find it. Clanahan—just as you have yours. What if I should tell you that Norcross is jumping in another state—for a crime? Before he came here he was chief of construction on the Oregon Midland. There was a right-of-way fight back in the mountains—fifty miles from the nearest sheriff—with the P. & S. F. Norcross armed his track-layers, and in the bluffing there was a man killed."

Though it was a warm night, as I have said, the cold chills began to chase themselves up and down my back. What Hatch said was perfectly true. In the right-of-way scrap he was talking about, there had been a few wild shots fired, and one of them had found a P. & S. F. grade laborer. I don't believe anybody had ever really blamed the boss for it. But there had been a man killed.

While I was shivering, Clanahan said: "Well, what av it?" "Norcross was responsible for that man's death. If he was having trouble over his right-of-way, his recourse was to the law, and he took the law into his own hands. Nothing was ever done about it, because nobody took the trouble to prosecute. A week ago we sent a man to Oregon to look up the facts. He succeeded in finding a brother of the dead man, and a warrant has now been sworn out for Norcross' arrest."

"Well," said Clanahan again. "Ye have the string in yer own hand; why don't ye pull it?" "That's where you come in," was the answer. "The Oregon justice issued the warrant because it was demanded, but he refused to incur, for his county, the expense of sending a deputy sheriff to another state, or to take the necessary steps to have Norcross extradited. If Norcross could be produced in court, he would try him and either discharge him or bind him over, as the facts might warrant. He took his stand upon the ground that Norcross was only technically responsible, and told the brother that in all probability nothing would come of an attempt to prosecute."

"Then ye've got nothing on him, after all," the Irishman grunted. "Yes," Hatch came back; "we have the warrant, and, in addition to that, we have you, Pete. A word from you to the Portal City police headquarters, and our man finds himself arrested and locked up—to wait for a requisition from the governor of Oregon."



I Had Butted In With a Telegram.

nobody else's. We fussed over it a lot; and because I most always contrived some excuse to chase out to the Kendrick house at the boss' heels—merely to help Tarbell keep cases on him—there were plenty of chances for the fusing.

It was on one of those chasing trips to "Kenwood" that the roof fell in. The major had gone out somewhere—to the theater, I guess—taking his wife and Maisie Ann, and the boss and Mrs. Sheila were sitting together in the major's den, with a little coal blaze in the basket grate because the nights were beginning to get a bit chilly.

I had butted in with a telegram—which might just as well have stood over until the next morning, if you want to know. After I had delivered it, Mrs. Sheila gave me that funny little laugh of hers and told me to go hunt in the pantry and see if I could find a piece of pie, and the boss added that if I'd wait, he'd go back to town with me pretty soon.

I found the pie, and ate it in the dining-room, making noise enough about it so that they could know I was there if they wanted to. But they went right on talking, and paid no attention to me.

"Do you know, Sheila," they had long since got past the "Mr." and "Mrs."—"you've been the greatest possible help to me in this rough-house, all the way along," the boss was saying. "You have held me up to the rack, time and again, when I have been ready to throw it all up and let go. Why have you done it?"

having the biggest kind of a job to keep him shut up in this sort of abstract corral, when all the time he was loving her fit to kill, but apparently she had been doing it successfully. There wasn't the faintest breath of sentiment in the air; not the slightest whim. When she began again, I could somehow feel that she was just in time to prevent his breaking out into all sorts of love-making.

"The time has come, now, when you must take another leaf out of my book," she said, with just the proper little cooling tang in her voice. "Up to the present you have been hammering your way to the end like a strong man, and that was right. But you have been more or less reckless—and that isn't right or fair or just to a lot of other people."

"The tramping stopped and I heard him say: 'I don't know what you mean.'" "I mean that matters have come to such a pass now that you can't afford to take any risks—personal risks. If the plan the enemy is trying doesn't work, it will try another and a more desperate one."

"You've been talking to Ripley," he laughed. "Ripley wants me to become a gun-toter and provide myself with a body-guard. I'd look well, wouldn't I? But what do you mean by 'the plan the enemy is now trying?'" She hesitated a little, and then said: "I shall make no charges, because I have no proof. But I read the newspapers, and Mr. Van Britt tells me something, now and then. You are having a terrible lot of wrecks."

"That is merely bad luck," he rejoined easily. "Rashness is no part of true courage," she interpolated, calmly. "As a private individual you might say that your life is your own, and that you have a perfect right to risk it as you please. But as the general manager of the railroad, with a lot of your friends holding office under you, you can't say that. Besides, you are fighting for a cause, and that cause will stand or fall with you."

"You ought to be a member of this new reform legislature that some of our good friends think is coming up the pike," he chuckled; but she ignored the good-natured gibe and made him listen.

I saw That He Had a Pistol in His Hand.

that he had a pistol in his hand, of weapon of some kind; anyway, caught the glint of the gas-light dull steel.

That stirred me up good and plenty. I still had the gun I had taken out of Fred May's drawer; I had carried it ever since the night when it had mighty nearly got me killed off in the Red Tower coal yard. I fished it out and made ready, thinking, of course, that the skulker must certainly be one of Clanahan's gunmen. I still had that idea when I felt, rather than saw, that the man was pulling himself up to the window so that he could take a look into the dining room.

The look satisfied him, apparently, for the next second I heard him drop among the bushes; and when I stood up and looked out again I could just make him out going around toward the back of the house. I knew the house like a book, and without making any noise about it I slipped through the butler's pantry and got a look out of a rear window. My man was there, and he was working his way sort of blindly around to the den side of the place.

I knew there was only one window in the major's den room, and that was nearly opposite the screened doorway. So I ducked back into the dining room and took a stand where I could see the one window through the door-curtain net-work of bamboo beads. I was so excited that I caught only snatches of what Mrs. Sheila was saying to the boss, but the bits that I heard were a good deal to the point.

"No, I mean it, Graham... it is as I told you at first... there is no standing room for either of us on that ground... and you must not come here again when you know that I am alone... No, Jimmie isn't enough!"

I wrenched the half-working ear-ense aside and jammed it into my eyes, concentrating hard on the window at which I expected every second to see a man's face. If the man was a murderer, I thought I could beat him

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Ontario had a sooner voted for prohibition an gold was discovered there. There is a powerful argument for a cause. After the next prohibition victory somebody may see oil.—Boston Transcript.

THE DOLLERS

"The mother of Millville, New York, have poisoned the mayor to stop the effort for dancing the toddle."—Daily Paper.) The turkey is out of date. The tango is passé. The fox-trot, the so popular, Has had its life day. The shimmy, that has ceased to be The terpsichorean model, For young, arid, and fat, and thin. Are learning how to toddle.

A step, a stop, threatened fop. A. Another step, hold! And forty-five quires the gait Of teetering year-old. Perchance the death of scandal now. May turn to tant prattle. While favors the dance will be A teething or rattle. Anna Irving in Moon's Magazine.

RAGS WANTED!

Will pay per pound for good, clean, white, cotton rags. Bring them to the News office.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, N. M., April 30, 1921. Notice is hereby given that Frank Williamson, of Richland, N. M., who on February 25th, 1916, made homestead entry No. 034125, for 8 1/2 SW 1/4, SE 1/4 section 7; 8 1/2 SW 1/4 section 8, township 7-S., range 36-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before A. J. Goodwin, Judge of the Probate Court of Roosevelt County, N. M., at Portales, N. M., on the 15th day of June, 1921.

Claimant names as witnesses: Asa L. Williamson, John W. Williamson, Jack Ralston, John W. Stigall, all of Richland, N. M. EMMETT PATTON, Register. May 12—June 9.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, N. M., April 30, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that Olffe P. Smith, of Lingo, N. M., who on August 25th, 1919, made additional homestead entry No. 045799, for N 1/2 section 26, township 7-S., range 36-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before Joseph B. Singleton, U. S. Commissioner, at Bluit, N. M., on the 15th day of June, 1921.

Claimant names as witnesses: Willie B. Russell, Samuel L. Rogers, Richard O. Rogers, Charlie C. Smith, all of Lingo, N. M. EMMETT PATTON, Register. May 12—June 9.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., May 3, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that Ira M. Pool, of Arch, N. M., who on June 6, 1916, made original homestead entry No. 014064, for lots 1, 4, E 1/2 SW 1/4, SW 1/4 SW 1/4, E 1/2 NW 1/4, NW 1/4 NW 1/4, and on June 1st, made additional H. E. 016642, for lots 2, 3, NW 1/4 SW 1/4, SW 1/4 NW 1/4 section 15, township 2 S., range 37 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described before A. J. Goodwin, Probate Judge, in his office at Portales, N. M., on the 14th day of June, 1921.

Claimant names as witnesses: Gus A. Owney, Eugene L. Trammell, John W. Buckner, Bryan M. Trammell, all of Arch, N. M. W. R. McGILL, Register. May 12—June 9.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., April 19, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that William C. Thornton, of Delphos, N. M., who, on May 13, 1918, made additional homestead entry No. 014939, for W 1/2 E 1/2 section 1, township 3 S., range 32 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described before A. J. Goodwin, Probate Judge, at his office at Portales, N. M., on the 26th day of May, 1921.

Claimant names as witnesses: Rufus E. McAlister, Robert W. Moore, Thomas A. Higgins, Pleasant S. Snell, all of Delphos, N. M. W. R. McGILL, Register. Apr. 28—May 26

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., April 18, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that Arthur L. Jones, of Portales, N. M., who on October 13, 1917, made homestead entry No. 017387 for lots 1, 2, E 1/2 NW 1/4 and NE 1/4 section 7, township 2 S., range 32 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described before A. J. Goodwin, Probate Judge, in his office at Portales, N. M., on the 27th day of May, 1921.

Claimant names as witnesses: Elsie A. Anderson Larson K. Terrill, David Colligan, J. W. McMinn, all of Portales, N. M. W. R. McGILL, Register. Apr. 28—May 26

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In the District Court of Roosevelt County, New Mexico.

G. H. Atkerson and Mary E. Atkerson, Partners, (doing business under the firm name) of G. H. Atkerson and Company, Plaintiffs, No. 1638

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the judgment entered herein and signed the 2nd day of April, 1921, in favor of the plaintiff and against the defendants in the sum of \$404.52 with interest at six per cent from the 15th day of November, 1920, and the further order and judgment foreclosing the attachment issued in this cause and covering the property hereafter described, I the undersigned sheriff of Roosevelt county, New Mexico, will on the 16th day of May, at the hour of two o'clock p. m. at the drilling site of the Taibau-Tolar Oil and Gas Syndicate about three miles north of Tolar, New Mexico, offer for sale and sell for cash in hand to the highest and best

bidder therefor the following described personal property, to-wit: 44 pieces of casing 4 1/2 by 20. One pump W. & P. Co. Special; One boiler and accessories; One slush bucket; One engine, EH Type, 11x12; One thousand feet, more or less, one inch cable and tacks; One Rotary Drill; One tool box; One Derrick;

That said property will be sold to satisfy said judgment rendered in the case styled and numbered as above set forth and pending on the civil docket of said District Court of Roosevelt County, New Mexico, and on which judgment there is due the sum of \$404.52 principal, \$12.10 accrued interest to date of sale and accruing interest at six per cent per annum and for all costs of this action. Witness my hand this 20th day of April, 1921.

JESS McCORMACK, Sheriff. Apr. 21—May 12.

Statement of Ownership, Management, Circulation, Etc., Required by the Act of Congress of August 24, 1912, of Portales Valley News and Journal, Published Weekly at Portales, New Mexico, for April, 1921.

State of New Mexico, County of Roosevelt.) ss.

Before me, a Notary Public, in and for the state and county aforesaid, personally appeared J. G. Greaves, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the editor of the Portales Valley News and Journal, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management, etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to-wit:

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2nd day of May, 1921. (Seal) G. L. REESE, Notary Public. My Commission Expires Nov. 7, 1921.

IN THE PROBATE COURT ROOSEVELT COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. (In the matter of the estate of) Frank Clouser, deceased, (Cassie) M. Clouser, Administratrix.

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT OF ACCOUNT, REPORT AND PETITION FOR DISCHARGE

Notice is hereby given that Cassie M. Clouser, administratrix of the estate of Frank Clouser, deceased, has rendered and presented for settlement, her final account, report and petition for discharge of her administration of said estate, and that, Monday, the 4th day of July, 1921, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the Court room of said court in Portales, Roosevelt county, New Mexico, has been fixed by the order of this court as the time and place for the settlement of the said account, report and petition for discharge.

At which time and place any person or persons interested in said estate may appear and object to said settlement of said account, report and petition.

Done and entered at Portales, New Mexico, this 3rd day of May, 1921. R. H. GRISSOM, Clerk. May 5—19

In the Probate Court of Roosevelt County, New Mexico. (In the matter of the Estate of) A. Green Foreman, deceased.)

NOTICE!

Notice is hereby given that I, Edgar F. Foreman, was on the 2nd day of May, 1921, at the regular term of the Probate Court of Roosevelt County, New Mexico, duly appointed administrator over the estate of A. Green Foreman, deceased.

Therefore, any and all persons having claims against said estate, and all interested parties, are hereby required to present the same to me, or file the same with the clerk of this Court within one year from date hereof, according to law, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 1921. EDGAR F. FOREMAN, Administrator. May 5—26

In the Probate Court of Roosevelt County, New Mexico. (In the Matter of the Estate of) Ida Tress, deceased. (No. 184.)

NOTICE!

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, S. H. Thomas, has filed his final report in the matter of the estate of Ida Tress, deceased, and that the 8th day of June 1921, has been the day set by the court for hearing of such final report and account and the settlement thereof.

Therefore, any heir, creditor, or other person interested in said estate, may on or before the date aforesaid, file objection thereto, or to any particular

item thereto, and the same will be heard and considered by the Court together with the said final report. S. H. THOMAS, Administrator. May 5—26

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., April 30, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that John E. Loflin, of Portales, N. M., who, on May 15, 1918, made homestead entry No. 018023 for SW 1/4 NW 1/4, NW 1/4 SW 1/4 section 17, township 11 south, range 35 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 A. J. Goodwin, Probate Judge, in his office at Portales, N. M., on the 8th day of June, 1921.

Claimant names as witnesses: Sam B. Boone, John B. Maxwell, W. F. English, Allen Isabell, all of Portales, N. M. W. R. McGILL, Register. May 5—June 2

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF ROOSEVELT COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

In the Matter of the Estate of Sarah A. Johnson, deceased.) No. 223.

NOTICE!

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned was, on the 19th day of April, 1921, appointed administratrix of the estate of Sarah A. Johnson, deceased, by the Honorable A. J. Goodwin, Probate Judge of Roosevelt county, New Mexico.

Therefore, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file the same with the County Clerk of Roosevelt county, New Mexico, within one year from the date of said appointment, as provided by law, or the same will be barred.

MAUD SMITH, Administratrix. Apr. 28—May 19.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, April 11, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that James H. Williamson, of Milnesand, N. M., who on June 12, 1919, made homestead entry No. 041006, for NE 1/4 section 23, NW 1/4 section 24, township 8-S., range 36-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described before Joseph B. Singleton, U. S. Commissioner, at Bluit, N. M., on May 18, 1921.

Claimant names as witnesses: Isaac L. Bow, Robert L. Selman, these of Milnesand, N. M.; Harve M. Ray, William O. Clark, these of Bluit, N. M. EMMETT PATTON, Register. Apr. 14—May 12.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, April 11, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that William J. Pool, of Lingo, N. M., who on January 27th, 1919, made homestead entry No. 044057, for all of section 27, township 7-S., range 37-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described before Joseph B. Singleton, U. S. Commissioner, at Bluit, N. M., on May 18, 1921.

Claimant names as witnesses: Thomas A. Williams, of Rogers, N. M.; James W. Foster, of Lingo, N. M.; Walton T. Bankston, of Bluit, N. M.; Clyde A. Pool, of Lingo, N. M. EMMETT PATTON, Register. Apr. 14—May 12.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., April 11, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that Charles H. Greathouse, of Upton, N. M., who on May 17, 1918, made additional homestead entry No. 016572, for N 1/2 SW 1/4 section 30, township 1 S., range 31 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before A. J. Goodwin, Probate Judge, in his office at Portales, N. M., on the 23rd day of May, 1921.

Claimant names as witnesses: Albert S. Pearson, of Upton, N. M.; LeGrand P. Morgan, of Upton, N. M.; Joe Smith, of Upton, N. M.; Antonia A. Gibbs, of Floyd, N. M. W. R. McGILL, Register. Apr. 21—May 19

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., April 16, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that Jesse A. Pipkin, of Portales, N. M., who, on May 13th, 1918, made additional homestead entry No. 014221, for lots 1, 2, and S 1/2 NE 1/4 section 4, township 3 S., range 32 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before A. J. Goodwin, Probate Judge, in his office at Portales, N. M., on the 26th day of May, 1921.

Claimant names as witnesses: Charles M. Cox, of Elida, N. M.; Robert W. Moore, of Delphos, N. M.; Earl Vignus, of Elida, N. M.; John D. Pipkin, of Portales, N. M. W. R. McGILL, Register. Apr. 21—May 19

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Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., April 16, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that William E. Copeland, of Arch, N. M., who on May 15, 1918, made additional homestead entry No. 015277, for N 1/2 NW 1/4, N 1/2 NE 1/4, Sec. 1, T. 2 S., R. 36 E.; N 1/2 NW 1/4, W 1/2 NE 1/4 Section 6, Township 2 S., Range 37 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to establish claim to the land above described before A. J. Goodwin, Probate Judge, in his office at Portales, N. M., on the 19th day of May, 1921.

Claimant names as witnesses: Alfred A. Boulter, Henry P. Townsend, Walter W. Ridgway, John W. Buckman, all of Arch, N. M. W. R. McGILL, Register. Apr. 14—May 12.

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**ASSIGNMENT FOL-
LOWS BIG FLASH**

The Industrial Transportation Co. has made an assignment. Unpleasant as the news may sound to the Quana stockholders, it did not come wholly unexpectedly. The company had been breaking one promise after another, and shown itself utterly unworthy of confidence.

The \$15,000 more or less subscribed here by various people may safely be charged up to profit and loss; it being unlikely that much of it will be recovered.

Some six months ago, two Dallas men, Frady and Durland, showed up here with a stock selling proposition. They claimed that their company was operating in several states under a special charter, and was making money by selling groceries at ten per cent profit.

They were good talkers and convinced the folks that showed interest in their proposition that by buying groceries in the open market, and shipping it in car load lots to their 150 stores, more or less, the saving was so enormous that they could afford to sell very cheap. Stock was sold to well-to-do farmers, who took one thousand dollars worth, and poor working girls who barely could scrape together one hundred dollars.

The money was to be left in the Quana Bank, according to oral promises, but the St. Louis heads of the concern lost no time in checking the money out, and some of the local men who did work for them had their drafts returned several weeks ago.

The store in Quana was made ready for occupancy after long delay, but no groceries were ever shipped here. In some of the neighboring towns, where stores were opened by this concern, it is said the stocks were small, and gradually dwindled down to nothing.

The company was very lavish with its promises but a number of people here would like to see the heads of the concern prosecuted for swindling.—Quana Tribune-Chief.

The News refrained from publishing an account of this assignment several weeks ago, awaiting a statement from headquarters. So far as we have been able to learn this statement has never been made. A house has been leased in Portales for one of these stores and is now tied up with this lease, although so far as the News is able to learn there has not been one dollar paid as yet. A number of Roosevelt county farmers hold stock in this concern, and we hope that they will not lose it. The statement of the concern showed considerable more assets than liabilities, and it has been hoped that it is only one of the many legal tangles which befalls large cooperations. Let us continue to hope that ere many summers pass the headquarters will issue a statement as to when they will be ready to begin business in Portales.

Babbitt Metal—low and high speed, from 1 to 100 pounds, 10c and 12c per pound. The Portales Valley News.

FORT WORTH LIVESTOCK

FORT WORTH, Texas, May 11.
Cattle—Beeves, \$5.00@7.25; stockers, \$4.00@5.75; cows, \$2.00@5.50; canners, \$1.00@2.00; heifers, \$4.00@7.50; bulls, \$2.00@4.00; calves, \$2.00@7.50; yearlings, \$5.00@7.50.
Hogs—Light, \$8.00@8.15; medium, \$7.75@8.00; mixed, \$7.25@8.25; heavy, \$6.00@7.00; rough, \$5.00@6.00; pigs, \$5.00@6.75.
Sheep—Lambs, \$5.00@7.00; yearlings, \$5.00@6.00; wethers, \$4.50@5.75; ewes, \$3.50@4.50; culls, \$1.00@2.00; goats, \$2.00@2.75.

WICHITA MARKETS

WICHITA, Kans., May 11—Hogs, 1,600; market steady; top, \$8.20; bulk, \$7.75@8.20; cattle market steady to 50c higher for week; beef steers, \$4.00@8.20; beef cows and heifers, \$3.50@8.25; stockers and feeders, \$3.50@7.50; stock cows and heifers, \$2.50@6.00; bulls, \$2.00@5.00; calves, \$3.50@8.25.

Market prices of farm products preach a strong sermon for diversification. Diversified farming insures a good market under all conditions. The sorghum grains turned into silage and then into the dairy products will put prosperity into the farming sections of the entire county, and will make Roosevelt county the banner county of the state.

S. A. Greaves, publisher of the Portales Valley News, was an Amarillo visitor several days last week. S. A. was with the Amarillo Daily News prior to the purchase of the Portales Valley News.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS

Teachers' examinations will be held this year on the following dates:
June 10th and 11th.
June 24th and 25th.
July 8th and 25th.
July 22nd and 23rd.
No examinations will be held in October.

Cash paid for clean, cotton rags at the News office.

**NEW MEXICO A
STOREHOUSE OF VAST
NATURAL RESOURCES**

"New Mexico is destined to become a great state," said Edward Chambers, vice-president of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway system, who lately has been on an inspection trip over Santa Fe territory.

"It is a vast storehouse of natural resources for the development of which an increased population and new capital will be required. These must come largely through the efforts of citizens of New Mexico.

The great agricultural assets of rich valleys, broad plains and high mesas are yet to be realized," Mr. Chambers continued. "Irrigation may be much extended. More than six million acre feet of water from the Rio Grande, Pecos, San Juan, Gila, Canadian and smaller streams are available to reclaim an additional two million acres of valley land. The plains districts are especially adapted to the growing of the finest hard wheat, corn and the sorghum grains.

"The livestock industry will also grow as farming develops, farm grown feeds supplementing the rich native grasses. I am pleased to note the greater interest in dairying and hog growing.

"The mountains are full of minerals. The heaviest metal mining of late years has been in Grant county, while Colfax and McKinley counties lead in coal. The coal supply in New Mexico is large, a recent geological survey showing that the San Juan basin contains 10,000,000,000 tons of coal. The only commercial mines in this field are around Gallup. The Colfax county field covers more than one million acres. Smaller coal fields are to

LOCAL MARKETS

Cream, per pound.....13c
Eggs, per dozen.....12 1/2c@15c
Hens, per pound.....13c
Broilers, per pound.....30c
Cocks, per pound.....5c
Maize, per cwt.....75c@78c
Kaffir, per cwt.....75c@78c
White corn, per cwt.....\$1.00
Mixed corn, per cwt.....95c

be found in Santa Fe, Socorro, Lincoln and other counties."

Mr. Chambers called attention to the great forests of virgin pine and other timber in the state. "About ten million acres are included in national forests," he said. "Considerable timber also is owned by the state and individuals. My information is that New Mexico has a timber supply sufficient for the next hundred years.

"Aside from material resources New Mexico has many attractions for the tourist in beautiful mountain scenery, delightfully cool playgrounds, interesting ruins of prehistoric peoples and the early Spanish settlers. The climate is healthful, beneficial especially to those suffering from lung and throat troubles. Warm medicinal springs are found in many sections of the state, the waters of which have curative value."

In the opinion of Mr. Chambers New Mexico has such a variety of opportunities to offer the invest-


tor, the settler, the tourist and the healthseeker, that progress and growth should be rapid during the next few years. But to encourage development it will be necessary for all interests to cooperate closely. "The Santa Fe Railway," Mr. Chambers declared "stands ready to co-operate with New Mexico in directing the attention of investors to the state, and to that end it already has in course of preparation a fifty illustrated folder which will bring New Mexico information up-to-date. The folder will be distributed in all parts of the United States and Canada."

J. F. Jarrell and A. M. Hove editor and assistant editor of the "Earth," the Santa Fe's agricultural and industrial paper, are collecting material for the company's new folder, and chambers of commerce have been asked to furnish local information. Distribution of 100,000 copies will be made. — New Mexico State

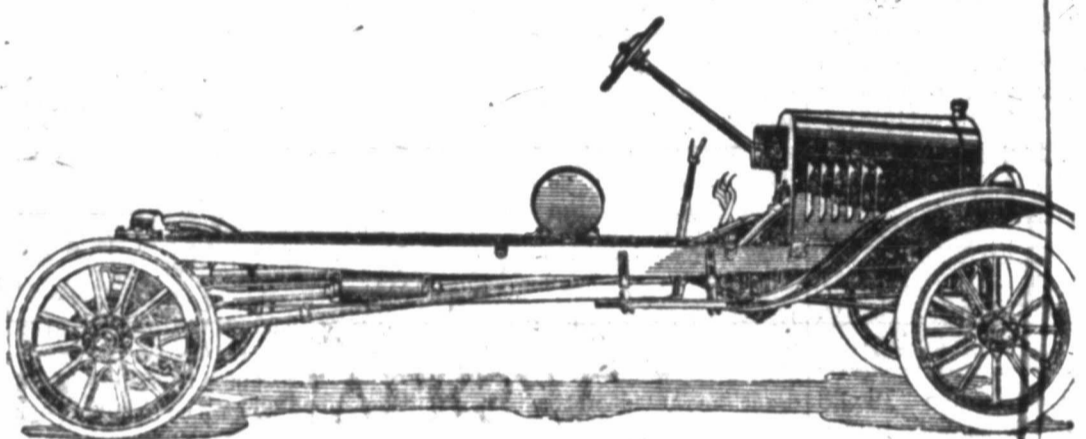
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