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## Marfa Chamber of Commerce Gives New Year's Banquet December 31.

The Affair Was a Brilliant Success in Every Particular, and Much Enjoyed by Those In Attendance. Lady Members Rendered Great Assistance

It is confidently believed that it can be said without the fear of successful contradiction that, on the evening of December 31st, 1919, Marfa citizens and their guests enjoyed one of the most delightful experiences in its history. Approximately three hundred persons gathered in the Community Club Rooms and Marfa Opera House for the initial effort of the Marfa Chamber of Commerce in the way of a banquet and entertainment. On every side is heard complimentary utterances which lead one to believe that the occasion was a success from every possible viewpoint. Both the menu and the entertainment program were par excellence.

Mr. H. O. Metcalfe, Marfa's promising legal mind, acquitted himself with distinction in the capacity of toastmaster. His conduct of the program and his remarks were masterly. There were none but that realized that he possesses a rare gift of speech, and that the future must, of a necessity, hold for him many brilliant successes.

Hon. R. E. Thomason of El Paso, present speaker of the Texas house of representatives, and candidate for the governorship, delivered the principal address of the evening, and scarcely, if ever, has Marfa been privileged to hear so eloquent and entertaining a talk. His speech was in no sense a political one, an consumed about twenty minutes. If there was a person in his audience who felt that he or she would, at the next election, prefer to be elected to be elected, not in evidence. Those in charge of the banquet were exceedingly fortunate in that they were able to have Mr. Thomason as guest of honor of the occasion and the principal speaker of the evening. He is a splendid and most amiable gentleman, and the individuals present seemed to enjoy their brief personal contact and acquaintance with him equally as much as his contribution to the program.

The menu was served in five courses, and approximately two hours were consumed at the banquet table. Between courses the guests were entertained in a most pleasing manner with a special program.

Mr. and Mrs. Bonner rendered a duet, which was most delightful and thoroughly enjoyed. They were forced by the audience to give an encore. The two numbers were respectively "Absent" and "A Per-

fect day."

One of the most keenly appreciated numbers of the evening was a violin solo by Mrs. Graves Bogel. Her two selections were rendered with the skill of an artist, and the audience showed their appreciation by most generous applause.

One of the hits of the program was the appearance of Madame Senora Breslowski, the celebrated Russian soprano. It was indeed a fortunate coincidence which made it possible for those in charge of the banquet to secure her services. It seems that she was en route from New Orleans to Los Angeles, to fill an engagement in the latter named city, and that delayed trains forced her to spend the night of December 31st in Marfa. When approached at her apartment in Marfa's popular hotel and "Cold Storage Plant," she very readily and gladly consented to being placed upon the program. She expressed her surprise at finding such a delightful hostelry in a town so small as Marfa, and was particularly profuse in her praise of the efficiency with which it was operated (as a cold storage plant). Her two numbers on the program, "The Garden of Your Heart" and "The Magic of Your Eyes," were rendered with consummate skill and were deeply appreciated by the audience. Madame Breslowski is a young woman of charming personality, and is endowed with more than an ordinary amount of pulchritude of face and figure. She was annoyed and confused to some extent by the palpable efforts on the part of several young men "up front," to attract her attention. The one who seemed to be most persistent in this particular was Mr. F. C. Mellard, a popular member of the Marfa younger set. However, he it said, to the credit of Madame Breslowski that she did not permit these interruptions to interfere in the least with the entirely successful rendition of her part of the program. It was heartily appreciated and thoroughly enjoyed. Corporal Benjamin of the Fifth Cavalry, established quite a reputation for himself in the role of Madame Breslowski's accompanist. Sergeant Futore of the Fifth Cavalry orchestra gave a cornet solo which was artistically and beautifully rendered. He was applauded profusely, and forced to give an encore.

A very interesting and entertaining feature of the evening was the (Continued on Last Page.)

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### Pat M. Neff Speaks Here

Hon. Pat M. Neff, candidate for governor, came in Tuesday from Del Rio, and went to Fort Davis in the afternoon, where addressed a large crowd at the close of which Judge Merrill, acting chairman of the meeting, asked for an expression from those present, on the candidacy of Mr. Neff, asking those favoring said candidacy to rise. We are informed that the assembly arose in a body, giving Mr. Neff their unanimous support.

Mr. Neff returned to Marfa in the afternoon, and at 7 o'clock in the court house, was introduced to a large and appreciative audience by Hon. C. R. Sutton, who, in a fair and impartial manner, stated that while questions among them being the could conscientiously commend him to the public as a clean, clean-cut, upright man.

Mr. Neff has many old-time friends and admirers in Marfa who were present Tuesday night when he placed his candidacy for governor before them. He stated very clearly his position on many vital questions among them being the educational possibilities of the state, what it lacks along this line and how it can be secured; he told how he would use his best efforts to enforce the laws of the state; how he would reduce the expenses of the state; how he would work to have laws passed that would conserve the lives of the young manhood of the state; he told of how laws should be enacted to permit of factories, both cotton and wool, being established on the streams of the state.

Mr. Neff stated in the beginning of his address that he was tied to no "bunch of politicians," that he consulted with no human in reference to his candidacy, before announcing, but that he was making the race entirely upon his merits and upon the platform which he afterwards outlined. This platform embraces all the good things of which Texas has long stood in need.

Knowing Mr. Neff as this writer

does, from boyhood up, and having watched his career as a public man for the past ten or twelve years, we can say with impunity, that the voters of Texas can do no better than support the Hon. Pat M. Neff for governor at the coming primaries.

Mr. Neff was very fortunate in delivering his address, having converted more than one voter to his way of thinking. He was also unfortunate in the fact that a larger representation was not present to hear him.

Pat M. Neff is a native of Texas and has at heart the interests of Texas, north, east, south and west, and he is going strong.

### A Parting Word

With this issue of the New Era I turn back the management of the paper to the company and Judge H. H. Kilpatrick, as I understand it, will be the editor in chief, and Mr. M. Wilkinson will be assistant general manager, as he has been with me for the past year, and wish to state to the public that I have found him a very efficient all round newspaper man, honest and upright in his dealings and a perfect gentleman.

Judge Kilpatrick needs no introduction from me as he has been a citizen of Presidio county for many years and held many positions of trust for his people and has always been faithful to duty and has had many years of experience as a newspaper man and is an editorial writer of marked ability, so I feel that the change in management will meet with the approval of the general public and be a benefit to us all, owing to the limited time I had to devote to it and my limited ability as a newspaper man; however, I wish to thank the people of Marfa and Presidio county for their liberal patronage and many courtesies extended, and for their support and indulgence in many ways in a financial way. It has not been very attractive, at the same time it has afforded me a great deal of pleas-



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ure to undertake to assist in the up-building of my town and county, and hope that I have in some feeble manner assisted in the uplift of Marfa and Presidio. It will be a pleasure to me to see the New Era prosper under its new management and feel sure it will.

With a hearty good will and best wishes for the new year and its patrons, I am,

Very respectfully,  
A. M. Avant.

### Army Officers Entertain

Reception given by the officers and ladies of the United States army stationed at Marfa to their friends of Marfa and vicinity.

On the evening of January 1st the officers and ladies of the United States army stationed at Marfa received their friends at the Army Service Club in camp. Forty officers and their ladies acted as hosts on the occasion. In the receiving line were Col. and Mrs. Jas. J. Hornbrook, Lt. Col. and Mrs. E. R. Van Deusen, Captain and Mrs. Steele Watkins. The committee in charge of the arrangements consisted of Lt. Col. C. V. Simpson, Major Barber, Captain E. C. McFadden, Chaplain Fifth Cavalry, and Lt. John W. Beck. The hall was tastefully decorated being beautifully hung with large

American flags, with the flags of the allied nations in evidence. At either side of the reviewing line with the regimental standards of the Fifth Cavalry, while at intervals throughout the hall were draped the guidons of the troops of cavalry stationed at Marfa.

The famous punch bowl and silver cups of the Fifth Cavalry were in evidence. This bowl is a huge silver bowl, and counted one of the best of the whole U. S. army. On the bowl besides the coat of arms of the regiment is engraved the roster of the former officers of the Fifth Cavalry, the proud boast of whom is that the first colonel of the regiment was Colonel Robert E. Lee, of Civil War fame.

Friends of the army to the number of some 200 were present. The Fifth Cavalry band under direction of Mr. Cain, rendered various arias through the reception, and later in the evening when the receiving line had broken up, a hop was enjoyed by those who like the light fantastic.

The New Era extends special greetings to the Presidio county boys who have recently brought their brides home and extends them the best wishes for a happy New Year and bon voyage on the matrimonial sea.

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## ANNOUNCEMENT

We are authorized to announce  
 V. I. Cargile as a candidate for the  
 office of representative of the 117th  
 District, subject to the action of the  
 primaries, July, 1920.

It is written 1920.

A happy New Year to all.

Don't fail to get that poll tax receipt.

The Big Bend has come into the  
 limelight.

We trust that all the lady flies  
 were killed in the late breeze.

We shall form no new resolutions  
 will try to keep some of the old.

This is announcement year and yet  
 country editor is preparing to get  
 rich.

It was highly applauded that our  
 merchants invested so little in fire-  
 works.

Socialism is a protest against  
 Capitalism and sounds good until  
 you go into details.

We should like to be on the ground  
 in the first stages of the gold or  
 oil stampede.

Some one has said that good roads  
 and barber shops were the sur-  
 signs of advancing civilization.

The stock and trade of the real  
 estate dealer consists in advertis-  
 ing. Without advertising no busi-  
 ness will pay.

Revolutionary plots on the other  
 side of the Rio Grande will continue  
 to bubble until the iron heel steps  
 on the incubator.

Some folks are always trying to  
 get everything from the community,  
 and would never give up anything,  
 unless forced by law.

Americanism is loyalty to the  
 United States of America, and  
 means America comes first—there  
 is no hyphen in it either.

Selfishness is at the foot of most  
 evils. Selfishness is the cause of  
 injustice and injustice is the source  
 of a great deal of the present day  
 unrest.

"And why are ye anxious concern-  
 ing raiment." A good suit of clothes  
 only costs about \$75.00. We have  
 not figured on the price of a suit  
 made out of old paper, or a fig leaf  
 crepe de chine.

The recipes of Mme. Lina Caval-  
 ieri attempt to make a woman  
 a beautiful animal. The spiritual  
 and intellectual are entirely  
 left out of the prescription. No  
 wonder the divorce court.

In the East "Back to the farm," is  
 the universal cry. The high price of  
 farm products is making the old  
 farm valuable. Land has an eternal  
 value, and bids far to increase in  
 value.

Roads are arteries of a country  
 along which the commerce—its life  
 blood—circulates. Good roads give  
 life, strength and riches to a people.  
 The roads of Presidio are some bet-  
 ter than they were thirty years ago.

Some merchants are ever fond of  
 crying patronize home industries  
 and lamenting the fact that some  
 people send off orders to cheap  
 mail order houses in Chicago and  
 other cities. Still at every oppor-  
 tunity these same people send off  
 after printing that could be done at  
 home—and almost as cheap as in  
 Chicago.

With some notable exceptions  
 there are some of Marfa's business  
 men who either do not believe in ad-  
 vertising, or else their short-sight-  
 ed policy has made them so poor  
 that now it is impossible for them  
 to afford the additional expense.  
 Many so called good business men  
 have an idea that advertising as  
 called for in small villages, is an  
 act of charity given to the local  
 paper as a dollar is tossed into  
 the hat on Sunday for home or  
 foreign missions.

Bryan, thrice the nominee of the  
 Democratic party for the presi-  
 dency, according to some of the  
 newspapers, is preparing to seek the  
 nomination for the fourth time. It  
 is an auspicious year for the sil-  
 ver champion of twenty-five years  
 ago. Gold, true to its history, hid  
 away during the great war. The  
 face of the silver dollar is all smiles  
 these days of high prices and profit-  
 eering. It has been so long since  
 we gazed into the face of a gold  
 eagle, we have forgotten how one  
 looks.

Hon. Pat M. Neff who spoke in  
 Marfa on Dec. 30th in the interest  
 of his candidacy for the Democratic  
 nomination for governor of Texas,  
 and who we believe was the first  
 candidate for office who ever ad-  
 dressed an audience west of the  
 Trans-Pecos, spoke in Marfa about  
 eighteen years ago when he deliv-  
 ered the annual oration before the  
 Marfa High School. He was the  
 speaker of the house of representa-  
 tives. He made a splendid speaker  
 of the house, and would, if elected  
 governor, make equally as good in  
 that exalted position.

The big and small grafters receive  
 different appellations. We call the  
 big successful ones plungers or  
 speculators, while the little fellows  
 are known as contemptible thieves.  
 In this connection it might be well  
 to ask for a definition of graft.  
 It might be termed stealing under  
 the color and protection of the law,  
 or it might be called the fine art of  
 taking advantage of the necessities  
 of another. Sometimes, and even  
 then—the sad-faced undertaker or a  
 no looking hospital with a grand  
 sounding charitable name, may be  
 found guilty of grafting. It may be  
 true that all the articles are down  
 on the bill. The question arises is  
 the proprietor a gill edged prize box  
 raffeer.

Natural advantages do not always  
 make the town. What had El Paso  
 found it originally—only a wilder-  
 ness of brush and weeds and alkali  
 along the Rio Grande Valley, and on  
 its mesas rocks, naked shrubs and  
 horn-covered caeti. But every  
 man, woman and child in the Pas-  
 sado, and even the burros, were  
 oysters and made a great noise  
 and the papers published there  
 heated a big horn both by day and  
 night. They believed in El Paso's  
 future. See the result. Towns no  
 longer make themselves or are de-  
 veloped along the lines of least  
 resistance. It is the push and energy  
 of its people which have created  
 and placed upon the world's map  
 many of our large cities.

## Christmas Hold-Up

There may have been a number of  
 hold-ups of different kinds in the city  
 during the holidays—in prices, etc.,  
 but Pedro-Herreras tells of quite  
 a raw deal experienced by him  
 Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. He  
 parted with about \$65 in a few min-  
 utes, and he did not sell any goods,  
 either.

Pedro has a small store in the  
 northern end of the city. He says  
 that about 7 o'clock two Americans  
 came into his store and asked him  
 about the price of tin can goods.  
 Before he could knock them down  
 with the price, and while his back  
 was turned, one of them placed a  
 six shooter to his back and made  
 him throw up his hands. They then  
 went through his pockets, taking  
 \$20 and then went into the cash  
 drawer and relieved that of \$5.00  
 cash. He reports that one of the  
 gang men had been around to his  
 place several times of late, and that  
 he knows his name. The other one  
 was a stranger.

## Notice of Meeting

The annual meeting of the Gene-  
 tery Association will be held at the  
 Community hall on January 5, at  
 7:30 p. m. Important business mat-  
 ters are to come before the meet-  
 ing at this time on a full attendance  
 is requested.

Mrs. W. G. Young, Pres.  
 Mrs. T. A. Childers, Sec.

Among the many Christmas gifts  
 at Saint Paul's rectory this year was  
 a handsome solid silver pectoral  
 cross, presented to Dr. McClellan.  
 This cross was made by the Navajo  
 Indians of the Navajo reservation  
 in northwestern New Mexico and  
 was sent to Marfa from the San  
 Juan mission near Farmington, N.  
 M. A very beautiful green stole  
 was recently given to the rector by  
 several friends in New York  
 city.

The New Era extends special  
 greetings to the Presidio county  
 boys who have recently brought  
 their brides home and extends  
 them the best wishes for a happy  
 New Year and bon voyage on the  
 matrimonial sea.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 31, 1919.  
 Commissioner of Agriculture J. C.  
 W. Davis gives out the statement  
 today that a pink boll worm hearing  
 will be held at the county court  
 house in Marfa, January 16, 1920.

Matters relative to the straining  
 or modifying of quarantines now in  
 effect will be taken up at this meet-  
 ing. All persons interested in re-  
 taining the quarantines as they now  
 are, or in modifying them, are in-  
 vited by the commissioner to attend  
 his meeting.

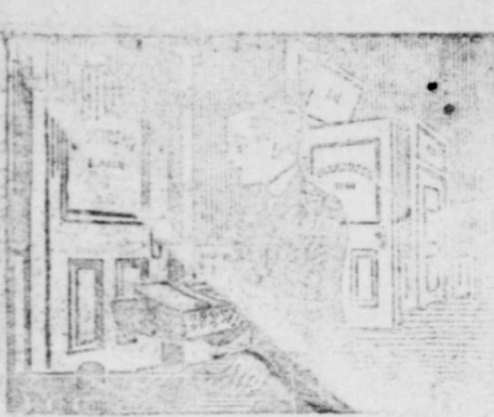
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**Holiday Social Events**

The Christmas season this year has been especially gay with social doings of Marfa's young and old. Many of the young college set came in to spend the holiday season with the old folks at home. Most of them have left or are soon leaving for their respective schools. A number of our recently married Benedicts returned with their blushing brides to make the old home happy with the prophetic visions of the future. Many have been the brilliant receptions and entertainments given by the young and the older sets. It is specially to be noted that all of Marfa's social gaieties have been free from the riotous revelry and carnival features, so characteristic of so many of the late festivities in many cities.

A delightful luncheon party was given Tuesday at the Crown Cafe, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kerr and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cleveland. Athur and Roy "took a sneak" to Oklahoma during the holidays and returned with brides. We extend them a hearty welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. George Howard entertained a few friends Monday afternoon with a very fine barbecue. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Humphreys, Mr. and Mrs. Orr Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. Forest Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Hurley, Mr. and Mrs. Hurley, Mr. and Mrs. McDonald, Mesdames Davis, Quick, Chastain, Hogan, Cooper, Kyle and Kilpatrick. There were many young people present. Everyone had a delightful time.

Mr. Arthur Kerr and Bride came in Monday morning. The bride was Miss Daisel Haidley, a former Marfa girl.

Leroy Cleveland and bride arrived in this city this week. The bride was formerly Miss Wilmer Anderson of Lawton, Oklahoma, a sister of Mrs. Millford Whitte of this city. She visited her sister here during the past summer.

That Alimedo people entertained Friday with a big chicken fry. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Will and Hugh Ridout, Mr. and Mrs. Will McGhee, Mr. and Mrs. Jap Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. F. Courtney Mellard, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rawls, Jap Bishop was chief caterer. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pool, Sr., were present as the guests of honor.

Miss Frances Mitchell last Friday evening entertained her little friends with a Christmas party. Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus were present with a beautiful tree, on which were hung many beautiful and appropriate gifts of the season. All kinds of dainties were served, and amusing games played.

Mrs. W. P. Fischer gave last Saturday evening a delightful dancant in honor of her son Leo and niece Miss Evelyn Fitzgerald.

**Kerr-Headlee**

Mr. Arthur Kerr of this city and Miss Dazel Headlee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Headlee of Fairview, Okla., were married Dec. 25th at the Methodist minister's home in Fairview, Okla. Only the family of the bride were present. Mr. Kerr is one of our business men. He and his brothers are owners of the Stockman's garage. Mrs. Kerr is a former Marfa girl having spent a number of her girlhood years here, and is a graduate of the Fairview high school.

**Cleveland-Anderson**

LeRoy Cleveland, a stockman of Marfa, and Miss Wilma Anderson of Lawton, Okla., were married at the home of the bride's father, Mr. P. D. Anderson, Dec. 17, by the Presbyterian minister. Only the immediate family being present. Mrs. Cleveland is sister of Mrs. Whitte of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland will be at home to their friends after Jan. 1st at the Cleveland ranch.

**Mr. and Mrs. Rawls Entertain**

On the evening of December 27th Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rawls entertained the members of the Household Science Club, with their husbands, at the ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rawls. The drawing room and dining room were decorated with wreaths, bells and other Christmas decorations.

After the guests had arrived, Miss Myrtle Rawls, who is spending the holidays at home, presented to each one present a gift left by Santa Claus on the Christmas tree. The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing and talking.

Delicious refreshments were served and at a late hour the guests bade their departure all declaring the Rawls ranch an ideal place for a party.

**A Neighborhood Barbecue**

Mrs. Sam Davis and Mr. and Mrs. George Howard gave their neighbors and friends a barbecue sup-

per, Monday, the 26th, in the yard of Mr. and Mrs. Howard. Mr. Howard and Mr. Joe Humphries barbecuing a two-months old calf to a delicious brown. Long tables were spread in the yard and fairly groaned with good things to eat. Salads, pickles, beans, bread, cowboy stew, barbecue, pies and hot coffee. About 50 guests were present. All voted Mr. Howard and Mr. Humphries master hands at barbecuing. After the supper the guests were entertained with music by Mrs. John Lott of San Antonio.

**Happy New Year**

With the birth of this glad, glorious, golden New Year, 1920, we send you this message: Look forward and go forward. It is the front that counts, not the bustle. There are no birds in last year's nest. Leave the knocking to Opportunity. Make this New Year YOUR year, and open it as you would an oyster. Embrace Christian Science insofar as it applies to the mastery of mind over matter, but be conservative about embracing fallacies of femininity indiscriminately.

Join the Sunshine Club, preach and practice the gospel of sunshine and the doctrine of the Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God. Relegate skepticism, pessimism and cynicism to time's rubbish heap in the year that is dead and gone. Open your mind and your heart to optimism, uplift, cheerfulness and a desire to do unto others as though you were the one that was being done, and both God and man will be on your side. By helping others you will help yourself, and bread thus cast upon the waters washes back in the shore of life freckled with sins and smeared thick with the sins and jellies of contentment, prosperity, peace of mind, love and friendship. Otherwise it gets round upon the reefs and rocks to muddy slush and ebbs back filled and sodden as a cold panake or a bride's biscuit.

The great question nowadays is Did you get on the boat? The steamer 1920 is now leaving the wharf of Time. Don't make it in we jump—make it in one! Never mind 1919—"forget it!"

**The Manly Man**

Probably there is nothing the world admires more than a manly man, unless it be a womanly woman, and it is to do what little we can to keep the species from becoming extinct that we mention it every once in a while.

There are millions of manly men out, thank the good Lord, but there are also an awful lot of men who are anything but manly. We have a mind more especially the youths who are just verging upon manhood, and they ought to give thought and heed to this subject often, as is most important to them.

The war taught us that there is an alarmingly large percentage of young men in the United States who are deficient—deficient both physically and intellectually. Also that here is altogether too large a percentage of illiteracy and ignorance. There is no excuse whatever in this country for either.

No young man who puts in most of his time loafing around a pool hall, with a cigarette stuck in his face, his hat on the back of his head, form-fitting clothes with buttons rolled up over beer colored shoes, and a look on his flabby face clearly indicating that what he doesn't know is not knowable, is going to amount to very much less somebody or some circumstance hands him a swift kick that will give him a faint realization of how mussy a microbe he really is.

Parents are doing their sons great injustice to allow any such stuff, and they ought to know better. As the twig is bent so will the tree grow.

Such men leer at passing girls and make remarks to each other which no doubt they consider smart but which, in fact, are a disgrace to their alleged manhood. From such young men are recruited the auto bandits and other criminals of which the daily dispatches are filled. Because of such young men hundreds of thousands of young girls are brought to a hell on earth which words cannot paint. They fill the penitentiaries, and send their fathers and mothers to early graves.

Every town in the country should have some kind of a community service whose duty it is to look after just such young men and to bring them into a better life—to make manly men of them, instead of nonentities and conceited nincompoops despised by everybody with a grain of common sense.

The young man who has clean thoughts, who seeks education and knowledge, who acts and lives and looks clean, and who has an ambition to make something of himself, is the young man we all love and respect, and upon his merits the future greatness or degeneracy of this country.



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**The D. & P. Ry. Lands**

A letter was recently received by a citizen from one of the owners of the Denison & Pacific lands, Presidio county, owned by the Tootle estate, stating that these lands would be leased for oil to a very rich company and that without doubt wells would be bored in different places. There are several hundred thousand acres of these lands, and in several places there is every indication of oil in paying quantities. The old San Carlos coal mine was located on one of the sections.

Don't forget the Army Minstrels, Tuesday, January 6th, 1920, 8 p. m. Opera House.

**Citation by Publication**

The State of Texas To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Presidio County, Greeting:— You are hereby commanded to summon Charles Peterson, Sidney Lansford and the Cedar Rapids Savings Bank a corporation, by making publication of this citation once each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Presidio county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Marfa, Texas, on the fourth Monday in January, A. D. 1920, the same being the 26th day of January, A. D. 1920, then and there to answer plaintiff's first amended original petition filed in said court on the 23rd day of December, A. D. 1919 in a suit numbered on docket of said court No. 2552, wherein Alphonse Kloh and David Rumsey are plaintiffs, and Charles Peterson and Gustav Raetzsch, Sidney Lansford, Arthur L. Shelley, administrator of the estate of Joe C. Kenby, deceased, sole and Cora Ava Reister, executrix and sole defendant, plaintiffs allege in substance that on the 29th of March, 1915 the plaintiffs, together with Paul Baerwald conveyed to the defendant Charles Peterson, section 17 in block 2, containing 50 acres of land situated in Presidio county, Texas, surveyed in the name of the T. & P. Ry. Co., by virtue of certificate number 1-432, that said land the said Peterson executed and delivered to said vendors, nine promissory notes of even date with said deed for the sum of \$320.00 each, due in one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight and nine years from date respectively, each drawing interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from date and each providing for the payment of 10 per cent additional as attorney's fees if sued upon for collection, said deed reserving a vendor's lien against said land to secure the payment of said notes; that the first four of said notes are long past due and wholly unpaid, that said notes contain a provision authorizing the holder of any one of them to declare all of said notes due in case there was a failure to pay any one of said notes at maturity; that the plaintiffs are the legal holders of said notes, all of which are unpaid, and have declared all of said notes due, that the defendant, Peterson, conveyed said land to A. S. Smith and A. B.

Smith conveyed the same to the defendant Sidney Lansford in whom the title now stands, that the defendant, Gustav Raetzsch purchased said land at sheriff's sale under a judgment against the said A. S. Smith and he claims some interest in said land by virtue of said sheriff's deed; that the other defendants in this suit hold judgment liens by reason of abstracts of judgment which have been filed and recorded in Presidio county, Texas, but all of said judgment liens are inferior to the vendor's lien asserted in this suit. The plaintiffs pray judgment for the amount of said notes, together with the interest thereon and 10 per cent attorney's fees and a foreclosure of the vendor's lien against the land above described, to satisfy said judgment.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, J. H. Fortner, clerk of the district court of Presidio county.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office, in Marfa, Texas, this 23rd day of December, A. D. 1919.

J. H. Fortner, Clerk District Court, Presidio County.

**Citation by Publication**

The State of Texas To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Presidio County, Greeting:—

You are hereby commanded to summon Tip M. Clemons by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Presidio county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Marfa, Texas, on the fourth Monday in January, A. D. 1920, the same being the 30th day of January, A. D. 1920, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 17th day of December, A. D. 1919 in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 2553, wherein Cornelia M. Clemons is plaintiff and Tip M. Clemons is defendant and said petition alleging that the plaintiff is an actual bona fide inhabitant of the state of Texas, and has resided in Presidio county for at least six months prior to the filing of this suit; that plaintiff and defendant were lawfully married March 17, 1916, that about a week later defendant permanently abandoned plaintiff with no intention of ever returning, since which time defendant has not contributed one cent toward the support of plaintiff; that plaintiff through diligent search has not since been able to ascertain the whereabouts of defendant. Plaintiff prays the court for judgment dissolving said marriage relations, that her maiden name, Cornelia Montolla, be restored, for costs and relief, special and general in law and equity that she may be entitled to.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, J. H. Fortner, clerk of the district court of Presidio county.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Marfa, Texas, this 18th day of December, A. D. 1919.

J. H. Fortner, Clerk District Court, Presidio County.

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The Rev. Clarence S. McClellan, Jr., will be in Fort Stockton the coming week, the guest of Rev. Cecil H. Lang of the Presbyterian church there. He will also visit the San Pedro ranch and conduct services and hold the service of the Holy Communion in the Presbyterian church.



Wintry Weather

The ice is on the river, the ice is on the lake; and on the shore I shiver and feel rheumatic ache. I see the schoolboys skating upon the well-known ice; for me, ah! watchful waiting must evermore suffice. Among the youthful friskers I have no place, alas! Behind my stack of whisksers I sit and watch them pass. The snow is on the valley, the snow is on the hill, and there the children sally; they're coasting with a will, I hear their joyous laughter; as down the slope they whiz, while I, in slat and rafter, have pangs of rheumatiz. I sit behind my galways, and to blithe words give tongue, "your youth won't last you always, so go it while you're young!" I don't admire the gaffer, the ancient, drooling lad, who chides the happy laughter and makes Youth's spirits sad. I cannot join the skaters, I cannot tool a sled, or dance, in tireless gaiters, when others are in bed. But all the joyous playing of kids looks good to me, although my head is graying and I've a spavined knee. The young with smiling faces, are playing in the snow; behind my hanging laces I bless them as they go.

Walt Mason.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 31, 1919. Commissioner of Agriculture Fred W. Davis gives out the statement today that a pink boll-worm hearing will be held at the county court house in Marfa, January 10, 1920.

Matters relative to the restraining or modifying of quarantines now in effect will be taken up at this meeting. All persons interested in retaining the quarantines as they now are, or in modifying them are invited by the commissioner to attend this meeting.

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One 6-room residence in northern part of town. Price \$3,500.

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One 6-room house; price, \$3,500.

One 8-room house; price \$3,000.

One 6-room house; price \$1,600.

See A. M. Avant.

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plaintiffs, together with Emil Baerwald, conveyed to Charles Peterson all of section 275 in Block 2, Presidio county, Texas, containing 640 acres of land surveyed in the name of the T. & P. Ry. Co., by virtue of certificate number 1-430; that as a part of the consideration the said Peterson gave nine vendor's lien notes for \$320.00 each of date April 2, 1915, and due in one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight and nine years from date, respectively, said notes drawing interest at 6 per cent per annum and containing the usual 10 per cent attorney's fees clause or collection. The deed of conveyance retained a vendor's lien against the land to secure said notes, that the notes contained a clause to the effect that the holder of any note might declare all of the series due if any one of the notes was not paid at maturity, that the first four maturing notes are long past due, and plaintiffs, the holders of all of said notes have declared all of the same to be due; that Charles Peterson conveyed said section of land to the defendant, A. M. Avant, that the defendant, Arthur L. Shelley is the administrator of the estate of Joe K. Kearby, deceased, which estate owns a judgment, an abstract of which is on file in Presidio county, Texas; that Mrs. Cora Ava Reister is the executrix and sole legatee under the will of J. C. Reister, deceased, and that the said J. C. Reister obtained a judgment and caused an abstract to be filed in Presidio county, Texas; that the defendants, David Gottlieb and the Cedar Rapids Savings Bank hold judgments and have caused abstracts thereof of record in Presidio county, Texas, but that all of said judgments are inferior to the vendor's lien sued upon.

Plaintiffs pray judgment for the principal, interest, and attorney's fees with a foreclosure of the vendor's lien.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, J. H. Fortner, clerk of the district court of Presidio county.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office, in Marfa, Texas, this 23rd day of December, A. D. 1919.

J. H. Fortner, Clerk District Court, Presidio County. (dl-17)

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by, Texas, holding and claiming the same in fee simple, to-wit: 160 acres of land known as survey No. 8, Abstract No. 80, Patent Vol. A, page 103; on the east bank of the Rio Grande river about 17 miles south, 45 degrees east from the town of Presidio, patented to Jose Bustillos, June 2, 1876, and described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at a stake on the bank of the river set for the southeast corner of Survey No. 7, made for Toribio Ynojias (Ynoias); thence north 40 degrees east, 1900 yds. along the east line of said Survey No. 7 to a rock mound; thence south 50 degrees east, 475 yds. to a rock mound; thence south 40 degrees west 1900 yds. to a stake on the bank of the river; thence up the river 50 degrees west 475 yds. to the place of beginning.

That he has had and held peaceable, continuous and adverse possession of the above described lands and premises under title and color of title from and under the state of Texas for more than three years; that he, the plaintiff, and those whose estate he has claiming under deeds duly registered, and recorded as the law requires has had peaceable, continuous and adverse possession of the above described land and premises, cultivating, using and enjoying the same, and paying taxes thereon for such time, for the period of more than five years; that he has had and has peaceable and adverse and continuous possession of the above described land and premises and claiming to have good and perfect title and right to the same for more than a period of ten years, and cultivating, using and enjoying the same, all of which he is ready to verify.

That on the year and day aforesaid the defendants unlawfully entered upon said premises and ejected plaintiff therefrom, and unlawfully withheld from him the possession thereof to his damage in the sum of four thousand dollars.

That the reasonable rental value of said land and premises is one thousand dollars per annum.

Wherefore, the plaintiff prays that the defendants be cited to appear and answer this petition, and that plaintiff have judgment for the title and possession of said above described land and premises, and that writ of restitution issue, and for his rents, damages and costs of suit, and for such other and further relief, general and special, in law and in equity, that he may be justly entitled to.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed same.

Witness, J. H. Fortner, clerk of the district court of Presidio county.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Marfa, Texas, this 16th day of December, A. D. 1919.

J. H. Fortner, Clerk District Court, Presidio County. (dl-17)

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The State of Texas To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Presidio County, Greeting: You are hereby commanded to summon Estrella Leyva by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Presidio county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Marfa, Texas, on the fourth Monday in January, A. D. 1920, the same being the 26th day of January, A. D. 1920; then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 16th day of December, A. D. 1919, in a suit court No. 2554 wherein Simon L. de Leon is plaintiff and Rosendo Carrasco, Juliana C. Evaro and Pablo G. Evaro, husband and wife, Modesto Carrasco, Teofilo Carrasco, Francisca C. Lavaria, and Francisco Lavaria, husband and wife, Victor G. Evaro and Pablo C. Evaro, husband and wife, Gaudalope Carrasco and Elanterior Carrasco are defendants, and said petition alleging in substance:

That said defendants are sons and daughters and all the legal heirs at law of Mateo Carrasco, deceased; that on or about the first day of January, 1919, he, the plaintiff, was lawfully seized and possessed of the following described land and premises situated in Presidio county,

plaid in said county of Presidio for at least six months prior to the filing of this suit and is an actual bona fide inhabitant of the state of Texas; that he and the defendant were married on or about the 27th day of May, 1904, and continued to live together till 1916, at which time defendant permanently abandoned plaintiff and has at all times since that time lived in adultery with one Thomas Fierro; that during the time plaintiff and defendant lived together the following children were born to them: Vizola Leyva, a girl now 14 years old, and Ynosente Leyva, a boy now 12 years old; that said children are now and have been at all times since the departure of their mother, in the care and custody of the plaintiff; that during the time plaintiff and defendant lived together as husband and wife plaintiff bought Lot No. 1, Block No. 18 in Gillis addition to the town of Alpine, Texas; that said property appears in the name of defendant, it is not her separate property, but was bought by plaintiff with his earnings, and was used and occupied by plaintiff and family as a homestead.

Plaintiff prays for judgment dissolving said marriage relation, for custody of the children, and for title and possession of the above described real estate.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, J. H. Fortner, clerk of the district court of Presidio county.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Marfa, Texas this 17th day of December, A. D. 1919.

J. H. Fortner, Clerk District Court, Presidio County. (dl-17)

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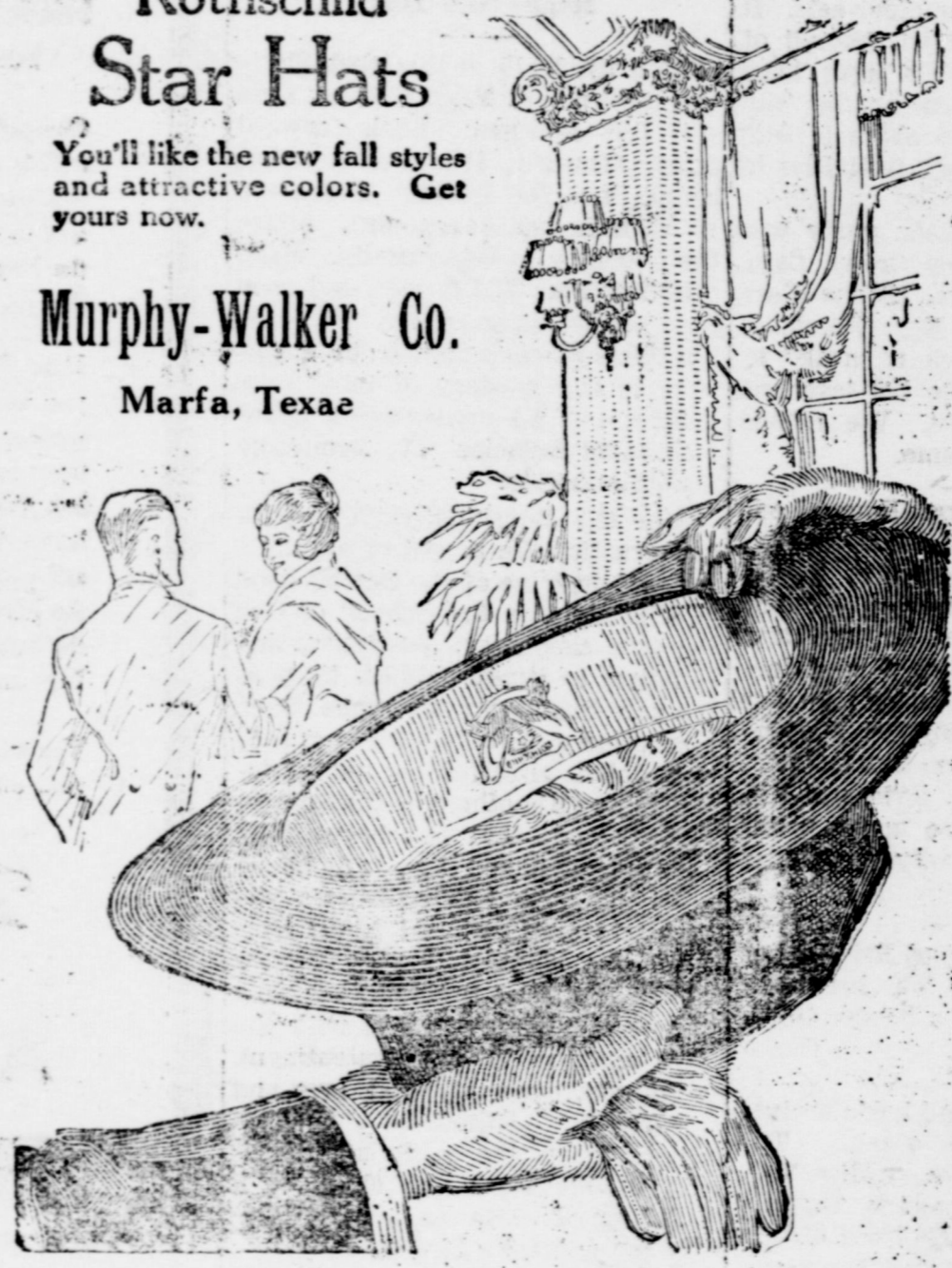
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resided in said county of Presidio for at least six months prior to the filing of this suit and is an actual bona fide inhabitant of the state of Texas; that he and the defendant were married on or about the 27th day of May, 1904, and continued to live together till 1916, at which time defendant permanently abandoned plaintiff and has at all times since that time lived in adultery with one Thomas Fierro; that during the time plaintiff and defendant lived together the following children were born to them: Vizola Leyva, a girl now 14 years old, and Ynosente Leyva, a boy now 12 years old; that said children are now and have been at all times since the departure of their mother, in the care and custody of the plaintiff; that during the time plaintiff and defendant lived together as husband and wife plaintiff bought Lot No. 1, Block No. 18 in Gillis addition to the town of Alpine, Texas; that said property appears in the name of defendant, it is not her separate property, but was bought by plaintiff with his earnings, and was used and occupied by plaintiff and family as a homestead.

Plaintiff prays for judgment dissolving said marriage relation, for custody of the children, and for title and possession of the above described real estate.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, J. H. Fortner, clerk of the district court of Presidio county.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Marfa, Texas this 17th day of December, A. D. 1919.

J. H. Fortner, Clerk District Court, Presidio County. (dl-17)

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ually and as executrix under the will of the estate of H. G. McHenry, deceased, are defendants and said petition alleging plaintiff and defendants are the joint owners of the following described lands, described in plaintiff's petition, in Presidio county, Texas, as follows:

Section four (4), certificate 416, thirty-four (34), certificate 431, both in block one (1), Denton & Pacific Railway Company; six (6), certificate 429, twelve (12), certificate 432, eight (8), certificate 430, all in block No. 351, originally granted to the G. C. & S. F. Railway Company; section two (2), certificate 401, originally granted to the T. & St. L. Ry. Co., and sixteen (16), certificate 336, originally granted to M. McBride, all of said sections described by field notes in the office of the surveyor of Presidio county; section 4, in Vol. D-3, page 288, Sec. 3, in Vol. D-1, page 34, Sec. 2, in Vol. O, page 663, section 6 in Vol. R, page 68, Sec. 8, in Vol. R, page 71, Section 12 in Vol. R, page 75, Sec. 16, in Vol. page 68.

And praying for a partition of the said described lands between the said joint owners. And further alleging that Birdie I. Rice and her vendees are justly due to J. C. Rice the sum of \$194.62, same being the amount paid by him to the state of Texas on the lands herein claimed by Birdie I. Rice and her vendees.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, J. H. Fortner, clerk of the district court of Presidio county.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Marfa, Texas, this 19th day of December, A. D. 1919.

J. H. Fortner, Clerk District Court, Presidio County. (dl-17)

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Citation by Publication

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23rd day of December, A. D. 1919, in suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 2551, wherein Alphonse Kloh and David Rumsey are plaintiffs, and Charles Peterson, Gustav Raetzsch, Laura Jane Smith, Arthur L. Shelley, administrator of the estate of Joe K. Kearby, deceased, Mrs. Cora Ava Reister, executrix and sole legatee under the will of J. C. Reister, deceased, David Gottlieb and the Cedar Rapids Savings Bank are defendants, and said petition alleging in substance that on the 29th day of March, 1915, they with Emil Baerwald deeded by separate deeds the east one-half and the west one-half of survey 277 in block 2, T. & P. Ry. Co. in Presidio county, Texas, certificate number 1-431; that as a part of the consideration for said land the said Charles Peterson executed nine vendor's lien notes, for each half of said survey, said notes being of even date with the deeds and being \$600 each, each series due in one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight and nine years from date respectively, drawing interest from date at the rate of 6 per cent per annum and each providing for the payment of 10 per cent additional attorney's fees if sued upon, said notes containing clauses providing that the holders of any one of the same had the option to declare all of said notes due if there was a failure to pay any one of them at maturity; that the first four in each series are due and unpaid and the plaintiffs, the holders of all of said notes, have declared all of same due; that a vendor's lien was retained in said deeds to secure the payment of said notes, that Charles Peterson conveyed said land to A. S. Smith and A. S. Smith conveyed the same to defendant Laura Jane Smith in whom the title now stands; that Gustav Raetzsch purchased said land under an execution sale as the property of A. S. Smith, that the other defendants are judgment lien holders by virtue of abstracts of judgment filed in Presidio county, Texas, in favor of Joe K. Kearby, deceased, J. C. Reister, deceased, David Gottlieb and the Cedar Rapids Savings Bank, all of which judgment liens are inferior to the vendor's lien asserted by plaintiffs. Plaintiffs pray judgment for the amount due on said notes with interest and attorney's fees and with a foreclosure of the vendor's lien.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, J. H. Fortner, clerk of the district court of Presidio county.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Marfa, Texas, this 23rd day of December, A. D. 1919.

J. H. Fortner, Clerk District Court, Presidio County. (dl-17)

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## Locals and Personal

J. T. Hamie was on the sick list last week.

Shoes are worth money. Let the Marfa Saddlery Co. fix them.

C. A. Brown and wife with their children, are in the city this week.

Miss May Shannon is visiting her sister, Mrs. Richey, in El Paso this week.

Miss McIntyre of Sanderson is the guest this week of Miss Evelyn Fitzgerald.

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Davis Jones went up on No. 9 Tuesday to spend a few days in Sierra Blanca.

Miss Mildred Childers expects to return Sunday evening to St. Mary's College, Austin.

For Rent—Two rooms furnished for light housekeeping. Mrs. J. W. Harris, Phone 180.

Miss Mary Shannon left for El Paso Tuesday evening to attend the annual Elks' ball.

The young set of Marfa enjoyed a social hop Tuesday evening with the Fort Davis dancers.

C. O. Finley, one of the big cowmen of the Valentine section, was in the city Tuesday.

Ellsworth Share and John Mead left Friday evening, returning to the State University.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pool has been in the city this week, visiting friends and relatives.

Miss Wilfe Rawls returned Tuesday night to the Texas Woman's College at Fort Worth.

Geo. Shannon returned last week from here, they were to Dallas, San Antonio and other points.

Rev R. L. Irving and Judge J. W. Merrill of Fort Davis were Marfa visitors during the holidays.

Mayor J. C. Orgain and family are spending the holidays with relatives and friends in Bastrop, Texas.

Dave James, the noted hunter and plainman and all round stockman, has been in the city this week.

Miss Myrtle Rawls, after a week's holiday at home, returned this week to the S. M. University, Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Musgraves with their baby girl spent the holidays with relatives and friends in Sierra Blanca.

Mrs. George Will of Oldville, Ky., is spending the holidays with her son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Milford Whitl.

Miss Hester Britte, after a week's holiday with her parents and friends returned today to the T. C. University, at Fort Worth.

Mrs. T. A. Childers gave a dinner this week in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Clay Holland of Alpine and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pool, Sr.

T. T. Neill and family spent the Xmas holidays in El Paso visiting friends and relatives. They returned last Monday.

Miss Catherine and Dorothy Mitchell, after a week's holiday with their parents, returned Thursday to their school at Denton.

Mrs. C. E. Mead entertained a number of the young people Friday evening with a six o'clock dinner in honor of her son John.

The Texas Federation of the Women's Clubs has fixed January 6th as the day when all the ladies are urged to pay their poll tax.

Miss Aline Pruce of Fort Davis passed through Marfa yesterday en route to Austin to resume her studies at the State University.

Instructions in classical and ballroom dancing, information Phone 170.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Fischer returned on New Year's day from 5 days in El Paso. Their home was festively adorned with smilax and red California peppers with a blending of red and green mauline. Those assisting were their daughter, Mrs. Henry Fletcher, Mrs. L. C. Britte and daughter, Miss Hester, Mrs. T. W. Snyder and daughter, Miss Luci Bell, Mrs. Raymond Fitzgerald and daughter, Miss Evelyn, Mrs. Ben Proutt, Mrs. H. M. Fennell and Mrs. W. B. Mitchell. Fruit punch and salads were served throughout the evening. A great number called during the evening hours.

Tuesday evening Miss Jessie Jones entertained at their lovely ranch home the members of the Marfa History Club. There was on the regular program an interesting lesson on Hiscn, which was led by Mrs. C. R. Sutton. The Doll House and others of his famous plays were interestingly discussed. After the business period a social hour was enjoyed. Nut frappe, sandwiches, celery, scalloped oysters, fruits with whipped cream, cakes, etc., were served. Mrs. Wm. Mims was the guest.

F. J. Malone and Johnnie Colli came in on the morning train Dec. 27th from over seas. These boys enlisted with the 8th, and after being transferred, were sent to France. After the armistice they were kept with the army of occupation. They surely enjoyed being at home one more, especially coming in time for the holiday festivities. The New Era wishes for both of them a happy and prosperous New Year.

Mrs. Chas Bailey entertained at their beautiful home last Saturday evening in honor of her son William. There were present about forty of the young set. The rooms were artistically decorated in holly and wreaths of smilax. Eight tables were prepared for rock, and those not engaged in that game enjoyed themselves with dancing. A salad course with olives, cakes and chocolate, were served.

Mrs. H. M. Fennell entertained a number of the boys and girls of the high school Tuesday evening, with a Mexican supper in honor of her daughter, Miss Elizabeth. Miss Elizabeth returns tomorrow evening to her school at Eagle Pass.

George and Andy Newton, prominent citizens of Valentine, were in the city this week. They are figuring on enlarging their mercantile business.

Mr. Joseph Dean, Jr., and Mrs. Edith Brown of San Antonio were guests of Mr. Probst this week. Cupid got busy and they were married by Rev. J. J. Maurer at his residence on New Year's eve.

Hayes and Laura Mitchell entertained during the holidays a number of their little friends with a delightful party. The young folks always highly appreciate their social gatherings.

The Popular Theatre opened last week with skating and dancing. The floor is an excellent one, and the young people are very much pleased at having access to such a place.

We have secured an extra force of men and are now equipped to mend your shoes and boots promptly. You will find us at the old Carter Cafe, Marfa Saddlery Co.

Miss Elvora Lessner returned Monday night from a two weeks visit to home folks at Saguin. She reports a splendid time and glad to get back to Marfa.

Mr. Pat Murphy manager of the Belcher estate interests in Presidio county with headquarters at Britte and Candelaria, Texas, was in the city yesterday.

Miss Zora Finley, accompanied by college friend came last week from Child-Key to spend the holidays with her parents on the ranch, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Finley.

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For Sale—Overland Roadster, in good condition; too small for my purpose; a bargain for some one who needs it. Also, one Buick roadster in good condition. For prices and further information call at New Era Office.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting

The regular annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Marfa State Bank, Marfa, Texas is hereby called to meet at the office of said bank in Marfa, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. on the second Monday in January, it being Monday, 12, 1920, for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year, and to transact any other business which may legally come before it.

T. M. Wilson, President.  
Karl H. Word, Cashier.

### Poll Taxes Are Now Due

Any person who was in our army in 1918 and 1919 will not have to pay poll tax to be entitled to vote. He can vote in his home precinct by presenting his discharge to the election officials, or by making affidavit as to his army service.

The ladies should remember that next year is election year and that they have the right to participate in all primary elections, and the chances now look good that they will have the long deferred right to vote in the next general election; therefore it becomes your DUTY to pay the poll tax and secure the right to vote, that you may by your wisdom help to guide our country through these perilous times.

Any young lady or man who has reached the age of twenty-one since the first day of last January, or who will be twenty-one before the election next year can vote in that election; provided they will apply to the tax collector's office and get an exemption certificate before the first of next February. This certificate is FREE.

Anyone, man or woman, who cannot pay their poll tax in person, must send an order with the remittance to the tax collector authorizing some one else to make payment.

### Order for Poll Tax Receipt

Ira W. Cline, Tax Assessor, Presidio County, Texas:

I hereby authorize Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ to pay my poll tax for the year 1919.

I am \_\_\_\_\_ years old. Have resided in Texas \_\_\_\_\_ years, in Presidio county \_\_\_\_\_ years, and in Precinct No. \_\_\_\_\_ months or years. My race is white, colored. My occupation is \_\_\_\_\_ My P. O. address is \_\_\_\_\_ Dated at \_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_\_ Sign here \_\_\_\_\_

The Rev. Clarence S. McClellan, Jr., will be in Fort Stockton the coming week, the guest of Rev. Cecil H. Lang of the Presbyterian church there. He will also visit the San Pedro ranch and conduct services and hold the service of the Holy Communion in the Presbyterian church.

### Auto Painting

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FOR SALE—Six sections of land, well improved with about 15 sections of leased land to go with it in Rusto Canyon. Plenty of running water, good ranch improvements. Price, \$5.00 per acre. Patent basis. For Sale—18 sections in Presidio County, 25 miles southwest of Valentine, well watered with springs, tanks and pipe line; 3 sections leased land goes with it; all fenced in two pastures and small trap; two small ranch houses and corrals. Price \$1.50 per acre bonus \$1.25 due the State; one-third cash, balance in 1, 2 and 3 years at 8 per cent; will pay 5 per cent commission for sale.

One 6-room residence in northern part of town. Price \$3,500.

One Block of land in northern part of town.

One 3-room house close in; price \$1,300.

Five lots close in, \$500.

Two 4-room houses; price \$2,000.

One 6-room house with well and windmill, and orchard; close in. Price, \$4,000.

One 4-room house with bath and modern improvements. Price, \$2,800.

One 6-room house; price, \$3,500.

One 8-room house; price \$3,000.

One 6-room house; price \$1,600.

See A. M. Avant.

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Copy of Grand Jury List

Geo. Shannon, J. R. Love, C. P. Arthur, R. W. McGee, P. A. Jackson, Joe Bunton, A. V. Navarro, Raymond Fitzgerald, T. W. Snyder, W. E. Russell, Gus Bogel, Hans Briam, F. W. Jordan, Pat Murphy, G. B. Young, Oren Bunton.

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**OUR CHURCHES**

**Saint Paul's Episcopal Church**

Solemn midnight services were held in St. Paul's Episcopal church on New Year's Eve. The service began at 11:30 p. m. with the processional, "O, God, Our Help in Ages Past," by the vested choir, led by the cross (Master Lawrence Reesor, crucifier). The Holy Communion began after the processional. During this service the Communion hymn, "Bread of the World," was sung. The rector for his sermon spoke on the theme, "Not Passing This Way Again." "Nearer, My God to Thee," "Jesus Lover of My Soul," "A Few More Years Shall Roll" and "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," were the other hymns of the service. The church was lighted by candles. The choir met for its usual practice this afternoon under the direction of Mr. Chester Bonner.

Tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock there will be the service of the Holy Communion. The rector will take as the subject of his ten-minute church instruction, "The Reformation in Spain and Portugal." His His sermonette will have as its theme, "New Wine in Old Bottles."

The morning service at 11 in this church will, during the coming year be just one hour long.

As soon as the memorial tablet given by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Livesay in memory of their son and daughter arrive, there will be special dedication and also dedication for the belated memorial altar books in memory of Jessie Eunice McClellan. These books are the gift of a New York church.

A pair of seven branch candlesticks for the altar and the new processional cross are among other memorial gifts to be given to St. Paul's later in the year.

**Baptist Church**

Bro. Maurer preached again Sunday morning in the absence of the pastor, who is yet unable to preach. His sermon was forceful and full of gospel truth.

The B. Y. P. U. members rendered the evening program, which was enjoyed by a splendid audience.

There will be services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 6:45 p. m. The service at the evening hour will again be under the leadership of the B. Y. P. U.

The pastor hopes to be at his task again in the near future. I have had about six rounds with this Flu and it has knocked me down every time I have gotten up.

**Christian Church**

The pastor makes a special request that every member be present at the Sunday morning service. An outline of the year's work will be given. Do not fail to attend. Start the New Year in a good way.

Mrs. Kate Terry and Mrs. Joe Humphreys closed their boarding house on the first of January. Mrs. Terry will visit with her son Edward at Terlingua for several weeks. Mrs. Humphreys will continue to run the boarding house.

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**Marfa Chamber of Commerce.**  
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receipt, by the toastmaster, at regular intervals, of telegrams, which were read to the assemblage, inasmuch as they were considered to be of general public interest. They did prove of vital interest to those present, since they threw some interesting side lights on some of Marfa's prominent business houses and citizens. Some of their traits and characteristics, which had hitherto been hidden from public view, were mercilessly exposed. Judging by the applause and laughter, the information thus obtained was deeply appreciated by a large part of the audience.

Easily the feature of the evening was the public burial of "Old General Knocker." It was with genuine pleasure that the representation of Marfa present witnessed the lasting departure of this community nuisance. It is to be hoped that he "Stays Put." The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. E. Aurorey. His remarks were well chosen and are calculated to remain in the minds and thoughts of those present for some time to come. Messrs. Kennell, Maurer, Bonner and Eastwing did duty as pall bearers for the old fellow, and the manner in which they "did their bit" was touching indeed. If it can be taken for granted that the demise and burial of old General Knocker are genuine and permanent, Marfa is blessed beyond measure. No more will budding and promising young enterprises receive their death blow at his hands. No more will his slanderous tongue wag in Marfa. All his malicious and bothersome activities in Marfa will have ceased. How can we best assure that the old fellow will "stay where we have consigned him?" The answer is so simple: JOIN THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. DO IT NOW, and let Marfa accomplish BIG things in a BIG way, all pulling and working together, as a community, with but one thought and one purpose—BIGGER, BETTER, CLEANER things in Marfa and Presidio county.

As an antidote for the poison of a seed which have been planted in our community by old General Knocker, there was presented, during the evening, to the acting mayor, lusty, newborn baby boy. A babe, 1 year only, however. His strength, high ideals, and firmness of purpose have already been evidenced by the fact of the demise of his most hated enemy, old General Knocker, scarcely two months after his birth. The youngster was christened "The Chamber of Commerce," Rev. L. E. Parrish presented him officially to Mr. W. B. Mitchell, acting mayor of the city, and in his presentation remarks, it was made perfectly clear that this youngster as a permanent fixture in the community, and that his avowed purpose and only excuse for existing was to promote every interest of Marfa and Presidio county, and to ward our town and county against invasions by such enemies of progress and development as old General Knocker. The remarks of Mr. Parrish were decidedly to the point, well chosen and were most certainly keenly appreciated by the audience.

Throughout the evening a most delightful program of music was furnished by an orchestra, from the Fifth United States Cavalry. This music added immeasurably to the success of the occasion. Mr. Kane, leader of the orchestra, exhibited consummate taste in the selection of his numbers, and the musicians themselves showed rare ability.

The banquet and entertainment did not have been the success it was had it not been for the untiring, unselfish and laborious efforts of the good ladies of the community. They were directly responsible for the preparation of the hall, the furnishing of all table equipment, and in general all those things which went to make the entire function pleasing to the eye and palate. The manner in which they labored and co-operated with the chairman of their respective committees, Messrs. W. P. Murphy and Tom Snyder, cannot be praised too highly. Surely, our old world could not be run without them.

One of the most pleasing features of the evening was the fact that throughout the audience there was a generous sprinkling of local army officers and their ladies. It is safe to say that their presence was keenly appreciated and enjoyed, and that they themselves enjoyed being present. It is sincerely hoped that the precedent thus established will be a criterion of the future relations between civil and military components of the population of the community.

Altogether, the occasion was a tremendous success, and at this time it can hardly be conceived that there is any citizen of this community who has a thought of according the Chamber of Commerce and the work that it will undertake, anything but the heartiest co-operation and support. This, we earnestly bespeak for it.

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