

The Artesia Advocate.

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COUNTY ATTORNEY PRAISES OUR SCHOOL

McLean of Ft. Worth, Texas, Shot by Bill Thompson Last Friday.

ILLER ONCE OF CARLSBAD

As a result of a gambling raid in Ft. Worth, Texas, last Friday J. D. McLean, County Attorney of Tarrant county, Hamil P. Scott, Special Deputy Sheriff and William Thompson a gambler and former resident of Eddy county were dead. In pursuance of the anti-gambling crusade inaugurated by him several years ago, McLean with the sheriff and a number of deputies raided the gambling place of Thompson and found several games in progress. The gamblers gave bond immediately after their arrest. Having seen to the binding over the men, the county attorney returned to the work of removing the paraphernalia. When this was completed he went out on the street and met a wife, who was waiting in a buggy. He stepped over to the buggy, Thompson came up, and made an insulting remark. McLean turned and approached the gambler in a peevish manner, when the latter drew a pistol and shot McLean, who died in a few minutes. Thompson while retreating at deputy sheriff Scott and in a lively fight which followed the officer was fatally wounded. The gambler took the gun of the wounded policeman and retreated to a lumber yard where he received a mortal wound in a battle with the police. He feigned death until safely locked up beyond mob violence, when he recovered freely for some time. He begged the county attorney with having a raffle among the gamblers and with making a raffle off from them while permitting all others. He died that night. This murder created much comment throughout Eddy county, as Thompson was known to most of the older settlers, having lived in Carlsbad several years. He was also of general interest, as it will probably result in a more energetic enforcement of the anti-gambling laws.

Why the exception of Alaska there are laws against gambling in the states and territories in Union. In New Mexico the law does not go into effect until Jan. 1, 1908. There is no division of sentiment on the question in Artesia, this being the first town in New Mexico to prohibit it, and a law is enforced. The day of the professional gambler is over. Here and there he will ply his trade under cover for a few years but eventually he must join the list of extinct species. Men will long privately indulge in games of chance and perhaps a spirit will never be entirely eliminated, but the epoch of the regular dealer is past. In Texas the great brewing and distilling companies, recognizing the unpopularity of the dealers have been working for several years to secure their prosecution.

The Easter Promise.

The beautiful promise
We shall rise and behold:
The landscapes elysian
And the pavements of gold.
The thing shown in corruption
And the body that dies,
Corruptible, immortal,
Supernatural shall rise.
Alone for the city
With its Jacinth and Beyr—
Twelve terraced glories
Nor its portals of pearl.
Along for the turret,
Nor the foundation stone,
Or the clear limpid rivers
That flows by the throne.
Alone for the beauties
That shall burst on our sight,
The Amaranth, fadeless,
For the gardens of light,
For again for the vestment,
The crown we shall wear,
The music of harpers
That is promised us there.
To awake in His likeness:
To know and be known,
All satisfy though we
Stand not by the throne,
To conceive not the rapture,
The bliss of that height,
Though the stand is not granted
On His left or His right.

—CHAS. GIBSON.

Judge G. U. McCrary and D. W. Runn came up from Carlsbad Tuesday morning.

Prof. A. B. Stroup of Albuquerque Pronounces Work Good In All Rooms.

FOR UNIFORM TEXT BOOKS

"I spent the day in Artesia and while here visited your public school. I went to all the rooms and observed conditions carefully. I am now completing a trip during which I visited the schools in most of the towns and cities in the territory. In no city or town in New Mexico did I find a higher standard maintained and your teachers individually and collectively are above the average."

The speaker was Professor A. B. Stroup, of Albuquerque, county superintendent of Bernalillo county. Prof. Stroup came here Wednesday from Carlsbad. He went to Roswell Thursday and from there home. He is just completing a tour over the territory gathering data and studying conditions in regard to the proposed adoption of a uniform system of text books throughout New Mexico.

Some years ago, the legislature passed a law permitting the territorial board to establish such uniformity. It was the wish of the people and the intention of the legislature that an uniform system be inaugurated, but, unfortunately it was not made mandatory and the former territorial board neglected to carry it out.

Prof. Stroup says that he regrets the failure of the legislature to provide more satisfactorily for the educational needs of New Mexico, but some progress has been made along several lines. He is pleased with the Mann provision in the appropriation bill allowing seventy young men an education each year in the several territorial institutions.

WAS GOOD ENTERTAINMENT

George A. Landrum Pleaded the Ticket Holders.

It is always a pleasure to a newspaper man to praise an entertainment conscientiously, and that we can unhesitatingly do without mental reservation in the case of Geo. A. Landrum's production of "A Pair of Spectacles."

Mr. Landrum impersonated seven distinct characters in a way that was simply inimitable. The audience was kept in roars from beginning to end. This number was a decided improvement over the last. Mr. Landrum, who ought to know, says the remaining numbers of the course are of a high order.

Declamatory Contest

There will be a declamatory contest at the close of our public school on Friday evening April 26th.

Our enterprising jeweler E. N. Skaer has voluntarily offered a gold medal for the best declaimer from the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th grades.

Messrs Redford & Mann proprietors of City Drug Store will give a gold medal for the best declaimer from the 5, 6, 7 and 8th grades.

The Bank of Artesia will give a gold medal for the best recitation or declamation from High School.

The contestants will recite before an audience and judges will decide who is to be the winner.

MORE TROUBLE FOR MITCHELL

Carlsbad Objects to his Selling Relief for Rheumatism.

W. P. Mitchell who has been selling medicine for rheumatism around town for some time, was arrested Monday for vagrancy and his trial will be held tomorrow. He is said to have become a nuisance and the officials are determined he shall not ply his vocation in violation of the law.—Carlsbad Current.

Dr. Mitchell is evidently a man born out of time. He is that most unfortunate of men: an unappreciated genius. Dock is a cancer specialist. He has been preparing a book on his experiences in two prisons and will now be able to add to his repertoire.

The Woman's Club.

The high wind of Wednesday had little effect on the attendance at the meeting of this popular study club. Only five were absent and those for reasons unavoidable. The hostess for the day was Mrs. V. E. Fatheree. Other members present were Mesdames Hodges, Beckham, Inman, Gilbert, Dyer, McCrary, Atkeson, Kemp, Skaer, McNatt and Martin.

Mrs. Hodges told the story of the lesson, interspersing it with catchy quotations. The lesson was particularly full of such, being the first two scenes of Act III of Hamlet and containing a famous dialogue, as well as the two best known speeches of the Danish Prince. Mrs. Dyer read the famous "To be" soliloquy. Mrs. McNatt memorized and presented in a very delightful manner "Hamlet's Instructions" to the Players. Mrs. Gilbert's paper, "Shakespeare as a Writer of Tragedy," was one of the finest of the year and called forth applause in a club where applause is not the rule. No business was transacted except to change a clause, having reference to club attendance.

The next meeting offers an attractive program and will be held at the home of Mrs. Robt. M. Ross on Wednesday, April 10th.

Better Than Montgomery Ward

W. E. Ragsdale, demonstrated to a young man this week that on the average you can do better by buying of your home merchant. A young man came in and told Mr. Ragsdale that he contemplated buying a tent from Montgomery, Ward & Co. saying that he could get it cheaper of them than of the home merchant. Inquiry revealed the fact that the mail order house price was \$22.50. Mr. Ragsdale sold the young man the tent at his regular price of \$18.50; a saving of \$4.00.

Mr. Ragsdale showed us a catalogue Wednesday and compared it with his price and in every instance the Chicago house charges more for the same quality of goods.

THE ADVOCATE has always contended that, on the average, prices quoted by the local merchant are necessarily lower than the prices of the mail order man, aside from the fact that other advantages and convenience all lie on the side of the person who buys from the local store keeper.

This position is combatted by the representatives of the mail order business by sophistical arguments, but it is true none the less.

George Sheed left Monday week for Rockport, Ind., where he will spend about six weeks visiting friends.

Notice

My car of fruit trees, peach and apple, is now at Dayton, in nice condition ready for delivery. Ben Davis apple 2 years old at 5c each; other standard varieties at 6c to 8c each; all very fine. Come now and get what you want. Plenty of time yet to set them.

F. N. Bruce,
Dayton N. M. 1t

BAND MET NEWKIRK WILL HAVE REDUCED RATES

Artesia Band Plays for Returning Editor.—Makes Short Talk

Learning that D. L. Newkirk, editor of the Pecos Valley News would return on the train Saturday night; the Artesia Band decided that it would be eminently fitting to welcome home our representative in the fight for county division. As a result of the determination the band deployed by the depot as the train came in. Many citizens also congregated to meet Mr. Newkirk and shake his hand.

Mr. Newkirk was accompanied by his wife who went to Roswell to meet him that morning. After the reception at the depot, the band escorted the Newkirk's up town. On Main street, in front of the Pecos Valley Drug Store, the procession halted and the band played several inspiring and patriotic selections.

Mr. Newkirk was then called for and responded briefly. He said he was touched by the reception accorded him, as it came in the nature of a pleasant surprise. He regretted that he was unable to report that he had been successful, but he had at least done the best he could. The lines of the new county had been marked out and it would be created by the next legislature. Never again would we make an unsuccessful fight. Artesia is now known throughout the territory, and even though we haven't the county seat, yet as the result of a struggle for our rights the advantages of our county were made known and this would be a great benefit to us. Mr. Newkirk closed by thanking the band again, and saying that he was worn out after the long legislative fight and he hoped they would excuse him for withdrawing.

The crowd gave three cheers for Newkirk, the band played a final air and the reception was over.

GOOD TIME SOCIAL

To Be Given By Ladies of Christian Church

The ladies of the Christian church will give a Goodtime Social at the Christian church Thursday night April 4th. A special program will be prepared and the ladies will serve cake and coffee for ten cents. All are invited.

Rubbing it In on Us

Bro. Whelan, editor of the Artesia Advocate, called enroute to Seven Rivers, to ask what kind of tobacco to use in spitting on bate for luck, as Ezra Higgins who has with him didn't know.—Dayton Echo.

Higgins was at least honest enough to confess his ignorance. We threw ourselves on the mercy and hospitality of Brer Burnett and he cruelly deceived us. Instead of a charm the brand of "terbacker" recommended proved a hoodoo. We expose Burnett's villiany that the good people of Dayton may know the character of the serpent they are warming in their bosoms.

Big Party at Rev. Messer's

Last Saturday night a jolly party of young folks met at the residence of Rev. J. H. Messer and had a delightful time. Games were played, songs sung and other amusements indulged in. Some of the band boys had to withdraw to take part in the Newkirk reception, but came back and stayed till the close.

It sounds kind of natural to hear the hum of the machine shop over the telephone once more. Their number is 5, give them a twist.

WORK PROGRESSING

Rapidly On Waterworks Plant

The new power house completed, except the pointing up, the excavation finished for reservoir and for foundation of tank and stand pipe, a car of cement for reservoir expected every day, bill of lading on hand for two cars of pipe for mains now en route from Chattanooga Tenn. and preparations being made in Chicago for the shipment of standpipe in about a week: such is the story that W. A. Dutch, Supt. of construction of the American Light & Water Co. has to tell of the progress of their contract of the construction of the Artesia municipal system.

KEINATH IS CHOSEN

Assistant Cashier of the First National Bank.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the First National Bank yesterday A. C. Keinath was selected to fill the position of assistant cashier. No better selection could have been made. Mr. Keinath was cashier of the Jasper County Bank in Newton, Iowa, for several years. He is highly recommended by that institution.

Becoming infatuated with our country he invested in land near this city and about eighteen months ago came here to look after his interests.

Recently he has been with the Amarillo exhibit of the Pecos Valley Realty Co., conducting the work with his usual ability.

Wanted men to set trees Monday.
J. R. Blair.

Regular Session

Held on the 26th of March, A. E. 1907, with the following members present: Wm. Cranon, J. B. Enfield, J. H. Beckham. Minutes of March 12th, 1907 were read and approved.

The Application of Sallie Robert to maintain an irrigation ditch located in certain part of the Town namely, Chisum addition was presented to the Board and after some discussion was passed on the following motion by Mr. Enfield and its second by Mr. Beckham: Moved, that the application be allowed, providing that the Board reserves the right to order and to have filled the ditch at any time when deemed best by them and its maintenance cease with said order.

Bill from the American Light and Water Company in the sum of \$532.00 less 10 per cent retained by the Board, for the construction of water house and excavations for Tower and Reservoir was duly allowed. Special Committee appointed to secure dumping grounds for the use of the Town was continued as they had not accomplished anything to date.

Finance Committee reported the Monthly Statement of Town Treasure had been audited and found correct.

Application of Harry W. Hamilton to erect a building on lots 23 and 4 of Block 23 was allowed.

Application of M. M. Inman to remove building as per Application passed over from last meeting was approved.

Ordinance amending ordinance No. 57 was placed on first reading. By Motion and its prevailing the Chairman of the Board is to have the Town Engineer set all grade stakes for sidewalks.

For Sunday dinner our old fashioned Ice Cream cannot be beat. P. V. Drug Co.

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Pecos Valley and Northeastern PASSENGER	
Northbound	8:45 a. m.
Southbound	7:15 p. m.
LOCAL FREIGHT	
Northbound	9:30 a. m.
Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays	
Southbound	12:30 p. m.
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays	

The Advocate is published in the Great Pecos Valley of New Mexico, in the center of the flowing well district. These wells flow from 500 to 5,000 gallons of pure water per minute. There are hundreds of them and the smallest flow is sufficient to irrigate 320 acres in fruit trees. Production in this country has only begun. We have better inducements to immigrants than any other country offers. Land is cheap yet. Come and investigate.

Notice

Mr. T. C. Carnes, foreman of THE ADVOCATE office, is authorized to take advertising or job work in behalf of this paper, and any contract or agreement made by him in regard to such advertising or job work will be attended with the same promptness as if made with the proprietor.

The Balking Place

The government takes the stand that the operator on a large scale is not entitled to better treatment by quasi-public affairs like railroads than the little fellow who manufactures on a modest scale.—San Francisco Chronicle. Yes; but you must remember that this is only one of a good many "stands" which the government takes, and to which the roads pay no attention whatever. For instance, the government takes the stand that a road shall not change more for a shorter haul than for a longer one, and yet the roads never have any difficulty in finding loop holes through which they can get through the law. The general and persistent violation of that provision has done more to stir up the widespread disaffection among the people which is now threatening the whole railway fabric with serious consequences, than any other cause fully as much, probably, as all other causes together. The roads attempt to justify themselves in this violation of the law, by alleging that they are forced to meet the competition of other roads at "common points," and hence they charge at such points less than living rate, and make up for what they lose there by charging other points too much. But they seem to lose sight of the fact that there are only a comparatively few common points while there are a great many uncommon points, and it is the discrimination against these many points in favor of the few points that is responsible for the present general outcry and unrest.

Railroad presidents may hold conferences till they are tired, and dilate till they are speechless about the injustice of imposing certain conditions upon the roads, but they won't be able to allay the public demand for better terms till they make up their minds to give the public a square deal—and it is simply an insult to the public intelligence to call any arrangement a square deal which permits a road to charge one man more for hauling a ton of freight a hundred miles, than it charges another man for hauling a ton of freight over the same track a hundred and fifty miles. And this practice by railways gives the advocates of government ownership their chief argument. It is admitted that the government might not be able to run the road as economically as they can be run by private corporations, but it would give everybody an equal chance—and the spirit of the American people never rest under anything short of that.—Albuquerque Journal.

The discrimination between places such as is referred to in the above and discrimination against one individual or corporation and in favor of another

individual or corporation is all that gives government ownership strength among individualistic writers and statesmen. Logically indeed, the ownership of the roadbed is in the government; for as the United States Supreme Court has said: "A railroad is a public highway, and none the less so because constructed and maintained through the agency of a corporation deriving its existence and powers from the State. Such a corporation was created for public purposes. It performs a function of state."

This does not apply to the rolling stock, the ownership of which is not necessarily, nor indeed normally in the government.

While a plan involving the government ownership of the road and private ownership and operation of the rolling stock is entirely feasible, yet individualists generally have felt that the better way would be to allow private enterprise to own both, subject to government control.

That this theory is losing ground is due more to the failure of government regulation to prevent discrimination than to any other cause. Open rebates can be prevented, but men are beginning to seriously doubt the ability of the government to eliminate a subtle sort of discrimination that will build up one community or interest and destroy another quite as effectively as rebates.

Considering the susceptibility of human nature to influence, considering the cupidity that is too often manifest in those whom we are pleased to call our public servants, considering the numerous devious ways in which monopoly can evade a law, THE ADVOCATE does not believe that discrimination can be abolished by prohibitive legislation, unless the managers of the roads show a change of heart, become law abiding citizens and assist in carrying out the spirit and letter of the law.

We do not care to waste any good paper appealing to the conscience of these men. Probably they have as much conscience as a similar number of men in other occupations, and it is by no means certain that they think their actions morally wrong. We point rather to their permanent self interest as a reason why they should obey the law. Not only is the sentiment for government ownership growing, but socialism is spreading with alarming rapidity. If they do not conform to the law the day will arrive before long when the roads of this country will have to choose between government roads and the confiscation of their property by a socialistic regime.

That socialism is wrong we are certain, and we feel equally sure that socialistic government would fail in its operation, but unless the growing monopolies are checked, people will eventually try the experiment, fatal though it may be. And among the principal causes of the upbuilding of monopoly is railroad discrimination.

The fact that three-fourths of the governments on earth have abandoned the effort to secure fair dealing under private ownership and have taken over the roads as the only means of securing equity between shippers should not deter us from giving regulation a fair trial. If the railroad magnates can be made to see where their true interest lies and cooperate with the government, this country will prove an exception to the rule.

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First Door North of Artesia Hotel.

A FOUL BLOW

The worst has happened, the limit has been reached. All through the county war we hoped that the bed rock of vituperation would not be punctured. But it has been. The Current says "Carlsbad's two thousand makes the galled jade wince." THE ADVOCATE is not especially enamored with the late legislature, but never intimidated anything like that. Carlsbad is evidently beginning to think it paid too high a price for the privilege of playing guardian to a growing youngster like Artesia which is liable to thrash the old man any day. But there isn't any use in growing personal about it. The territorial legislature a "galled jade!" There is ingratitude for you.

WATER IN CARLSBAD CANAL

It will be two years and six months next week Wednesday since the big canal has contained water. During this time the people of Carlsbad and adjacent country have never for a moment lost hope that the water would some day flow in the canal again and yesterday for the first time since that eventful third of October, 1904, water from the Pecos was forced into the canal, by the workmen on the dam placing the slash boards across a section of the concrete thereby raising the water to a sufficient height to run into the canal. At first only eight inches was allowed to run in and as the earth work above the concrete is filled in the water will be allowed to run in. On account of the fact that the canal has much fresh earth work in places the water will not be allowed to rush in, but these places will be puddled and watched until it is certain there will be no break. At present there is a little water in the flume which is as far as it is allowed to come. During the next few weeks the progress of the water will be slow on account of the extreme caution necessary to prevent breaks similar to that which took away the flume approach in 1903.—Carlsbad Current.

During the past couple of years Carlsbad has been up against it as far as irrigated land in the immediate vicinity of the city is concerned. The new dam will result in the irrigation of 20,000 acres of fine land. The prosperity of the county seat is therefore assured. The Current says that somebody in one of the villages has been knocking on Carlsbad; saying it was only a flag station, etc. Now, THE ADVOCATE has no idea of what town the Current had in mind. Certainly no resident of Artesia is foolish enough to make a statement so palpably false, and absurd, even if Artesia were only a village.

We take it for granted that it was some anti-county square-head from Lake Arthur or Lakewood. Those are just the kind of galeots that would make such wild unsupported statements.

Carlsbad is destined to be a good town: not as good as Artesia in our estimation, but still a good town. There is no reason for commercial rivalry between the two. There is ample room for both to develop into large and prosperous cities and the thing to do now is for all towns in the valley to co-operate

LAND IN SEVERAL PRECINCTS.

The following is a list of the number of acres of land located in the Precincts of Eddy county as indicated on which a Patent or Final Receipt had been issued thereby subjecting said lands to taxation in Eddy County for the years indicated and so appears on the assessment rolls of said county for the years 1905 and 1906 as either having been rendered by the proper owner or assessed to Unknown Owners by the Assessor for those years.

Precinct	1905			1906		
	No. Rendered by Owner	Assessed to Unknown Owner	Total	Rendered by Owner	Assessed to Unknown Owner	Total
1.	42428	7760	50188	43705	7550	51255
2.	25669	4180	29849	26327	4240	30567
3.	5450	1600	7050	5835	1280	7115
4.	11955	3761	15716	16520	3140	19660
5.	1032		1032	1392		1392
6.	13427	2100	15527	10691	11090	21781
7.	7101	3820	10921	10976	6220	17196
Totals	107072	23221	130293	115446	33320	148966

We received the above as an unsigned letter in an envelope of the Carlsbad Commercial Club. We do not vouch for the correctness of the above figures as they are not verified by anybody, but believe they are about correct.

for the prosperity of the whole valley. This does not mean that Artesia should lie down in her fight for a county seat, nor that she should submit without vigorous and protracted protest against any discrimination either in the matter of taxes, or in the expenditure of public money. We believe we were right in demanding the new county, we believe it was essential to the best development of this part of the country and highly expedient to the advancement of the whole valley. We ought to have a bridge, and we ought to get one right now. There is neither equity nor common sense in depriving us of such a structure. We should also have other public improvements; and we demand a square deal in all things. But we are going after them in the proper way, with irrefutable argument and with the support of the community in the cause of right. We haven't a word to say against the natural advantages of Carlsbad, we are glad that the dam is opened, for it is another great attraction in the wonderful Pecos Valley. We are quite willing that prospective purchasers look over the land under irrigation there, and compare it with our land and our advantages for we have nothing to fear from such a comparison.

Do Not Crowd the Season

The first warm days of spring bring with them a desire to get out and enjoy the exhilarating air and sunshine. Children that have been housed up all winter are brought out and you wonder where they all came from. The heavy winter clothing is thrown aside and many shed their flannels. Then a cold wave comes and people say that grip is epidemic. Colds at this season are even more dangerous than in mid-winter, as there is much more danger of pneumonia. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, however, and you will have nothing to fear. It always cures, and we have never known a cold to result in pneumonia when it was used. It is pleasant and safe to take. Children like it. For sale by City Drug Store.

Notice School Election

Notice is hereby given that on the first Tuesday in April to-wit on the second day thereof an election will be held for the purpose of electing one School Director who shall be elected and hold office for the term of three years.

Said election will take place between the hours of eight (8) a. m. and five (5) p. m. on the day first above mentioned in this notice and will be held on the north side of Main Street between 2nd and 3rd street in the building known as the Artesia Hotel.

J. C. Cage, Chairman.
B. F. Brown, Sec. Protem.
Board of Directors of Artesia Public School.

A PLEASANT PARTY

A large number of young folks were delightfully entertained Tuesday night by Miss Ella Hyatt at her home in this city. The evening was spent playing games, singing, and playing the piano. A graphophone which rendered harmonious music with singular clearness was one of the features of the evenings entertainment.

Delicious refreshments were served. When the guests at last reluctantly terminated the enjoyable affair by taking their departure they were all prepared to vote Miss Hyatt a delightful hostess.

How To Remain Young

To continue young in health and strength, do as Mrs. N. F. Rowan, McDonough, Ga. did. She says: "Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured me of chronic liver and stomach trouble complicated with such an unhealthy condition of the blood that my skin turned red as flannel. I am now practically 20 years younger than before I took Electric Bitters. I can now do all my work with ease and assist in my husband's store." Guaranteed at Pecos Valley Drug Store. Price 50c.

Robert M. Love spent several days here this week.
W. R. Allen and Claude Porter spent a day in Hagerman this week.

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CONDENSED REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE
FIRST NATIONAL BANK
OF ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO, AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS
MARCH 22, 1907.

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts	Capital Stock paid up
Overdrafts	Surplus Fund
U. S. Bonds and Premiums thereon	Undivided Profits
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	Less Expenses and Taxes paid
Cash and due from Banks	Circulating Notes secured by U. S. Bonds
5 per cent Redemption Fund	Due to National Banks
	Deposits
Total	Total

The above statement is correct.

With pleasure the directors of the First National Bank of Artesia call attention of patrons and others to the above statement made to the Comptroller of the Currency under call of march 22, 1907, showing a satisfactory increase in business since last statement and that the bank has abundant resources to accommodate the needs of its customers.

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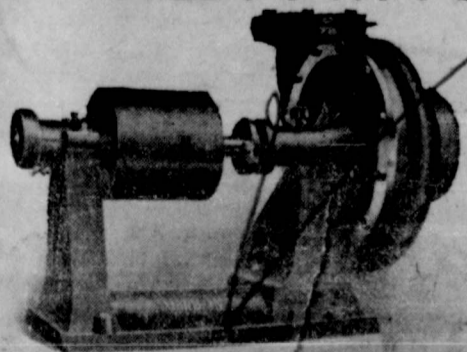
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At The Churches

Church Directory.

BAPTIST CHURCH—T. James, Pastor: Preaches every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Junior Union at 3 p. m., B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

M. E. CHURCH SOUTH—J. H. Messer, pastor. Sunday school 9:45 a. m.; preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Junior Epworth League 3 p. m. Senior Epworth League 6:45 p. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST—J. M. Blalock, Pastor. Lord's Day Meetings. Bible School 9:30 a. m., W. F. Swartz, Superintendent. Communion and Preaching 11 a. m. Junior Endeavor 3 p. m., Mrs. W. F. Swartz, Superintendent. Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m., Miss Nannie Ross, President. Officers' Meetings. First Lord's Day in each month, C. L. Heath, Chairman of Board. Week Day Meetings. Ladies Aid, First and Third Tuesday, 2:30 p. m., Mrs. J. B. Atkeon, President. Prayer Meeting, Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Bible Class (outline work) and Song Rehearsal Friday 7:30 p. m.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—E. E. Mathes, pastor. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. preaching 11 a. m. Y. P. S. C. E. 6:00 p. m.; preaching, 7:00.

CATHOLIC CHURCH—Rev. Father Robert, pastor. Mass at 10 a. m. on the first Sunday of each month. Prayer every Sunday at 10 o'clock a. m.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH—Rev. E. McQueen Gray, Rector in charge. Services at the Baptist church the second Sunday of each month at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

The Sermon on the Mount.

At the Christian church Sunday night Rev. J. M. Blalock delivered a sermon on the Sermon on the Mount; this being one of a series of discourses on the same subject.

The central idea developed was that we should live our Christian principles and follow the example of our Lord and Savior whose acts are the models from which we should pattern our lives.

The text taken was Matt. 7:21. "Not every man that saith unto me Lord, Lord shall enter into the Kingdom of heaven but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven."

In substance and in part Rev. Blalock said:

Our Lord was not unmindful of the necessity of having a firm foundation for the Kingdom which he was to establish on earth.

When Jesus said to His disciples: "Whom do you say I am," and Peter had answered "Thou art Christ, the Son of the Living God;" Jesus said, "Blessed art thou Simon Bar-Jona, because flesh and blood hath not revealed it to thee, but my Father which art in heaven, and I say to thee thou art Peter, and upon this Rock I will build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it, and I will give to thee the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven." This rock referred to was the truth which Peter in behalf of the apostles had just stated, namely, "That He was Christ, the Son of the Living God."

We have in this world many philosophies in regard to the meaning of scriptural texts. There is but one way to learn the meaning of the text and that is to examine the example set by Jesus Christ and the construction placed upon it by the apostles. We have many societies built in the principles of benevolence and fraternity.

If a man desires to join one of these say the Masons, Odd Fellows, Pythians or Woodmen he learns the conditions and conforms to them. So when one desires to enter the Church of Christ he conforms to the conditions. Our Lord gave the apostles the power of binding and loosing, so that where we find discipline bound or loosed by them we know that it is in accordance with divine will. Now, it is not enough to say I believe, but we must exemplify in our daily lives the faith there is in us.

Christ in the text does not say, he that believeth shall be saved, but "He that doeth the will of My Father; Nay more, He says "not every one that saith Lord shall enter the Kingdom of Heaven" and immediately afterwards adds that "he that heareth and doeth not shall be like the foolish man who built a house on the sand." This shows that it is necessary to do as well as to believe.

And Jesus did work as well as preach. For every precept He gave an example. Not content with preaching composition He fed the multitude.

When the disciples of St John the Baptist came to ask Art thou He that is to come or Look we for another? Jesus answered, "Go relate to John what you have heard and seen, the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are made clean, the deaf hear, the dead rise again, to the poor the Gospel is preached.

On the day of Pentecost, after the multitude had their conscience aroused, they said "Men and brethren what must we do to be saved?" Peter did not say believe for their question indicated that they already believed; he said: "Repent and be baptised, every one of you."

Rev. Blalock closed with an exhortation to accept the teaching of the Bible to repent for the sins and to live up to the maxims enunciated in the Sermon on the Mount.

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Notice is hereby given that Cyrus Eakman, of Canyon City, Randall Co., Texas, assignee of William S. Moore, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 571, for the S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 29 and N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 32 T. 17 S., R. 26 E., before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner at his office in Artesia, N. M., on Saturday, the 4th day of May, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:
 E. A. Cox, E. A. Clayton, C. B. McCree T. J. McCree all of Artesia New Mex.
 Howard Leland, Register.

Notice For Publication

Department of the Interior,
 Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico
 March 14, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Joshua F. White of Artesia, New Mexico, has filed notice of his intention to make final computation proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 5132 made May 15, 1904, for the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 55, Township 16 South, Range 26 East, and that said proof will be made before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner, at his office in Artesia, N. M., on May 4, 1904.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz:
 John R. Blair, David D. Temple, Albert Williams, of Artesia, New Mex. John Wolcott, of Lake Arthur, New Mex.
 Howard Leland, Register.

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 March 14, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Thomas J. Dav's of Hope, New Mexico, has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 1474 made Aug. 6, 1900, for the South East Quarter of Section 15, Township 17 South, Range 21 East, and that said proof will be made before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner, at his office in Artesia, N. M., on May 4, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz:
 Joseph T. Fanning, Simeon N. White, Will S. Gibos, David M. Low all of Hope New Mexico.
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Notice is hereby given that Lewis E. Ayers, of Artesia, New Mexico, has filed notice of his intention to make final computation proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 5294 made August 6, 1904, for the North East Quarter of Section 14, Township 17 South, Range 24 East, and that said proof will be made before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner, at his office in Artesia, N. M., on April 6, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz:
 Joseph N. Kemp, W. P. Bowman, John Price, L. W. Martin, all of Artesia, N. M.
 HOWARD LE LAND, Register.

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 February 20, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Margaret O. Teibot, of Artesia, Eddy county, New Mexico, assignee of James T. Lacy, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 1337, for the N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 19, T. 16 S., R. 26 E., before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner, at his office in Artesia, N. M., on Friday, the 5th day of April, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:
 John P. Lowry, L. C. Robertson, Enos P. McCormick, William C. McBride, all of Artesia, N. M.
 Howard Leland, Register.

Notice For Publication.

Department of the Interior,
 Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico,
 February 20, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Hudson A. Porter, of Artesia, New Mexico, has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 2393 made March 19, 1902, for the North West Quarter of Section 28, Township 17 South, Range 26 East, and that said proof will be made before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner, at his office in Artesia, N. M., on April 5, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz:
 John B. Cecil, J. B. Bruce, Edward F. Phillips, John P. Dyer, all of Artesia, N. M.
 HOWARD LE LAND, Register.

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 February 20, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that John P. Lowry, of Artesia, Eddy county, N. M., assignee of Robert W. Yeargin, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 1365, for the S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 19, T. 16 S., R. 55 E., before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner, at his office in Artesia, N. M., on Friday, the 5th day of April, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:
 Gayle Talbot, L. C. Robertson, Enos P. McCormick, William C. McBride, all of Artesia, N. M.
 HOWARD LE LAND, Register.

