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The Advocate is published in the Pecos Valley of New Mexico, in the center of the flowing well district. The wells flow from 500 to 5,000 gallons of pure water per minute.

The Twisting of The Argus

The Carlsbad Argus which first started the crusade for two bridges has repudiated its former position and come out against the bridge bonds for the alleged reason that they would saddle to heavy a debt on the taxpayers.

This necessary public improvement always increases property values so as to secure more public revenue than before said improvement was made, is of course, beyond the depth of the Argus, genius. But while the real benefit of the bridges are probably not fully realized by him, his position is none the less dishonest. Listen:

"The people of the north end of the county want a bridge across the Pecos river at some convenient point, and as such conveniences, the Argus opinion that their request, when should be granted. Apropos of the lower end of the county, also a bridge across the same stream, at a point where Green street touches the river, leading to the plains country. Both bridges should be allowed by the county commissioners."—Carlsbad Argus Nov. 11, 1913.

This position the Argus kept until its issue of January 11, 1917 when the county fight began to get warm. Red then proclaimed the following:

"Across and the north end of the county need a bridge at some convenient point across the Pecos river, and should get it. Carlsbad, too, needs another bridge across the same stream at the point where the old structure formerly stood, and it, too, should be built. But the question is: Can the county afford it at this time?"

This was evidently prompted by the condition of the new county movement, in fact it was admitted by many in Carlsbad that no bond election would be called pending the settlement of the county question. Still Red destined to avow the need of a bridge.

The following week the Argus clearly intimated that it would oppose the bridge because we were asking for county division.

How much sincerity there is in Argus' assertion that it opposes the issue on the ground of economy can be judged from the fact that week before last it favored building two bridges; one at Dayton, one at Lakewood and then, possibly a third one at Artesia. Its recent intimation that we don't need a bridge belies its repeated former declarations that the structure was needed here. It is willing to injure the interest of its own town to hurt Artesia. For downright depravity the Argus does not equal the Sun and the Current; but it in the matter of prevarication, and of "jack-leg" journalism generally, it has no peer.

Attend musical by Misses Cooper and Garrett at Christian Church next Tuesday night admission 15 and 25 cents. Tickets on sale at Pecos Valley Drug Store.

Artesia, Carlsbad And the Bridge.

Whatever may have been said in the late county controversy, the people of Artesia have no desire to hurt Carlsbad. While the permanent interests of the people here may differ from the temporary interests of the people there on the question of separation, Artesians feel that we should always cooperate to secure anything mutually beneficial to both towns and to Eddy county.

Commercially there is no conflict between the two. What benefits one helps the other. Both need bridges. There is just as much reason for cooperation there in as as there is in the fight for lower freight rates or for any other improvements that cooperate for the common benefit of both.

The large bridge petition signed at Carlsbad indicates the need of a bridge at that point and Artesia is willing that it should be built. We are practically all in favor of its construction in connection with Artesia's bridge.

We are satisfied that the utterances of the Carlsbad newspapers represent the sentiments of a very small per cent of the people of that city. One of the newspapers of that town justifies its attitude on the ground that because some things have been said against Carlsbad in the heat of controversy, it is justified in attacking Artesia. Yet this very paper is the one that begun the controversy by attacking the resources of Artesia, and it is to blame for any results that may have sprung from its utterances.

Artesia has never attacked the resources of Carlsbad. The report of the Artesia publicity committee wherein our claim for a new county were set forth paid a tribute to the resources of that town.

The Advocate has never failed to point out the advantages of our sister city to the south and the immense benefits she would derive from the construction of the Avalon dam. We adhere to these assertions because they are true; though we confess we were sorely tempted to do otherwise by the false statements of Carlsbad papers in regards to Artesia.

We have sharply rebuked the selfconstituted journalistic mouthpieces of Carlsbad for their misrepresentations and distortions, but we have carefully discriminated between them and the community in which they exist.

We need a bridge; Carlsbad needs a bridge. We ought to cooperate in securing them.

GLORIOUS FOURTH

Will Be Celebrated In The Most Patriotic Manner

BY THE PEOPLE OF ARTESIA

Preparation are under way to celebrate our country's natal day with all kinds of doings.

For some time there has been a movement on foot to get up such a celebration. This culminated in a big mass meeting held in the office of Judge Albert Blake Thursday night.

It was unanimously decided to celebrate and a committee of five was appointed consisting of Hugh M. Gage, Harry W. Hamilton, Olin H. Ragsdale, J. G. Osburn and Gayle Talbot.

Another public meeting will be held at Judge Blake's office Saturday night April 20 when the committee will report progress. Further action will then be taken.

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Woman's Club

The attendance at the Wednesday meeting of the Womens Club was above the average. Mrs. Robt. M. Ross was hostess. Mrs. Phillips a former member was a visitor and the one Honorary Member, Mrs. Annie A. Kemp, was present. Besides these and the hostess, were Mesdames Hodges, Martin, McCrary, Dyer, Beckham, Fatherree, Orr, Skaer, Atkeson, Kemp, Gilbert and Schwartz. The Lesson Synopsis of certain scenes from "Hamlet" was particularly lucid as presented by Mrs. Idier. The class reading and comments filled the next place on the program which had as its special feature a discussion, Resolved, "That Hamlet and Ophelia loved each other." In this Mrs. G. U. McCrary had the affirmative and Mrs. John P. Dyer the negative and as this was a subject especially suited to Woman's judgment it was one of the most interesting numbers of the entire year. They brought out amusing and valuable points not apparent to the casual reader.

The resignation of Mrs. McNatt was accepted with great reluctance. She has proved a capable member and was Treasurer of the Club. Mrs. Keimath was received into the club as a new member and Mrs. Talbot who was obliged by other duties to give up work the past year was gladly welcomed back for the coming year's study.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Schwartz, April 24.

Death of Mrs. Medlock

On the morning of April 3 Mrs. J. N. Medlock of Coleman was fatally injured by being thrown from a carriage and she died that night. According to the Coleman Voice Mrs. Medlock and her husband were seated in a carriage in front of the postoffice when the horse became frightened at an automobile. Mr. Medlock jumped out and tried to hold the animal, but as it grew more frantic he told his wife to jump. This she did. It is believed that her feet became entangled in a hitching strap and she was thrown violently to the ground fracturing her skull and causing concussion of the brain.

Mrs. Louise Medlock was the daughter of Mr. and G. P. Cleveland of Artesia. She was married to J. N. Medlock March 11. And the honeymoon had not yet past when her death occurred. She leaves four children by a former husband W. H. Dess, who died four years ago. Interment took place at Coleman April 5.

The Advocate joins the people of Artesia in extending sympathy to the bereaved relatives of Mrs. Medlock in this sad occasion.

Homer Humphries Passes away

Monday, Homer Humphries died of tuberculosis in Coleman, Texas. Mr. Humphries is a son-in-law of Judge A. V. Logan and wife of this city. He has been ailing for some time and his death was not unexpected.

Mr. and Mrs. Logan had just returned from Coleman Sunday.

Mr. Humphries was one of the early residents of Artesia and had many friends here. In fact all who knew him were his friends. The Advocate extends its sympathy to his family and relatives.

The Hibernian Joke of Carlsbad says, "Artesia**** opposed everything here in Carlsbad, and lied about the lower valley and it is about time the worm turned, and the outfit take a little of its own medicine," that is it is time Artesia was lied about. Evidently the rapparee believes this, for he is peddling perversions of fact at a frightful rate. The trouble with Mullane is that he is lying about the necessity of lying about Artesia.

The Advocate didn't insinuate that Tom Waller did not depart himself properly at Santa Fe as the Argus charges it did. The Lakewood Progress said Tom evidently had a good time that he was wined and dined occasionally and that he believed he was sorry it is all over. What is your construction of all this, Mr. Reed.

Citation by Publication

John B. King vs M. O. Ricketts Assumpsit by Attachment, in Justice Court of Precinct Number 6, of Eddy County New Mexico, before J. E. Swepston J. P.

To M. O. Ricketts, defendant in the above styled and numbered cause:

WHEREAS, suit by attachment was instituted in the justice court of precinct Number 6, of Eddy County, New Mexico, before J. E. Swepston, Justice of the Peace, against you by John B. King on the 28 day of March A. D. 1907 and WHEREAS, upon your failure to appear before the said court on the return of the said writ, it was ordered by the said J. E. Swepston Justice of the Peace, that you be cited by publication as the law directs.

THEREFORE, I hereby give you notice that on the 23 day of March, A. D. 1907, a writ of attachment was issued against you and your property from justice court of precinct Number 6 Eddy County, New Mexico, in which court suit is pending wherein John B. King is plaintiff and yourself defendant, in an action of assumpsit for the sum of \$15.00; that your property has been attached to satisfy the sum of fifteen dollars and cost of suit; that unless you appear before the said J. E. Swepston, Justice of the Peace, at his office in the town of Artesia, New Mexico, on the 25 day of April 1907, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., and show cause to the contrary, judgment will be taken against you for the said amount of \$15.00 and all costs of suit, and your property will be sold to satisfy said judgment.

WITNESS MY HAND OFFICIALLY, this the 3 day of April 1907.

G. T. Bane, Constable Precinct No. 6 Eddy Co. N. M.

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 commutation proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 5132 made May 13, 1904, for the SW 1/4 NE 1/4, SE 1/4 NW 1/4, NE 1/4 SW 1/4 and NW 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 35, 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.

Declamatory Contest.

The gold medals offered by E. N. Skaer, Redford & Mann, The Bank of Artesia are on exhibition in the show window at the City Drug Store. Go and see them and then you will decide that they are worth working for.

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Table with 2 columns: RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Resources include Loans and Discounts, Overdrafts, U. S. Bonds and Premiums, etc. Liabilities include Capital Stock paid up, Surplus Fund, etc.

The above statement is correct.

R. M. Ross.

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 very 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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 Department of the Interior, Office at Roswell, New Mexico, March 14, 1907.
 It is hereby given that Thomas J. Hope, New Mexico, has filed proof in support of his claim, viz: Lead Entry No. 1474 made Aug. 15, for the South East Quarter of 15, Township 17 South, Range 15, and that said proof will be before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner, at his office in Artesia, N. M., on May 4, 1907.
 Names the following witnesses to his continuous residence upon, and location of, the land, viz:
 H. T. Fanning, Simeon N. White, Albert Blake, David M. Lowell of Hope, N. M.
 Howard Leland, Register.

Notice For Publication
 (Desert Land, Final Proof)
 United States Land Office, Roswell, New Mexico, March 14, 1907.
 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. 1571, for the S 1/4 Sec. 29 and N 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec. 29 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.

It Is Now Clayton & Dyer

E. Robin has retired from the firm of Robin & Dyer, and Cecil Clayton who bought out his share in the partnership has taken his place.

Because of our aplomb in dealing with the truth, the Argus says we are careless in handling that article. Not at all. You are only afraid through your unfamiliarity with the article. Truth isn't dangerous to habitual users. Try it and see. In your case it may seem awkward at first but "try, try, again." Get the habit.

The Library Board was fortunate in securing Misses Cooper and Garrett. Hear them night of April 16 at Christian Church. Admission 15 and 25 cents. Get Tickets at Pecos Valley Drug Store.

Wednesday evening Otto Nelson was seriously hurt while breaking in a young horse. He was thrown from the rig, his foot caught in the lines and he was dragged about a mile. Several ribs were broken. Drs. Baker & Dunaway dressed his injuries. He is doing well and will recover.

BAPTIST REVIVAL

Large Attendance At Meetings: Much Interest

The Baptist revivals which have been going on for the past two weeks are being attended with increasing interest.

The early part of last week the resident pastor, Rev. T. J. James conducted the meeting. Friday and Saturday Rev. Vermillion of Roswell occupied the pulpit to the edification of the congregation.

This week, Rev. G. B. Airhart of Merrell, Texas; one of the most noted pulpit orators of the Southwest has charge of the meetings.

Rev. Airhart will conduct services until next Friday, at least.

At the Catholic Church.

"What ever is born of God over cometh the world: and this is the victory which overcometh the world our faith." John. v: 4 was the text from which Father Robert Kalt preached at St. Anthony's Catholic Church Sunday. On substance and in part Father Kalt said:

It was formerly the custom for neophytes who has been baptised on the Holy Saturday, to remove on this Sunday, the first Sunday after Easter, the white garment which they had worn until then since their baptism.

In the course of time a custom grew up under which Catholics on this occasion renewed the promises made by them, either in person or by their sponsors at baptism. On this day it is well for all of us to recall those promises, and see whether we are fulfilling the obligations we incurred. In the sacrament of baptism we renounce Satan with all his work and all his pomps. Unless we renounce the works of Satan we do not renounce Satan himself. For how can we repudiate him and perform his work.

In renouncing the Devil, we also renounce his confederates. The world is a confederate of the devil. Those who possess a worldly spirit are led away from the truth. Have you always listened to the voice of conscience when tempted to sin and to desert the service of the Lord? Have you not often followed the world and the Devil rather than God?

We also promised to renounce sin for all sin is a work of the Devil. We promised to renounce the pomps of the Devil; of these pride is the greatest. Though this our first parents lost their innocence, are we not sometimes proud? do we not often fail to do our duty because of our vanity and self love?

In our baptism we announced our faith in God and His church. This faith is necessary. St Paul says: "with out faith it is impossible to please God." We must believe all that God teaches. Our Lord commissioned His church to teach all nations. He promised that the gates of Hell should not prevail against it. Therefore in matters of faith it cannot fall into error.

But ours must be a living faith and manifested in our works and in our lives. Christ said "not every one that saith to me "Lord, Lord, shall enter the Kingdom of Heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father who is in heaven." We must therefore do good and avoid evil. We must also observe charity. St Paul says, "If I should have all faith so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing."

We must obey the commandments, and live honestly, justly and charitably. If we do our lives and our works will be among those things which are "born of God" and which "overcometh the world."

Stray Notice
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The Opening of The Great Iron Gate

This was the subject of the sermon preached at the Presbyterian Church last Sabbath morning by the Rev. John R. Gass, D. D., Synodical Missionary for the Presbyterian church in Arizona and New Mexico.

To fully appreciate the sermon, it were necessary to hear it, and to see the strong personality of the preacher in its delivery. A brief synopsis is here given, but it furnishes a very imperfect idea of what the sermon really was and nothing of the profound impression made upon the large congregation who heard it.

Acts 10: 12 was the text: "They came unto the iron gate that leadeth unto the city, which opened unto them of its own accord."

By way of introducing the subject the preacher gave a brief resume of the history of the early church leading up to the imprisonment of the Apostle Peter by Herod.

In discussing this subject he said in part:

(1) First consider WHY THE IRON GATE WAS CLOSED

1. To gratify the ambitions of a scheming and unprincipled politician. Herod saw that it pleased the Jews to persecute the followers of Jesus Christ (verse 3) and therefore "he proceeded to take Peter also." He was more interested in courting favor with the Jews than in administering justice. There was a growing discontent with Herod's administration among the Roman's and even among the Jews—and "to please the Jews" was the surest way to maintain his present official position which at this time he was in danger of losing.

2. A second element or factor had to do with "the closing of the iron gate," and that was "religious bigotry"—The Scribes and Pharisees were jealous of the growing popularity of the Disciples of Christ and sought to check their growth in every way possible and it was here their influence that Peter was put into prison.

Moral, many "Gates to Progress" are closed by the same means. Religious bigotry and sectarian spirit even today in the same way and thus "Gates" if not of iron but as effective, are often closed.

2 But notice in the second place how securely the gate was closed.

1. On his arrest Peter was thrust into the inner prison, the dungeon so to speak. 2. But as if that did not make him secure enough Herod delivered Peter into the keeping of four quaternions of soldiers, a relay of four soldiers, some say, every six hours. 3. But in addition thereto Peter is bound with two chains to two soldiers. 4. Then back of this is Herod and his official Power. 5. Back of that is Caesar and the Roman Empire. Is Peter not made fast and secure? Is it not certain that he will stay in prison, at least for a week, when Herod is to bring him forth to be executed? Wait and see. See verses 6-10 inclusive, in which we learn of Peter's release and the Gate being opened. So consider.

III. How the gate was opened. a. Negatively opened. 1. Not by the intervention of Caesar. 2. Not by the relenting of wicked Herod. 3. Not by petition from the Jews. b. But positively. By prayer, simple, earnest prayer, verse 4 instant and unceasing prayer was made by the church on his behalf. Prayer that would take no denial. Oh, the mighty power of such praying. It can remove mountains, brake chains and open prison doors and iron gates. Pray brethren, pray: 2. But to prayer was linked obedience, Peter's obedience, verses 7-10. Suppose Peter had said no to the angel, had failed to obey. The Gate would have remained closed. But he obeyed, tho' he could not understand why he should attempt to rise when he was chained there to two soldiers. He might have reasoned, "What's the use, I'll be killed if I attempt to escape, and even if I can get away from these two soldiers I can't make good my escape for there's the Iron Gate, closed, locked and barred."

But no. There was prompt and implicit obedience, and when Peter and the angel came to it, the gate opened unto them of its own accord. Oh, here is a lesson for us, the lesson of obedience. We must "trust and obey." All things work together for good to God's children, but we must work with them.

IV. Let us now notice the effect produced by the opening of the Gate I. Upon Peter himself. Now I know, etc., verse 11. Assurance. Peter might have doubted. He might have thought, "God has forgotten." But now he knows that God has not forgotten, etc. 2. Upon Rhoda, gladness. She ran and told them Peter was there, verse 13 and 14. 3. Upon the church, verse 15 and 16. God was better than their prayers, better than their faith, better than they thought. They were astonished. Brethren, are we ever surprised when our prayers are answered? 4. Upon the kingdom. When it became known that Peter was released the Disciples were greatly rejoiced, and no doubt thanked God and took courage. Let us learn the lesson that no hour is so dark and no circumstance so untoward that God will not graciously lead us safely thro' if we only trust and obey.

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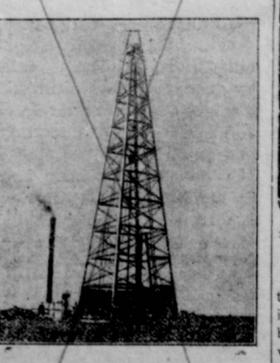
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All kinds of drayage work and hauling. Baggage transferred.

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General Trading Store when in Hope. We will talk to you about anything.

For Sale—Five room house, two blocks of ground close in, chickens, and all household furniture and utensils Dr Richardson

Pure fruit juices (no extracts) is the flavoring that goes into every ice cream soda we make at Pecos Valley Drug Co.

MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT

To Be Given at Christian Church
Next Tuesday Night By
El Paso Talent

The ladies of the Library Board will give a high class musical entertainment at the Christian Church on Tuesday night, April 16th. Miss Helen Cooper the well known vocal soloist will sing. Miss Elizabeth Garrett will play the accompaniments.

The standing of Miss Cooper in El Paso musical circles is shown by the following opinion of all the daily news papers in El Paso:

"On Wednesday the Woman's Club met in social session. Miss Helen Cooper opened the program with a vocal solo. Miss Cooper possesses a voice of rare power and her solo was most enthusiastically received."—The Times.

"Miss Cooper sang 'Burst Ye Apple Buds' with her usual

grace and originality. This young lady would be a star on the lyric stage, if she should consider such a career. Her voice is a 'big' voice, suited to either church music or large assemblage halls. She has a fine middle register, the note that tell most and are needed most in singing and Miss Cooper's voice is of the texture that lasts when put to the test. As a public singer her voice would rise with the years."—The News.

"Miss Helen Cooper, accompanied by the full Mexican band, sang a solo selection, La Golandrin, which called forth an enthusiastic encore. Miss Cooper never sang in more delightful voice. Her notes rang clear as silver bell and the El Pasoans present were proud of their charming vocalist."—The Herald.

Special Rates To Roswell, N. M.
For the annual meeting of the Panhandle Stockmen's Convention, to be held at Roswell, New Mexico, April 16th, 17th, and 18th, the Pecos Valley Lines will sell round trip tickets at greatly reduced rates: the fare from Artesia to Roswell and return will be \$1.70. Tickets on Sale April 14th to 17th inclusive, return limit April 20th, 1907.

Yours truly,
D. L. Meyers,
Traffic Manager.

EURKEKA

Yes, I Have Found it at Last

Found what? Why that Chamberlain's Salve cures eczema and all manner of itching of the skin. I have been afflicted for many years with skin disease. I had to get up three or four times every night and wash with cold water to allay the terrible itching, but since using this salve in December, 1905, the itching has stopped and has not troubled me.—ELDER JOHN T. ONCLEY, Rootville, Pa. For sale by City Drug Store.

Sunday Dinner at Artesia Hotel

The Artesia, the leading hotel of the city will hereafter give a special Sunday dinner, from 12 to 2 o'clock local time at regular price. Also board and room \$1.50 per day. Meals 35 cents.

Board and room \$7.00 a week or \$25.00 a month.

Auction of Dry Goods Cutlery and Spices.

On Saturday, April 20 at 1:30 o'clock p. m. Putnam Brothers will hold an auction sale of dry goods, cutlery and all kinds of dry goods at the Unecda Grocery store. Come out and buy at a bargain.

China ware, crockery and a big stock of clothing will be sold.

Notice For Publication.

(Desert Land, Final Proof)
United States Land Office,
Roswell, New Mexico,
April 10, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that John P. Lowry, of Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico, assignee of Robert W. Yergin, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 1365, for the S 1/2 Sw 1/4 and S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 19, T. 16 S., R. 26 E., before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner at his office in Artesia, N. M., on Monday, the 20th day of May, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:
Gayle Talbot, L. C. Robertson, Enos P. McCormick and William C. McBride all of Artesia, New Mexico.

Howard Leland Register.

Local and Personal

All wagons at Clayton & Dyer strictly at cost price.

Carl Mull was in Carlsbad Monday.

Jo Jacobson was in Carlsbad Wednesday night.

J. C. Hall went to Lake Arthur Monday.

Richards does best horse-shoeing.

The Big Jo Lumber Co. is having all its building painted.

Buy a buggy at cost at Clayton & Dyer's.

T. A. Merrill was in Roswell Tuesday.

Get your buggy painted by J. O. Richards the blacksmith.

Dr. Dunaway and Attorney J. B. Atkeson were in Roswell Wednesday.

F. S. Stuart returned to his home in Denver Colorado Thursday.

Harry E. Mull went to Carlsbad Monday afternoon returning Tuesday.

Cold and refreshing is the good old root beer served at our fountain. P. V. Drug Co.

Robt. Yergin left for Deming N. M. with 225 thoroughbred Hereford cattle last week.

E. R. Gesler in drilling an artesian well for G. R. Brainard near the Penasco.

Mrs. Moots and daughter of Lake Arthur were in Artesia Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Smith and children of Lake Arthur were in Artesia Wednesday.

Mrs. S. B. Dyer still makes the best bread, cake pies and pastry in the Pecos Valley.

David S. M. Enochs is building an addition to the residence on the old Norfleet farm.

T. N. Cornell is painting the store occupied by the Artesia Feed, Fuel & Grocery Co.

William Allen is having the residence occupied by William Dooley treated to a new coat of paint.

Say Bill get one of Clayton & Dyer's buggies and take Angelina out to the ball park. The buggies are selling at cost.

Dr. A. L. Norfleet Dr. J. D. Enfield, J. D. H. Reed and W. L. Kemp went fishing on seven rivers Tuesday.

Better call up No. 5 and have a talk with them about that gasoline stove. It may save you serious trouble later on.

This week has witnessed the best soda business of the year at P. V. Drug Co. There is a reason.

J. C. Elliott was down from Weed Wednesday. He says lumber business is fine. He has recently disposed of 50,000 feet of lumber at Roswell.

Miss Blanche Record left Thursday morning for Bloomington Ill. where she will take charge of her father's china store.

The Pecos Valley Drug Co. is again serving healthful Prima Tonic. It is guaranteed under the pure-food law.

Frank Ambrose left for an extended trip Thursday. He goes to Portales then to Missouri and finally to San Francisco.

Harry W. Hamilton went to Amarillo Thursday to meet his family who were returning from San Antonio, Texas where they have been visiting some months. They returned last night.

Well Supervisor Harry E. Mull went to Roswell Thursday to consult with W. E. Wilson Supervisor of Chaves and Roosevelt counties.

Herr Spieglerberger has droubles of his own. That is what you'll have if you don't get your hauling done by Jack Hook successor of Lee Turknett & Son.

Hugh Gage and J. O. Richards went fishing on the Penasco the first of the week. They caught "oodles" of fish.

C. P. Echols of the Artesia Machine Shop went to Lake Arthur Monday to repair several engines and other machinery.

Miss Elizabeth Garrett played Miss Coopers accompaniments with the appreciable delicacy of touch and modulation she being a singer knows so well how to execute.—El Paso Evening News. At christian church next Tuesday night April 16. Admission 15 and 25 cents. Tickets for sale at Pecos Valley Drug Store.

D. L. Guyer, who for several years has been receiver at the public land office in Roswell, has since the expiration of his term decided to remain in Roswell and go into business. He has opened an office opposite the land office in the room formerly occupied by Karl Snyder and will be prepared to make out all kinds of land papers and transact other business for land office patrons, homesteaders, etc. His long experience in the land office certainly should be a guarantee of accuracy in this line.—Roswell Record.

RENO THE MAGICIAN

At Presbyterian Church In Lecture Course Next Thursday Night

The third in the series of lecture course entertainment will be given at the Presbyterian church next Thursday night April 18th.

Reno is classed among the very best of living masters of legerdemain.

The following are samples selected at random from a great number of favorable press notices.

"The Reno Novelty entertainment was the most successful of the season. Audience delighted.—O. J. Titus, Manager, Sullivan, Ill."

"Reno, the magician, does his work smoothly, presents his feats in a refined and pleasing manner, and keeps his audience in a state of continual merriment and surprise. He is surely a master of his art.—Little Rock, Ark. Gazette, Dec. 30, 1905."

Bitton by a Spider

Through blood poisoning caused by a bite, John Washington of Bosqueville, Texas would have lost his leg, which became a mass of running sores, had he not been persuaded to try Bucklen's Arnica Salve. He writes: "The first application relieved, and four boxes healed all the sores." 25c. Guaranteed at Pecos Valley drugist.

Gentle and Effective

A well-known Manitoba editor writes: "As an inside worker I find Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets invaluable for the touches of biliousness natural to sedentary life, their action being gentle and effective, clearing the digestive tract and the head." Price, 25 cents. Samples free. City Drug Store.

Read the Richards ad. He does all kinds of blacksmith work.

Classified Ads

Furnished room to rent, inquire of Mrs. Culy Hircock.

For all kinds of draying and transfer work, phone 32 for Lewis & Putnam,

White Wyandotte Eggs for setting, 50c for 15. Mrs. Culy Hircock.

FOR RENT—80 acres of good land, with water and two room house. Enquire of P. K. Hendix 2wp1w Artesia New Mex.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Automatic shot gun first class condition web belt 100 smokeless shell, Cost \$41.75; \$27.00 buys same, address Box 123 Artesia N. M.

FOR SALE CHEAP: (or exchange for good span horses and mules) up-to-date furniture; nothing nicer in valley, all new, a bargain, See Geo. Batton at store.

FOR SALE—9 good pigs, 6 weeks old. E. O. Witmer.

ATTENTION FARMERS—I have a good binder and have a power hay press ordered and want to cut your oats, etc., and bale your hay. J. R. Creath.

HOTEL CLERK WANTED—A good reliable man for hotel clerk. Apply at Gibson Hotel.

FOR SALE—160 acres 4 miles from Lake Arthur, fenced and ditched, with 90 foot well, good water, price \$5 per acre. Address Kennicott, Box 216, or telephone Kennicott Bros. ranch.

HOURS TO RENT

We have several nice residences to rent.

Sweepston & Orr.
Office in Bank of Artesia.

FOR SALE CHEAP

Ranch in best cattle country in New Mexico also 500 head of cattle for particulars see or write.

John Rice, Artesia N. M.

WANTED—Man and wife on ranche, owner will furnish house, water, land for garden, and pay wages to wife for housework, man for farm work. Apply P. O. Box 216 or telephone Kennicott ranch.

FOR SALE—1 Rotary Rig Corsicana make, in good condition will sell cheap or trade; if interested call or address,

J. F. Sanford, Dayton, New Mexico.

Work Wanted

I am prepared to do plowing or ditching for assessment or crops.

M. O. Tuttle Artesia N. M.

Attention Farmers.

I have a good eight foot binder and good teams to pull it and want to cut your oats, etc.

J. R. Creath.

Dray Line

I have put on a low two horse wagon for hauling pianos and household goods. Give me a call. Phone 24.

T. T. KUYKENDALL

Pasture For Rent.

I want 100 head of horses to pasture. Plenty of salt and grama grass and good fresh water.

J. K. HASTIE, 6 miles Southeast of Artesia. P. O. address Artesia, N. M.

Relinquishment for Sale

I am offering the southeast quarter of section 17 Town 18 Range 25 in the Penasco Valley for five dollars per acre, cash.

This is a bargain and some one will double his money within a year.

E. E. McNatt
Artesia N. M.

Farmers Call At Broom Factory

I have moved my broom factory into the old Tom Logan Tin Shop next door to the bakery on Main Street and will furnish brooms direct to consumer at reasonable prices.

Call and see me about a farmers organization.

W. B. Naylor

Cellars and cisterns cemented cisterns hold water; drop a Geo. W. Brown; New Mexico.

One horse hay sale cheap. In good condition. C. S. Hoffman.

The Price of Health

"The price of health in this district is just 25 cents; the box of Dr. King's New Life Pills cleanses gently and new life and vigor to the system. Satisfaction guaranteed at Pecos Valley Drug Store.

Contest Notice

Department of the United States Land Office, Roswell, N. M., March 6, 1907.

A sufficient contest affidavit has been filed in this office by Daniel, contestant, against the land entry No. 8309, made 1906, for SW 1/4 Section 12, T. 17 S., Range 21 E., by C. Ernest enhoven, Contestee, in which he alleged that said C. Ernest enhoven never established his residence on said land as required by law, and abandoned it for more than six months prior to date of said affidavit.

The said contestant having proper affidavit, filed April 1, 1907, and the hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m., on May 15, 1907, before the Receiver at the United States Land Office in Roswell, N. M.

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