

# The Artesia Advocate

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## PETITION

### POSTPONED

Action On Prohibition Deferred Until Crandall Returns.

The prohibitory petition was presented to the town board Wednesday night. Rev. Blalock made the presentation in a brief speech, followed by a short talk by Rev. Mathes. The matter was laid over until the return of Mayor Crandall.

Rev. Blalock said a statement made by him relative to the advisability of submitting the matter to a vote had been misunderstood. He wanted the ordinance. He had not said he hoped to get a vote on question. Council wanted such vote they could ask it. The editor of the Advocate upheld that he understood Mr. Blalock as quoted in the editorial, which read as a whole gave his understanding of matter. As Mr. Blalock said the statements were not intended to convey the meaning he (Mr. Whelan) understood, he would concede that the ministers meaning was misapprehended.

### Riley-Byrd

The Advocate doesn't make a specialty of being slow, but on copper the first prize on occasion. On May 24 we received an account of a wedding at Hope. It was too late for that issue so we laid it carefully away where we did not find it until this week. It is somewhat ancient, but here it is:

On Wednesday, May 23, 1907 a small crowd assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McAnally to witness the changing of Miss Eddie Riley's name to Mr. Wm. Byrd. The ceremony was performed at 4:30 p. m. and drove to Artesia the same evening. Mr. Byrd was formerly from Texas and came to Hope several years ago. He began working for Mr. W. P. Riley two years ago when he began working the little maid and led to the late result. Mr. Byrd is highly respected in Hope, known as an honest, good looking, hard-working young man. The bride is a typical New Mexican, the most prominent young lady in Hope, is a member of the Christian church and was a successful school ma'am in the Hope school. After the ceremony, performed by Justice of the Peace J. R. Cannon, the were presented with valuable gifts. We extend to them our congratulations, wishing their joy unmolested.

### Notice

All members of Co. B. 34th Regiment will meet at the W. O. W. hall, Sunday, June 9th at 2:30 o'clock to order equipments by order of Chas. R. Echols Captain Commanding Co.

\$2500 buys 3 lots and two houses close in, renting for \$30 amonth. L. W. Martin tf

FOR SALE—Fine Percheron work stallion 4 years old, perfect condition, kind and gentle. Inquire J. H. Beckham.

Good Oklahoma property, well located, to trade for Artesia property. See L. W. Martin.

For bargains in city property, see L. W. Martin tf

100 acre relinquishment for \$100. L. W. Martin tf

## GETS CHEAP RATES

One and a Third For the Round Trip.

D. L. MEYERS MAY COME

Amarillo, Texas, June 8, 1907  
Mr. D. L. Newkirk,  
Artesia, N. M.

Dear Sir:

Replying to yours of the 4th. We will be glad to apply a rate of a fare and a third for the round trip from points on our line to Artesia for the Alfalfa Festival of June 21st and 22nd and hope that this will be of some help to your people in attracting a satisfactory attendance on this occasion.

If it is at all possible for me to do so, I will be glad to come down for the event. I do not know whether or not I will be here on the dates you mention but if I am in town will make the trip and advise you in advance.

Yours truly,  
D. L. Meyers,  
Traffic Manager

### All Should Have Committees

Drs. Culpepper and Heck were up from Dayton one day this week. Dr. Culpepper made a suggestion that is of great merit and ought to be adopted at once. He believes that each of the towns that would be benefited by the proposed dam ought to send a committee to meet the chiefs of the reclamation service at Carlsbad at the celebration. We suggest that the Artesia Commercial Club take the matter up with Dayton, Lakewood and Lake Arthur, all of whom would be benefited, as much as we would by the project.

### 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. tf

FOR SALE—Good one horse unmounted Hay Bailer, capacity 8 to 10 tons per day, will trade for good brood mare, work horse or colts, can be seen at my place seven miles north of Artesia on Cottonwood, or address, W. E. Rogers, Lake Arthur, New Mexico.

Thursday morning Harry H. Burt left for Graham, Texas, in the interest of the Aetna Exploration Co. He will visit several points in Texas and perhaps go to New Orleans. Mrs. Burt came down from Canadian this week and now visiting friends here.

300 cash, balance on easy payments, buys a good 3-room house, two lots, fenced and cross fenced, water and shed for horses and cow. L. W. Martin.

160 acres of patented land, 9 miles west of Artesia for \$1600. L. W. Martin. tf

John Price was in Hagerman in the interests of the P. V. Immigration Co. this week.

## BASE BALL BOXES

Fine Time At Ball Boys Banquet Good Financial Results

A good sized crowd attended the box supper given for the base ball boys at the Logan & Dyer hall Wednesday night.

The band played and T. R. Logan and E. A. Johnson played from time to time and finally furnished music for the ball.

Boxes sold as high as \$3.10 averaging above \$2 apiece.

A magnificent cake kindly donated by Mrs. F. A. Linell, was given to the prettiest girl, Miss Allie B. Clayton and Miss Margaret Tolleson were nominated. Their respective admirers backed their judgment by cash until \$36 was in the pot when Miss Clayton took the cake. Then after supper and voting, dancing began and continued until a late hour.

The proceeds netted nearly \$50. The success of this affair was so great and the pleasure so genuine that there is a general demand on the part of the public for a return engagement to which we are informed the management is liable to yield in the not far distant future.

### Mr. Newkirk Gets Office.

Mr. D. L. Newkirk, manager of the Pecos Valley News was this week appointed United States Commissioner. Commissioner Newkirk's office is not the same as that occupied by United States Court Commissioner Albert Blake. Both officers have concurrent jurisdiction in the business connected with the land office, but Mr. Newkirk has additional judicial duties such as trying minor offenses against the United States law and also holding preliminary trials for larger offenses.

### Has Ripe Peaches

This week Tom Logan visited the Advocate office with a sample of the peach crop now ripe on his father's trees. The fruit is large and luscious.

Brother Burnett of the Dayton Echo and Carroll Wood of the Lakewood Progress visited the Advocate office this week. Carroll was at one time on the Advocate force and figured prominently in the Collier bloodcurdling mouse episode and other similar escapades.

Six room house and three lots, good borches, good out building set in trees and partly down in alfalfa, \$1500; \$700 cash. L. W. Martin. tf

Dressmaking done by Mrs. Kate Lawrence three blocks north of Christian Church.

11 acres near town, with water 4 acres alfalfa, 3 room house for \$900. L. W. Martin tf

Mrs. N. E. Cannon went to Hereford, Texas, Friday to visit her sister, Mrs. D. C. Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. Culy Hircock are visiting in Kansas City.

W. A. Dutch went to Portales Friday on business.

## LOCAL and PERSONAL

Mrs. Brasher is putting a on her house near the depot.

Six-room house and 3 lots for \$2000, \$500 cash, balance in one year and three years. L. W.

FOR SALE—Team wagon and harness. T. R. Hayden.

When you are in need of plumbing work or plumbing supplies. See Fatherree & Enfield, successors to J. R. Blair.

Good line of organs at Barton's Second Hand Store. Some brand new. \$10 to \$40. Installment plan if desired.

Miss Gertrude K. Love of Pender, N.C. came down Wednesday with her uncle Robert M. Love.

For Sale—or rent, well established business, sales \$800 per month. See L. W. Martin. tf

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.

We have a nice line of gasoline stoves that are going at a bargain. Get one before they are all gone. Fatherree & Enfield, successors to J. R. Blair.

160 acres of patented land water right for \$1600.00 L. W. Martin.

Grant Sooter was in Roswell Friday.

C. L. Heath went to Amarillo Friday for a few days.

Mrs. Hans Olson with her little girl went to Roswell yesterday to visit her sister.

Mrs. Wm. Dooley went to Lake Arthur Friday to visit Mrs. Hams.

The Artesia Market Co. has distilled water for sale at 10c per gallon, better prices on large quantities.

Screen wire and gasoline stoves are a summer necessity. Supply your wants in these lines at Fatherree & Enfield.

Lige Robertson, Price Henry and E. C. Higgins were among the Artesians who were in Roswell during the week.

Jo Jacobson and Mack Osborn went to Carlsbad Wednesday night returning Thursday morning.

J. G. Osburn left Thursday morning for Washington D. C. to legal business for clients of the firm of Osburn & Logan. Mrs. Osburn accompanied him.

Mrs. Wallingford left Wednesday for Amarillo to visit for some time.

Hugh M. Gage left Thursday morning for Portland Oregon for a vacation. He will be gone about a month.

Rev. D. M. Williams left for his home in Abilene Kansas Wednesday after a short stay in Artesia. He has interests here.

Paint your fence posts, culverts and etc. with antiseptic the greatest wood preservative known., prevents decay and adds 6 years to the life of timber. SEE Kemp Lumber Co. Agts.

FOR SALE—six room house and three lots apply to L. W. Martin.

Mack Osborne and Freeman went to Dexter this morning.

KODAKS, P. V. Drug Co.

Tuesday evening Chester Dublin, Mack Osborne and Jim Armstrong went to Lakewood fishing, loosing one of their horses, they came back with one horse and no fish.

Artesia will entertain royally next week. And three of every five persons will carry a kodak.

Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. William Benson The Woman's Guild entertained in honor of Mrs. G. P. Cleveland. A most delightful afternoon was passed. Light refreshments were served. Mrs. Cleveland will be greatly missed in The Guild whose first Vice President she was. She carries the wishes of many friends for a happy life in her home in Texas. A beautiful silver sugar spoon was presented by the Guild Women.

Keep the pretty scenes during the Alfalfa Festival in a Kodak.

"Any one wanting Land Scrip will do well to see A. A. Mason 607 N. Ky. St. or correspond with him, box 383 Roswell New Mex.

Kodaks and supplies at Pecos Valley Drug Co.

Antiseptic one coat applied to the inside of stables stall, pens, or chicken coops exterminates all vermin. Kemp Lumber Co. Agents.

Celebrate the Festival properly by shooting the sights with a kodak.

Go to Artesia Market Co. for distilled water, 10c per gallon better prices on large quantities.

A few bargains in real estate L. W. Martin

L. W. Martin celebrated his thirty-seventh birthday this week. May he live to celebrate seventy-five more birthdays.

A gentleman named Kramer came in from Kansas with his wife and one of his sons this week. Two of the boys came though on a freight with horses and supplies. The car was ditched above Roswell and one of the horses fatally injured. The Kramer's have a farm 1 1/2 miles east of the Yeargin place.

Get a Kodak for the Alfalfa Festival.

\$1,000 to loan on real estate. See L. W. Martin.

Distilled water 10c per gallon at Artesia Market Co.

Last Friday night the B. Y. P. U. took a delightful trip to the farm of M. O. Tuttle where the evening was pleasantly passed. Games were played and refreshments served.

Alfalfa Festival—Kodak—Pecos Valley Drug Co.

See L. W. Martin for houses to rent.

Notice is hereby given that the firm of Porter & Beckham has thus 17th day of May 1907 been dissolved by mutual consent, J. H. Beckham Jr. of the firm continuing the business and J. F. Porter retiring. J. H. Beckham Jr. collects all accounts due the said firm, and assumes all outstanding obligations due by the said firm. J. F. Porter, 25 4w J. H. Beckham.

Well, that is cool! What? Why, Lee Tarknett & Co's. ice; also the water you keep it in and the ice cream you freeze with it.

## AT BAT A WE

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Next period for Artesia boys have been selves in fine days and things be lively. The Artesia have every co the home team and that they will defeat tors; anyway keep off t

The first three days Amarillo will cross bats with the home team, while Friday and Saturday the Queen City boys will try to hand us the goose eggs.

The following are the members of the Artesia team: Lohman, Osborne, Freeman, Mize, Schwartz, Giaghos, Clarke, Linell, Terwilliger, Baker and Easley. Lohman will catch during the three first and Freeman during the last two games. Osborne will be in the box during the third and fifth and Giaghos during the second game.

### Their Crystal Wedding

Saturday, June 8, marked the fifteenth anniversary of the marriage of Mrs. E. E. M.

They with their two interesting children, Margaret and Donald, were entertained at supper by Mr. Mrs. A. C. Keinath. On their home they found their house in possession of a company of their friends who had to surprise and congratulate them. The surprise was genuine, but the guests warmly welcomed. After a short time pleasantly spent in conversation a beautiful cream and sugar set of glass was presented in the name of their friends assembled. Mr. Mathes accepted the gift for himself and Mrs. Mathes gave a short talk in reminiscent telling of their marriage and other interesting facts of the year 1892. Mrs. Mathes is of one of the foremost Scotch families, her maiden name being Miss Jeanie Mac Ruer.

The marriage was consummated at the college at Kansas City from which she graduated. Their life together has been one of great usefulness and in various fields, chiefly however, as missionaries among the tribes of Indian Territory. Rev. Mathes has been for the past 18 months, pastor of the Presbyterian church at this place and he and his wife are warmly loved by the members of the congregation and a host of others besides.

We invite everybody in town to bring their baskets down to the barbecue next Friday. Let everybody come and meet everybody, eat with everybody, and have a good time with everybody. Remember the people will be our guests and we want to show them a good time. We trust the ladies of our town will take an interest in this matter.

Please bring your baskets early.

W. L. Kemp,  
W. F. Schwartz,  
Committee

The committee has beef pickles, bread and coffee. It would feel favored if it could received the trimmings of cakes and pies and pastry.

We have just unloaded a large car of wire, Ellwood and American Fence. Prices Lower than any others

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**The Advocate and the Critic.**

We have been criticised. This is neither a new nor a sad experience. We have been criticised before. Everyone that ever took any position on earth in regard to any question that amounted to anything, has been criticised. Moreover, we have been called a straddler, by inference, at least. If by this is meant that we failed to define our attitude we deny the charge, and we ask our readers to again peruse the editorial and decide for themselves—that is if they think it worth their while.

In one sense of the word everybody is a straddler. Mr. Bryan recently said that to the most conservative man in America there were 80,000,000 radicals in this country, and from the viewpoint of the most radical man there were 80,000,000 conservatives. Now, these two men might get together and agree that there were 80,000,000 straddlers in America and denounce all these people because they wouldn't take a stand one way or the other. They might assure the rest of the people that they were on the fence and that they would get kicked from both sides if they didn't join one side or the other. On this prohibition question we have frequently heard men who favored even moderate regulation denounced by saloon men as cranks, fanatics and straddlers. On the other hand those who intimate that there would possibly be a condition which could render the immediate adoption of absolute prohibition inopportune, are almost certain to find some perfectly sincere individuals who forthwith denounce them as a secret and cowardly allies of the demon rum, as compromisers, as straddlers. Kicked by both sides? Certainly.

Now, what was the Advocate's position? Simply this: we believe that the majority of the people ought to govern in this as in other cases. If they want an ordinance prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors, that ordinance ought to be passed. Explicit isn't it? But if the majority of the people do not want it it should not be passed. Equally specific, isn't it?

Why do we not want it passed unless the majority wants it? Listen! Particularly as in this case when we believe the success or failure of the ordinance depends on the support or non support of the people.

Now then, from our point of view it is essential that we should have some means of determining with some degree of accuracy what public sentiment is. We prefer the voting system to the petition system. We do not care to add anything to or take anything from what we said in regard to that matter. Both sides have been presented, the one by the Advocate, the other by our critics, and by the gentle

men circulating the petition. We rest our case as far as this goes.

If a person believes that public sentiment can be measured with reasonable accuracy by means of a petition, then he ought to sign if he believes in closing the saloons. Or if a person thinks that the city is morally bound to prohibit the sale of intoxicants regardless of the sentiments of the majority, he ought also to sign the petition. There are many such persons and while their point of view is not ours we had no word of criticism for them. Speaking of a couple of gentlemen holding these views we said: "Now, this is no censure on the gentlemen who were circulating the petition. Their first primary motive is to secure the ordinance. They informed us that while they believed they would secure the signatures of the majority of the citizens, yet if they failed to secure such a majority they would submit the petition to the council in any event. Of course, if only a minority signed and the council acted favorably on such petition, the gentlemen would approve of its action. From their viewpoint the petition was faultless."

The gentlemen, (no doubt inadvertently) gave the writer and some others the impression that while they would be glad to have the ordinance passed on the petition, yet though they thought it improper for them to petition for an advisory election, they hoped that the council would at least call an election if it did not pass the ordinance. This interpretation has been declared incorrect, and we are willing to accept the gentlemen's version of what was meant. While our understanding of the matter momentarily affected our personal action, it has no bearing on the general issue.

It has been said that our whole attitude indicates that we are looking at the matter more from a Democratic than from a temperance point of view. Using the term Democratic in a broad sense the charge is true. In our opinion the evil of intemperance, though, considered as a cause and as an effect, is one of the greatest curses to the human race, yet is only one of the evils confronting civilization.

Now, about the referendum. We used the term in its broadest sense, including the initiative and referendum, or, as the Democratic platform called it, direct legislation. This ought to be apparent from the context. As a matter of fact, the term referendum is used as often by the best writers as the more cumbersome term to describe the whole system. In the first article with reference to that subject that appeared in the Commoner, W. J. Bryan said: "The last national platform of the Democratic party endorsed the principle of the referendum." He sometimes uses one term and sometimes the other. We could cite many other well known writers who do the same.

Custom, endorsed by the best writers justifies the use of the single term referendum but a man may use the long term without being charged with pedantry. But the initiative itself calls for a reference back to the people of the measures petitioned for. The New International Encyclopedia describes the system as follows: "Referendum, the term applied to the practice of submitting laws to the electorate for approval or rejection. In application of the referendum the law is first formulated in the legislative body or constituent assembly and is then submitted to the public electorate. The legal complement of the referendum is the initiative by means of which the people are able to draw up their own measures and have them voted on without the intermediation of the legislature. By this method a petition signed by a certain proportion of a voting constituency is presented to the legislature requesting that a cer-

**TAIN MEASURE BE SUBMITTED.**

It has been said that because our opinions appear in the paper therefore they unduly influence our readers. This overrates our influence. However, if there is a single subscriber of the Advocate who consciously or unconsciously invariably follows our advice we want him to stop his paper for his own sake until he learns to think for himself. The man who implicitly follows the advice of another man in everything is not a good citizen. A man may make mistakes in thinking for himself, but if he lets another think for him his intellectual faculties become atrophied and he becomes a parrot in the semblance of a human. This is why a corrupt republic is better than a benevolent autocracy. Under the republican system the people eventually learn that corruption doesn't pay and they rout the rascals out, because they find that honesty is the best policy, if for no higher reason. Under an honest autocrat the people lose all grasp of public questions and when the good autocrat dies and a bad autocrat takes his place they can think of no remedy except to kill the bad autocrat and let a worse one take his place. And if they dethrone the last one they have no conception of what they want to take his place.

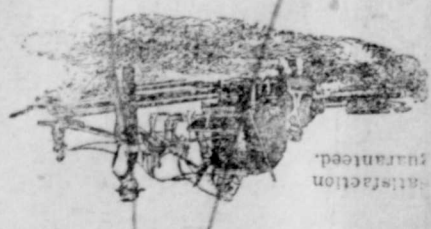
The great desideratum is to induce people to think. If by an honest expression of our opinions we could induce many men in Artesia to think on a given issue where one had thought before, we would be conferring a greater permanent benefit on the town than any ordinance could confer. If a criticism of our course should by any means induce an investigation of the matter at issue, it would be a great gain for upbuilding the mentality of the people, even if the criticism were unjust.

We are liable to make mistakes, perhaps, even our critics sometimes err—perhaps. But we are both entitled to express our opinions and should rejoice when we have any to express.

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**J. R. BLAIR, LOCAL AGENT**  
**W. B. ROSS, GENERAL AGENT,**  
**Hagerman; N. M.**

**Tetter Cured**  
 A lady customer of ours had suffered with tetter for two or three years. It got so bad on her hands that she could not attend to her household duties. One box of Chamberlain's Salve cured her. Chamberlain's medicines gives splendid satisfaction in this community.—M. H. Rodney & Co., Almond, Ala. Chamberlain's medicines are for sale by City Drug Store.

**Memorial Day**

When the war was over in the South, where under warmer skies and with more poetic temperament symbols and emblems are better understood than in the practical North, mothers and children of the Confederate dead went out and strewed their graves with flowers, and at many places the women scattered them impartially also over the unknown and unmarked resting places of the Union soldiers.

As the news of this touching tribute flashed over the North it roused, as nothing else could have done, national amity and love and allayed sectional animosity and passion. It thrilled every household where there was a vacant chair by the fireside and an aching void in the heart for the lost hero whose remains had never been found.

Thus out of sorrows common alike to North and South came the beautiful custom. But Memorial Day no longer belongs to those who mourn. It is the common privilege of us all and will be celebrated as long as gratitude exists and flowers bloom.—Denver Catholic Register.

**Maize Seed For Sale.**  
 Get into maize seed at the Artesia Milling Co. They have it for sale.

**"Lest They Forget"**  
 Now if Artesia wants a bridge trot out the proposition. They voted for our measure, it is now our duty to return the compliment whenever the proper time comes.—Carlsbad Current' Sep. 5, 1904.

The above article appeared the Saturday after the election was held for the bonds for the other Carlsbad bridge. Carlsbad didn't know then that she would require another bridge so soon, but we will help vote that too and in return for this scriptural measure we expect her to give a good vote for the bonds of which she will be a beneficiary as well as ourselves.

**The Magic No. 3.**  
 Number three is a wonderful mascot for Geo. H. Parris, of Cedar Grove, Me., according to a letter which reads: "After suffering much with liver and kidney trouble, and becoming greatly discouraged by the failure to find relief I tried Electric Bitters, and as a result I am a well man to-day. The first bottle relieved and three bottles completed the cure." Guaranteed best remedy for stomach, liver and kidney troubles by Pecos Valley druggist. 50c.

**Stray H. se**  
 Strayed Thursday night, a medium brown horse, seven years old weight 1000 pounds, light black tail, brand on right shoulder front hoofs sired. Last seen mile west of Cottonwood springs headed towards Artesia. Leave word at Advocate office. Will pay all expense. W. M. Walterscheid.

**Chamberlain's Pain Balm**  
 It is an antiseptic liniment and prevents blood poisoning resulting from a cut, bruise or burn. It also causes the parts to heal without maturation and in much less time than when the usual treatment is employed. It allays the pains of a burn almost instantly. For sale by City drug store.

**Work Wanted**  
 I am prepared to do plowing or ditching for assessment or crops. M. O. Tuttle Artesia N. M.

**A Fortunate Texan**  
 Mr. E. W. Goodloe, of 107 St. Louis St., Dallas Texas says: "In the past year I have become acquainted with Dr. King's New Life Pills, and no laxative I ever before tried so effectually disposes of malaria and biliousness. They don't grind nor gripe. 25c. at Pecos Valley drug store."

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 R. M. ROSS, Cashier

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 Here is what you want, if you have a non-flowing well, or do not want to go to the expense of sinking a flowing well. 60 to 80 acres can be watered with a comparative small engine. SPERRY & LUKINS are experts in this line. They are the most experienced and have the most complete Artesian drilling rig and have made the most good wells in the valley. It will pay you to see them.

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THE ARTESIA ADVOCATE

Saturday, June 15th, 1907.

JAMES D. WHELAN, Proprietor.

Curry Coming Soon.

The Santa Fe New Mexican of Monday is responsible for the following concerning Governor Curry:

The executive and other committees having charge of the inauguration ceremonies that will take place when Captain George Curry assumes the office of Governor of New Mexico, should commence active operations. It will be expected that Captain Curry will sail from Manila on a government transport tomorrow. During accidents, he is expected to reach here between the 15th and 20th days of July, hence no time is to be lost.

Program for Firemen's Tournament, July 3, 4 and 5.

JULY 3RD.

Firemen will meet at Hall, in uniform, and march to depot with band and meet all incoming excursion trains, and escort all visitors from depot to court house square.

Races for July 3rd. (Time for races to be fixed by Program Committee.)

Dry or coupling contest. - Run 100 feet and lay 200 feet of hose. First Prize, \$50.00; Second Prize \$5.00.

Hub and hub race. - Two hundred yards. Prize \$50.00.

JULY 4TH.

Firemen will meet at Hall, in uniform, and march to depot with band, and meet all incoming excursion trains, and escort all visitors from depot to court house square.

Races for July 4th. Wet test. Run 400 feet and lay 200 feet of hose. First Prize, \$100.00. Second Prize, \$50.00.

Half Mile Relay Race. - Four members of hose team. First Prize, \$35.00. Second Prize, \$15.00.

JULY 5TH.

One hundred yard dash. - Members of hose team. Prize, \$5.00.

A Big Time Promised.

The committees on transportation and entertainment for the Irrigation Celebration at Carlsbad have at last succeeded in securing the big Winfield Masses, Cornet band of thirty pieces to furnish the lead in music for the three days celebration. This magnificent band was secured through the liberality of General Manager Avery Turner, of the Pecos Valley & Northeastern, who donated \$500. to the celebration, which amount and more was used to pay the expenses of the members of the band which, at the published excursion rates are \$20 each. This is not the only big band which is expected to be at the celebration, for El Pasoans will probably bring a big band and Roswell contribution to the celebration, it is said, includes a big band. With so much and fine music the denizens of the valley will be enabled to entertain visitors as never before. It is to this fact that the ball games, the slack wire exhibition, Firemen's Tournament, the Boy's Tournament, the big band, speeches, etc., are all being and railway fare next to nothing, a person may visit Carlsbad with little or no expense and have "the time of his life."

The El Paso Guano & Fertilizer Co.

George Bruce Resident Manager, CARLSBAD, N. MEX.

In view of the great increase of irrigation and the large number of agriculturists now coming into the Pecos Valley I wish to call the attention of the whole valley to the fact that all land, when cultivated continuously, must be fertilized to a greater or less extent, more especially when planted to fruit or used for truck farming, and much better results are obtained from any crop by the proper use of a good fertilizer, and as nature has given us soil, water and sunshine, an all wise providence has also placed at our very doors an immense amount of the richest and most perfect fertilizer known. I refer to the vast guano caves in the foot hills west of the town of Carlsbad, where millions of bats have for countless ages been making their deposits, seemingly, against the time of need of the farmers of the Pecos Valley.

One of these caves, the largest one now known, is owned and operated by the El Paso Guano Fertilizer Co., chartered in Texas and New Mexico, with headquarters in Carlsbad and El Paso and are taking out and shipping from two to three thousand tons annually and it will take, on a conservative estimate, twenty years to clean out the cave, at this rate.

The guano after being brought from the cave to the railroad, is dried, ground and shipped to different points in California, Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana, where it is eagerly bought by the big fertilizer companies and reduced to the proper strength and sold to the retail trade at a large profit.

This vast cave is twenty-one miles southwest of Carlsbad and close to Black river, on the very first range of hills. It is connected with the railroad by a good wagon road. The mouth of the cave is about 1200 feet higher than the town of Carlsbad, and the total length of the cave is about five miles and runs nearly due east and west. The deposits are in the east end and near to the surface there are two large natural openings, one at the west end of the guano and one about mid way of the deposit and the guano is taken out of the middle opening, on tram cars, after being sacked from the bed. The air in the caves is fine and pure, and in one part there is an abundance of pure cold water.

The roof is high and lofty, in most places a hundred feet above a man's head. The deposits are in two different caves, connected by a large natural opening and are each one about 600 feet long with an average width of about 70 feet, in some places 140 feet and the guano in this immense area is from 50 to 80 feet in depth reaching from wall to wall of the caves. The thousands of years and the incomprehensible number of bats that caused these vast deposits is almost too much for the ordinary mind to grasp. It is said by parties who are competent to judge that probably there is not another deposit like it in the whole world and many business men of the Pecos Valley have stated that every pound of this perfect plant food ought to be owned and held here at home for the use of this valley alone and



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each year and his only recourse is fertilizer.

Carlsbad men have bought a part of the stock of the El Paso Guano & Fertilizer Co., and will be pleased to confer with any one in the Pecos Valley regarding this priceless deposit which we consider vital to the future prosperity of the entire Pecos Valley.

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## ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

Big Meeting at Christian Church Sunday Night.

An overflow meeting of the Anti-saloon League was held at the Christian church Sunday night. There was fine singing, excellent music, a couple of fervent sermons, and a few short talks right of the fire as desert.

Rev. J. H. Messer gave the invocation.

Rev. J. M. Blalock made the principal address of the evening. He is not compelled to agree with him in all points in order to say that he gave an able, clear and eloquent presentation of the question from the viewpoint of a prohibitionist, voiding all personalities, abusing individual and confining himself strictly to the question at hand, he made a powerful appeal for the support of the prohibitory petition, for affirmative action thereon by the town council and for the cooperation of church people in favor of the solution of the liquor question which the anti-saloon league proposes. He reviewed the objections raised by those who refused to sign the petition and answered them from his point of view.

### SYNOPSIS OF SERMON.

He contended that no man could claim an inalienable right to run a saloon, for a saloon infringes on the rights of others. The supreme court has declared that in the case of the saloon such inherit right does not exist; therefore the saloon can only legally exist with the consent of the people, therefore, as the people of Artesia were not consulted about the issuance of licenses, the saloons ought not to be licensed.

It had been objected that the saloon man should be permitted to carry on his business provided he didn't infringe on the rights of others. Granted. But the business itself, in its very nature is an infringement on the rights of others. Its very existence constitutes such an infringement. It has been urged that the council has no right to refuse to license what has been permitted by the territorial and national governments. Aside from the absurdity of this claim the last attorney general, Captain W. C. Reed advised the League that the council had such right by simply passing an ordinance prohibiting the sale of intoxicants.

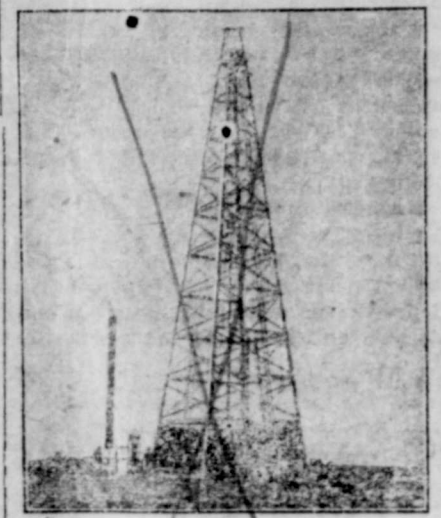
It was said that the saloons would move out on the school section and run there without paying license. The statutes provide that they cannot be licensed to run in any but an incorporated town of at least 100 inhabitants.

It was said that the money spent for liquor here would go to other towns. Let it go. We can get along better without it than with it. Fairest Artesia gained a name of honor for herself by being the first town in New Mexico to abolish gambling, let her also be the first to drive out the saloon. In regard to revenue for the schools, if one tenth of the money wasted on liquor were turned into the town treasury it would solve the problem. He has a family but would rather send his children to an inferior school and teach them what he could at home than send them to a superior institution, maintained by blood money. As students in institutions, maintained by trust contributions come to look with leniency on the aggressions of monopoly; so pupils in schools supported by licenses

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Of the liquor sold not over one fourth is consumed by Artesians. Artesians show a smaller proportion of drinkers than any other town in which he had ever lived. Let the outsiders take care of themselves.

Rev. E. E. Mathes of the Presbyterian church made a brief talk. He said the town is deteriorating. Up to the closing hour of midnight and after men, some of whom pass for respectable members of society, slip quietly in the back doors of saloons and there they gamble. He intimated that there was evidence of the social evil manifest on these occasions. For the sake of the families of the saloonkeepers as well for the rest of the community, he wants the proposed ordinance passed. He had heard that saloonkeepers are all under parol for selling to minors and are violating it.

Rev. T. C. James censured the Advocate for opposing the petition method. Women should be consulted as well as men, yet they could not be consulted in an election. Turning his attention to the council he said that they should pass the ordinance when petitioned by the majority of the people or get out and allow the people to elect a council who would obey their wishes. And they would. Let them not dare refuse to pass the ordinance. "We are running this thing," he said.

John A. Orr took occasion to throw a little harpoon into the cuticle of "our local paper."

Rev. Messer likened the church member who refused to sign the petition to the man who would prefer the company of the Devil to association with the just.

After singing the doxology the meeting adjourned to meet at some date not yet announced.

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Mrs. Robert M. Ross and Edward F. Phillips gave a one o'clock luncheon Wednesday to a half dozen ladies. The attention was complimentary to Mrs. John R. Hodges and Mrs. James Herndon Beckham who are to take a short vacation from club and social duties. Besides for the four already named covers were laid for Mrs. John P. Dyer, Mrs. Gayle Talbot, Mrs. J. Dale Graham and Mrs. Leonidas Warren Martin.

The centerpiece, color, scheme, place-cards, favors and showers were entirely apropos to the occasion.

The luncheon itself was of six courses and the viands and serving were faultless. The afternoon was spent in sewing with the exception of the introduction of a little game. This had to do with the identifying of pictures and a prize, an exquisite little picture was awarded Mrs. Talbot. The whole affair was full of thought and beautifully carried out.

Mr. and Mrs. Beckham will go tomorrow morning for a visit to Mrs. Beckham's father and sister in Kansas City.

### Bray Line

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### Were Just a Kidder

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News. Please don't punish us. We won't get the habit.

### For Sale

One good 4 year old horse broke to work and ride. 2 two year old heifers good stock will be giving milk in November. 160 acres dry land will sell or trade for town lots or wagon and team.

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Mrs. S. B. Dyer can bake just as good toothmazes as any body on earth. If you don't think so buy some of her little cookies and stick your little toothses into them.

### Evangelist Jackson Here

Rev. S. W. Jackson the Panhandle evangelist and his wife are here conducting a protracted meeting at the Christian Church. Rev. Jackson is an able exhortor and fully sustains his wide reputation. The meetings will be continued next week and perhaps longer. Mrs. Jackson is a talented organist and their united efforts are always instrumental to bringing many to the church.

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A FOOL FOR LOVE

BY FRANCIS LYNDE

AUTHOR OF "THE GRAFTERS," ETC.

CHAPTER VI

he kept it? Is there anything on the other side?"

She turned the leaf, and they both went speechless for the moment. The reverse of the scrap of cross-ruled paper held a very fair likeness of a face which Virginia's mirror had oftenest portrayed; a sketch setting forth in a few vigorous strokes of the pencil the impressionist's ideal of the "god-dess fresh from the bath."

"By Jove," exclaimed Adams, when he could find the word for his surprise. Then he tried to turn it off lightly. "There is a good bit more of the artist in Jack than I have been giving him credit for. Don't you know, he must have got the notion for that between two half-seconds—when you recognized me on the platform at Kansas City. It's wonderful!"

"So very wonderful that I think I shall keep it," she rejoined, not without a touch of austerity. Then she added: "Mr. Winton will probably never miss it. If he does, you will have to explain the best way you can."

In the nature of things the tea-drinking in the stuffy "dinkey" drawing-room was not prolonged. Time was flying. Virginia's errand of mercy was not yet accomplished, and Aunt Martha in her capacity of anxious chaperon was not to be forgotten. Also, Miss Carteret had a feeling that under his well-bred exterior Mr. Morton P. Adams was chafing like any barbarian industry captain at this unwarrantable intrusion and interruption.

So presently they all forthfared into the sun-bright, snow-blinding out-of-door world, and Virginia gathered up her courage and took her dilemma by the horns.

"I believe I have seen everything now except that tent-place up there," she asserted, groping purposefully for her opening.

Adams called up another smile of acquiescence. "That is our telegraph office. Would you care to see it?" The technologist was of those who shirk all or shirk nothing.

"I don't know why I should care to, but I do," she replied, with charming and childlike wilfulness; so the three of them trudged up the slippery path to the operator's den on the slope.

Not to evade his hospitable duty in any part, Adams explained the use and need of a "front" wire, and Miss Carteret was properly interested.

"How convenient!" she commented. "And you can come up here and talk to anybody you like—just as if it were a telephone?"

"To anyone in the company's service," amended Adams. "It is not a commercial wire."

"Then let us send a message to Mr. Winton," she suggested, playing the part of the capricious ingenue to the very upcast of a pair of mischievous eyes. "I'll write it and you may sign it."

Adams stretched his complaisance the necessary additional inch and gave her a pencil and a pad of blanks. She wrote rapidly:

"Miss Carteret has been here admiring your drawings. She took one of them away with her, and I couldn't stop her without being rude. You shouldn't have done it without asking her permission. She says—"

While the technologist was dispensing commissary tea in iron-stone china cups to his two guests in the "dinkey" field office, his chief, taking the Rosemary's night run in reverse, in the company of Town Marshal Biggin, was turning the Rajah's coup into a small Utah profit.

Having come upon the ground late the night before, and from the opposite direction, he had seen nothing of the extension grade west of Argentine. Hence the enforced journey to Carbonate only anticipated an inspection trip which he had intended to make as soon as he had seated Adams firmly in the track-laying saddle.

Not to miss his opportunity, at the first curve beyond Argentine he passed his cigar case to Biggin and asked permission to ride on the rear platform of the day coach for inspection purposes.

"Say, pardner, what do you take me fer, anyhow?" was the reproachful rejoinder. "For a gentleman in disguise," said Winton, promptly.

"Similarly, I do you; savvy? You tell me you ain't goin' to stampe, and you ride anywhere you blame please. See? This here C. & G. R. outfit ain't got no surcingle on me."

"I haven't any notion of stampeding. As it happens, I'm only a day ahead of time. I should have made this run to-morrow of my own accord to have a look at the extension grade. You will find me on the rear platform when you want me."

"Good enough," was the reply; and Winton went to his post of observation.

Greatly to his satisfaction, he found that the trip over the C. & G. R. answered every purpose of a preliminary inspection of the Utah grade beyond the colliery.

"Mr. John Winton? Yes, he is here somewhere," said the clerk in answer to the boy's question; and after an identifying glance, "There he is—over at the writing table."

Winton turned in his chair and saw the boy coming towards him; also saw the ruffian pointed out by Biggin from the courthouse steps and labeled "Sheeny Mike" lounging up to the clerk's desk for a whispered word with the bediamonded gentleman behind it.

What followed was cataclysmal in its way. The lounge took three staggering lurches towards Winton, brushed the messenger boy aside, and burst out in a storm of mandolin invective.

"Sign yerself 'Winton' now, do ye, ye low-down, turkey-trodden—"

"One minute," said Winton, curtly, taking the telegram from the boy and signing for it.

"I'll give ye more'n ye can carry away in less'n half that time—see?" was the minatory retort; and the threat was made good by an awkward buffet which would have knocked the engineer out of his chair if he had remained in it.

Now Winton's eyes were gray and steadfast, but his hair was of that shade of brown which takes the tint of dull copper in certain lights, and he had a temper which went with the red in his hair rather than with the gray in his eyes.

"You drunken scoundrel!" he snapped, "if you don't go about your business and let me alone, I'll turn you over to the police with a broken bone or two!"

Argentine town marshall at us." By this time the train was slowing into Carbonate, and a few minutes after the stop at the crowded platform they were making their way up the single bustling street of the town to the courthouse.

"Ever see so many tin-horns and bunco people bunched in all your round-ups?" said Biggin as they elbowed through the uneasy, shifting groups in front of the hotel.

"Not often," Winton admitted. "But it's the luck of the big camps; they are the dumping grounds of the world while the high pressure is on."

The ex-range rider turned on the courthouse steps to look the sidewalk loungers over with narrowing eyes.

"There's Sheeny Mike and Big Otto and half a dozen others right there in front of the Buckingham that couldn't stay to breathe twice in Argentine. And this town's got a police!" the comment with lip-curling scorn.

"It also has a county court which is probably waiting for us," said Winton; whereupon they went in to appease the offended majesty of the law.

As Winton had predicted, his answer to the court summons was a mere formality. On parting with his chief at the Argentine station platform, Adams' first care had been to wire news of the arrest to the Utah headquarters.

Hence Winton found the company's attorney waiting for him in Judge Whitcomb's courtroom, and his release on an appearance bond was only a matter of moments.

The legal affair dismissed, there ensued a weary interval of time-killing. There was no train back to Argentine until nearly five o'clock in the afternoon, and the hours dragged heavily for the two, who had nothing to do but wait.

Biggin endured his part of it manfully till the midday dinner had been discussed; then he drifted off with one of Winton's cigars between his teeth, saying that he should "take poison" and shoot up the town if he could not find some more peaceful means of keeping his blood in circulation.

It was a little after three o'clock, and Winton was sitting at the writing table in the lobby of the hotel elaborating his hasty note-book data of the morning's inspection, when a boy came in with a telegram. The young engineer was not so deeply engrossed in his work as to be deaf to the colloquy.

"Mr. John Winton? Yes, he is here somewhere," said the clerk in answer to the boy's question; and after an identifying glance, "There he is—over at the writing table."

Winton turned in his chair and saw the boy coming towards him; also saw the ruffian pointed out by Biggin from the courthouse steps and labeled "Sheeny Mike" lounging up to the clerk's desk for a whispered word with the bediamonded gentleman behind it.

What followed was cataclysmal in its way. The lounge took three staggering lurches towards Winton, brushed the messenger boy aside, and burst out in a storm of mandolin invective.

"Sign yerself 'Winton' now, do ye, ye low-down, turkey-trodden—"

"One minute," said Winton, curtly, taking the telegram from the boy and signing for it.

"I'll give ye more'n ye can carry away in less'n half that time—see?" was the minatory retort; and the threat was made good by an awkward buffet which would have knocked the engineer out of his chair if he had remained in it.

Now Winton's eyes were gray and steadfast, but his hair was of that shade of brown which takes the tint of dull copper in certain lights, and he had a temper which went with the red in his hair rather than with the gray in his eyes.

in the billiard room, quick?" he whispered, passing money into the town marshall's hand and losing himself in the crowd. And when Biggin had obeyed his instructions: "Now for a back way out of this if there is one. We'll have to take to the hills till train time."

They found a way through the bar and out into a side street leading abruptly up to the fir-clad hills behind the town. Biggin held his peace until they were safe from immediate danger of pursuit. Then his curiosity got the better of him.

"Didn't take you more'n a week to change your mind about pullin' it off with that tin-horn scrapper in the courts, did it?"

"No," said Winton. "Taint none o' my business, but I'd like to know what stamped you."

"A telegram"—shortly. "It was a put-up job to have me locked up on a criminal charge, and so hold me out another day."

Biggin grinned. "The old b'liar-buster again. Say, he's a holy terror, ain't he?"

"He doesn't mean to let me build my railroad if he can help it."

The ex-cowboy found his sack of chip tobacco and dexterously rolled a cigarette in a bit of brown wrapping paper.

"If that's the game, Mr. Sheeny Mike, or his backers, will be most likely to play it to a finish, don't you guess?"

"How?"

"By havin' a po-liceman layin' for you at the train."

"I hadn't thought of that."

"Well, I can think you out of it, I reckon. The branch train is a 'commodation, and it'll stop most anywhere if you throw up your hand at it. We can take out through the woods and across the hills, and mog up the track a piece. How'll that do?"

"It will do for me, but there is no need of your tramping when you can just as well ride."

But now that side of Mr. Peter Biggin which endears him and his kind to every man who has ever shared his lonely roundups, or broken bread with him in his comfortless shack, came uppermost.

"What do you take me fer?" was the way it vocalized itself; but there was more than a formal oath of loyal allegiance in the curt question.

"For a man and a brother," said Winton, heartily; and they set out together to waylay the outgoing train at some point beyond the danger limit.

It was accomplished without further mishap, and the short winter day was darkening to twilight when the train came in sight and the engineer slowed to their signal. They climbed aboard, and when they had found a seat in the smoker the engineer of construction spoke to the ex-cowboy as to a friend.

"None o' your blame business, the explosive counter-shot."

"Perhaps it isn't," said Adams. "Just the same, I'm thinkin' know. Call it vulgar curiosity like."

"All right, you can know, cussed to you. We're goin' to our claim. Got anything against it?"

"Oh, no," rejoined Adams; and the twain had disappeared in the per darkness he went down the with Branagan and took his place in the man-loaded flats for the construction camp, thinking of the lately arrived car with its plément of armed men than two miners who had calmly announced their intention of working a claim on a high mountain, water, and in the dead of winter which it will be seen that Mr. P. Adams, C. E. Inst. Tech. had had something yet to learn in matter of practical field work.

By the time Ah Foo had served his solitary supper in the dinkey had quite forgotten the incident, mysterious placer miners, than that it had never occurred him to connect their movement with the Rajah's plan of campaign.

Other hand, he was thinking also of the carload of armed men trying to devise some means of escape out how they were to be employed furthering the Rajah's designs.

The means suggested themselves after supper, and he went alone to Argentine to spend a half-hour at the bar of the dance hall listening the gossip of the place. When he learned what he wanted to know forthfared to meet Winton at the coming train.

"We are in for it now," he when they had crossed the creek the dinkey and the Chinaman bringing Winton's belated telegram. The Rajah has imported a car of armed mercenaries, and he is to clean us all out to-morrow; everybody from the gang foreman Winton's eyebrows lifted. "So is a pretty large contract. So men enough to do it?"

"Not so many men. But the sworn-in deputies with the she Ute county in command—a posse fact. So he has the law on his side."

"Which is more than he had he set a thug on me this afternoon Carbonate," said Winton, sourly he told Adams about the men standing in the lobby of the Buchanan.

The technologist whistled under his breath. "By Jove! that's pretty Do you suppose the Rajah did any such Lucretia Borgia thing that?"

Winton took time to think and admitted a doubt, as he had before. Believing Mr. Somerville fit for treasons, stratagems spoils in his official capacity of president of a fighting corporation was none the less disposed to flinch for Miss Virginia's cause.

"I did think so at first, but it was only the misguided zeal of understrapper. Of course, we went out all along the C. & G. that we are to be delayed by possible expedient."

But now Adams had also taken to think, and he shook his head. "For common humanity's sake I wish I could agree with you. But I can't. Mr. Darrah detains move in his own proper person."

"How do you know that?"

Adams' answer took the form of a leading question. "You had a sage from me this afternoon?"

"I did."

"What did you think of it?"

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"LET'S HIKE OUT O' THIS, PRONTO!"

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