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## IT IS BOTH SAFE AND SANE.

The System of Paying Officers Stated Salaries a Pronounced Success in Other States, and Why Should it Not Be in Eddy County--Great Saving in Taxes.

The Advocate's suggestion of two weeks ago that Eddy county adopt the straight salary system for county officers is finding favor among tax payers all over the country. The idea is not original with the Advocate and not a new one, by any means. The pioneer plan of letting a county officer have all the income of the office for his services may have been all right in those days when assessable values were hard to find and the expense of collecting same enormous. The salaries received in those days and times were not out of proportion to the duties performed. Those days and times and customs have long since been outgrown in the Pecos Valley of New Mexico. The assessing and collection of taxes in Eddy county is now merely a clerical proposition and should be paid for accordingly. It is hardly probable that we will be able to get an officeholder who is more than human, and the disposition to increase assessments against the people in order that salaries may be larger in proportion will continue to obtain. The way to remove temptation from the officer and at the same time save the taxpayer about fifty cents on the dollar is to pay public servants just as we would an employee in any other position. Under the present system of allowing the officer all the money that comes into the office as compensation for a little bookkeeping, it looks exactly like the office was created for the benefit of the holders thereof. This may be all right considered merely from a political standpoint, but is all wrong from a business standpoint. And the latter is the only light in which it should be considered. When the hard-working farmer planks down his money to pay taxes at the rate of seven or eight per cent he is not actuated by a spirit of sentiment. He cannot possibly see the justice of paying the recipient a premium just because he is a good fellow and happened to get enough votes to elect. Under the present system, he is compelled to stand and deliver whether he is disposed to do so or not, and if he hesitates about paying tribute to political prowess he is immediately strung up to the tune of a five per cent penalty.

The people of Eddy county have become tired of paying this kind of tribute.

It is a fact that good men can be found who will administer the duties of the several offices at a salary of not to exceed \$2500 per year and office help. This is a very liberal salary, yet

every officer is today receiving three times the amount. There is not a bank official or manager of any big business concern in the county who receives this amount, and why should county officers receive it who have nothing like so much to do. There are men drawing \$8000 per year from the county who are not capable of earning half the amount in any other capacity on earth. You know that to be a fact, Mr. Voter.

DO YOU WANT TO CONTINUE TO PAY YOUR PART OF THE PENSION?

Up to this writing, the Advocate has been unable to find a man who wants the plundering continued--unless, perchance, it is some patriot (?) who has a desire to run for office.

Every man who may come out for office in this county should be asked the direct question whether or not he is willing to turn into the county all fees that may come into the office in case of his election and content himself with a stated salary. Every voter has a right to ask this question. The officer elected will be your servant and you have a right to know (and it is nothing but business that you should know) exactly what compensation he expects for his services. The system of paying salaries is not an innovation, as will be seen by a reference a number of states who are now getting their work done for a fraction of what it is costing the people of Eddy county.

The commission system, as pointed out, has been abandoned in some of the States. Ohio has a salary basis for County Treasurer, who collects property taxes. The State pays to the county fee fund for this work as follows: Two and one-half per cent on first \$10,000; 1 1-2 per cent on second \$10,000; 1 per cent on third \$10,000; 7-10 of 1 per cent on fourth \$10,000; 4-10 of 1 per cent on next \$200,000; 2-10 of 1 per cent on all over \$240,000.

South Carolina has the salary system. County Treasurer collects all taxes. Salary \$600 to \$1,500 for all purposes.

Arizona pays nothing to collect its taxes. The County Treasurer collects all taxes and is paid by the county as follows: First-class counties, \$2,500 per year; second-class counties, \$2,200 per year; third-class counties, \$1,800 per year; fourth-class counties, \$1,500 per year; balance, \$1,250 per year.

In Colorado the collection of State taxes costs the State nothing. The County Collector is paid salary by the county, ranging from \$1,200 to \$1,800 per annum.

Idaho has the salary system. The County Assessor is also Tax-Collector, and for all his services in both departments he gets \$1,500 to \$3,000 per annum.

Montana has the salary system. It costs the state nothing for its collecting the County Treasurer being paid a salary by the county for all his work.

In New Hampshire State taxes assessed by the State Treasurer upon the towns and cities, which are required to collect and remit the same to the State Treasury, free of any charges. The corporation taxes are paid by the corporations direct to the State Treasury. The local Collectors are paid salaries. In the city of Concord, having 21,000 population, he gets \$1,500.

Michigan has the salary system. City or Township Treasurer collects all taxes and pays over the State's portion, on which he gets 1 per cent commission until date of delinquency, Jan. 10, when he gets 4 per cent on delinquent taxes.

In Minnesota the State pays nothing for collecting taxes. The County Treasurer is paid a salary by the county proportioned to the valuation in the county.

In Iowa there are no charges to the State for collection of taxes, which work is performed by the County Treasurer on a salary. Minimum paid, \$1,500 per annum.

In Kansas the County Treasurer collects all taxes, and it costs the State nothing. Salary of Treasurer is paid by the county and varies from \$700 to \$2,500. Clerical expenses allowed varying from \$300 to \$2,500, making maximum salary and clerk hire \$5,000 in the largest counties.

Maine collects State taxes through the local Collectors, without deduction for commissions or charges. In the cities the collection of taxes is generally given out to the lowest bidder.

Massachusetts apportions its State taxes among the several cities and towns upon the basis of the taxable property located therein, and same is collected by local collectors and paid into the State Treasury.

New Jersey imposes no State tax except a small school tax. The receipts of the State approximately about \$5,000,000. The collateral inheritance tax, amounting to about \$230,000, costs \$15,000 to collect. The tax on railroads and miscellaneous corporations is assessed by a State Board of Assessors, which costs about \$25,000 annually to maintain. All

moneys are received by the State Controller, whose office costs about \$2,000 annually, and about 25 per cent of the duties of which are devoted to the reception of these various incomes. In other words, it costs the State of New Jersey about \$45,000 to assess and collect \$5,000,000.

No other country on earth pays such taxes as Eddy county and no other country pays such salaries.

It is confidently believed that Chairman Cooper will lay this matter before the Democratic executive committee and lend his aid in saving the taxpayers of Eddy county from the present system of plundering. If he fails or refuse to do so, the voters should take matters in their own hands and elect men to office on an economy platform.

The candidate who does not favor the taxpayers naming the compensation for services should be defeated.

### AGREES WITH THE ADVOCATE.

#### Pecos Valley Editors See the Wisdom of Economy in County Government.

The Roswell Daily Record republishes the Advocate's editorial on "Common Sense in County Government" with this introduction:

The Record has no desire to "butt in" so far as there may be reasons not purely political for the attitude of Carlsbad and Artesia newspapers and politicians toward each other. We simply re-publish the following article from the Artesia Advocate because portions of it apply as well to one county as another.

Last week's Artesia Advocate contained a good editorial on "Common Sense in Government." If there is anything that this great country is in need of, it is a little economy in connection with government affairs.—Dayton Echo.

The Argus has always maintained and has repeatedly proclaimed the fact that it would be good business for Eddy county to pay its officers stated, fixed salaries and have all fees collected go into the treasury of the county.—Carlsbad Argus.

Artesia Feed & Fuel Co., for any kind of feed.

E. I. Allen has been summoned as a member of the United States petit jury at Roswell and will leave Monday to serve out his sentence.

### MULKEY MEETING CLOSED.

#### Fifty-seven Conversions and Large Church Debt Paid is the Result.

The well known Texas evangelist Abe Mulkey, closed the meeting at the Methodist church Sunday night, after continuing ten days. The result was highly gratifying. There were fifty-seven additions to the several churches of the city, thirty-five of whom went into the Methodist church. The meeting was in no sense a denominational affair. The evangelist's efforts were given unreservedly to the work of inducing sinners to abandon the walks of sin and prepare for the life that is to come and church affiliations were matters to be considered later. Christian workers of all denominations gave their prayers and labors and the result was what might have been expected—a great spiritual awakening. Old church members were blessed as well as those who had never taken time before to render unto God the common debt of humanity. Much religious fervor characterized the services during the last days and lasting good has been done for Artesia.

The service Sunday was almost continuous, beginning with a sermon to the children at 9 a. m. The sermon to men only was well received by a crowded house. The ladies meeting in the afternoon was a like success.

At the conclusion of farewell service Sunday night, Mr. Mulkey called upon the congregation to pay a debt of \$1440 that remained unpaid on the Methodist church building. The response was more than anticipated, the collection amounting to more than enough to pay the debt.

In addition, about \$375.00 was secured toward erecting a parsonage. A collection taken previously during the day for Mulkey's orphans home at Waco, Texas, amounted to about \$200. The day's subscriptions amounted to about \$2000, and in addition another thousand is in sight for the erection of a parsonage. This shows great earnestness and liberality for a town the size of Artesia, when taken in conjunction with the fact that the Presbyterian church paid off its debt of \$1800 last week.

The people of Artesia will not soon forget Abe Mulkey. He may not lay much claim to oratory or rhetoric, but he has evidently "walked with God" and has a business like way of reaching the hearts of his hearers. Earnestness is the greatest power a speaker can possess and no one doubts that Mr. Mulkey means every word he says.

For quick and good work go to Artesia Machine Shop.

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This paper has been entered in the postoffice at Artesia, New Mexico, as second-class mail matter.

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

**Railroad Time Table.**

South bound passenger, arrives at 10:05 p. m., local time.

North bound passenger, arrives at 6:15 a. m. local time.

South bound local, arrives at 12:30 p. m. local time, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

North bound local, arrives at 9:30 a. m. local time, on Tuesday Thursday and Saturday.

The taxpayers of Dayton, lead by the Echo, have taken up the fight for economy in county government.

No well owner should fall out with the Inspector Mull for a rigid enforcement of the well-inspection law. He would be an unworthy official if he failed to do his duty. The law is a good one and should be enforced. If you do not think so, go to work to get it repealed—don't cuss the officer who attempts to do the work he was appointed to do.

There was never a time when the banks of Artesia were in better shape than right now. They have ample funds and securities and business with them as good as any one could desire. They are controlled by home people and are thoroughly able to care for the interests of their patrons. Business men have continued to make deposits as usual all through the recent flurry and there has never been the slightest feeling of uneasiness here. What it takes to make a substantial bank is the confidence of the patrons and the banks of Artesia have this.

The Estancia Valley is having a big jackrabbit drive this week, and J. C. Maxwell says it makes him homesick to hear about it. He says the slaying of rabbits is a great industry when taken in conjunction with the dry farming in that section of New Mexico. He says he has known more or less about the long-eared streak of gray all his life, but never knew what a toothsome proposition he really was until taking up his abode in the Estancia Valley. Local capitalists about McIntosh may establish a tannery factory at an early date to utilize the fall crop of rabbits, which is pronounced unusually fine and fat since farmers have settled the valley and supplied them with green vegetation upon which to graze. Without irrigation, nothing else will return a greater increase on original investment than bunnies.

The best in wagons and buggies can be found at Fatherree Enfield Hardware Company.

Under the present system, the taxpayers of Eddy county say to the office-holder: "We have prepared a court house at great expense and have created offices for the control of the county's business. We give unto you the offices and all you can make out of them. We do not want anything in return. We know this is not business, but the office is created for the man and not for the benefit of the people. We will pay the house rent and all office help and insurance and interest on all investments. If you run short of money, we will issue bonds or levy an assessment on our property. Take everything the office makes and we will take all risks and consequences. If the office earns more than you thought it would or more than your services are worth, don't hearken to the promptings of conscience and leave a dollar in the public till—take it all, and if that is not enough to satisfy your yearnings, raise the assessments and we will make up the deficit."

This may sound a little raw to the poor devil who has the taxes to pay, but it is literally and entirely a fact, nevertheless.

The recently-organized "St. Cecilia Club", with a membership of seventy-five, composing practically all the musical talent in the city, is just now a derelict upon an unkind sea with no landing in sight. The members thereof have hanged their harps upon the willows and the tingle of the lute will be heard no more in the land forever—provided some good Samaritan does not come to the rescue poco pronto. No private house can accommodate the bi-weekly rehearsal crowds and the Artesia Club room has been used up to this time. The members of the club have said that this must stop. Music may have charms to hypnotize the savage, all right, but we are not savages and don't need any hypnotizing. The club room is dedicated for the purpose of business and we don't want the sacred precincts contaminated by such trivial sounds as music—unless it be the rasping voice of the phonograph or the semi-monthly scrapings of a fiddle in the hands of a noble son of Montezuma. No high-class, esthetic, classical monkey-shines for us, by gum. We have been told that Rome burned while one of the celebrities of the city rendered a violin solo and we do not propose to run any unnecessary risks if we know ourselves. The summary ousting may not meet the approval of a majority of the Commercial Club members, but that only goes to prove that said members do not fully appreciate the dignity and importance of the work being done by the town builders or the sanctity that surrounds the temple wherein their labors are performed. At least, this is the view the members evidently take of the matter.

**Please Settle Up.**

The firm of Baker and Dunaway having dissolved partnership, all parties knowing themselves indebted to the said firm will please call and settle up at once.

Baker & Dunaway.

**The Fame of Artesia Nursery.**

The fame of the orchard proposition in this sandy portion of the Pecos Valley has been an assured fact from the start.

The mesa lands all around Artesia were soon found to be freer from alkali and other handicaps than any other portions of the valley and here the lovers of fruit have elected to plant the greatest orchards in the southwest. Mr. J. S. Highsmith, who established the Artesia Nursery two years ago, is an orchardist of long experience and knew exactly what he was doing when he laid the foundation for his nursery. The growing nursery stock now shown east of town has been pronounced by experts to be the finest and healthiest ever seen in the valley. No one has ever had the temerity to dispute this fact, and it begins to look like the Pecos Valley is at last going to have a nursery that will supply all home demands, as well as people abroad. Mr. Highsmith has this year, through his traveling agents, placed orders for hundreds of trees in the Panhandle, extending all the way from Roswell to Amarillo. One Portales firm has in an order for three hundred dollars worth of apple trees.

Mr. Fabian Garcia, horticulturist of New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, this week writes for a list of the different varieties of fruits carried in stock here, as he says he has considerable number of inquiries in regard to where to send for orchard trees.

The home nursery is an especial advantage to the many farmers who are putting out trees in the Artesia section, as they can take the trees out of their native bed and transplant them the same day.

**The Way It Looks Now.**

A. R. O'Quinn opens the campaign in Eddy county by announcing that he will be a candidate for probate clerk, following the statement of the veteran W. R. Owen that he will after this term retire to private life. Mr. O'Quinn has been in public and business life in Carlsbad for years, and there are few clearer and more competent men. He would have to have both of those qualifications to be a worthy successor of Mr. Owen. Just how he stands with the powerful north end is not apparent, but so far as the old-timers are concerned they will uniformly support him, and if it were only Carlsbad he would have a walk-over.

It is very apparent, however, that the north end holds the balance of power.—Roswell Register Tribune.

F. N. Bruce, the clever cashier of the Bank of Dayton, was an Artesia visitor Tuesday. He reported everything prosperous and happy down Penasco way. He also remarked, parenthetically, that Dayton voters are very much in favor of paying county officers a stipulated salary, along lines suggested a couple of weeks ago by the Advocate. Mr. Bruce is a business man and can see no reason why Eddy county's affairs should not be conducted according to business principles, the same as the Bank of Dayton. There are a whole passel of voters in Eddy county who heartily agree with him.

# LITERARY

Entertainment

And

Box Supper at

Red School House,

THURSDAY EVENING,

**December 12,**

Under the Auspices of C. F. Erbs Sunday School Class.

Everybody invited to attend, and the ladies are requested to bring well filled boxes.

A young farmer who had been raised on his father's farm felt sure he knew all there was about farming, and as he made good crops and was prospering, saw no reason to change his ways. A bright young girl taught school one winter in his community, and for some reason this young man sold out his crop and attended the school to finish in some branches he thought necessary. He progressed well in his studies, and managed to teach the young teacher a lesson. When the school closed the young man married the teacher. She was a bright young woman, who recognized the possibilities in her young husband, and the couple kept up their studies, and became reading farmers.

She urged that they each take a course at an agricultural school, and succeeded in inducing her lord to do so. The young people took up agriculture as a science. It was with some astonishment that he learned that the soils are never solid. A microscope showed that the soil of their farm was much like a lot of small rocks laid together with innumerable openings, which held air and moisture. Examining the roots of the corn, they found that many rootlets were too fine to be seen with the naked eye, and that little rootlets penetrated through the smallest openings in the finest soil. They were astonished to learn that the roots of most farm plants were as long as the plant itself. They learned that plants need roots with which to grow, and that light and air are needed for all plants. Examining into the soil where plants were growing, that the number of rootlets were beyond calculation. Many other things they learned to think intelligently, and that the rules of business were applicable to the farm. This was years ago. The young

farmer owns a fine farm to which he has added acres and acres, and a fine home shelters a home of bright and loving people. With wealth had come influence, and a knowledge of its responsibilities, and he is a good and useful citizen. His neighbors love him, but most they love the good woman who had been his life and inspiration. They make the farm a home, and their sons and daughters do not long for the city. When asked what he most valued in the instruction he received at the agricultural college he replied; "That the plants have roots, and roots, and rootlets and rootlets, without number, and that God never gave to any plant more than it needed. That every plant should be so cultivated to conserve the moisture in the soil, and, to disturb, as little as possible, the roots and rootlets of the plants." This information we might have received without going to college, and yet it is doubtful if he would have learned it with the same force. It is often difficult to persuade a person of a thing, but when he can see it "Seeing is believing." There are thousands of farmers, young and old, who cultivate their soils as if they thought it best to cut off as many roots from their plants as possible.—Rural Home.

**Et Tu, Brute?**

A gentleman from down at political headquarters brings the news to Artesia that Captain Bujac will oppose Jim Christopher for the office of sheriff. Up to this time, we have labored under the supposition that Jim and Cap were still doing the David and Jonathan stunt. Why this sudden parting and who or what is named as the co-respondent in the case?

# HIGGINS LAND COMPANY

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### EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE.

#### Methodist People Grateful to Artesia Generally for Generous Assistance Rendered.

The Board of Stewards of the Methodist Church met in business session Wednesday evening, and the following resolution was passed:

"Resolved, That we extend our thanks to the pastors of the various churches of Artesia for their hearty co-operation in the 'Mulkey' meeting; to the laity of the different churches for their untiring efforts to further the cause of Christianity in our community; to the Baptist and Christian churches for furnishing chairs; to the choir for excellent music and to Prof. Garrison for his efficient services as pianist; to the merchants and business men for closing their places of business each day for five days; to the public generally for the liberal and praiseworthy manner in which contributions to our church debt were given, and for all the sympathy and co-operation extended.

J. E. Swebston  
J. D. H. Reed  
A. L. Norfleet  
Gayle Talbot  
M. M. Inman  
J. C. Gage  
I. R. Daniel.  
E. B. Kemp  
W. V. Teer.

#### Library Association.

The annual election of the Board of Directors of the Artesia Library Association will be held on the first Monday in January 1908, at the Reading Room.

Nana Inman, Sec.

Buy your heating stoves of us, we will put them in for you without extra cost.

Fatherree & Enfield.

Mr. D. Trombla, of Northern Kansas, is visiting the family of G. M. Brown, of this city. Mr. Trombla is the father of Mrs. Brown. He is trying the climate of Artesia for a bad case of asthma and says he has already been benefited.

The handsomest line of fancy candies ever seen in Artesia is on display today at the store of E. S. Howell. The assortment comprises Loose-Wiles choicest selection in handsome packages.

#### W. O. W. Notice.

There will be election of officers, goat riding, and a big time at W. O. W. Hall in the Fenton building, Tuesday night Dec. 10th, 1907. All Woodmen requested to be present.

Chas. R. Echols, C. C.

#### 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.

We must insist on your paying your account on 1st of each month.

Artesia Feed & Fuel Co.

### Mothers' Club.

The regular monthly meeting of the 'Mothers' and Teachers' Club' was held in the High School room on the afternoon of Dec. 4th, the first Wednesday of the month. The attendance was fair and the program interesting. The opening number was especially surprising and pleasing, a simple baby song by Miss Corbin, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. Guy Reed Brainard, her voice and the selection added a rare treat to the afternoon's program. Mrs. A. F. Lesley read a concise little paper on 'Athletics from a Mother's Point of View' Prof. Botts' talk on 'The Needs of the Artesia Schools,' was strikingly like a small boy's letter to Santa Claus, however, he did not confine himself merely to mentioning the many needs, but threw out practical suggestions for supplying them. He has arranged for a tempting series of lectures to be heard soon, the financial proceeds of which will go to the equipment of the laboratory. Mrs. C. L. Heath's paper offered suggestions for the development of 'The Backward Child.' Each topic was accorded interesting comment by the club. A committee, Mesdames L. W. Martin, A. F. Lesley and C. V. Brainard, was appointed to see about securing a piano for the school. The program for the next meeting will be arranged by Prof. Daley, Mesdames Spencer Lee, C. L. Heath and L. W. Martin. Five new names were added to the list of members, Mesdames Highsmith, Lee, Baughman, Lynn and C. V. Brainard. These bring the enrollment up to twenty-seven. All mothers are urged to enroll and receive the benefit of the many valuable suggestions brought out in these meetings.

#### About Digestion.

It is not the quantity of food taken but the amount digested and assimilated that gives strength and vitality to the system. Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets invigorate the stomach and liver and enable them to perform their functions. The result is a relish for your food, increased strength and weight, greater endurance and a clear head. Price, 25 cents. Samples free. For sale by City Drug Store.

#### Notice

to debtors and creditors of the Estate of M. H. Thomas Deceased. All persons having demands against the estate of M. H. Thomas, deceased, late of the County of Eddy, Territory of New Mexico, are hereby notified to render in their demands to the undersigned within the period of one year from date hereof; and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment.

November 29, 1907.

William O. Thomas, Administrator M. H. Thomas, deceased.

Atlas Flowers and wife, of Newbern, Tennessee, arrived Tuesday night to make their home in Artesia.

If you want something that is really nice in candies, go to E. S. Howell. He has prepared for the Christmas holidays by providing the nicest line of fancy candies that the people of Artesia ever had the opportunity of seeing.

### TWO MORE GOOD WELLS.

#### New Farms Continue to be Born in the Artesia Country Every Week.

Several ambitious souls have been made happy this week and the farmable area around Artesia is augmented by the addition of a few hundred acres of irrigated area. The lucky men this time are Jack Hastie, five miles southeast of town, and B. F. Kirkland, one and a half miles west. The former has a three-foot gusher, drilled by S. A. Butler, which has a pressure of 71 pounds per square inch. It is what may be conservatively called a crackerjack and flows enough water to float a steamboat—if the boat does not happen to be too awful big. At any rate, it will irrigate one of the prettiest bodies of agricultural land in the country and cause more alfalfa to grow than its owner can harvest in a month's straight work. Mr. Hastie is an old timer and we are glad to extend to him the hand of congratulation.

The second well was brought in on the farm of Dr. Kirkland, one and a half miles west of town, by H. E. Mull & Co., with Lewis Feemster in charge of the rig. We have been unable to learn the exact size of the flow, only that it is one of the good ones. The casing is an eight inch and will be used to irrigate the farm of 240 acres.

#### For Sale.

15 B. P. R. Hens. And a few fine B. P. R. Silver Laced Wyandottes and indian game roosters. Corner Rose Lawn and Missouri avenue. 4 blocks south of First National Bank Artesia.

Mrs. Wm. Crandall.

#### What's

worth doing is worth doing well. If you wish to be cured of Rheumatism, use Ballard's Snow Liniment and you will be "well cured". A positive cure for Sprains, Neuralgia, Bruises, Contracted Muscles and all the ills that flesh is heir to. A. G. M. Williams, Navasota, Texas, writes: "I have used Snow Liniment for sprained ankle and it gave the best of satisfaction. I always keep it in the house." Sold by Redford & Mann.

#### Officers Elected.

Artesia Lodge No. 11, I. O. O. F. elected new officers at the regular meeting Thursday night, as follows:

J. O. Richards, Noble Grand.

Jim Conner, Vice Grand.

Dean Samson, Secretary (re-elected.)

R. A. Eaton, treasurer.

#### For Sale.

\$40 Victor Talking Machine and 35 good records with case. Take all for \$35.00 and be quick. Write Box 236, Artesia New Mexico. 3 t.

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President and Manager,  
H. L. MUNCY.

Secretary and Treasurer,  
WILLIAM DOOLEY.

### CHOICE IRRIGATED LANDS

—FOR SALE BY—

## The Farmers' Land League,

(A Realty Company of Pecos Valley Farmers)

ARTESIA,

NEW MEXICO.

#### Artesia Library Affairs.

The last meeting for the year 1907 of the present Woman's Board of Managers of the Library was held at the reading-room Thursday afternoon with Mesdames Atkeson, Kemp Martin, Johnson, Gilbert, Inman and Askew present. The various closing reports were all that they should be. The free reading room, it was readily conceded, is well worth what it is costing. Mrs. Johnson, the librarian, was commended for the neat condition of the room. The treasurer's report shows about \$30 surplus after the payment of all estimated expenses for the month of December. While not a large sum, it is not a bad showing, taking into consideration the extra volumes, supplies and furniture added this year. A motion passed, that the association bear part of the expense of grassing the plot back of the reading room. The resignation of Mrs. Dunaway was accepted and Mrs. John Lowry appointed to fill the vacancy. Arrangements were consummated for the election of a new Board of Managers for 1908. This election will take place at the reading room the first Monday in January. Each member of the association is entitled to one vote. Announcement concerning judges, etc., will be made later.

#### Young People Entertained.

Willie, Worlie and Laura Lynn invited a number of young people to their home on Tuesday evening of this week. They are new comers to Artesia but are rapidly becoming popular in school and in the athletic set in particular. On this evening, they with their mother, entertained in a genuine, whole-hearted, country fashion, that met the entire approval of the appreciative set of youngsters who were favored with invitations. Games in great variety were played and Mrs. Lynn served berries and chocolate cake. Besides the young people of the family, the following boys and girls took part in the fun: Misses Childress, Keith Brainard, Sara Owen, Estelle Mauldin, Abbie Blakesley, Bertha Motts, Texa Acord, Pearl Wiggins, Pearl Lawrence, Bernice Temple, Mary and Vera Heath, Messrs. Fletcher Owen, Theodore Martin, Ammie Clayton, John Gage, Harrel Attebury Warder White, Fred and Reed Brainard, Alfred Coll, Fay Linell, Edgar Williamson and Ruel Crandall.

#### Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell, N. M., November 9, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Jesse D. McBride, of Hope, New Mexico, has filed notice of his intention to make final commutation proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 7755 made April 26, 1906, for the Southwest Quarter of Section 3, Township 17 South, Range 21 East, and that said proof will be made before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner, at his office in Artesia, N. M. on December 24, 1907. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz: D. S. Patterson, William O. Gray, Sterling P. Davis, Dan Davis, all of Hope, N. M. HOWARD LELAND, Register.

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## THE ARTESIA ADVOCATE

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GAYLE TALBOT, EDITOR

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

### Railroad Time Table.

South bound passenger, arrives at 10:05 p. m., local time.  
North bound passenger, arrives at 6:15 a. m. local time.  
South bound local, arrives at 12:30 p. m. local time, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.  
North bound local, arrives at 9:30 a. m. local time, on Tuesday Thursday and Saturday.

Jamas M. Hervey is spoken of as a probable successor to Mr. Fall as attorney general of New Mexico.

This awful altitude has gotten in its nefarious work again, it seems. We are told the telephone rate to Dayton has crawled up another five cents per message.

A prohibition election is on at Pecos today and it requires no stretch of imagination to say that Abe Mulkey has made a hand in the fight against saloons this week.

Life in the Artesia country is so strenuous for the loafer and ne'er-do-well. He must either get in the game or wander on to more congenial—and less enterprising—climes.

The city council of Roswell has ordered a rigid examination to be made into the sanitary condition of the city and will make a strong effort to stamp out the epidemic of typhoid fever that has been passing through the town.

The money stringency does not seem to be interfering greatly with Pecos Valley prosperity. The president of the First National Bank of Roswell has presented the cashier of that institution with a fine three thousand dollar automobile.

The editor of the Advocate received, a few days ago, an invitation to attend the wedding of his young friend Walter Danburg, of Farmington, to Miss Maude Patton. Danburg is one of the rising young Democrats of New Mexico and we are glad to know that good things are already coming his way.

A personal letter from our friend W. L. Bobo, of Carlsbad, wants to know if it is a fact that this editor will be a candidate for county clerk. No, Bo, Talbot, is not in the want column, and could not seriously interfere with your plans if he were. Such ability as you demonstrated in the last campaign is enough to intimidate any ordinary sovereign.

Calamities may come and go and a slip of paper take the place of Uncle Sam's long green, but the Artesia country will never know the difference. Nothing but the chastening hand of Providence can prevent the development of this favored vale. New artesian wells are being bored every day and new farms are being born all the while. The song of the husbandman is heard in the land and the pessimist has slunk away into the night, taking his hammer along with him.

That good man Mullane, editor of the Carlsbad Current (better known as the Weekly Guzzle-Guzzle or the Booze Fighters' Friend,) answers the Advocate's argument for economy in county government by writing mean things about this editor. Unfortunately, this line of argument has but little effect in clearing up the atmosphere of high taxes and court extravagance. Unkind reference to Talbot cannot divert the voter's mind from those awful figures at the foot of his tax receipt.

The Statehood Convention at Santa Fe last Saturday elected officers for the campaign as follows: President: Willard S. Hopefull, of Albuquerque; vice presidents: E. C. Abbott, of Santa Fe; George L. Brooks, of Albuquerque; J. A. Mahoney of Deming; Jefferson Reynolds, of East Las Vegas; G. A. Richardson, of Roswell; and H. H. Majors, of Alamogorda, each judicial district being represented; secretaries J. M. Hervey, of Roswell and R. L. Baca, of Santa Fe; treasurer, Jose D. Sena, of Santa Fe.

The Kansas City Times is urging that a state holiday for Kansas be created to be called "Alfalfa Day," for, it says "a grain that will produce three crops in one season and any one of them a greater cash value than the same amount of wheat or oats or corn, is entitled to a day for consideration." If Kansas can celebrate in honor of a crop that only makes three crops in a season, how enthusiastic should New Mexico become over the same plant that makes six crops in a season and each one of them greater than the Kansas yield because of irrigation. Artesia was doing honor to great revenue-producer when she arranged for an annual Alfalfa Festival.

To Mr. Arthur O'Quinn, candidate for probate clerk of Eddy county: Are you willing to accept the office to which you aspire at a salary to be paid by the taxpayers of Eddy county, the same to be a stipulated amount—not to exceed two thousand dollars per annum—and necessary office help? If so, will you come before the people and so declare yourself. There was never a time when the taxpayers of Eddy county needed relief more than now. Are you willing to start the move for safe and sane county government? Silence at this critical time can be construed in only one way—that is, that you desire the present plundering system to continue so that you may get part of the plunder. With no feeling save that of the greatest friendship, the Advocate asks the question and

will cheerfully give you space for reply.

So far as the Advocate has been able to learn, there is not an aspirant for public office in the Artesia country. These people are too busy developing the Best Country on Earth to take time off for politics. We have heard of but one man's name mentioned for office and the gentleman himself is not aware fully of that yet. A number of friends of John Price have suggested that he make the race for tax assessor, knowing that he is not only a good man, but popular and deserves promotion. Hard luck seems to have simply camped on his trail for the past two years in the way of sickness and accidents, but not once has anyone heard Price complain. He comes up smiling every time and has that never-say-die grit that cannot fail to gain recognition. If he should make the race, no man who knows John Price could refuse to give him a vote.

T. F. Blackmore, the abstractor, returned Monday morning from Carlsbad, where he has been doing penance for several days. He says he got on to a valuable piece of news while circulating around the court house, viz. that the editor of the Advocate would be a candidate for the office of county clerk before the next Democratic primaries—and all because we had the temerity to suggest the practice of reasonable economy in the administration of county affairs. Those pap-suckers down there cannot imagine how a man can be prompted to endorse timely reforms unless it is for the sake of office. They seem to be absolutely dead to all sense of patriotism or even common justice. We are not egotistical enough to suppose for an instant that this editor's candidacy would seriously interfere with the ambitions of any man who might desire to become a candidate for the office. In all probability, he would not run fast enough to raise a dust in the spring time. But in order to disabuse the mind of anyone who may desire to do him justice in the matter, we state that Editor Talbot is not a candidate for a thing on earth except the advancement of the Pecos Valley and the good will of those citizens who favor economical government and an equal levy of taxation. There isn't an office in the gift of the people of Eddy county he desires at present and we want the public to judge our efforts in the spirit they are offered.

If Mr. Mullane really has no sensible defense to make of the present deplorable situation at Carlsbad, it might be better for him to come across and help the Advocate with the housecleaning.

Miss Templeton, a teacher in charge of the Baptist missionary school at Valarde, a small station north of Santa Fe, was mysteriously murdered Sunday. This is the second Baptist missionary to be killed at this place.

For the sake of appearances, the use of an interpreter was dispensed with at the statehood meeting held at Santa Fe last Saturday.

## Reasons Why You Should Come To ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO

ARTESIA was born four years ago (this September 1907) when the first flowing artesian well was completed. It has now a population of 2000 people, 41 business houses, 2 banks, two newspapers, 6 religious organizations, 5 church houses, Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Christian and Catholic, 5 lodges. It has a brick public school building that cost \$10,000 with 500 pupils, a good private college, a fine public library, an up-to-date postoffice, good telegraph and telephone service. Artesia has 4 hotels. Artesia has a \$47,000 municipal waterworks, a large amount of cement sidewalks, an electric light and ice plant in course of construction and many other modern conveniences. Artesia and the surrounding country has a wide-awake, industrious, progressive, moral and religious people from all sections of the United States.

ARTESIA was the first town in New Mexico to abolish gambling. ARTESIA is situated in the widest and best portion of the famous Pecos Valley.

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If you have acquired the habit of carrying a lot of loose "change" around in your pocket the chances are that at least this much of your money is deposited by somebody else. If you have never tried banking your "small change" frequently do it now and see what a surprise awaits you at the end of the year.

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**TEACHERS MEETING.**

**Profitable Session at Carlsbad and Plans Made for Future Work—Artesia Teachers Honored.**

The annual meeting of the Pecos Valley Teachers' Association at Carlsbad Friday and Saturday was successful, although the attendance was not as large as it should have been, there being about forty present out of a membership of about two hundred. With slight exception the program was carried out with great satisfaction as published in the Record. On the last day Roswell was selected as the next meeting place, over Lake Arthur and Hagerman, and the following officers were elected: President, M. H. Brasher, of Roswell; Vice President, V. L. Griffin, of Carlsbad; secretary, Mrs. C. M. Botts, of Artesia.

An inter-scholastic oratorical and athletic association was formed by the teachers with W. S. Hicks, of Roswell, president, and C. M. Botts, of Artesia, secretary.

The session closed Saturday at noon, and after dinner the visitors were given a ride to all points of interest about town. At night Dr. W. D. Garrison, president of the Las Vagas Normal, delivered a lecture, after which there was a reception for the visitors at the Commercial Club. Territorial Superintendent Clark was unable to attend.

The Artesia and Carlsbad high schools contested at basket ball both Friday and Saturday afternoons, and Carlsbad was the winner of both games. Artesia had the best and most skillful players, but Carlsbad had the size and weight that overbalanced in their favor. The Roswell basket ball team was unable to go.

Incidental to the meeting, Will Robinson, of Roswell, delivered his lecture on "Impressions of a Tenderfoot," at the Methodist church Friday night.

All the teachers were present as guests, and an audience of three hundred people heard the lecture.

**We See Mullane's Finish.**

A man returned to his native village after having immigrated to Kansas some twenty years previous. He asked about different villagers in the old days and finally of the town drunkard of his time.

Oh he's dead, was the reply. Well, well, dead and buried, is he?

Nope, they didn't bury him. Didn't bury him! exclaimed the former resident. Well, what did they do with him?

Oh, they just poured him back in the jug.

**How Diphtheria is Contracted.**

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**Faster Than the Pea Vine.**

Bob Miller has a new delivery wagon and it's a bird.—Dayton Echo.

**MAKE HEAVY INVESTMENTS.**

**L. N. Muncy and Sons Purchase Fourteen Sections and Townsite of Elkins.**

L. N. Muncy and sons, including R. E. Muncy, the transfer man of Roswell, have bought of the C. L. Tallmadge Southwestern Lands Company a tract of fourteen sections, lying two miles south of the town of Elkins. They have also bought of the same company the townsite of Elkins and will put both the townsite and farming tract on the market at once. Their advertisement giving particulars of the lands appears in today's Record.

R. E. Muncy will place his transfer business here in the hands of a manager and go to Elkins to take charge of the office which the new real estate firm will establish. He will also manage a branch livery stable there. His family will remain in Roswell.—Roswell Record.

**When to Go Home.**

From the Bluffton, Ind., Banner: "When tired out, go home. When you want consolation, go home. When you want fun go home. When you want to show others that you have reformed, go home and let your family get acquainted with the fact. When you want to show yourself at your best go home and do the act there. When you feel like being extra liberal go home and practise on your wife and children first. When you want to shine with extra brilliancy go home and light up the whole household." To which we would add, when you have a cold go home and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and a quick cure is certain. For sale by City Drug Store.

**Woman's Club.**

Because of Thanksgiving preparations the meeting of the Woman's Club was postponed from Wednesday of last week to Monday of this. The afternoon was very beautiful and this meeting at the home of Mrs. J. B. Atkeson showed a better attendance than any other of this year. Seventeen active members were present, Mesdames Lowry, Talbot Fatherree, Kemp, Keinath, Dyer, Swepston, Mathes, Skagar, Frisk Inman, Atkeson, McCrary, Gilbert, Enfield, Blue, and Martin.

The honorary member, Mrs. Annie A. Kemp was also present. Mrs. John Lowry was leader, asking the questions prepared for this, the last lesson on Guy Mannering. She interspersed with comments of her own. Mrs. McCrary ably assisted in the latter part of the program and Mrs. E. E. Mathes, by request of the leader, made a short talk on Scotch phrases with interesting recollections of her Scottish parents and grandparents. The Vice President, Mrs. McCrary, presided at the business session. The resignation of Mrs. Edward F. Phillips was accepted. To allow time for more study, the next meeting is postponed to Dec. 18th and will be with Mrs. Stephen Wesley Gilbert.

**A Dangerous Deadlock.**

that sometimes terminates fatally, is the stoppage of liver and bowel functions. To quickly end this condition without disagreeable sensations, Dr. King's New Life Pills should be your remedy. Guaranteed absolutely satisfactory in every case or money back, at Pecos Valley Drug Co. 25c

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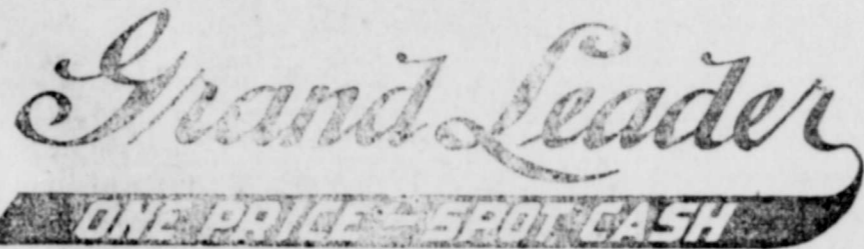
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**ROSE LAWN**

5 to 7 acre suburban lots will be advanced in price November 1st. 45 acres of the sub-division are being seeded to alfalfa this fall. A contract for an artesian well is let. 10 or 15 acres more of orchards and grape vines will be planted this winter. 1000 more constant-blooming roses will be planted on the avenue. These tracts, ideal for homes and small orchards, with domestic water main, and artesian well irrigation system, with annual water rental, are only on sale to actual home builders. If this is what you are looking for, call on or address,

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**HERVEY IS APPOINTED.**

**Roswell Lawyer Named to Fill the Place of A. B. Fall, Attorney General.**

James M. Hervey, of the law firm of Reid & Hervey, this afternoon received a telegram from Governor George Curry advising him of his appointment to the office of Attorney General of New Mexico, vice A. B. Fall, resigned. The appointment comes unsolicited on the part of Mr. Hervey. Although the newspapers have mentioned the appointment as a probability, indicating that Governor Curry has had Mr. Hervey in mind for the place, the governor had never said anything about it to the Roswell lawyer.

Mr. Hervey has had little time to consider the appointment, but this afternoon when asked if he would accept, jokingly replied, "Did you ever know a Republican to refuse a public office?" And afterward he explained that he considered it well worth the acceptance and expected to go to Santa Fe in a day or two to look after the work that will require his attention. He is uncertain about moving his family to Santa Fe at present, but this will naturally follow.

Mr. Hervey has made a good record as district attorney in the Fifth Judicial district and has a great many friends here who will congratulate him upon the appointment and wish him well, although all will regret to see him leave Roswell.

Mr. Hervey's appointment makes the fifth high territorial officer to come from Roswell within the past two years, including two governors, two attorneys general and one Territorial secretary. And still there is plenty more good material in Roswell, both Democratic and Republican to fill any office in the Territory.—Roswell Record.

**A Strong Man, is Botts.**

In its detailed write up of the proceedings of the Pecos Valley Teachers' Association, the Roswell Register-Tribune says:

Mr. C. M. Botts, principal of the Artesia High School, made perhaps the strongest impression among the younger teachers. The young man is certainly bright, and well equipped and endowed with plenty of simple sense which will make a valuable factor in valley educational circles.—Roswell Register Tribune.

Ernest Cox, who has been with Joyce-Pruit Company the past year, has sold his farm near Lakewood, and become owner of the mercantile establishment of the Crawford & Co., at that place. He and Mrs. Cox and their charming little daughter, Ernestine, will become citizens of the White City tomorrow. Their many friends regret exceedingly to see these good people leave Artesia and wish them both happiness and prosperity in their new home.

City Attorney Judson G. Osborne is having a cottage erected in the Beckham Addition.

**MORTGAGE DEEDS FOR SALE AT ADVOCATE OFFICE.**

**School Celebrates Thanksgiving.**

The pupils of the High School consolidated forces with pupils of 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades in a program of drills, speeches etc. the day before Thanksgiving. The rooms occupied by Miss Childress, grades and the High School were thrown into one assembly room. A stage was arranged on trestles by Prof. Botts and the large boys.

The room was more than full, many visitors attending. Every number of the program was heard with interest, Especially deserving of mention was Miss Rosa Wetig's solo, "The landing of the Pilgrims" as dramatized by a dozen or more of Miss Childress' boys and girls, and the two drills. Of these the first was one by pupils from grades seven and eight in paraphernalia of large paper hats of white, green, red and yellow with wands to match. The other by a dozen boys and girls of the High School. These were dressed in the black and gold, the boys wearing the gold in large ties and sashes and the girls in their sailor colors—all carried as wands immense heads of kaffir-corn on the stalks. Perfect time was kept to Miss Vivian Newkirk's music. Besides these there were many other good dialogues, speeches and songs by the smaller pupils and Bro. Gage gave a short talk at the close. Four days of vacation were given and most of the teachers attended the Association at Carlsbad.

Our basket-ball team went down on Friday's local and played the Carlsbad team Friday and Saturday. Miss Childress accompanied the team which was composed of these girls Sara Owen, Bernice Temple, Ruth Brainard, Laura Lynn Texa Acord with Lotta Ferson as substitute. Carlsbad won both days but our girls were not badly discouraged over this fact. The rules employed were a different code from those under which our team had been coached and required a team of heavier weight in which particular our girls were outclassed. Artesia's little team have received many compliments on their nimbleness, dash, and all around good playing.

**A LARGE EXCURSION.**

**Two Special Coaches of Homeseekers Arrived Last Night.**

There is the largest crowd of prospectors in the Artesia country today than has been here at any one time for a year or two. J. M. Conn came in last evening with a special Pullman from Iowa points and R. M. Love did the same. They brought about fifty people, and in addition, the several other real estate firms brought in groups of from one to a dozen men. As a result every hotel is full and every available vehicle in use. It is safe to say that a number will find profitable investments in the Sunshine Valley.

**Presbyterian Church.**

Will have regular services Sunday, as I will be able to meet the congregations. The morning subject will be: The Lords' Purpose in Revealing Himself to all. E. E. Mathes Pastor.

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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO.**

**Bill Introduced By Delegate W. H. Andrews—Generous Donations.**

Special to the New Mexican.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 3.—Delegate W. H. Andrews, New Mexico's representative in Congress, introduced the bill providing for an enabling act for the territory of New Mexico. The number is No. 4 as was agreed upon by Speakes Cannon and Delegate Andrews during the last session of the 59th Congress. The name of the new state is to be New Mexico.

The governor, chief justice of the supreme court and the secretary of the territory are constituted a board to apportion delegates to the constitutional convention which is to consist of 113 members upon the ratio and based upon the vote for delegate to Congress at the November, 1906, election.

The election of delegates to the constitutional convention is to take place on the sixth Tuesday after the passage of the bill. The governor is to issue his proclamation for the election of delegates twenty days after the passage and approval of the bill. The constitutional convention is to assemble on the third Monday after the election.

**Provisions of the Bill.**

The bill appropriates five million dollars for the benefit of the public school fund and the same amount of land for the benefit of the school fund and for the benefit of the territorial institutions as in the statehood bill of the last Congress. The bill also appropriates two million acres of public lands for the purpose of settling the rail-

road debts of the counties of Santa Fe and Grant which were legalized by Congress. The capital is to remain in Santa Fe until 1920. All legal debts and liabilities of the territory are to be assumed by the new state.

The governor, the chief justice of the territorial supreme court and the secretary of the territory are constituted a board of election to canvass and declare the result of the first state election. The president is authorized to issue his proclamation declaring the territory to be a state within twenty days after the receipt of a copy of the constitution adopted.

**General Election to Take Place.**

At the election for the adoption of the constitution a complete list of members of the House of Representatives of the Congress, governor, all state, county, and precinct officials is to take place. The Legislative Assembly is to elect two U. S. Senators at its first meeting. New Mexico is to constitute one federal judicial district of which the judge, the U. S. attorney and the U. S. marshal are to be appointed by the president.

The bill appropriates \$150,000 to defray the expenses of the first state election. It is liberal in other respects.

The many friends of Peter Corn and family will regret to learn that the little girl, who had her leg broken a short time ago, has lost the limb—it having been amputated above the knee. At last accounts she was getting along as well as could be expected.—Lakewood Progress.

Father Robert Kalt conducted services at the Catholic church last Sunday.

**Lew Wallace Club.**

The pupils of the High School, catching the club contagion from their elders, organized in due form on yesterday afternoon. To their society they have given the name of "The Lew Wallace Club." Their reason for so honoring this noted author is not solely because of his fame, but because they count him as belonging peculiarly to New Mexico, his noted novel, "Ben Hur," having been written at Santa Fe. This club is to meet on Friday afternoon. The following officers were elected: Rosa Wetig, pres; Willie Lynn, vice pres; Fred Brainard, sec. and treas; Ruth Brainard, program sec; Prof. Botts, critic; Vivian Newkirk, editor to the Pecos Valley News; Theodore Martin, editor to the Artesia Advocate. The following was yesterday's program: Recitation, "Concerning Correct Speech," Olive George. Essay, "A Boy's Trials," Edgar Williamson. Essay, "The Lion," Connie Horner. Debate, Resolved, "That \$50 spent for a large bell for the school would be of more benefit than a similar sum invested in laboratory equipment." Affirmative, Theodore Martin and Bernice Temple, negative, Fletcher Owen and Estelle Mauldin. Decision in favor of the affirmative. Recitation, "Things Like What They Ain't," Bertha Motts.

A prohibition election was held in Potter county, Texas, this week, and the people say saloons must go. Amarillo is the county seat.

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## LOCALS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTRY.

Standard Diaries for 1908 at Pecos Valley Drug Co.

Mountain Beef, at Fletcher's Market.

R. W. Terrill made a business trip to Hagerman Tuesday.

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Judge G. U. McCrary is attending court in Roswell.

F. M. Duckworth returned from Dalhart, Texas, Tuesday night.

Apple trees in twenty of the leading commercial varieties at Artesia Nursery.

Dolls from two for five cents to ten dollars each at Pecos Valley Drug Co.

We need the money and appreciate your patronage. Artesia Machine Shop.

Choice, red winter rust-proof seed oats for sale. See J. B. Cecill or H. A. Porter.

We regret very much to learn that Mrs. J. C. Wilson, of Dayton, is dangerously ill.

How about those rubber tires? Let us put you on a new set CHEAP. Artesia Machine Shop.

E. A. Clayton returned from Iowa yesterday, where he went to do missionary work for Artesia.

H. L. Muncy went to Elkins Tuesday to look after the land investments recently made by the Muncys.

S. P. Denning, the Roswell contractor, who has much landed interest around Artesia, spent Saturday in the city.

Remember Sperry & Lukins are complying exactly to the law and ordinance in regard to tapping the city water pipes.

T. E. Ribble, of Hagerman, was a visitor to the City of Big Wells Wednesday, in company with E. F. Cooper, of Dayton.

Walter Daughterity and wife, of Artesia, were the guests of their father, W. F. Daughterity, Sunday night.—Dayton Echo.

List your property with the old reliable FARMERS' LAND LEAGUE. We are bringing hundreds of prospective buyers to the valley.

Mr. Henry Baughman captured a large brown eagle this week and it has been placed in one of the large show windows at the Grand Leader.

Miss Ellen Cooper and Arthur Cooper, who are attending Artesia college, came down Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving with their parents.—Dayton Echo.

Oklahoma is doomed to be the dearest country on earth, according to the regulation anti-prohibition howler who claims that saloons are the whole source of revenue.

Lost—A double-breasted, black coat, Alfred Benjamin make. Probably left in some Artesia business house. Finder will please return to Advocate office and get reward.

Rumor has it that Ed Bass will again be a candidate for sheriff of Eddy county and that J. Tom Cooper is just a pippin. It is unnecessary to

state that these gentlemen are from Carlsbad.

The finest bread only is made with Hunters Cream Flour. E. S. Howell has been in the grocery business for many years, and says he has never handled anything so good as Hunters Cream.

John T. Patrick presents the Advocate with a fine bunch of home-grown celery this week that was never excelled in flavor or crisp sweetness. It was simply elegant in every respect. Mrs. Patrick is evidently a fine gardener.

Ed Howell, the grocery man says he used Hunters Cream flour in Oklahoma and knows it is the best. It was never seen in Artesia until this week, and our people are to be congratulated upon having the opportunity of getting it.

Road Supervisor Patrick, of Artesia, while here Monday, appointed Ira A. Morgan as deputy supervisor to superintend the work of the new road now being opened up northeast from town. J. C. Fillingim has the contract for grading two miles of the road.—Dayton Echo.

Joe J. Boyd, the Lake Arthur booster who never knows when he does enough for his town, came down Sunday to hear Abe Mulkey. He sat right up in front and if the sermon did him as much good as it did a lot of other folks, he will treat Artesia better in the future than in the past.

E. N. Skaer, the jeweler, has furnished some amusement to to passersby this week by placing in his show window a clock with a mechanical contrivance in connection that operates an acrobat performing tricks upon a horizontal bar. If you haven't seen it, go and take a look. It is a wonderful piece of mechanism.

J. F. Lockney, the reformed newspaper man who buys second-hand things and swaps pintos with the boys between times, has easily demonstrated the fact that he cannot be backed down on any kind of a proposition. Monday, he bought a second-hand Gila monster and six-foot rattlesnake and if any of our readers need anything in this line they are requested to get on their trading garments.

Col. A. M. York and wife, of Denver, Colorado, and C. D. Bonney, of Roswell, were registered at the Gibson Wednesday. Colonel York is superintendent of the work of construction of the Antelope Reservoir construction work and Mr. Bonney is vice-president of the company in charge of affairs. The gentlemen were here in the interest of the business. Actual construction has already begun nine miles west of Dayton.

Speaking of the recent marriage of Miss Ella Hyatt, of this city, the "Mountain Sun," published at Kerrville, Texas, says:

Miss Hyatt for many years resided in Kerr county, and has many friends in Kerrville and surrounding towns who will wish her all happiness during her married life.

Fresh Fish and Oysters, at Fletcher's Market

## ORGANIZE FOR STATEHOOD.

Permanent Officers Are Named and Vigorous Campaign to be Initiated at once.

At the meeting held in Santa Fe Saturday afternoon upon call of George Curry for the purpose of organizing to fight for statehood, every section of the territory was represented, the Pecos Valley's members being the Governor himself, Territorial Secretary Nathan Jaffa and J. M. Hervey. The meeting was an enthusiastic one and organization was successfully accomplished, committees appointed and resolutions adopted relative to the work that is needed in getting the bill for statehood through congress.

Permanent organization was made by electing the following officers: W. S. Hopeful, president; E. C. Abbott, George L. Brooks, J. A. Mahoney, Jefferson Reynolds, G. A. Richardson and H. H. Majors, vice presidents; secretaries, J. M. Hervey and R. L. Baca; interpreter, J. D. Sena.

### The Only Plan, He Says:

E. F. Cooper, the well known Dayton rustler, spent a short while in Artesia Wednesday, and took occasion to say that the Advocate's plan of saving money on county officers' salaries is the only sensible thing to do—that the woods are full of good men who will be only too glad to serve the people at a good salary and turn the balance back into the treasury. He did not say whether or not any of these patriots lived around Dayton.

### A Home Made Happy by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

About two months ago our baby girl had measles which settled on her lungs and at last resulted in a severe attack of bronchitis. We had two doctors but no relief was obtained. Everybody thought she would die. I went to eight different stores to find a certain remedy which had been recommended to me and failed to get it, when one of the storekeepers insisted that I try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I did so and our baby is alive and well today.—Geo. W. Spence, Holly Springs, N. C. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy always cures and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by City Drug Store.

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