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## Territorial Government is the Nursery of Citizenship and New Mexico Reached Years of Discretion Long Ago.

### COMMISSIONERS MUST ACT.

#### Prejudiced County Officials to Be Forced to Do Their Duty.

Pursuant to the call in last week's Advocate, a largely-attended meeting of Artesia-country citizens was held at the Club rooms Monday evening to take some action toward making the Board of County Commissioners heed the petition of this end of the county for a bridge across the Pecos—something the gentlemen last week absolutely refused to do, notwithstanding the plain man date of the law.

The meeting was presided over by Vice-President Kemp, with A. C. Keinath as secretary. The object of the meeting was stated by Commissioner J. W. Turknott and J. B. Atkeson, Esq. and these gentlemen were followed at length by Messrs. Newkirk, Logan, Blair and others. The arguments put forth for drastic action were all along pretty much the same line—that the time had arrived when every citizen of the northern end of Eddy county realized fully that we could never expect anything but enmity from the present board of commissioners. That the parting of the ways had been reached and to delay action longer is only to meekly surrender to the caprices and tyranny of certain officials who have no regard for their positions or respect for the people who put them in office and who pay them for their services. In the face of evidence adduced by themselves last week, no one could be so foolish as to suppose that the commissioners would ever be controlled by either a sense of duty or right and if the taxpayers of this end of the county desire any consideration they will have to force recognition. The gentlemen present were a unite on this proposition.

After earnest and careful discussion, the proposition was carried unanimously that a committee be appointed to employ legal talent and compel, by mandamus or otherwise, the Commissioners to order the election for bridge bonds according to law. The law is mandatory on the question and the law will be invoked. The gentlemen who will have the matter in charge are Messrs. G. R. Brainard, E. E. McNatt and V. E. Fatherree and they are instructed to proceed without delay in the matter and if the people of New Mexico really have any protection against the grafters who would run things in Eddy county for the exclusive benefit of the county seat, we will soon know where we are "at".

This is a question in which the people of Eddy county are very much interested. It is not Artesia alone. Dayton al-

so received the same insulting treatment when her people asked for a bridge across the Pecos and the people of Malaga have received a similar slap. The question is, shall the people rule or let a lot of short politicians who regard a public office as a private snap, manipulate affairs for the exclusive benefit of themselves and their henchmen. The offices of Eddy county have been used as a family affair long enough. The northern end of this county is now paying the tax and has a majority of the votes and there is no good reason why it should not have their right and privilege of asking for what is their right. The right of petition is guaranteed anywhere in the United States and nowhere except in Eddy county has the fact been questioned. It is not strange that the people of the Northern End should threaten to secede.

### A MOUNTAIN OF WATER.

#### The New Patterson Well One of the Largest Torrents Ever Procured in Valley.

Artesia's prosperity is just one continued serial. One week's story is simply a sequel to the former. There is nothing too good for the intrepid people who are making of this erst-while desert a garden. Water is life in the west and Artesia is surely more blessed than any other spot on earth. When tremendous geysers of purest artesian water began to come forth from the earth four years ago, it was said by those who had not studied the topography of the adjacent country that the supply could not last—that the source of supply would undoubtedly become exhausted before long. Accordingly, a few of small faith sold out and left the country. These are the only people who have made a serious mistake in the Valley. Those who had judgment enough to buy them out have made money thereby. Instead of the supply of water giving out, it has apparently been on the increase all the while, for we are getting bigger and better wells these days than ever before and thousands of acres are being brought under the touch of the husbandman.

One of the finest wells ever seen by man was brought in five miles south of Artesia this week on the Ed Patterson farm. It gushes about five feet over an eight inch casing and is large enough to speak for itself. It will water one of the best bodies of soil in the entire Pecos Valley—a beautiful tract indeed. There is already on the land eighty acres in oats, ten of orchard, seventy being put in alfalfa.

O. G. Greer is now with Fletcher's Market.

### PROSPECT FOR CANNERY.

#### Parties to Be in Artesia Next Week for Purpose of Putting in Plant.

The Committee on Manufactures of the Artesia Commercial Club has received a letter from a reliable and experienced firm at El Paso in regard to the establishing of a canning plant at Artesia. The matter was taken up by the committee some time ago, and this week we are notified that a representative will be in Artesia one day next week for the purpose of looking more fully into the situation and seeing what inducement, if any, the farmers of this vicinity have to offer for such an institution. A meeting of the Commercial Club will be called within a few days to consider the matter.

This is one movement upon which the entire population of the valley should unite. A canning plant here would mean that Artesia farmers have a regular and steady market right at their doors for every pound of fruit and vegetables they can raise—and it is a recognized fact that no where else on earth do vegetables grow so successfully as here. Many dollars worth of tomatoes and other things went to waste the past summer because there was no one here to buy them. There is no use in living in the best vegetable country and having plenty of water for irrigation if we make no move toward providing a market for the stuff grown. The Artesia farmer thinks nothing of putting down an artesian well with which to water his crop—it is a part of the general plan. The price of two wells will provide a factory and constant market for all vegetables raised, and isn't a market about as important as the water with which to raise the stuff? Produce without a market is of little value. We should get together and provide everything necessary to make farming in this glorious section profitable.

When the canning proposition comes up before the people for consideration, every holder in the valley should be on hand to help boost.

R. A. Eaton, who is familiarly known to the majority of the people in Eddy county as just plain "Dick," has been making a noise like a candidate for tax assessor all the week, and some of his friends say he is surely in the race and looks good to 'em. He has not authorized the Advocate to say so, but if he does run, he will either beat the race or come so near it that the other fellow will think a bear has been after him. Eaton's friends are legion and they have felt a long while like they wanted to show their appreciation of his many good qualities as a citizen and a Democrat.

### Forty Acres Enough.

Back in the the states a farmer has to cultivate at least 160 acres in order to make a living, and that is about all he can make off 160 acres Here in the Pecos Valley we do not have to depend on farming a large farm in order to make the books balance at the end of the year. Forty acres in the Pecos Valley properly cultivated will not only make the owner a living, but he can put from a thousand to fifteen hundred dollars in the land every year. This is not figuring on an orchard basis, which would at least double these figures. There is a farmer close to town that has a forty acre tract, most of it in alfalfa, who has this year made clear all expenses over a thousand dollars. This statement may sound fishy to an eastern farmer, but we have the figures for this tract and know them to be correct.—Hagerman Messenger.

### SANTA FE WAKED UP.

#### The Movement for Economy in Government Has Reached the Territorial Capital.

The taxpayers of Santa Fe county are waking up. They are beginning to realize that a stop must be put to reckless extravagance in the management of local affairs or the business interests of the county will be paralyzed. Ordinary business judgment would suggest the most rigid economy in the management of public affairs in a community burdened with such an enormous indebtedness as Santa Fe county is burdened. Heretofore the business men of the county have been inclined to let the politicians of the county manage its business affairs and the results have been disastrous. There is a good prospect that it will come this year.—Santa Fe Eagle.

County Surveyor Joe Cunningham has been in the Artesia precinct all week, assisting Road Overseer Patrick to lay out a road leading north from Artesia to the Chaves county line. The road will be graded on the section line running from the Big Jo Lumber Company's office and to cross Cottonwood at Maner Brown's ranch. The county has appropriated a sum of money with which to bridge the stream at that place and the road to Lake Arthur will be considerably shortened thereby.

The Advocate office has for sale nicely printed envelopes, with the picture of an artesian well upon them. When you write to your friends at a distance, use stationery that will be an advertisement for the valley. It will cost no more to boost a little as you go along and you may do somebody some good.

### WOULD ANNEX US.

#### Texas Congressman Would Heed the Macedonian Cry and Help Us Out.

In a dispatch to the El Paso Herald from Washington is contained the information that Congressman John W. Stephens, of Texas, is working hard in the interest of his bill looking to the annexation of the Pecos Valley to Texas. We presume the dispatch is correct, although outside of the information it contains, we have heard nothing confirming the fact that such a bill had been introduced in the house. It may be that the gentleman is only laying his plans preparatory to making the fight. It is a fact that many ex-Texans living in the valley have petitioned their Congressional friends to introduce such a bill and there are hundreds of others here who would count it an everlasting blessing to be able to snuggle under the wing of Grand Old Texas. One of the main reasons for this sentiment is that Texas has the best control over railroad traffic of any state in the Union and the Pecos Valley particularly needs some help on this line. If the annexation scheme could be worked, we would have the benefit of this as well as other splendid laws that New Mexico cannot hope to get on her statute books for the next half century, even if statehood should come tomorrow. As purely a political move, it is likely the Republicans would be only too glad to get rid of the Pecos Valley, as without us New Mexico would be safely Republican for all time to come. But to carry on a territorial government without our assessable values would be a hard matter.

The editor of the Advocate lived in Stephens' district in Texas, and knows him to be a man of influence and resources and can guarantee that he will make the fight interesting if he takes it up in earnest. And we are safe in saying that he can get a petition signed by at least one-half the people in the Valley praying that this section of New Mexico be annexed to his state. This statement will, of course, be denied, but it is a fact, nevertheless.

### To Line up With Panthers.

Gallegos, the Mexican baseball player from Albuquerque and who played a few games with the Artesia team last summer, has been signed with the Fort Worth league team for the season beginning April 1. In a two months try-out last fall, at Fort Worth, Gallegos easily demonstrated the fact that he tossed a mighty hard ball to handle.

Don't fail to try our lard. Artesia Market.

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**TRUE STATUS OF AFFAIRS.**

**Copy of Former Contract Between Town of Artesia and Old Waterworks Company.**

Below is published in full the escrow contract that was made some months ago between the Board of Trustees of the Town of Artesia and the officers of the old waterworks company. Its fulfillment depended upon the ability of the old company to procure and turn over to the city the outstanding water rights held by various citizens of the town. This the old company is unable to do and the officials of the company now claim to have sold all their holdings and are no longer bound by the contract. According to the town board seeks to get relief from the contract which has been held in escrow the past months and yesterday morning held a meeting, and by notice published under this head endeavor to get service upon the true owners or assigns of that company to that effect. The whole transaction is published in full that the public generally may know the exact status of affairs:

**Contract:**

**KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:**

That this contract this day made and entered into by and between the Town of Artesia, a municipal Corporation, of the County of Eddy and Territory of New Mexico, party of the first part, and the Artesia Water, Power and Light Company, a corporation, whose head office and principal place of business is in Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico, party of the second part, Witnesseth:

That party of the second part, for the consideration hereinafter mentioned, covenants and agrees with party of the first part herein, to sell, release, remise and convey to party of the first part, all that certain tract of real estate, situate, lying and being in the County of Eddy, Territory of New Mexico, and more particularly described, as follows, to-wit: Lots ten (10) and twelve (12) in Block twenty-six (26), Artesia Improvement Company Addition to the Town of Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico, as the same appears on the recorded plat thereof. The above described property being that on which is located the Artesia Water, Power and Light Company's artesian well, commonly known as the "New well."

Party of the second part, also, for the same consideration, agrees with party of the first part to sell, release, remise and convey to party of the first part, all of that certain tract of real estate situate, lying and being in the County of Eddy, and Territory of New Mexico, and more particularly described, as follows, to-wit: The North half (N 1-2) of Block twenty-five (25) of Original Town of Artesia, as the same appears on the recorded plat thereof, the same being the tract upon which the Artesia Water, Power and Light Company's artesian well commonly known as the "Old well," is located; also the entire water works system owned and operated in said town of Artesia,

by the said Artesia Water, Power and Light Company, including the tool house located on the last above described real estate, together with all the piping, tools and equipment, of whatsoever kind or nature belonging thereto. For and in consideration of the covenants and agreements hereinabove set out upon the part of the party of the second part, the party of the first part agrees to pay to party of the second part, five thousand (\$5000.00) Dollars.

It is expressly understood and agreed by and between the parties of the first and second part hereto, that except for lots ten (10) and twelve (12), Block twenty-six (26) of Artesia Improvement Company Addition to the Town of Artesia, aforesaid, the same being the property upon which the artesian well known as the "new well," is located, the said party of the first part shall have, and is hereby granted an option for the period of twelve (12) months time from the date of this contract in which to accept or reject said property, and party of the second part hereby agrees and binds itself not to sell, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of said property during the said period of time last above mentioned, without the written consent of the party of the first part hereunto in writing expressed.

And Whereas, it is mutually understood by and between the parties of the first and second part hereto, that there are certain water rights existing in the Town of Artesia, in favor of certain lot owners, that is, persons owning lots within the said Town of Artesia, by virtue of certain deeds wherein the said Artesia Water, Power and Light Company is grantor and the said lot owners are grantees:

Now Therefore, it is mutually and expressly understood and agreed by and between the parties of the first and second part hereto, that if the said town of Artesia, by and through its lawful authority, can dispose of said water rights, in a manner satisfactory to the said Town, then, in that event, the said Town will purchase, for the above mentioned consideration, all of the property, both real and personal hereinabove described. Otherwise, the said Town binds itself to accept and purchase, only said lots ten (10) and twelve (12) in Block twenty-six (26) of Artesia Improvement Company Addition to the said Town of Artesia, including the artesian well located thereon, with all appurtenances.

Party of the second part further agrees and binds itself to turn over to the Town of Artesia, free of charge to said town, by deed properly executed, all of the individual water rights now owned by the stockholders of the Artesia Water, Power and Light Company.

Party of the second part further agrees and binds itself to furnish to party of the first part, a warranty deed, properly executed, to all real property hereinabove described, together with an abstract of title to all of said property, which abstract must show an absolutely perfect title to the satisfaction of

the Town Attorney of the Town of Artesia; and upon failure of said second party to show a perfect title to said real property, this contract shall be considered null and void.

It is further mutually understood and agreed by and between the parties hereto, that from and after June (1st,) First, A. D. 1907., and until such time as party of the first part hereto elects to reject said North half (N 1-2) of Block twenty-five (25) Original Town of Artesia, aforesaid, as hereinabove provided, the said party of the first part shall have the exclusive control of said last above described premises, including the artesian well located thereon, and all of the water-mains, pipes, laterals and equipment pertaining thereto or issuing therefrom, and shall have full and lawful authority to collect all water rents and income of whatsoever kind or nature accruing from the use of said premises and the appurtenance. And it is further understood and agreed that the above mentioned control and use of said water works system by the party of the first part shall not in the least operate as a release of the option above referred to in favor of the said Town of Artesia, and shall not operate to thrust upon said party of the first part any obligation or liability further than that which is contemplated in the foregoing clauses of this contract.

It is further agreed that upon the collection of money by party of the first part for the privileges hereinbefore referred to, the said first party shall be allowed to pay out of said money so collected, any amount or amounts from time to time, necessary to defray the actual running expenses of the said water works plant, and the remainder thereof, if any, shall be placed by the party of the first part, in escrow, in the Bank of Artesia, in Artesia, New Mexico, until such time as the said party of the first part elects to accept or reject the said last above described premises with the appurtenances, and in the event of first party's election to accept said premises, then, in that event, the said remainder of money, last above mentioned, shall be and remain the property of the first, and in event said first party elects to reject said premises, then, in that event, the said remainder of money referred to shall be and remain the property of the party of the second part.

It is further mutually agreed that this contract, together with the deed or deeds to the property above described, shall be placed and remain in escrow with the Bank of Artesia, in Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico, until called for jointly by the legal representatives of both of the parties hereto.

It is further mutually covenanted and agreed that the terms of this contract shall be binding upon the legal representatives or assigns of each of the parties hereto.

In Witness Whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this 13th day of June, A. D. 1907.

Town of Artesia, By, John B. Enfield, Chairman, Board of Trustees. Pro Tem.

(Attest) J. E. Swepston, Clerk.

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Artesia Water, Power and Light Company, By, James A. Cottingham, President. (Attest) Samuel P. Denning, Secretary.

**Resolutions.**

Whereas, on the 13th, day of June, A. D. 1907., the Town of Artesia entered into a certain contract with the Artesia Water Power and Light Company, whereby the said Town of Artesia was granted an option of purchase on the North Half of Block 25 Original Town of Artesia as the same appears on the recorded plat thereof, together with the Artesian well located thereon, including all laterals, water mains, connections, appliances and appurtenances belonging to that certain water works system known as the Artesia Water Power and Light Company's water works system, together with the tools, tool-house, and all repairs and equipments belonging to said system, which said option was to remain in force for the period of one year from and after the date of the above mentioned contract, or until such time as the Board of Trustees of said town should elect to reject said option, that is to say that the said Town of Artesia should have the period of one year from the date of said contract in which to accept or reject the said above described property.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico, that the purchase of the north half of

Block 25 Original Town of Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico, together with the artesian well located thereon, including all other appliances and equipment as above set out, be rejected, and that the said Town of Artesia by and through its lawful authority, hereby releases the said Artesia Water, Power and Light Company from any option on the above described property, or any rents issues or profits arising therefrom, and hereby releases all possession, occupancy or control over the said property and the artesian well located thereon, or any of the appurtenances thereunto appertaining; the said town of Artesia hereby absolving itself from any liability of whatsoever kind or nature attaching to any of the above described property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution, or a copy thereof be spread upon the official books of the said Town of Artesia, and that the Artesia Water, Power and Light Company be notified of this resolution by mailing a copy thereof addressed to the Artesia Water, Power and Light Company.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be published in at least one issue of the Artesia Advocate, a newspaper of general circulation in Eddy County, New Mexico.

WM. CRANDALL, Chairman.

J. E. SWEPSTON, Clerk.

[Seal] January 17, 1908.

O. G. Greer is now with Fletcher's Market.



**PROGRESS OF NEW MEXICO.**

**Governor Curry Writes in Detail of the Territory's Wonderful Growth.**

To summarize the growth of New Mexico during the past year, it is only necessary to turn to the records of the four United States land offices in this Territory, and take therefrom the number of homestead entries made during the past few months. During the period of seventeen months, from the beginning of the fiscal year, July 1st, 1906, to December 1st, 1907, a total of 23,223 land entries have been made in New Mexico. In the Santa Fe land office, covering central and northwest New Mexico, 3291 entries were made; in the Roswell land office, covering the southeastern counties, 5254; in the Las Cruces land office, covering the southwestern portion of the Territory, 1295; and in the Clayton land office, covering northeast and east New Mexico, 13,383.

This record of immigration, taken from the reports of the land offices, takes no account of the thousands of people who have come to New Mexico during this period to find homes in the irrigated districts, where they have acquired lands by purchase or within the limits of land grants, many of which are now being subdivided and sold in small lots to farmers; nor does it take account of the thousands who have come here to find employment in the cities and towns, in the mines and factories, in stock raising and other pursuits. The most conservative estimates indicate an increase in our population, during this brief period, of not less than 100,000. It is a record of which New Mexico has some cause to be proud, and which goes far to strengthen the claim the people of New Mexico are now making before congress, for admission to the union.

The most careful estimates made from our elaborate school census; from land office records, from local election returns, and from post office records show that New Mexico, today has a population of more than 400,000, as against 195,000 shown by the census of 1900.

The vast majority of this splendid population increase is of the highest type of American citizenship; men who may be safely trusted with the work of building a state, for it is drawn largely from the farming communities of Iowa and Illinois, of Missouri and Kansas and Texas, and from the great agricultural districts of the South; men who have found out the possibilities of the soil of New Mexico.

Almost invariably the farmer who comes to New Mexico stays here, and with almost equal certainty, he is followed by a little colony of his friends and neighbors. This immigration has been well distributed throughout the Territory, although a very large proportion has found its way into the northern and eastern counties, where it has been demonstrated that good crops may be grown without irrigation. Only a few years ago all that great region,

between the Colorado border on the north, and the plains crossed by what is known as the Santa Fe cut-off, was an unbroken range for cattle and sheep. Now it is dotted in all directions with comfortable homes and at every cross roads new towns are springing up. There is a single valley in Central New Mexico which three years ago was open range for sheep, in which, today, more than 4,000 acres of wheat are planted, there being no single tract of more than 100 acres. We have one county which on its creation, three years ago had a population of 800. Now it has a population of not less than 8,000. In the Pecos Valley, where there are two completed National irrigation projects, and in the Mesilla Valley, where the great Elephant Butte storage reservoir is soon to be built, development has been marvelously rapid. So, also, in the valleys of San Juan County, and throughout the valley of the Rio Grande. There is scarcely a county in New Mexico, today, in which some large private irrigation project is not building.

The year has been one of great prosperity for New Mexico. It has been marked, not alone by the coming of the army of farmers, but by the opening of new mines, lead and zinc, gold and silver, and coal; by the building of new towns and rapid growth of established ones; by extension of railroad lines; by a broad, onward movement which has marked a greater development, in a single year, than during any previous five year period in our history.

New Mexico is the land of the small farm. It is coming to be understood that a better and surer livelihood is to be made from ten acres of highly-cultivated irrigated land, than from 160 acres of prairie land in the farming districts of the middle west, where the farmer is subjected to the vagaries of drouth and flood. The American farmer has found out something of this and he is coming to New Mexico in tens and hundreds and thousands. He is bringing with him his energy and push and hustle and he is joining in the demand, now being voiced by every New Mexican, that the people of this Territory be admitted to the full rights of citizenship.

New Mexico has forty million acres of public lands open to entry. In this tremendous area are homes for millions, range for vast flocks and herds, highly mineralized districts the surfaces of which have just been scratched; vast forests and unlimited wealth of coal. The industrial development of this Territory has just begun, but it has advanced sufficiently, now, to entitle us to admission to the union. The fact that the Territory has been able to advance so far, beneath the handicap of the territorial form of government, is in itself proof positive of the richness of our natural resources.

**GEORGE CURRY**  
Governor of New Mexico.

Frank J. Short, of Iowa, orders the Advocate sent again to his address. Says he won't try to keep house without the Advocate.

**UNIQUE LAW SUIT.**

**Roswell Stockmen Sued for Wages On Prairie Dog Killing Contract.**

Judge Gatewood has gone to Dimmitt county, Texas, to be attorney for the defendants.

One of the most unique suits ever filed in Texas, wherein plaintiff, L. D. McCreynolds is suing for money alleged to be due for exterminating prairie dogs on 284,000 acres of the Yellow House ranch in Lamb, Hockley, Cochran and Bailey Counties. The defendants are J. P. White of Roswell, G. W. Littlefield of Austin, Texas, and the Littlefield Land and Cattle Company. It is alleged that the defendants agreed with McCreynolds for a certain price per acre to kill and destroy each and every prairie dog, and that there is \$30,000 involved in the suit.

For quick and good work go to Artesia Machine Shop.

D. L. Smith exhibits a kodak picture this week showing a camp scene in the Guadaloupes one day last fall when he and the McCormick boys were hunting up there. Four fine white-tails and two turkeys are hanging from a ridgepole. Horace McCormick is standing near with a .30-30 across his shoulder and looking as much like Daniel Boone as he possibly can. E. P. has taken up a more modest position, while Smith looks like he had crawled back into the shadow in order to keep the game warden from seeing him. The snow on the ground and banked against the pine trees makes the scene look mighty well to the man who loves the walks of nature. D. L. says he is not the hunter they tell about who went to the mountains and ran up against the game warden. J. J. Clarke tells the tale. After a very successful day's hunt, the hunter fell in with a stranger and in enthusiasm told him that he had killed four good bucks and some other game that day. The stranger looked at him and said "Do you realize who you are talking to? I am the game warden." The hunter's wit saved the day. "Do you know who you are talking to?" he replied, "I am the biggest liar in New Mexico."

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Pheaby Martin	1689
Daisy Kaufman	1535
Miss Allie Chisholm	1498
Ruth Brainard	1370
Evelyn Welch	1283
Rachel Dunaway	991
Ester Hook	560
Miss Fannie Eddington	481
Miss Cora Rice	444
Miss Effie McCaw	233
Pearl Lawrence	211
Miss Kattie Kappan	163
Ellen Cooper	50

In this contest all tickets not legally signed by the voter will be thrown out, and not counted.

Votes may be purchased from the following establishments.

Grand Leader' Redford & Mann, Big Jo Lumber Company, Artesia Feed & Fuel Company, Fatherree & Enfield, G. R. Fleicher, R. R. Beatty, Artesia Advocate and E. N. Skaer. Voting box at Redford & Mann's Drug Store.

**Necktie Social.**

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church announce a "necktie-box-supper" for Thursday evening, Jan. 23, at the Hoffman building. Every lady in Artesia invited to bring a box and a calico tie. No auction, no voting. Each box 50c.

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**Notice For Publication.**

**DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF.**  
United States Land Office,  
Roswell, New Mexico,  
January 8, 1908.  
Notice is hereby given that Abram L. Norfleet of Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 1389, for the NE 1/4, Sec. 23; and NW 1/4, Sec. 24, T. 16 S., R. 25 E., before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner at his office in Artesia, N. M., on Wednesday, the 19th day of February, 1908.  
He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:  
James H. Beckham, Jr., William Crandall, John W. Price, James W. Foster, all of Artesia, N. M.  
Howard Leland, Register.

**Notice For Publication.**

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell, N. M., December 10, 1907.  
Notice is hereby given that John M. Howard of Artesia, New Mexico, has filed notice of his intention to make final five year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 3187 made Nov. 13, 1902, for the W 1/2 NE 1/4, and E 1/2 NW 1/4, of Section 29, Township 16 South, Range 26 East, and that said proof will be made before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner, at his office in Artesia, N. M., on January 20, 1908. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz: Henry C. Owens, Ethelbert A. Clayton, A. Green Caraway, Lewis C. Robertson, all of Artesia, N. M.  
**HOWARD LELAND,**  
Register.

**FURNITURE**

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## The Artesia Advocate.

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GAYLE TALBOT, EDITOR

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

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Miss Nellie C. Brewer, of Albuquerque, is the first woman to be admitted to practice as a lawyer in New Mexico.

George Curry has been confirmed as governor of New Mexico and Santa Fe will enjoy another spasm of quietude.

The several displays of farm products to be seen around town excite the wonder and admiration of all visitors to the valley.

The proper definition of the word "cinch" is the condition of the man who owns Pecos Valley land and has an artesian well upon it with which to water his crops. He can not lose.

Artesia needs an opera house or hall of some kind in which to hold public meetings and entertainments and a party of business men have been conferring this week with the intention of relieving the situation.

The man who would use public office for the purpose of venting his personal hatred against anyone is not worthy to hold the same. Eddy county should get rid of the traitors or compel them to do their sworn duty.

Two cars of household goods and stock arrived in Artesia Monday and the next freight brought six cars more. The way the Best Country is growing lends terror to the hearts of the politicians who have grown fat upon spoils in the southern part of the county.

The average Artesia citizen has not lacked for something to occupy his attention this week. To say nothing of the oil well excitement, we have had to debate the perfidy of the county commissioners, discuss the matter of banishing the telephone people and building a fire under the promoters of the old waterworks system.

An acre of vegetables properly attended to under irrigation, will bring in a revenue of from one to five hundred dollars. That being so, what is an acre of Pecos Valley land worth? It is worth a great deal, provided there is a ready market for the produce after it is grown. This can be provided by getting a canning factory in Artesia. We have the opportunity, so let every man put his shoulder to the wheel and go to pushing.

In condemning the Board of County Commissioners, the people do not include Mr. J. W. Turknett, the member from this precinct. He has stood as firm as the rock of Gibraltar for the rights of his people and it is through no fault of his

that the majority of the court refused to do their duty. All honor to Mr. Turknett. The people of Artesia will not soon forget his patriotic services and are glad to accord him all the due credit for his labors.

More land is being put in cultivation under the artesian well system in the Pecos Valley than under any other irrigation project in New Mexico. It is no longer a "project" with us. It is a demonstrated fact that a system of irrigation where every farmer absolutely controls his water supply is the most satisfactory in the world. The fact, too, that the water used is as pure as snow, free from any injurious minerals and noxious weeds and grasses that community ditches pick up, makes the artesian well system doubly attractive.

There is one crop that the farmers of Hagerman should grow and for some reason they are neglecting. The crop is oats. Wherever oats have been sown in the Pecos Valley they have made the farmer a handsome profit. At Artesia every year hundreds of acres of oats are sown, and have yielded from 50 to 80 bushels per acre. One can readily see that there is big money in them when you get them from 50 to 60 cents per bushel. Land that is to be seeded to alfalfa should be put in oats the first year, as this gives the sod time to rot, thus affording better opportunity for leveling the land. There is a lot of land around Hagerman that the owners have not the time to put in alfalfa, and they say "I will let it lay idle this year and perhaps I will have time to seed it this fall." Now if they would break this land and water it then plant the oats they would make a crop before time to seed alfalfa in the fall.—Hagerman Messenger.

### "Sunny Jim" Exonerated.

Those well-meaning holders of water rights who sought to place James Nelson, Artesia's king of finance, in durance vile for allowing that old-town well to effervesce calculated without Captain Bujac, that doughty soldier who does not confine his rough riding to the Philippines. Attorney Atkeson filed the complaint against Mr. Nelson and summoned John R. Hodges as his main witness to prove that Mr. Nelson is the owner and factotum in charge of the waterworks premises. When the case was called Thursday, Mr. Hodges was conspicuous for his absence, and the case was continued by Justice Swebston for a few hours to allow the prosecution time to persuade Hodges to leave his retreat at Lake Arthur in Chaves county. Conversation was held with the absent witness over the telephone, but the more urgent the call became the more important because John's business away from home, and the result was that the trial was called without the main witness for the prosecution. Attorney Atkeson was disarmed and had no evidence to offer to the effect that Nelson was the criminal he had been represented. The case ended in a fiasco, by the costs of court being assessed

against the complainant and it looked for awhile that Captain Bujac was not going to be content until the opposing council had been sent to Carlsbad's new bastille on a charge of slander. No evidence was adduced at the trial to prove that Nelson is or is not owner of the fifty-six thousand shares of water stock alleged to have been "sold" by Clayton, Hodges, Cottingham and Denning. Mr. Larson was on hand at court to substantiate his title to the one hundred thousandth share he holds in the liabilities of the old company.

It becomes more evident all the while that there is only one thing for the holders of water rights to do—apply for a receivership, as proposed at the meeting held two weeks ago.

### Grab a Horn, You Knocker.

The following timely suggestion, in verse, is handed the Advocate by J. M. Conn, who has no possible sympathy for the man with the hammer:

Here, you discontented howler,  
Blattin' like a billy goat,  
Put a muzzle on yer growler,  
Choke the grumblin' in yer throat!  
Git some liver regulator;  
Thin yer blood—it's thick as cheese;  
Git yer brains an incubator  
So's to hatch some new ideas;  
Let yer soul be newly born—  
Drop your hammer; grab a horn!  
Fall in with the big procession;  
Ketch the step an' move along  
With the army o' progression—  
That's the place where you belong.  
Raise yer voice and jine the chorus,  
Swing yer hat an' shout "Hooray!"  
If yer back's weak, put a porous  
Plaster on yer vertebrae.  
Crawl from under public scorn;  
Drop your hammer; grab a horn!  
Great is Artesia! Make her greater!  
Help to push her up the slope;  
Don't be jest a grim spectator  
Reekin' with inactive dope.  
See that "Forward" banner wavin'  
Proudly in the mountain air  
While you go around behavin'  
Like a cussed sorehead bear!  
Don't you look so durn forlorn—  
Drop your hammer; grab a horn!

County Surveyor Joe Cunningham was an interested listener at the indignation meeting at the Club room Monday night and probably enjoyed the proceedings as much as Newkirk and Talbot did the anti-Artesia conference they attended at Roswell last January. When a fellow wants to see himself as others see him, he should go away from home once in a while.

Judge G. U. McCrary went to Carlsbad Wednesday afternoon to attend to legal business for J. D. Christopher.

### Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given, to those who may be concerned in the estate of Joseph G. Welsh, deceased, that Laura J. Welsh has filed her final account as Executrix of the estate of the said Joseph G. Welsh, deceased. It is therefore ordered by the Hon. John W. Armstrong, Probate Judge for Eddy County, Territory of New Mexico that the 20th day of January, A. D. 1908, be fixed for the hearing of objections, if any there be, and the adjustment and settlement of the accounts of the said estate.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Probate Court in and for Eddy County, New Mexico.

W. R. Owen  
Probate Clerk.  
Dec. 23rd, 1907. 4t

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**THE KING OF FRUITS.**

**The Big Red Apple of the Pecos Valley, and the Great Future Before It.**

Notwithstanding the short crop of apples in the United States in 1907, and their high prices, the European demand for American apples seems to be hard to satisfy.

During the month of December, 1907, the United States, Canada and Nova Scotia shipped to Europe 59,993 barrels of apples, being 8,500 barrels more than were shipped in December, 1906. The total shipments to Europe from the countries named in 1907 were as follows:

Port of entry.	Barrels.
To Liverpool,	759,590.
To London,	346,606.
To Glasgow,	348,884.
To Hamburg,	76,424.
To Various Cities,	112,583.
Total in 1907,	1,644,087.
Same time in 1906,	1,539,176.

Increase in 1907, 104,911.

In spite of our high prices Europe took 104,911 barrels more in 1907 than in 1906.

The demand for American apples is unquestionably increasing much more rapidly than the production is increasing. Twenty-five years ago American apples were regarded as a luxury in Europe, and out of the reach of people of moderate means. In 1904, four years ago, we exported to all countries only 78,580 barrels.

Unquestionably North America produces by far the best apples in the world, and the world is fast finding it out. It is also learning that the apple is the King of all fruits for every day use as an article of human food, for keeping qualities and for profit to its growers.

In the United States the use of the apple has increased by leaps and by bounds, not only keeping pace with the increase of our population but going beyond it relatively.

In Italy, Austria, Turkey and other Mediterranean countries, American apples are fast beginning to be known. By reason of the fast steamships to the Mediterranean it is only a question of a short time before our apples will find a great market in that new field.

China, Japan and all the far east, with its teeming millions, are just beginning to learn of the American apple, and those countries will soon take all the surplus our Pacific Coast States can produce, even if they produce ten times as many as they do now.

A recent editorial in the New York Independent stated that in the eastern and middle states

the planting of new apple trees did not nearly keep pace with the going out of old orchards, and that this was true even of Ohio, Michigan and several other states in the middle West.

To successfully raise apples is not the work for a lazy, careless, shiftless or unintelligent man. It requires constant care and eternal vigilance, and any man who thinks of planting an orchard in the Pecos Valley should take the experience of intelligent men as their guide in selecting suitable land, in the manner of planting trees, and above all in the selection of varieties suitable for this Region.

It costs as much to raise a bushel of apples of such a poor variety that they are unsaleable, as to raise a bushel of a variety that every dealer wants at a high price.

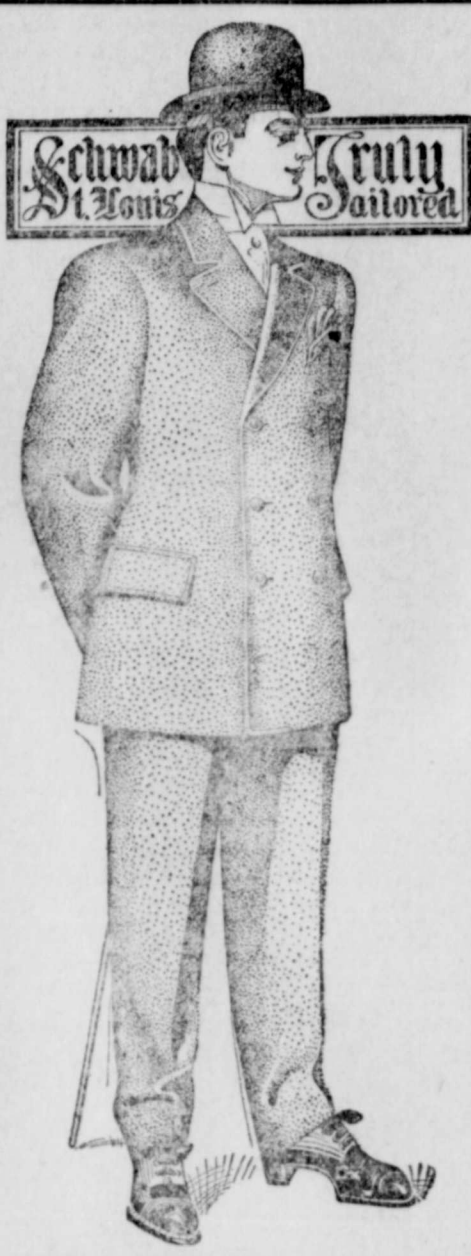
For the first time since I have known the Pecos Valley we had no apple crop in 1907. An untimely frost killed it. But how often does that happen in the more northern states? One year in three or four certainly. We have insect pests to contend with, and so does every other apple region in the world. In all the United States east of the irrigated region, the apple crop is often almost destroyed by the want of moisture at the proper season. That calamity never happens here. Nor are we ever troubled with bitter rot, or any other fungus diseases peculiar to low altitudes and damp, hot, muggy days and nights. Taken all in all, one year with another, I believe this valley is one of the safest places in this country to raise apples for domestic use or export. The Texas and other Southwestern markets are growing rapidly, and apple raising should be, and certainly will be our most profitable industry. But we must apply intelligence to the business. We must raise the best commercial varieties, and pack them in the best and most attractive manner. We must soon have a factory to make apple brandy, to make cider which will keep the year round. This is a large and profitable business in England, France, Germany and the Low Countries, and should be so here. I predict that within ten years more money will come here for apples and apple products than for any other commodity produced here, and that good deep orchard lands, properly drained will be worth three or four times more per cent than they are now.

J. J. Hagerman.

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Cheaper ones, if you like, at the same discount.

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**The Woman's Club.**

Mrs. M. M. Inman was hostess to The Woman's Club on Wednesday afternoon. Those taking part in the work of the afternoon were the hostess and Mesdames Swepston, Atkeson, Talbot, Dyer, Fatherree, Frisk, Gilbert, McCrary, Enfield and Martin.

The study was the last lesson on "Martin Chuzzlewit" and was made very instructive as handled by those in charge, Mrs. Swepston and Mrs. Atkeson. They had, in addition to the prescribed outline, some clever notes and comments from various authors. The club was short on regular officers and the hostess was chosen to preside, Mrs. Dyer acting as temporary Secretary and Treasurer. The resignations of Mrs. Virginia Blue and Mrs. Marshal McIlhane were accepted Mrs. McCrary resigned her office as Vice President.

The next meeting occurs January 29th with Mrs. A. C. Kein ath.

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Four good work horses and two colts for sale. Apply to the Farmers' Land League or H. C. Lawyer.

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John T. Patrick, of this place, was last week appointed road overseer for the district beginning one mile north of Lakewood and running north to Chaves county and running east and west from the Texas line to Otero county. He will appoint help in the distant districts of the work. The work will keep Mr. Patrick constantly busy, and he will do Eddy county much good.

**Why Colds are Dangerous.**

If you would be immune from disease, keep the system healthy. Each successive cold weakens the constitution and renders infectious diseases more liable. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will cure your cold promptly and restore the system to its normal condition. For sale by City Drug Store.

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**Applications for Grazing Permits.**

Notice is hereby given that applications for permits to graze cattle, horses, sheep and goats within the GUADALUPE NATIONAL FOREST during the season of 1908 must be filed in my office at Alamogordo, N. M., on or before April 10, 1908. Full information in regard to the grazing fees to be charged and blank forms to be used in making application will be furnished upon request. Chas. H. Hinderer, Acting Supervisor. 12-7-8t

**Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Benefits a City Councilman at Kingston, Jamaica.**

Mr. W. O'Reilly Fogarty, who is a member of the City Council at Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies, writes as follows: "One bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy had good effect on a cough that was giving me trouble and I think I should have been more quickly relieved if I had continued the remedy. That it was beneficial and quick in relieving me there is no doubt and it is my intention to obtain another bottle."—For sale by Redford & Mann.

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I have for quick Sale 1200 acres water rights for use this year. See me quick.

Grant Sooter left yesterday for a trip to Oklahoma in the interest of the Artesia Milling Company, of which he is secretary and manager.

WANTED—Man and wife to take charge of house and 6 acres of orchard and garden. Furniture, implements, horse, cow etc furnished. Call at First National Bank.

Reik Shuster, who recently purchased eighty acres out of the Major farm, southeast of town, arrived in Artesia Wednesday with his car of household goods and stock. He is from Nebraska.

Messrs. A. C. Steiman, H. A. Von Stein and L. E. Arras, of Finley, Ohio, are visitors in the Best Town this week. Mr. Steiman is a relative to the Cramers, who moved to Artesia several months ago.

Lewis, the twelve-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dearing, living six miles northwest of town, died Monday afternoon, and was later interred in the cemetery at Artesia. The cause of his death was tonsillitis and he had been sick about a week. There are three other sick children in the family and the parents have the sympathy of the community.

Messrs. Allard, Medberry, Kuns and Runner arrived from Gladbrook, Iowa, Wednesday with four cars of household goods, implements and stock, preparatory to going to farming on the lands bought some months ago, through Clayton, Talbot & Terrill. The gentlemen brought with them some of the best looking horses and mules ever shipped into Artesia. They are known to be progressive farmers and are the kind the valley needs to bring our results.

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The Ratio of Yield of Sweet Potatoes in the Artesia Country.

The following statement was handed to J. Weaver Foster, secretary of the Land Exchange, this week, and speaks for itself. Mr. Hollis is a reliable citizen and has no land to sell—simply makes the statement for the information of the public.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

This is to certify that I have been working in the truck garden on B. B. Smith's place 3-4 miles west of Artesia. We have about 8 acres in truck of various kinds from which we have sold from July 8th to Dec. 1st, above all expenses \$861.22 worth of vegetables that we have kept account of and quite a little that was not kept account of, besides we sold some in June that was not kept account of.

From 7-10 acre we dug 273 bushels or 15,015 pounds of marketable sweet potatoes, of these we have about 10,000 pounds on hand now, the market price of same being 3c per pound. We also have about \$200 worth of turnips, beets, and other kinds of vegetables now to sell.

These figures are above all expenses.

Respectfully, (Signed) N. W. Hollis.

If seven-tenths of an acre brought Mr. Hollis \$450.45 worth of sweet potatoes, the same proportion of yield would make an earning capacity of \$643.50 for the acre of land. Then the question naturally arises, what is the land worth? Figuring ten per cent on the investment, it is worth \$600 or more per acre. Land just as good as grew these potatoes, well watered, can be bought at Artesia for from \$50 to \$150 per acre, according to improvements and distance from town. It is not a question as to whether the land is cheap, but which is the cheapest tract to be obtained. That is the way it appears to the prospector in the Artesia country these days.

No Penasco Bridge Soon.

In view of the fact that the commissioners refused to call the election for the bridge across the Pecos east of Artesia, those who were working for the Penasco bridge decided it best to not urge their claim just now. It will be remembered that the Artesia bridge was voted on last summer in connection with the Caalsbad bridge and carried, but later the election was declared illegal because the two propositions were not voted on separately. A petition asking for a reelection on the Artesia bridge was presented to the Board of County Commissioners at their last meeting, but as above stated, it was turned down, and the Dayton people did not think it best to ask for an election to vote on the Penasco bridge alone.

It is plainer than ever before that the north end of the county has got to form itself into a new county and we should not lose any time in preparing for the great fight which will be necessary to secure the division.—Dayton Echo.

Mrs. Fletcher, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. M. Botts, left Wednesday for her home in Carthage, Illinois.

Messrs. Lum Richards and Clint Brooks were down from Hope Saturday.

Contributed.

It is long, long ago since Lear wrote his delicious nonsense in the style of verse which we now call "Limericks" but the verses have lost none of their value. There is, for instance, that one about the lady who in mad fright inquired how she should flee from a horrible cow.

Summoning all her presence of mind she made her high resolve to sit on a stile and continue to smile till she softened the heart of that cow. And it is not a bad plan as anyone can say who has tried the mollifying method.

There are persons met in daily life who are so embittered by the discipline that ought to have sweetened them, that their hand is instinctively raised against every one. If you "hit back," matters are made so bad that open war is inevitable. But if you will, like the lady who faced the horrible cow, sit on a stile, that is, serenely hold your dignity and continue to smile, you will surely, surely soften the heart of the cow. If you do not know what all this means, then that is because the people about you are so sweet that you have not to struggle to win their confidence.

But have a care lest you yourself fall not into the ways of the "horrible cow".

To be tender, to be kind, to be able to bear my trials bravely, to decide without prejudice, and to rise above suspicion; to look for the beautiful and good in the precious common things about me; to let the song of inward trust and peace rise to my lips and permeate my life this is the simple life I strive for.

M. L. H.

Artesia.

O fairest Artesia,—Sunshine Land

Where the Valley blossoms at our command,

Where meadows stretch far and wide,

Where harvests abound on every side;

Pleanty of sunshine everywhere,

Friend of the church and club and school,

Foe of the petty tyrants' rule,

Never was there a city so blessed

As our belle of the golden South and West,—

Why the hub of the universe is right here at hand

In fairest Artesia,—Sunshine Land.

Bar Seven.

The Canal Will Come to Dayton.

Col. York and others interested in the Penasco Reservoir and Development Company were here Tuesday and arrangements were made by which a canal will be built from the reservoir to Dayton. This canal is to irrigate a big amount of land on this side of the river, between the reservoir and this place. No doubt when the canal is built, there will be a sufficient demand for water in and around Dayton to take up the greater portion of the capacity of the reservoir.—Dayton Echo

W. O. W.

NOTICE: You are requested to be present at the hall Thursday evening, January, 21st, at 7.30. Bring your wife and daughter or best girl. Officers to be installed etc. All visiting Woodmen are welcome.

C. R. Echols C. C.

Mr. J. D. Whelan has returned to Artesia from a visit of some length to Corpus Christi, Texas.

Mrs. Mark Corbin went to Roswell Wednesday to select a piano for the High School.

Tom Walling came down from Amarillo this week.

President and Manager, H. L. MUNCY.

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This farm, four miles northeast of Lakewood, adjoins the Fred Vanderwork homestead. Best and surest artesian location in Valley. Fenced, small house, windmill and 15 acres cultivated. Desert assignment. Will be sold to highest bidder at Gibson Hotel, Artesia, at 5 o'clock, Saturday, January 25. Liberal terms.

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## WOULD CANCEL FRANCHISE.

### Artesia Town Council Orders Action Taken Against Telephone Company.

A sensation that has long been brewing came to a focus Tuesday night when Board of Town Trustees passed a resolution instructing the city attorney to bring suit in the District court for the annulment of the franchise granted the Artesia Telephone Company two or three years ago, and, in all probability, one of the merriest wars ever witnessed in Artesia will result from the action. It is a foregone conclusion that the telephone company will not peaceably give up such a bonanza as it now possesses without making strong opposition. The trustees present at the meeting were Messrs. Crandall, Enfield and Beckham. The affirmative vote on the resolution was made by Messrs. Beckham and Enfield, Mr. Crandall voting against it.

It is generally understood that City Attorney Osburne has his papers already prepared in the case and is prepared to go ahead with the prosecution without unnecessary delay. From the best information obtainable by the Advocate, the fight will be made on the ground that the company received its franchise in an improper manner, as two of the trustees who granted the franchise were owners of stock in the company and a third was closely related to the president of the company.

The council is prompted in its action by what it feels a duty to the people of the town, as it deems the rate charged for telephones far in excess of what they should be and the service given not what the patrons have a right to expect for their money. Two of the aldermen, in conversation yesterday with the Advocate editor, said it was their opinion that the trustees were responsible to a certain extent to the people for whatever burdens might accrue through any action of theirs as officials, and that it is their duty to see that the city does not become a party to exorbitant rates for any public utility. As the city had granted the franchise, it should protect the

citizens from extortion under it.

The Advocate does not feel called upon to take any stand in the case at this time that would be prejudicial to either side of the controversy. Knowing the trustees as we do, it is impossible to believe that they are actuated by any but the best motives and by what they consider their duty toward the citizens of the town—and to protect them from what is considered exorbitant telephone rates. That the rates are exorbitant, no one will deny. As to the charge that the franchise was secured by any irregularity, we have nothing further to say. The telephone company is doubtless abundantly able to take care of itself on the proposition. The case will be watched with considerable interest, for the result concerns everybody in the town and community. That the business men generally would like to see some concessions made in telephone rates, goes without saying, but it is hardly possible that their individual desires will influence their verdict in the case until the evidence is all in.

President Hamilton, of the telephone company, is just now out of town and we are unable to give his opinion on the action taken.

#### Oil Company Officers.

The stockholders of the Dayton Oil Company, who have the test well about completed on Four Mile Draw, held a meeting in Artesia last Saturday afternoon and elected permanent officers as follows:

President, Gayle Talbot, of Artesia.

Vice-President, E. C. Cook, of Lakewood.

Secretary, W. C. Lawrence, of Lake Arthur.

Treasurer, F. N. Bruce, of Dayton.

Field Manager, J. C. Grant, of Roswell.

Board of Directors, H. E. Mull, Dr. Culpepper, J. C. Platt, J. J. Boyd and J. C. Grant.

Much business concerning the welfare of the company was attended to. Affairs at the well are coming along nicely. About a barrel of oil was taken from the well Tuesday, since which time the work has been suspended. The well will be shot today and the promoters are confident of great results.

The attention of our readers is called to the advertisement elsewhere in this issue of the Walter M. Danburg Company, of Farmington, N. M., which company deals in Navajo rugs and other Indian curios. The editor of the Advocate is personally acquainted with the firm and is sure that our readers will receive the very best treatment.

#### A Correction.

In noticing the production of "Mr. Bob" in our issue of last week, we failed to mention the efficient business managers, Mrs. Schwartz and Mrs. Keinath. Their work was no small part of the play as any one on the inside of such things can readily testify.

Subscribe for the Advocate, \$1.50 per year.

## They Act "Short."

The girls of the Artesia High School Basket Ball Team are very indignant this morning over a telephone message received last night from the Roswell team recalling the cordial invitation, which that team has extended and re-extended since early in December, for a match game to have been played at Roswell today. The indignation of the young ladies was intensified by the fact that the message stated that the invitation to the boys would still hold good, but for reasons of financial shortage (due to Roswell's poverty, we suppose) the Roswell team would not be able to entertain the girls.

It seems that this decision was made on Wednesday and the girls cannot understand why the Roswell team should have waited to inform them of it until Friday night, on the very eve of the day for the game, when all was in readiness to leave on the early train Saturday morning. It will be remembered that on the occasion of the Roswell team's visit to Artesia, last fall, the local team spared neither pains nor expense to entertain the visitors with drives, a handsome banquet, etc.

We cannot blame the girls for feeling hurt over this treatment. The Advocate wishes to congratulate the young ladies on the hospitality they extended the Roswell team on their visit here and assure them that they nobly did their part toward sustaining Artesia's reputation for not doing things in a short and half-way manner.

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#### Carrie Nation

certainly smashed a hole in the bar-rooms of Kansas, but Ballard's Horehound Syrup has smashed all records as a cure for coughs, Bronchitis, Influenza and all Pulmonary diseases. T. C. H., Horton, Kansas, writes: "I have never found a medicine that would cure a cough so quickly as Ballard's Horehound Syrup. I have used it for years."—Sold by Redford & Mann.

#### Elza White Held Up.

In a letter to his wife in this city, Elza White writes that he was held up and robbed at Amarillo last Thursday night of \$175. Mr. White, in Company with A. D. Garrette, was on his way to the National Wool Growers convention at Helena, Mont., as representative of the Chaves county association. The letter states that as Mr. White started to enter the sleeping car on the train out of Amarillo three men held him up and took his pocketbook, containing all the cash he had. He and Mr. Garrette were evidently separated at the time. They continued their trip, and Mr. White stated that he would tell how it all happened when he got home. While the loss is quite a heavy one, Mr. White's friends will not lose the opportunity of having a little fun at his expense over a man of his experience being held up in the little town of Amarillo.—Roswell Record.

#### The Price of Peace.

The terrible itching and smarting, incident to certain skin diseases, is almost instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Salve. Price, 25 cents.—For Sale by City Drug Store.

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R. M. LOVE, Artesia, N. M.

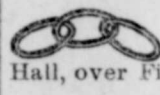
#### LOCAL DIRECTORY.



Meets every Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock p. m. in the Fenton building. C. R. Echolds, C. J. E. Swepston, Clerk.



Meets the second and fourth Friday nights in each month, in the Masonic Hall, over First National Bank. C. S. Davis, C. C. W. F. Schwartz, K R & S



Meets each Thursday evening, in the Masonic Hall, over First National Bank bldg. Geo. Spencer, N. G. Dean Samson, Sec.



Artesia Lodge No. 28, meets first Saturday night in each month in hall over First National Bank. H. W. Hamilton, W. M. E. E. McNatt, Sec.

#### R. A. M.

Penasco Chapter No. 12, meets fourth Monday evening in each month, over First National bank. H. W. Hamilton, H. P.

#### Eastern Star.

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#### M. B. A.

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#### Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given, to those who may be concerned in the estate of Joseph G. Welsh, deceased, that Laura J. Welsh has filed her final account as Executrix of the estate of the said Joseph G. Welsh, deceased. It is therefore ordered by the Hon. John W. Armstrong, Probate Judge for Eddy County, Territory of New Mexico that the 20th day of January, A. D. 1908, be fixed for the hearing of objections, if any there be, and the adjustment and settlement of the accounts of the said estate.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Probate Court in and for Eddy County, New Mexico.

W. R. Owen Probate Clerk. Dec. 23rd, 1907.

#### Railroad Time Table.

South bound passenger, arrives at 11:40 p. m., local time.

North bound passenger, arrives at 5:15 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.

#### AT THE CHURCHES.

##### Methodist.

W. V. TEER, Pastor. Sunday School, 9:30 p. m. Preaching, 10:50 a. m. Junior League 3:00 p. m. Senior League, 6:00 p. m. Preaching, 7:00 p. m. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 7:00.

##### Baptist.

J. C. JAMES, Pastor. Sunday School, 9:45 a. m. Preaching, 11:00 a. m. B. Y. P. U. 5:30 p. m. Preaching, 7:00 p. m. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 7:00.

##### Presbyterian.

E. E. MATHES, Pastor. Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11:00 a. m. Junior Endeavor 3:00 p. m. Senior Endeavor 6:00 p. m. Preaching 7:00 p. m. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 7:00 p. m.

##### Christian.

Sunday School 9:15 a. m. Preaching 11:00 a. m. Junior Endeavor 3:00 p. m. Senior Endeavor 6:00 p. m. Prayer meeting and choir practice Wednesday evening 7:00 p. m. Ladies' Aid Society Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 p. m.

##### Catholic.

FATHER ROBERT KALT, Pastor. Mass at 10:30 a. m. on first and third Sundays. Prayers every Sunday morning at 10:30.

#### Bad Stomach Trouble Cured.

Having been sick for the past two years with a bad stomach trouble, a friend gave me a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They did me so much good that I bought a bottle of them and have used twelve bottles in all. Today I am well of a bad stomach trouble.—Mrs. John Lowe, Cooper, Minn. These tablets are for sale by City Drug Store.

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 When trading at Fletcher's don't forget to ask for voting tickets.  
 Apple trees in twenty of the leading commercial varieties at Artesia Nursery.  
 Surveyor Wm. Benson returned Wednesday night from a trip up the road.  
 We need the money and appreciate your patronage. Artesia Machine Shop.  
 No better than the best, but better than the rest, at Fletcher's Market.  
 How about those rubber tires? Let us put you on a new set CHEAP. Artesia Machine Shop.  
 Five thousand Cottonwood trees for sale, any size. Chisholm Orchard and Nursery Co., Dayton.  
 W. F. Bobst, of Aurora, Nebraska, is among many prospectors who have visited Artesia this week.  
 Sperry & Lukins have quit work on the R. M. Love well, in Rose Lawn Addition. The well is incomplete.  
 Rev. J. C. Gage went to Carlsbad Monday to see Sheriff Christopher, who is very sick with typhoid fever.  
 Tom Logan came in this week from Abilene, Texas, where he has had an engagement as a musician.  
 Mrs. G. U. McCrary and son, Keith, have returned from their Christmas visit to relatives at Dalhart, Texas.  
 The Chisholm Orchard and Nursery Company, Dayton, has five thousand Cottonwood trees for sale, any size.  
 Edgar McNatt has purchased from Miss Mayme Dyson the vacant lot adjoining his present residence on the east.  
 Remember Sperry & Lukins are complying exactly to the law and ordinance in regard to tapping the city water pipes.  
 Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Kemp entertained the teachers of the Methodist Sunday School at their residence on Tuesday evening.  
 List your property with the old reliable FARMERS' LAND LEAGUE. We are bringing hundreds of prospective buyers to the valley.  
 For Rent—The storeroom now occupied by Jones Brothers' general store after Feb. 1, 1908. Apply to L. B. Boellner, Roswell, N. M.  
 John Davisson, son of W. S. Davisson, of Hagerman, was killed by the breaking of a stump-puller at Brownwood, Texas, a few days ago.

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 W. E. Thomson, the Lakewood boomer, says the boys down at the White City were lighting fires last week with oil from the Four Mile oil field.  
 The fourth sermon of a series to young people will be given at the Baptist church next Sunday night. Subject: "Young People and Marriage." All are heartily invited.  
 W. A. Cheney, of Sherman, Texas, who is visiting his friend J. C. Fillingim, of Dayton, called on the Advocate while in the city Tuesday.  
 Dr. P. M. Baker returned from Chicago, where he went a few weeks ago to have his eye treated. We are glad to see that his condition is much improved.  
 The Advocate has this week printed a supply of the new long form of mortgage deeds and anyone wishing to procure them can be supplied in any number.  
 C. W. Brinkmier and son, F. W. Brinkmier, of Hannibal, Mo., are visitors to the city this week. They say the Artesia country is something wonderful for one so young.  
 The editor of the Advocate has an application from a gentleman in Oklahoma who would like to rent an irrigated farm, with some alfalfa. Who can supply the want?  
 Messrs. H. S. Hale, of Chicago, and W. A. Bruning, of Belvidere, Nebraska, are enthusiastic Pecos Valley visitors this week. Mr. Bruning is the brother-in-law of Mrs. Kattie Bruning.  
 The many friends of Sheriff J. D. Christopher and County Superintendent M. P. Kerr regret much to learn that they are very sick at their homes in Carlsbad, and hope they will have a speedy recovery.  
 The Artesia band rendered some nice music on the street Monday evening, as one of the attractions for the anti-Heard meeting held at the Commercial Club rooms. The band makes it its business to always blow for Artesia.  
 J. M. Conn brings a breath of springtime to the Advocate office this week in the shape of roses and honeysuckles in bloom, which have grown in his yard at Rose Dale. The aroma therefrom is refreshing in the good old winter time.  
 Presiding Elder Cochran spent Sunday and Monday in Artesia and held quarterly conference Monday afternoon. His sermon at the Methodist church Sunday morning was pronounced one of the very best discourses ever delivered in Artesia.  
 Attorney C. R. Brice, of Carlsbad, spent several days in Artesia this week, looking after legal matters. As a citizen of Graftville-on-the-Pecos, the Judge had nothing to say in palliation of the crime against Artesia committed by the Commissioners last week.  
 Our rank Republican friend, Jim Gifford renews his subscription to the Advocate because he wants the news, he says, and not because he likes our politics. We accept the proposition. We will not make any attempt to proselyte Gifford—he is a good enough citizen as it is.  
 Brother R. H. H. Burnett has issued a paper at Roswell he calls the Acephalous—which name, we are told, signifies something that has no head. We have not seen the sheet and have nothing to say about it if we had, for we are a little leery about approaching anything until we find which end the head is on.  
 Someone turned in an alarm of fire from the public school building Monday, and every man in town made a record trip up that way, only to find that it was all a false alarm. The new hose carts were brought out in double-quick, and the boys looked a little disappointed because they were not given an opportunity to show what they could do.

**Why Suffer from Rheumatism.**  
 Do you know that rheumatic pains can be relieved? If you doubt this just try one application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It may not give you relief from pain but will make rest and sleep possible, and that certainly means a great deal to any one afflicted with rheumatism. For sale by City Drug Store.  
 There has been issued from the Advocate press this week a small booklet containing a compilation of all laws and land office rulings governing the taking up and patenting of government lands in New Mexico. The matter was compiled by George U. McCrary, the well known attorney of this city and may be depended upon as correct. These books can be purchased in any lots desired and will be of value to every man interested in land holdings in the valley or who may desire to become a citizen. Apply at the Advocate office.  
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 In buying a cough medicine for children, never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it, and relief is always sure to follow. It is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough, and there is no better medicine in the world for these diseases. It is not only a certain cure for croup, but, when given as soon as the croupy cough appears, will prevent the attack. Whooping cough is not dangerous when this remedy is given as directed. It contains no opium or other harmful drugs, and may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult.—For sale by Redford & Mann.  
 F. H. Cole, representing the Albuquerque Evening Citizen, is spending the week in Artesia securing data for an illustrated article his paper expects to publish regarding the great artesian area. He is a most affable, pleasant gentleman and the Advocate trusts he has received every encouragement from Artesia's business men. The Evening Citizen goes into the hands of many prospectors who should know more of the opportunities offered here, and which can be found nowhere else on earth.  
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