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SLAYS HIS NEIGHBOR.

Sam Huckaby Gives J. L. Beard Fatal Blow on The Head With a Heavy Club.

From Roswell Record

Sam J. Huckaby, a farmer living on the R. F. Barnett place about two miles north-east of Dexter, has slain J. L. Beard, another farmer who lived a half mile away on the George Holdefer place. Both men are well along life's pathway, Huckaby being 45 last July, Beard having been between fifty and fifty-five. It was family trouble that brought about the killing and Huckaby admits having struck his neighbor while angry, but declares the blow was in defense of his home. Huckaby is under arrest and will be given a hearing before Justice A. J. Welter in this city, probably tomorrow morning.

In spite of Beard's years, Huckaby had suspicions of the former having evil designs upon his twelve-year-old daughter. He claims that his suspicions were founded upon several acts that could not be misunderstood. On last Sunday afternoon at about two o'clock Beard and his wife went to call on the Huckaby family. Beard walked faster than his wife and reached the Huckaby home a little in advance. He was met at the door by Huckaby, who states that he accused him of actions toward Huckaby's daughter, and admits that when the accused man stood still without saying anything that he hit him over the head with a club. The blow, which was witnessed by Mrs. Huckaby and daughter and Mrs. Beard from a distance, felled Beard, and when he had fallen Huckaby made him get up and go home. Beard was dazed by the blow and after going home, had a physician come and dress the wound. He gradually lapsed into unconsciousness and died at eleven o'clock last night without recovering his senses.

Probably owing to the nature of the case, both families said nothing about it until yesterday afternoon, when Huckaby came to Roswell and made complaint to Justice A. J. Welter and to District Attorney L. O. Fullen, endeavoring to have Beard arrested for interfering with his family. He recited his alleged wrongs not knowing that the man would be dead in a few hours.

When the news came of Beard's death, a warrant was issued for Huckaby's arrest on the charge of murder. He was arrested by Deputy Sheriff O. Z. Finley, of this city, and Deputy Sheriff O. F. Calloway, of Dexter, in front of the court house early this morning and is now in jail awaiting preliminary hearing.

Huckaby came to the Pecos Valley from Texas nine years ago, being originally from Arkansas. He has a wife, a

twelve-year-old daughter, one son older and one younger than the girl. He is well known in Roswell and at Dexter and has never been in trouble here. He admits striking Beard with a club when angry, but says that he had no intention of killing him and that he struck only to defend the honor of his home.

Beard had lived in this vicinity about two years, having come from the Capitan mountains, where he has a small farm. He came to the Capitan eight or nine years ago. He has a wife, two grown sons and a married daughter, the latter living in the Capitan mountains. He was a sort of a doctor, and many considered him a little weak minded. He was considered harmless by the people at Dexter.

Dr. E. T. Dunaway, who is working up interest in the organization of a Middle Valley Medical Association, expects a full attendance of all physicians in the valley at the initial meeting at Artesia next Wednesday. Free entertainment will be provided for all visitors and a good time is anticipated. Every citizen in town should feel it a privilege to have the opportunity of entertaining the physicians and do everything possible to make their stay in the city pleasant.

J. C. Gage and R. A. Eaton were mixing with the sovereigns of the Lakewood country Monday.

BIG WELL AT DAYTON.

Freak Well Down South Gives up Flow at Shallow Depth.

After just four days of drilling, the firm of H. E. Mull & Company brought in a good well Wednesday on the Secrest farm, one mile southwest of Dayton. A flow of thirty inches over a six inch casing was secured at only 550 feet, and as that is enough to satisfy most any reasonable man, work was suspended and the derrick removed. While only one mile from the well at Dayton, which has a strong sulphur flow, there is no sulphur in the last one and it is several hundred feet shallower than some others near. The owners are to be congratulated on their good fortune—and Dayton, also, for it means one more farm in the suburbs.

Pure Democracy.

A new Democratic weekly in the Pecos Valley announces that it will print the Bible serially, believing it will be news to most of its subscribers. Whether democrats or republicans are referred to is not stated.—Albuquerque Journal.

The directors of the Commercial Club held an informal meeting Tuesday afternoon to consider the location of the canning factory and some other matters best known to themselves.

SOME JOLTS FOR REPUBLICANS.

The Santa Fe Eagle Reminds the Party in Power of its Shortcomings.

OUR republican friends seem to have fallen down in their efforts to secure statehood at this session of congress. Only a little over three months ago it was announced that the president was in favor of single statehood for New Mexico and that a bill providing for the admission of the territory would likely be passed before the holiday recess. In fact the statehood matter was all over but the shouting. More than three fourths of the democrats in congress were favorable to the admission of the territory as a single state and it was confidently expected that the big stick and the influence of Delegate Andrews would be able to secure enough republicans to vote with the democrats to pass the bill, but the republicans, including Speaker Cannon, appear to have concluded that New Mexico ought to wait a few years yet. A failure to pass a statehood bill at this session of congress will rest entirely on the republicans and will show, without any sort of doubt, the position of the republicans in congress on the statehood question. The republicans have the president and a clear majority in both branches of congress. They could pass a statehood bill any day without a single democratic vote, but they have not the slightest intention of doing so. The truth of the matter is that there is not today a third of the republicans in congress who are in favor of the passage of a statehood bill for New Mexico.

LAST week some of the tens of thousands of the unemployed in the city of Chicago concluded to have a parade. They formed on the lake front and started up town but before they had proceeded very far they were met by a squad of police and dispersed by the persuasive eloquence of the policemen's night sticks applied with vigor over the heads and backs of the hungry and unemployed laborers. It has not been so many weeks since the republican papers of the country were still referring to the march of Coxe's army of unemployed on Washington, during the Cleveland administration and holding that event up as a frightful warning against democratic government. Now the unemployed in this country greatly outnumber those following the panic of 1893; but, instead of allowing them to march peaceably as was the case when Coxe invaded Washington, they are clubbed over the head and told to go home.

THE deficit in the national treasury is growing like a bay tree. In fact it is growing

more rapidly than ever before and promises to reach magnificent proportions before the end of the present fiscal year. There are yet five months to the end of the year and financiers are of the opinion that they will be very favorable to the growth of a very substantial deficit.

SINCE there is no necessity for our delegate to work nights for the passage of the statehood bill, he might put in more time in looking up the records of the pension office to discover what pensions have been allowed and then write the pensioners that he has "been instrumental" in getting their pensions.

THE soup houses have reached as far west as El Paso and yet we have seen no reference in the republican papers to these places as evidences of republican prosperity. It looks very much as if the republican press of the country, which had so much to say a dozen or fifteen years ago about democratic hard times, would be treated to heroic doses of its own medicine before the end of the year. Just now there are more than a million men out of employment in the large cities of this country, to say nothing of the smaller cities and towns and the surrounding country and there does not appear to be any immediate prospect for many of them to get work.

SPITTING FORBIDDEN.

Laws of New Mexico, 1907 Chapter 86.

Section 1: It shall be unlawful for any person or persons, to spit or expectorate upon any of the public sidewalks, cross walks, passes by-ways or paths in any city, town or village, whether incorporated, or unincorporated or upon the floor or steps of any public building, store, church, opera house, office, room, school house or other building in which person are in the habit of frequenting, assembling or congregating, or upon the floor or steps of any street car, railway passenger coach or other conveyance in the Territory of New Mexico.

Section 2: All buildings, rooms and tents which have been used by a person having tuberculosis or consumption shall be thoroughly disinfected after said buildings, rooms or tents have been vacated, and all such disinfecting shall be done under the direction of the county health officer when said buildings, rooms and tents are not within the limit of an incorporated city or town, and when said buildings, or rooms or tents are within the limits of said incorporated city or town, then the city physician shall disinfect said buildings, rooms or tents, and it shall be the duty of either the tuberculous person or the owner of said buildings, room or tent to pay a reasonable fee for such disinfecting.

FACTS ABOUT ARTESIA.

Secretary of Artesia Commercial Club Offers to Give Out Any Desired Information.

The Artesia Commercial Club is always on the lookout for an opportunity to do the great Artesia country some good. In the last issue of the Earth, published at Chicago, the following notice is inserted:

Artesia is situated in the center of the artesian belt, and is surrounded by the largest artesian wells in the valley. The country surrounding it is surpassed by none for fertility and productiveness. Although this portion of the valley was practically undeveloped four years ago, there are now many thousands of acres in cultivation, much of which is in alfalfa and apple orchards. Oats and Indian corn are also largely raised, the former proving an especially profitable crop here.

Pecos Valley alfalfa hay is in big demand and commands the highest market wherever known. Owing to the fact that alfalfa yields four and five cuttings per season, and that these cuttings sometimes reach two tons per acre, the crop is an extremely profitable one, and the owner of an alfalfa farm in the neighborhood of Artesia will soon be independent. Instances can be cited where the second year's crop has about paid for the land and water, and returns of 33 1-3 per cent on the investment are common.

Artesia, which is but four years old, has a population close to 2,000. It has excellent schools, five churches, three hotels, two banks, and a number of up-to-date business establishments. There are splendid opportunities here for progressive farmers who wish to better themselves, and all such will do well to make a personal investigation of the conditions in this neighborhood. Any information desired will be given gladly if those interested will address the secretary of this organization.

Mr. G. W. Oaks, who moved to Artesia four weeks ago from Gladbrook, Iowa, died at his residence in the Roberts' addition Monday morning, after an illness contracted about the time of his arrival. In the work incident to unloading his goods and preparing for house-keeping, Mr. Oaks became overheated and an attack of pleurisy set up, which confined him to his bed for the past two weeks. His death, however, was unexpected and came as a great shock to the family and neighbors. Coming as it did among comparative strangers, Mr. Oak's death is doubly distressing to the several Gladbrook families who have recently arrived to make Artesia their home and they have the sympathy of all their new neighbors. The body was taken to the old home for burial Tuesday, accompanied by Mrs. Oaks, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Allard and Charles Medberry.

Valentines—Pecos Valley Drug Co.

8-Room, Cement Stone House and 2 Lots for \$3000.00 L. W. MARTIN

It has been rumored that Delegate Andrews was not so anxious for statehood after he talked to the other New Mexico politicians who visited Washington recently. With the statehood matter settled, the Republicans would be minus a very decided advantage in whipping folks in line for the candidate for delegate this year—in fact, without some pull of this sort, it is more than likely that Mr. Andrews would be elected to stay at home indefinitely. But, is there any good reason to believe that the re-election of Mr. Andrews would mean statehood for New Mexico? We have had a Republican delegate and Republican congress for a long while and there has never been a time when there was a bare possibility of statehood—even a Republican president having gone back on his pledge on the subject. If that party ever intended to make good on the subject, it has cast aside a first class opportunity. That being so, we have no reason to believe we will ever get a statehood bill through until the Democrats are sufficiently strong to grant the boon. All the members of that party in congress are now heartily in favor of the issue, and it looks like the people of New Mexico must look to that source if we ever succeed. With the chances of Bryan's election getting brighter all the while, it seems that there is nothing for us to do but all vote the Democratic ticket and be in line with a good Democratic delegate next time. Isn't that about the way it looks, Mr. Voter?

Good Creed for Pecos Valley.

Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, while editor of the Indiana Farmer some 75 years ago, announced the following farmer's creed:

We believe in small farms and thorough cultivation.

We believe in large crops, which leave the land better than they found it—making the farmer and the farm both glad at once.

We believe in going to the bottom of things, and therefore in deep plowing and enough of it. All the better with a sub-soil plow.

We believe that every farm should own a good farmer.

We believe that the best fertilizer for any soil is a spirit of industry, enterprise and intelligence. Without this, lime and gypsum, bones and green manure, marl and guano, will be of little use.

We believe in good fences, good barns, good farmhouses, good stock, good orchards and children enough to gather the fruit.

We believe in a clean kitchen, a neat wife in it, a spinning wheel, a clean cupboard, a clean dairy and a clean conscience.

We firmly disbelieve in farmers that will not improve; in farms that grow poorer every year; in starving cattle; in farmers' boys turning into clerks and merchants; in farmers' daughters unwilling to work, and in all farmers ashamed of their vocation, or who drink whisky until honest people are ashamed of them.

High School Notes.

The boys have laid out a 220 yard track preparatory to entering in the track-week at Roswell this Spring.

Cherrie George and Vivian Newkirk have the mumps.

A Girl's Glee Club was organized Monday afternoon by Mrs. Corbin.

All the states represented in the High School, eleven in number, were given a place on the Lew Wallace program this week. The question for debate was "Resolved that farming by irrigation is more profitable than by rainfall." The judges decided in favor of the affirmative. Next week's program will celebrate Lincoln's Birthday, Flag Day, and Valentine Day.

A great deal of damage was done to the basket-ball ground by the heavy wind. One basket was blown to the ground and broken while the other is now leaning forward.

The Roswell girls defeated the Hagerman girls at basket-ball last Saturday. Score 21 to 10. Some of our boys were at the game. Know why?

The Zoology class has finished the book and have taken up the review. All the classes are doing good work and visitors are welcome at any time.

HAVE A LITTLE THRASH-ED KAFFIR CORN LEFT, FOR SALE.

John S. Major.

Library Building.

The new Board of Managers of the Library Association held their first meeting at the reading room Thursday afternoon, Mrs. J. H. Askew presiding. Nothing out of the regular business was attended to, except that the Board decided to purchase a lot upon which to build a permanent library building. It is proposed to set aside a certain portion of the month's collection with which to erect a suitable building, and thereby save the monthly rental.

Presbyterian Church.

The pastor will be absent in exchange with Rev. J. H. Doran of Hagerman, but urges all members of the church to be present to hear this gifted and popular pastor of our neighboring town.

A cordial invitation to all. Strangers and visitors will be accorded a hearty welcome.

E. E. Mathes, Pastor.

Time to plant Potatoes, Onion Sets and Onion Seed. Send for price-list of Field Seed.

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Call Meeting of the Eddy County Democratic Central Committee.

A meeting of the Democratic Central Committee of Eddy County, New Mexico, is hereby called to meet at the Court-house in Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico, on Saturday, March 7th, 1908, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. for the purpose of arranging for and setting a date on which to hold the Democratic Primary Election in the said Eddy County, New Mexico, in the year 1908, and for such other business as may come before the Committee.

All members of the Committee are urgently requested to attend in person, if possible, if not, please send proxy.

All prospective candidates for the various County offices in Eddy County are cordially invited to be present at the above named meeting of the Committee.

(Signed) J. Tom Cooper
Chairman
Attest: J. B. Harvey
Secretary.

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Notwithstanding the steady advance in cotton goods of all kinds, you can buy at this sale dainty well made garments at less than you can buy the material.

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Lot B at 50 Cents.

A big line of garments made of a very good quality Muslin, trimmed in Embroidery and Lace, Gowns, Skirts, Chemise, Corset Covers and Drawers at only 50 cents.

Lot C at 75 Cents.



This line of goods is made of Masonville Muslin well trimmed in Embroidery and Lace, Night Gowns Skirts, Chemise, Corset Covers and Drawers at only 75 cents.

Lot D at \$1.00.

Never in all your life did you buy such garments for the price, they are made of the very best materials, trimmed in full Val Lace and in elegant Embroidery. Every garment is perfect in workmanship at only \$1.00.

Lot D at \$1.50.

This lot is made of fine cambrics and nan-sook, the very best quality of trimmings. The Skirts are full, long flounce and dust ruffles at only \$1.50.



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WHAT LAND IS WORTH.

Just What it Will Pay Good Interest on Says S. W. Gilbert.

Mr. S. W. Gilbert, president of the First National Bank of Artesia and one of the most successful farmers in the entire valley, hands out a statement this week, in answer to an inquiry, that the Advocate takes the liberty of reproducing. It will be interesting to the man who is looking for an investment, as it shows what people who know about alfalfa think of it as a revenue-producer. The statement reads:

TO THE INVESTOR

The average man, who is looking for an investment, wants a proposition that will pay interest on his investment. The rate of interest desired is governed very largely by the prevailing rate in the country where one resides. In this country we figure on, and expect, ten per cent. Can we get ten per cent? I will say yes; not from theory but by actual experience. I am renting my ranch of 240 acres for \$2,400 a year and the selling price on this same land is \$19,200. This shows a clever margin for expense money over and above the ten per cent which is our regular rate of interest. Alfalfa land rents for \$15 an acre, and one who has rented alfalfa land for three years said that he would rather pay \$15 an acre than to give half of the crop which is customary in this country. I am paying \$15 an acre rent for 120 acres of alfalfa land this year.

Come and see for yourselves that this is a fine country for a safe investment.

Yours sincerely
S. W. Gilbert,

Artesia, N. M.

On another page will be found the advertisement of Price & Co. of Roswell, N. M. This firm is not only the largest of its kind in the Pecos Valley, but it is the largest Exclusive Dry Goods, Clothing, Carpet and Shoe House in the Territory, occupying 312 and 314 Main St., 50 feet of Frontage by 200 feet deep running from Main St. to alley. This coming week they advertise a Special Sale of Ladies Muslin Underwear from the unusual large display of snowy white goods in their large window it seems as though they have more than enough to supply every woman in Roswell and in Chaves County, but the descriptions and cuts of these garments being so accurate where from any woman living out of town can order by mail as well as being there in person they will no doubt dispose of one-half of their undermuslins through Mail Orders. A visit to their store when in Roswell almost seems like being transported to a Marshall Field or John Wanamaker shop, while of course on a smaller scale, yet the class of merchandise that Price & Co. carry being equal to either one, the Chicago or New York House and their prices are no higher and in many instances below their eastern competitors.

Dr. J. J. Clarke, the dentist, has been having a lively tussle with the gripe lately, but still has enough muscle left to pull any disturbing ache that may arise in his line.

St. Cecelia Club.

Met in regular session, Friday night, Miss Ross being absent Mrs. J. T. Patrick acted as secretary. Tom Logan was received into the membership of the Club. The magazine committee reported that it had subscribed for one copy of The Musician. Dr. Beatty announced that he had to leave for a few months, so Mrs. Kittie Bruning was appointed treasurer in his place.

The following program was carried out:—

Program January 31, 1908.

Roll Call—Musical Current Events.

Piano Solo—"Aragonaisi", J. Massanet, Mrs. Turner.

Paper—"Folk-Songs of Different Nations", Mrs. Osborne.

Paper—"Paderewski" (Paderewski), Mrs. Price.

Vocal Solo—"Since Love Led Me to You", Oley Speaks, Mrs. Corbin.

Piano Duet—"Full of Joy", Sahbagh, Miss Major and Mrs. Corbin.

Vocal Solo—"Good Night, Beloved, Good Night", Jas. B. Oliver, Mr. Nimitz.

Vocal Solo—"O, Restless Sea", White, Dr. Beatty.

Piano Duet—"Mazurka", Miss Newkirk and Mr. Garrison.

Recitation—"Fall of Pemberton Mills", Miss Cramer.

Vocal Duet—"Merry Birds of Spring", White, Mr. and Mrs. Erb.

Paper—"Life of Kubelik, Violinist", Mrs. Botts.

Vocal Solo—"My Little Love", Shirmer, Miss Allie B. Clayton.

"The Butterfly Swings on the Flower", Ladies Chorus, Mesdames Enfield and Turner and Misses Rice, Williamson, Ross and Childress.

This was probably the most interesting program of the year.

Lumber for Sale.

I have for sale 6000 feet of lumber at Joe Clayton's home, just west of town I wish to close out. It will pay anyone wanting lumber to look this up. I have a phone at my mill. If you need lumber in a hurry phone me.

J. C. Elliott.

Telegraph To Theodore.

If the ship of state needs caulking.
Or the lion's tail a twist;
If the senators are balking,
If a silver spoon is missed;
If the plague strikes Honolulu;
If there's trouble in the cup—
Why, just write to Mr. Roosevelt,
And he'll fix the matter up.
If they lynch a coon in Texas;
If the green bug's in the wheat;
If there's any thing to vex us;
If you're troubled with cold feet;
Or you're feeling rather dry—
Send a telegram to Teddy,
And you'll get a hot reply.

If there's too much rain in Kansas;
Or it's dry in Tennessee;
If a summer cyclone fans us;
Or if Towser has a flea;
If your sweetheart should prove fickle
If you want to know the score;
If you get a punctured nickle—
Drop a line to Theodore.

If you need another member
Of the Ananias Club,
If you're sunstruck in December;
Or you're suffering for grub;
If the railroad rates are higher,
Or the beef trust gets too gay;
Ring up Roosevelt on the wire;
And there'll be the duce to pay.
If the stork don't visit promptly;
If we loose to the Maroons;
If Ben Tillman's full of malice,
Or LaFollette full of prunes;
If the troops shoot up a city,
Or you cannot pay your rent—
Take a lesson from this ditty;
Wire to Roosevelt, president.

If there's scandal in Peoria,
Or the city's filled with graft;
Or if Storer tells his story,
Or they're knocking on Bill Taft;
If a panic hits the nation,
Or they loose the dogs of war;
Or if God needs a vacation—
Let Him trust in Theodore.

—Kansas City Journal.

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Announcement.

We are authorized to announce John W. Price as a candidate for tax assessor of Eddy county, subject to action of the Democratic primary.

Now is the time for Artesia farmers to prepare their ground if they expect to wag off with the prizes on vegetables at the Irrigation Congress at Albuquerque next fall.

Running for office in the Pecos Valley this year will be very much a game of chance. Wonder if those who play the game will be considered amenable to the new anti-gambling law?

Artesia has, unfortunately, one or two dispeptics who insist on knocking the country. They are individuals who are known as loafers who never work and speak, apparently, for the sole purpose of articulation. The Advocate here and now offers one year's subscription to the man who will prove that he has given any part of the Artesia country soil an honest trial and who will then prove that he has not received a handsome return for labor expended. Nobody barred on this proposition—not even the knocker.

That dear old humbug, James Wampus Mullins, now running for probate clerk of Chaves county, makes a bid for public endorsement by publishing a statement of campaign expenses to date. This seems to please the Chaves county voters immensely, but what on earth would they do for J. Wampus if he were to have the temerity to publish an itemized statement of his expenses in his late canvass for representative and by whom the same were paid? They would make haste to consign him to the quietude of the bottomless lakes, that's all.

According to press dispatches statehood for New Mexico has been postponed until next December. It was too risky for a republican congress to admit New Mexico to the Union, is from the way people have been acting of late they intend to vote the democratic ticket and it would never do for a republican congress to admit a democratic state. Now the proper thing for the people over in the west part of the territory to do is to get busy and get a few white people to settle up that country, and weed out your officers that are living off of graft.—Hagerman Messenger.

The Advocate editor talked to prospective buyers in the city this week who had been told since arriving here that corn could not be grown in the valley—that it all went to stalk, with possibly a small ear on the top of same. The

man who made the statement knew he was lying, all right, when he said it, but a little thing like falsehood cannot deter the individual whose nature it is to knock. We have never made any attempt to exploit the Pecos Valley as a corn country in competition with Nebraska or Iowa, but we do raise as much as seventy-five bushels to the acre, with an easy average of forty every year and as it sells from fifty to seventy-five cents per bushel the farmer has no kick coming. R. W. Terrill raised, on sod land, eighty-one bushels of corn per acre, the land measured and the corn weighed Price Henry, two miles southeast of Artesia, harvested seventy-five bushels to the acre, and no one can truthfully say that the Pecos Valley will not produce corn.

Tom Blackmore returned from a visit to Carlsbad Wednesday and, upon being urged, admitted that the politicians of the county seat are at what the cowpunchers would call the "milling" stage. One announced candidate from Artesia has thrown the whole pack into convulsions and they are sitting up nights trying to figure out some way to keep the people from the Heavy End getting a hold on some of the pie that has always been their private property. The leaders, who have rapped Artesia at every opportunity, are now saying "what a pity it is we cannot get together." The gang was playing mighty poor politics when it fought Artesia on the county seat question and the bridge. The professional office-seekers would have found it a great deal more profitable to be kind to their friends in the northern end once in a while and hold the offices, than to fight us on every proposition and lose their pap. But they have made their beds. May their dreams be pleasant.

If a man is honorable, no money temptation can make him violate that high and fine confidence the people who have elected him have placed in his honor as their representative. If he is not honorable, if he has an itching palm, a soul so small that he can contemplate the possibility of another man buying him, and a lust of wealth so consuming that he will entertain a proposition to sell what is not his, no figure at which his official salary could be placed would save him from betraying his trust. A silk purse cannot be made of a sow's ear, even though it be sent to the mint and refined until all of the hair is off it. And we may not be traveling in the right direction when we are moving forward on the road which has brought us far from the time when men were proud to serve their state, county and city or community. Human nature is not changed. We are as our fathers were in the essentials, but under the specious cry of good wages for good men in public life we have been calling into such life, men who are not as good and who boast that they are not in politics for their health.—Carlsbad Argus.

And so the man who kills the betrayer of his wife in New York state is crazy! Whatever Evelyn's earlier life may have been, she was on a level, so far as morals are concerned, when she wedded Harry K. Thaw. Being so, she was as much entitled to consideration as if she had never known any other man than her husband. It became Thaw's duty to protect her—with his life, if need be. Leaving out consideration of the frailties or follies of either's nature, he did right from the true husband's standpoint when he put an end to the professional seducer, Stanford White. The New York jurors decided by their verdict that the letter of the law is more to be respected than woman's character or the sanctity of the marriage relation—that a husband who would protect his wife with a six shooter is a criminal and a crazy criminal at that. They probably took the position (having such profound respect for written laws) that Harry should have summoned a policeman and told his troubles to the court when he found White was transcending his position as a former lover, and had him fined or reprimanded. Under the same kind of reasoning, if a man in New York state should find that a mad dog had bitten one of his children, it would become his duty to report to an officer, instead of taking a pot shot with a Winchester. If a disposition to protect one's loved ones constitutes insanity in the blessed east, we thank the Lord that New Mexico is so far removed from the paths of reason.

There are a few individuals in Artesia who would disrupt the peace of the community and consign the town to rag-weeds and ruin for no other reason but their own personal spite and jealousy might be satisfied. There are not more than a half-dozen of them, thank the Lord, but like the coyote, they make a noise of many more. Just at present (for reasons apparent to everyone) the pack is busily conducting a campaign of slander and falsehood against the honorable gentlemen who constitute the Board of Trustees of the Town of Artesia. The board is composed of Messrs. Wm. Crandall, J. B. Enfield, J. H. Beckham and E. C. Higgins, all successful business men and against whom no breath of dishonesty has ever brushed until a few men with a private grouch unsheathed the hammer. It is openly charged, with no attempt having been made to prove, that the trustees are guilty of gross ignorance and duplicity in the installation of the new water-works system and the insinuation made that the trustees are actually guilty of getting off with fifteen or twenty thousand dollars of the people's money. It is charged, as evidence, that the city authorities refuse to allow an examination of the books. The fact that these charges are pure fabrications makes no difference to the jackal who skulks behind a fictitious name to conceal his identity and throws his stink-pots from behind a bush. The trustees have never de-

nied any one the privilege of looking at the account books and minutes at any time desired, but on the contrary an open invitation is extended to the general public to call and do all the "smelling" desired. The man who will make such charges without availing himself of the opportunity of substantiating same is at once set down as a slanderer, pure and simple. The council is composed of gentlemen who have proven themselves shrewd and successful business men in all their dealings with the public and no one is dissatisfied with their actions except a few disgruntled politicians and certain others who were not allowed to get their fingers on certain contracts.

The charges being so absurd (and made for an evident purpose) the trustees are making no attempt to answer or refute same, but the Advocate insists as a matter of decency, if not common honesty, that vilification of the people's servants cease—or be proven. If proven, this paper will have nothing but condemnation for the guilty parties. The evidence should be forthcoming, or the defamers stand branded as unprincipled and untruthful assassins of character and should be ostracised by every fair-minded man in Artesia who loves his country and its institutions and has respect for the administrators of its affairs.

The Democratic Executive Committee of Eddy county will probably be called to meet within the next few days for the purpose of laying plans for the coming campaign and naming a date for the holding of the primary for the nomination of party candidates. The Santa Fe New Mexican, that able handmaiden of the Republican territorial machine and the source from whence all party action is dictated, has boldly announced that the Republicans of Eddy county will put out a straight party ticket and rely upon the county division question to split the Democratic vote sufficiently to make the Republican effort successful. This rumor reached the valley some time ago, along with the kind of action the local Republican forces expected to adopt in order to get the offices—and not the new county, namely; Keep as many Democrats out of the primary as possible on the "new county" agitation and get them to pledge to support a "non-partisan" ticket. Then when this lovely division is accomplished come out with a solid Republican ticket and elect it. The Territorial Machine, which is dictating this scheme to the brethren in Eddy county, will hardly make its plans connect in this year of our Lord. The people of Eddy county are well able to take care of themselves, politically, and do not care for dictation just now. All the Democrats of Artesia country, and a great majority of the Republicans, want a new county above everything else, and they are not agitating the subject with the ulterior motive mentioned. Those Republicans who are out after the results that will finally mean a new county for Artesia expect to help the Democrats.

They realize that the Democratic primary is virtually an election in Eddy county at this time, and that the quicker we of the northern end of the county assert our power and strength the sooner the disreputable gang of politicians who are in control will get us off their hands.

What we want is a new county and the way to get it is to fight for it. The sooner the county political manipulators are separated from their pie counter the sooner will come our freedom from bondage. The patriotic Republicans agree with the Democrats on that question, and are not willing to sacrifice our chances for a new county for the slim chance of getting a man or two in office next fall by the plan suggested by the territorial machine and which a few place hunters would try to inaugurate. A straight Republican ticket in the field in Eddy county (and a withholding of help from the Democrats of the North End) means nothing less than a perpetuation in office of the same old tribe of pirates and no possibility of a new county next year.

Artesia's enemies at Carlsbad and Roswell are sincerely hoping that the Republicans of Artesia will hands off and refuse to go into the Democratic primaries, for such an action will reduce Artesia's voting strength and leave the county offices in the hands of the same old "board of control." And this would mean, of course, that the county machine would have no incentive to help us get a new county, and our chances would go glimmering. The Republicans at Santa Fe are never going to give us a new county so long as local Republicans are opposed to it, otherwise we should have been rewarded at the last session of the assembly. We can create a desire in the ranks of our enemies that we be cut off to ourselves if we use the weapon at our command, and the instruction of the Santa Fe pilots will not be heeded by those of their brethren who are out after future results, instead of present political reward. Of course, there are always a lot of fellows who would rather have one little office—even if it had to be secured by stealth and trickery—than to see his country and community prosperous and happy. Artesia has but a few of these however. The great majority of the Republicans in this end of Eddy county are progressive, patriotic citizens who can be relied upon to give a helping hand whenever opportunity offers, and they are not going to be fooled at this critical time.

Mr. B. F. Mitchell, of Elk City, Oklahoma, arrived in the city a few days ago on a visit to his daughter, Mrs. J. M. Addington, and tells the Advocate editor, confidentially, that he is pretty badly "gone" on the Artesia country and may later be persuaded to move down. He says that he found the cleanest and most thrifty fruit trees in the Artesia nursery that he ever saw in his life, and fruit is a line that he has always taken a great interest in.

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All of the numbers were excellent and the four members of the company were trained and talented and worked together in harmony. They were:

Miss Elizabeth Pickins, violinist:

Mr. Calvin De Voll, violinist:

Miss Ethel Ritchie, pianist.

Miss Mary Powelson, reader and story teller:

Misses Pickins and Ritchie and Mr. De Voll gave excellent numbers alone and in concert and showed much depth of feeling and thorough understanding of the music they rendered. Miss Powelson captivated the audience by a series of well chosen readings which she gave in a natural and fluent manner. Altogether the concert was a successful one in every respect.

From the "Southwest American", Fort Smith, Arkansas, February, 1908.

This Company will be in Artesia Wednesday, February 12. Seats on sale at Pecos Valley Drug Co.

Arthur Heath Hurt.

During a high wind that came up suddenly Tuesday morning, the derrick which the firm of Heath & Company were erecting on the A. L. Norfleet farm northwest of town, collapsed and Arthur Heath was thrown violently to the ground and his arm broken in two places. He was working about twenty-five feet above the ground and it is nothing less than a miracle that he was not hurt even worse. The young man has the sympathy of many friends in his temporary disability, but at the same time they feel like congratulating him over the fact that he was not killed.

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What the Congress Means.

Everybody should realize by this time what the coming of the National Irrigation congress means for this territory. As an advertising feature alone, it will be worth more than all the advertising that this territory has ever done.

The attention that is already being attracted to the southwest by this congress, is aptly shown by the following editorial which appeared in a recent edition of "The Earth", a Santa Fe publication issued in Chicago and having a large circulation:

The results secured through the organization, sixteen years ago, at Salt Lake City, of the National Irrigation congress, have been manifest to all who have kept in touch with the magic growth of semi-arid America. It may be said that the great development of the arid section of our country, practically, began with the organization of the National Irrigation congress. No great projects had, at that time, been undertaken. Largely, through the work of the Irrigation congress, the eyes of the nation were turned toward the arid west. The whole world has been convinced that what was known as the Great American Desert is a myth; that in the arid regions there is a soil so rich in productivity that it cannot be surpassed in any portion of the United States. The sessions of the congress have brought about a public opinion that resulted in the passage of the National Reclamation act, the greatest statute, in favor of the home unit, provided for by any national law, since the homestead act was passed during the stormy days of rebellion.

The National Irrigation congress has but one definite object in view—its expressions are a reflection of public sentiment as found in the west, and its voice is heard in the councils of the nation and crystallized into law, from time to time, as laws become necessary. The enlightened public opinion, emanating from the deliberations of the National Irrigation congress, has great force with those public servants under the Reclamation act, who are engaged in carrying out its provisions and building the numerous projects, which will add millions to the wealth of the nation. Make homes on the land, is the slogan of the National Irrigation congress, and the deliberations of previous congresses are a demonstration of the effectiveness of the counsel.

The sixteenth session of the National Irrigation congress, at Albuquerque this year, will

undoubtedly be the greatest and most important in the history of the National Irrigation movement, and the manner in which New Mexicans are, thus early, taking hold of the details of the management of so important a gathering, is but a forerunner of the results that will be obtained, in calling the attention of the world to the great southwestern portion of our country.

Mr. E. N. Requa, who arrived in Artesia last week from Corpus Christi, Texas, this week purchased through Talbot & Terrill eighty acres of the R. M. George farm, five miles north of town. The entire tract will be put in cultivation immediately, sixty in alfalfa and the residue in fruit. This can be made one of the prettiest farms in the Artesia country and Mr. Requa will take personal supervision and see that it is done.

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To All Physicians of the Pecos Valley.

You are hereby invited to meet in the office of Dr. E. T. Dunaway, Artesia, Wednesday Feb. 12, 1908 at eleven o'clock, for the purpose of organizing the Middle Valley Medical Association. All physicians and dentists to be Active members and the druggists are to be associated members. Come everybody and help us. The profession of Artesia will provide free entertainment to visiting brethren.

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Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell, N. M., January 22, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that Jackson Furr, of Hope, New Mexico, has filed notice of his intention to make final five year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 2640 made June 17 1902, for the Southwest quarter of Section 29, Township 17 South, Range 23 East, and that said proof will be made before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner, at his office in Artesia, N. M. on March 2, 1908.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz: Ross Whistler, Steve Blain, J. A. Blakeney, George Sansom, all of Hope, N. M.

HOWARD LELAND, Register.

Notice For Publication.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell, N. M., January 22, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that Eligh Stegall of Artesia, New Mexico, has filed notice of his intention to make final commutation proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 10377 made Dec. 13, 1906, for the South West quarter of Section 12, Township 17 South, Range 24 East, and that said proof will be made before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner, at his office in Artesia, N. M. on March 3, 1908.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz: Lewis Ayers, Thomas C. New, George Lewis, Thomas B. Poston, all of Artesia, N. M.

Howard Leland, Register.

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 NE1-4, Sec. 23; and NW1-4, 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:

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Lem Crandall is back in Nebraska, where he has been visiting the past six months.

Sidney Minns, stenographer for Joyce-Pruitt Company has been transferred to the Roswell house.

Mr. Langford has purchased the interest of J. F. Lockney in the second hand store on West Main Street.

Mrs. Lawhorn is at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cannon, after an extended visit to her sister at Canyon, Texas.

Chairman Cooper, of the Democratic Executive Committee of Eddy county, will call a meeting of the executive for March 7th.

Dr. and Mrs. McClane, of Roswell, are spending the week at the bedside of their daughter Mrs. L. W. Martin, who, we regret to state, is very sick with threatened pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Osbourne have returned from their visit to Mr. and Mrs. Craven, at their suburban ranch, and Mrs. Osbourne will be "at home" on Saturday afternoon, as usual.

The Land Exchange yesterday sold the Miss Jackie Hunt cottage on Quay avenue to Mr. Webb. This makes four places Mr. Webb has purchased in Artesia within the past several months.

A letter written by an El Paso lady has just reached its destination in Newary, New Jersey after being forty-four years in transit. It went via the Pecos Valley route, and there is really nothing strange about the time consumed, after all.

The protracted services being conducted at the Christian church by Rev. Scrivner are proving very interesting and beneficial to all who have been able to attend. The revivalist has proven himself an able exponent of the gospels and a convincing speaker.

The Artesia Commission Company has been dissolved—or rather rent in twain by mutual consent. Messrs. Gallo-way and Runyan will constitute one firm and Messrs. Gage and Eaton another. They are all good hustlers and Artesia is proud to have them at work for the country.

The meetings at the Christian church will continue over Lords day, with three special services on that day. At 11 a. m. a special, for Christians, subject, "A More Excellent Way". At 3 p. m. special to men, subject, "A Clean Life", to which all men are cordially invited. At 7 p. m. special to public, subject, "Excuses".

Dr. White, of Athens, Ohio, who was prospecting in Artesia last week, bought through E. A. Clayton the 320-acre desert claim of Bill Swearngen, nine miles west of town. Dr. White bought a water right from the Cat Claw canal system from J. H. Beckham with which to irrigate the land and will develop it as soon as possible. We are glad to welcome the Doctor as a worker in the valley.

Jim Austin was feeling mighty good about the time the Advocate editor bumped into him yesterday, for he had just received the information that the department at Washington had decided in his favor the case wherein a man named Burt was trying to get his Cottonwood farm by contest. There was never any grounds for the contest, but Austin was badly pestered over the case, anyway.

Mrs. Miller, a widow living with her daughter, Mrs. Quick, in the Roberts' addition, died after a short illness last Saturday morning and was interred in the Artesia cemetery Monday afternoon. Her death was caused by complications brought on by a siege of la grippe. She was a most worthy woman and her daughter and other relatives have the sympathy of all neighbors in their bereavement.

George Landrum, the reader and impersonator, was the lyceum attraction at the Presbyterian church Tuesday evening, and it would be presuming upon the intelligence of an appreciative people to say that he pleased the audience. Artesia's risibles received a pleasant shock from which they will not recover for a long time to come. No reader or delineator who has ever visited Artesia can any where near approach Landrum. The people who heard him last year were eager to avail themselves of a like opportunity this week and they were not disappointed. He excels both in wit and pathos.

Fresh shipment of spare ribs, boiled ham, beef brains, chipped beef, link sausage, weiner wurst and pickled pigs' feet at

Artesia Market.

A Correction.

In view of the fact that some may not be familiar with what is taught in Methodist institutions of learning, let me say that outside of theological seminaries, none of them are sectarian in their teaching. The only way a student after matriculation can tell that he is in a Methodist college is to refer to the catalog.

So if the Methodist of New Mexico locate and build a college, it will be the town's college in which it is located fostered by the Methodist church.

W. V. Teer.

It's Up to John.

John W. Price of Artesia has announced for assessor of Eddy county, subject to the Democratic primary. What will happen to Mr. Price depends upon the way the white winged dove gets in its work in the intervening time.—Roswell Register-Tribune.

Frying size chickens—alive or dressed at

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Mrs. John Englehardt, of Gera, Mich., tells of the anxious moments spent over her little two-year-old daughter who had taken a hard cold resulting in croup. She says: "I am satisfied that if it had not been for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy she would have choked to death. I gave this medicine every ten minutes and she soon began to throw up the phlegm. I can recommend it in the highest terms as I have another child that was cured in the same way."—Sold by the City Drug Store.

A Word of Thanks.

I wish to thank the people of Artesia for their kindness during my mother's sickness and death.

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NO TRUTH IN REPORT.

No Action Has Been Taken by Commercial Club Concerning Alfalfa Festival.

Messrs. Hamilton, Keinath, McNatt, J. B. Atkeson, J. F. Newkirk, D. L. Newkirk and E. B. Kemp, with F. J. Lukins and C. S. Hoffman as visitors, met in the Commercial Club rooms Tuesday afternoon and decided by vote, according to rumor, that the Artesia Alfalfa Festival would not be held this year, and also that the Fourth of July would be scratched off the calendar. Investigation of said rumor, discloses the fact that these gentlemen did nothing of the sort. In a general discussion of the coming irrigation congress and the securing of certain institutions for Artesia, it was suggested that it might be best to cut out local celebration this year in order to better prepare for the big doings at Albuquerque in October, but no official action was taken—the directors recognizing the fact that they had no authority to commit the community on these subjects. That it is their business to attend to the affairs of the Commercial Club and nothing else. If any definite action is taken on the subject it must be at a meeting of the Club or citizens generally and a board of directors cannot transcend its authority by dictating. A statement given below, signed by the president of the Club—and who was chairman of the directors' meeting, shows that the rumors as given out was totally unreliable and without foundation.

In regard to having or not having an Alfalfa Carnival this year—I wish to state that the Directors of the Artesia Commercial Club, brought the matter up before the meeting, to get an expression or opinion of those present whether it would be advisable to have the Alfalfa Carnival or not, in view of the fact that we are working for the Artesia College, a cannary and Creamery, and would need funds for all these. I appointed a committee of three, Olin Ragsdale, J. Lukins and J. E. Swepston to call a meeting of the farmers and citizens of Artesia for the purpose of consulting with each other the plan on which we expect to work for the Irrigation Congress to be held at Albuquerque next October and at the same time decide on the Alfalfa Carnival.

I for one did not understand that this expression of the directors was final—because I did not think it was up to them to decide that matter, this matter is for the people. I am in favor of the Alfalfa Carnival.

H. W. Hamilton
President Artesia Commercial Club.

Notice!

All debts and accounts due the firms of Dawson & Lockney, Lockney & White and J. F. Lockney are due and payable to J. F. Lockney, and no other person is authorized to collect the same.
J. F. Lockney.

There will be services at the Methodist Church tomorrow morning and evening, as usual. The subject for the morning service will be "The Open Field." A cordial invitation is extended the general public.
W. V. Teer, pastor.

Coll Boys Entertain Friends.

One of those jolly Friday night parties which have been common among the boys and girls of the High School the past winter was held at the home of the Coll boys east of town. These, coming on the last school night, do not interfere with the regular study work and contribute greatly to the class spirit. This affair was like others in its games and music but the attendance was nearly double the usual number, about 35 being present. The boys, Alfred, Eben and Max were good hosts and Mrs. Coll and Miss Addie served sandwiches, pickles, ice cream and cakes. The young guests will remember the evening with pleasure.

The Womans Club.

Mrs. E. B. Kemp was hostess to the Woman's Club, Wednesday, February 5th. The lesson, Vanity Fair, was made very interesting by Mrs. Gilbert, who showed careful study of same. Mrs. Kemp gave a good outline of Thackeray and his style of writing. Mrs. Mathes' description of the Greek Legend Iphigenia was very much appreciated. Those present were Mesdames Kemp, Atkeson, Brainard, Corbin, Dyer, Enfield, Gilbert, Keinath, Mathes, McCrary, Skaer and Swepston.

Don't forget the nice suburban home tracts that E. A. Clayton has joining the Artesia town. He will sell them on easy terms and will put out trees and alfalfa or what improvements the purchaser may desire. Don't wait and buy second handed. It costs too much in this country, which will soon be crowded.
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Library	251
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Miss Nora Gage	27870
Miss Nellie Turknett	12397
Miss Rose Whetig	11741
Miss S. K. Bradshaw	6690
Ruth Price	2946
Ora Hale	2287
Pheaby Martin	1689
Ruth Brainard	1564
Daisy Kaufman	1535
Miss Allie Chisholm	1498
Evelyn Welch	1283
Miss Effie McCaw	1100
Rachel Dunaway	995
Ester Hook	817
Miss Fannie Eddington	481
Pearl Lawrence	457
Miss Cora Rice	444
Ruth Lesley	199
Miss Kattie Kappan	163
Glenna Kelsie	110
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.

No one blames G. U. McCrary for nearly breaking up the meeting by an untimely laugh Thursday night—in fact he was given an encore, to which he responded off and on for an hour.

What to Do When Bilious.

The right thing to do when you feel bilious is to take a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They will cleanse the stomach and regulate the liver and bowels. Try it. Price, 25 cents. Samples free at the City Drug Store.

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Sunday Dinner at Artesia Hotel

The Artesia, the leading hotel of the city will hereafter give a special Sunday dinner, from 12 to 2 o'clock local time at regular price. Also board and room \$1.50 per day. Meals 35 cents. Board and room \$7.00 a week or \$25.00 a month. tf

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