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EMERGENCY TO MEET

Western College Confronted With a Situation That Requires Prompt Attention by Artesia Citizens.

In accordance with previous notice a mass meeting of citizens was held Tuesday night at the Commercial Club room to consider matters pertaining to Western College.

J. E. Swepston was selected as chairman, and Gayle Talbot as secretary of the meeting.

Mr. Swepston explained the financial condition of Western College, and after making a most excellent showing considering all of the circumstances, insisted that it was imperative the unpledged notes should be collected at once and applied to some pressing indebtedness.

Judge J. H. Jackson made a pointed talk in pointing out the moral and legal responsibility of those who had subscribed to the college bonus, and stated that he could not be employed as an attorney in any attempt to avoid payment of these obligations.

President J. D. H. Reed of the Commercial Club briefly argued that those who had subscribed to the Western College bonus should consider it as binding as any other obligation and it ought to be paid.

Rev. J. B. Cochran presiding elder of this district, addressed the meeting, pointing out the necessity of such a school in this country as Western College and also the relationship the Methodist Conference retained toward this educational institution. His remarks created a most favorable impression.

President E. C. Morgan of Western College made a talk explaining the situation of the schoolwork since he had become connected with the College, and

also pointed out the bright prospects for its future could temporary embarrassments be settled, which he hoped to see speedily done.

Mr. Gayle Talbot referred to the manner by which Artesia secured Western College, and the necessity now for immediate action in order to save the situation creditably to Artesia.

It was decided by the mass meeting that a committee of three composed of J. H. Jackson, J. J. Sullivan and J. D. H. Reed should co-operate with E. B. Kemp, C. A. Sipple and J. E. Swepston composing the executive committee for the College, and these joint committees select others to complete a committee of twelve to which should be apportioned the notes and subscriptions to be realized upon to meet the pressing indebtedness of the College.

The following resolution of endorsement introduced by Mr. J. H. Jackson was heartily endorsed by the mass meeting:

Resolved, that the citizens here assembled heartily endorse Western College and pledge their confidence and support to make it a success, and to this end we pledge our influence and assistance to provide for meeting the present emergency confronting Western College.

Christian Church.

Regular services will be held at the church Sunday morning and evening.

Sunday school 9:45.

Sermon 11:00.

Morning service under auspices of C. W. B. M.

Christian Endeavor 6:30.

Sermon 7:30.

The evening sermon will be illustrated. Subject: "The Kingdom of Heaven."

You are cordially invited to all the services of the church

WM. A. DAWSON, Minister.

A NEW ICE FACTORY

Trackage Ground Purchased and Machinery Soon to Arrive for Large Ice and Cold Storage Plant.

Messrs. Talbot & Brown, the real estate men, closed a deal some days ago which means the second ice factory for Artesia, and, in conjunction therewith, a large cold-storage plant to take care of the future peach, apple, cantaloupe and vegetable shipments from this station. Mr. J. Elmer Miller, a well-known Oklahoma hustler, will be in charge of the new plant, associated with Mr. Devol, of Steelville, Mo.

A 40x100 foot piece of trackage property immediately north of the Artesia Light & Power Company's plant, has been purchased and machinery is this week being shipped for the installation of the plant. It

will be modern in every respect and of sufficient capacity to care for the demands of the city for several years to come.

Mr. Miller's family, consisting of wife and son, arrived in the city several days since and have gone to housekeeping. Mr. and Mrs. Miller and Mr. Devol will find a warm welcome in the business and social circles of the city.

In addition to the investment above referred to, Mr. Miller bought through the same firm 160 acres of land being the J. Allen Ray quarter three miles north of town. The consideration was \$12,000.

Mr. S. W. Gilbert returned home Thursday night from St. Joe, Mo., where had been with the Artesia apple exhibit. The best apples of the country were met and first prize for plate variety secured with Lansinburg and third on five box varieties.

WIFE BEATER JAILED

He Spent Two Weeks at Artesia and Went to Hope Where he Run Things With High Hand Awhile.

A. C. Hopkins claiming to be a big Mississippi planter, arrived at Artesia two weeks or more ago with his bride of a few weeks and stopped at the Hardwick Hotel where meals were sent to their room, presumably because of a bruised face and black eye of the bride. Later, the couple appeared in public to some extent and made a favorable impression.

Hopkins and his wife went to Hope Wednesday, where it is said he got drunk, made his wife go into saloon with him, and later in hotel beat and choked her, kicked over stove, setting fire to room. Hopkins was finally subdued and jailed.

It is reported that Hopkins attempted suicide Friday a. m.

[No. 9468.]

Report of the Condition of the State National Bank at Artesia

In the State of New Mexico, at the close of business, December 5th, 1911.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$154,932.13
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	1,440.00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	25,000.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	351.45
Banking house, Furniture and Fixtures	10,000.00
Other Real Estate owned	272.30
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	38,527.12
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies and Saving Banks	827.17
Due from approved Reserve Agents	498.01
Checks and other cash items	638.98
Notes of other Nat'l Banks	1,040.00
Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels and cents	130.86
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$15,115.35
Legal tender notes	560.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent circulation)	1,250.00
Total	250,584.31

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	30,000.00
Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid	6,228.00
National Bank Notes outstanding	25,000.00
Due to other National Banks	1,627.40
Dividends unpaid	25.00
Individual deposits subject to check	111,351.46
Time certificates of deposit	5,387.94
Cashier's checks outstanding	964.51
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed	20,000.00
Total	250,584.31

State of New Mexico, ss: County of Eddy.

I, John B. Enfield, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. JOHN B. ENFIELD, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of December, 1911.

Albert Blake, Notary Public.

[SEAL.] My commission expires Nov. 27, '12.

Correct--Attest: Owen McClay, J. H. Askew, James J. Sullivan, Directors.

Report of the Condition of The First National Bank at Artesia

In the State of New Mexico, at the close of business, December 5th, 1911.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$128,543.97
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	17.04
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	25,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	500.00
Bonds, Securities, etc.	1,070.12
Banking house, Furniture and Fixtures	10,000.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	15,026.64
Due from approved Reserve Agents	28,922.16
Checks and other Cash Items	779.06
Notes of other Nat'l Banks	1,330.00
Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels and Cents	275.49
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$6,433.60
Legal-tender notes	9,928.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	1,250.00
Total	\$231,076.08

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	15,000.00
Undivided Profits, less expenses and Taxes paid	6,085.68
National Bank Notes outstanding	24,495.00
Dividends unpaid	50.00
Individual deposits subject to check	125,338.45
Time certificates of deposit	8,821.85
Cashier's checks outstanding	1,285.10
Total	\$231,076.08

State of New Mexico, ss: County of Eddy.

I, J. E. Robertson, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. E. Robertson, Cashier, Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of December, 1911.

Thos. F. Blackmore, Notary Public.

[SEAL.] My commission expires June 24th, 1913.

Correct--Attest:

C. W. Williams, J. T. Collins, D. W. Runyan, Directors.

Books and Bibles

As usual we have bought a splendid line of Books, all kinds. We believe that nothing is more acceptable for a Christmas remembrance than a nice book. We can please the most fastidious, both as to kind and price.

Our stock of Gift Books is up to the standard set in the cities. We call special attention to the latest Riley book

"When She Was About Sixteen"

This is illustrated by Christy and is a companion to "An Old Sweetheart of Mine."

We have Bibles in the cheap bindings, also in Morocco with India Paper. These are peculiarly appropriate for Christmas. Prices from seventy-five cents to four dollars.

Our toys will be on display Saturday. Santa will distribute letters soon.

Pecos Valley Drug Co.

CHRISTMAS

IS COMING
But We Are Here

With good things, to eat of varieties to satisfy every taste.

In selecting our supply of dainties for the Christmas trade we have used every effort to purchase goods of the choicest kind, the Quality and Variety being the best obtainable.

We can supply you with Fresh Fruit, Vegetables, Nuts both Shelled and Unshelled, Candied Fruits, Imported Figs, Dates, Citron, Lemon Peel and Orange Peel.

Inspect our complete stock of ingredients for fruit cakes before buying, we can supply you.

REMEMBER your order large or small will be appreciated and promptly cared for.

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QUALITY at the RIGHT PRICES our Motto.

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Let the Commercial Club meet and take hold of the situation here. There is no use to wait on anything.

If broom corn can be successfully grown here, let it be done and then patronize J. S. Sharp by buying his brooms and he can soon put a broom factory at Artesia.

The Advocate is the paper entitled to your support. It goes to extra expense and labor to print a paper twice-a-week so as to better advertise Artesia, and then it is enabled to furnish the news sooner after it happens. Do your part toward sustaining the Advocate.

What about those hogs you intended to arrange about raising? It is easy enough to raise your own meat and some to sell, if you will only try. Any man with five acres or more in this country can raise his own meat and it will not interfere with anything else he is engaged in. Try it.

If our citizens who have

promised to do so, will do even half their duty toward Western College, this valuable institution to Artesia's future welfare will be placed in a position where it can do more for this town than it ever has, and already it has done much. Get to the back of Western College and give it your support and influence. It will prove one of the best investments the town can make.

During the last year this section has depended upon its own exertions and its own products to sustain the country and carry on the various lines of business. The showing is a very creditable one. It will improve each year. We of this section must make up our minds to depend more upon ourselves and what we can raise here than to look for sustenance and prosperity upon prospectors. New prospectors can't be expected to come all time. What is needed is more men who will develop the land they have and sell the remainder in small tracts on easy terms to others who will work and produce something. That will beat land speculation.

There Are Others.

Artesia is not the only place where business is dull and money scarce. In Oklahoma and Texas the same complaint comes, and most of places in other states are in worse condition than the people here.

One of the surest remedies for relieving this stagnation is for every one who possibly can, to pay what he owes, and instead of talking hard times, predict that everything will

THE BEST

Line of Christmas Presents Ever Shown in Artesia. Below we List a few Suggestions of Useful Presents for Christmas

Men	Women	Children
Pullman Slippers \$1.50	2 pairs Silk Hose in Holy box \$1.00	Work Boxes
Military Brushes	Work Boxes 25c to \$1.00	Children's Coin Purses
Men's House Slippers 50c to \$1.35	Jewel Boxes 15c to 75c	Paper in Holiday Boxes
Men's Tie in Hol. boxes 25c and 50c	Bags 50c to \$5.00	Mirror
Suspenders in boxes 50 cents	Toilet Sets 50c to \$4.00	Children's Manicure Sets
Combination Sets sox, garters, suspenders, 50c and 75c.	Manicure Sets 50c to \$4.00	Handkerchiefs
Men's Shaving Sets \$1.00 to \$2.00	Back Combs 50c to \$2.00	Hose
Men's Cuff Links 25c to \$1.00	Barrettes 15c to \$1.25	Hair Ribbons
Tie Clasps	Pin Cushions Silk Hose Pictures 15 to \$1.00	Aviation Caps
Men's Silk Hose 2 pair in fancy box \$1.00	Knitted Hose Slippers	Boys
4 pair Lisle Hose in box \$1.00	Felt Horse Slippers	Mufflers
Mufflers	Perfumery	Tie in Fancy Boxes
Handkerchiefs	Belt Pins	Suspenders in Fancy Boxes
Gloves	Lace Collars	Sweaters
	Side Frills	Shirts
		Purses

Hall Brothers.

Christmas

Is following close on the heels of Thanksgiving this year, but this only makes one all the more hungry for the many good things that we get only at this season of the year. The best part about Christmas is the good things to eat that come with it. We have excelled all previous efforts in making our stock complete for this season, and you will find everything at our store either for the advance cooking or for present table wants.

Everything the market affords in fresh

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soon be flourishing. You will be surprised to see how quick there will be an improvement in business, and before you know it the crisis is passed.

Artesia has the natural material for a solid foundation. It cannot be swept away by speculation nor can it take wings and fly away. That is our rich soil and ever flowing wells of water.

Announcement of Lyceum Course.

On Monday night, Dec. 18th, Homer T. Wilson will deliver a lecture at the Baptist church of this city. This will be under the auspices of the High School Course and all those holding season tickets will be entitled to attend.

Homer T. Wilson is considered to be one of the grandest speakers on the American platform today and is doing more to brighten and uplift humanity than any speaker that will likely come our way soon. Many who have paid one dollar to hear him would gladly pay that again, but we will have an opportunity to hear him at fifty cents each.

Make your arrangements to attend this lecture. You will be a better man or woman the day after, and will certainly not regret the time, the price or the inconvenience it may be to you.

You will have an opportunity of helping yourself and incidentally the Public School Lyceum Course by going to hear Homer T. Wilson at the Baptist Church Monday night, December 18.

Notice.

The members of the Church of Christ began a series of gospel meetings Wednesday night, Dec. 6, on West Main street one door west of J. M. Millhuff's second hand store. T. R. Chisholm is doing the preaching. You are cordially invited to attend. Services are being held in the evenings only, beginning at 7 p. m.

Bribery Charges

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 4.—District attorney John D. Fredericks today informed the Associated Press that Bert H. Franklin, a detective employed by the McNamara defence and now under arrest on a charge of attempting to bribe George N. Lockwood, a venireman, with \$4000, actually paid to Robert F. Bain, the first sworn juror in the case \$400 and promised \$3000 more at the end of the trial if he would vote for acquittal or secure a disagreement of the jury.

The district attorney produced a sworn copy of testimony by Mrs. Robert F. Bain, wife of the juror, in his office last Friday. Mrs. Bain not only told of the first meeting but related in detail how Franklin came to her house, October 6, a few days before her husband was summoned to serve on the jury.

The district attorney declared that only one more case of bribery, so far as he knew had not yet been uncovered and that the amounts in it had been similar to the Lockwood and Bain cases, so that in all about \$12,000 was promised by the defence to influence jurymen.

He declared that examination of witnesses in the Franklin case would reveal the details of the alleged bribes in which Franklin participated. He declared that at present no more arrests were intended, but that court revelations might make it necessary to apprehend persons upon whose orders Franklin is supposed to have acted.

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<p>Men's Clothing</p> <p>Hart Schaffner & Marx Suits and Overcoats \$18.00 to \$27.50</p> <p>Kirschbaum Suits and Overcoats \$7.50 to \$17.50</p> <p>HOUSE COATS and BATH ROBES</p> <p>These things any man is glad to possess. We have a large variety of them in all sizes. \$3.50, \$5, \$6 and \$8.50</p> <p>Neckwear</p> <p>Four-in-Hand, String or Batwing Bows, big variety 25 cents to 50 cents</p>	<p>Suspenders</p> <p>Great variety 25 cents to \$1.00</p> <p>Hosiery</p> <p>All Colors, all Grades, Pure Cotton and Pure Silk. 25 cents to 75 cents</p> <p>Handkerchiefs</p> <p>Cotton Handkerchiefs 5c up Linen Handkerchiefs 15c up Silk Handkerchiefs 50c up</p> <p>Note</p> <p>A nice idea is one of our Special Set Hose and Handkerchief to match, ore Hose, Handkerchief and Cravat.</p>	<p>Gloves</p> <p>All kinds of Gloves for Dress, for Driving, for Work. We can supply any need from 50 cents to \$2.50</p> <p>Sweaters, Mufflers</p> <p>Sweaters and Mufflers from 50 cents to \$5.00</p> <p>Night Shirts, Pajamas</p> <p>Night Shirts and Pajamas from 75 cents to \$2.00</p> <p>Hats and Caps</p> <p>New styles in Soft and Regular Stiff Hat models from \$1.00 to \$8.50</p>
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Joyce-Pruit Company

Artesia's Greatest Store

BOUGHT A GOOD FARM.

Well-known Editor-Politician of Oklahoma Falls a Victim to Charms of the Artesia Country.

J. Roy Williams, an able newspaper man of Lawton, Oklahoma, and speaker pro-tem of the Oklahoma legislature, visited Artesia a couple of weeks ago, and was so favorably impressed with the opportunities for investment and successful farming in this particular section of the Valley that he purchased the N. G. Mead 160-acre farm, four miles north of town, and will become a permanent citizen about January first. He will immediately begin the construction of a commodious dwelling house on the farm and such other improvements as will make it one of the best farms in the country. The price paid was about \$16,000 and the deal was consummated by Messrs. Talbot & Brown.

Cemetery Association.

The regular meeting of the Cemetery Association was held Dec. 4th, at the home of the president Mrs. J. B. Atkeson. Eight members responded to roll call. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer reported as follows:

Bal. on hand Nov. 1, 1911	\$221.52
Rec. from sale tent house cov.	7.00
" " " lot	20.00
" bal. on Bowman lot	5.00
" from dues	4.00
Total,	257.52
J. H. Floyd, sexton, \$36.00	
Kemp Lumber Co. 11.71	
Brainard Corbin Co. 1.40	49.11
Bal. Dec. 1st, 1911,	208.41

The following bills were presented and allowed:

Wm. Crandall for posts	\$9.25
Brainard-Corbin Co.	95

The improvement committee reported the repairing of the fence where damaged by storm. Thirty-seven new post were purchased for the purpose. This

committee also reported ten loads of mulching and two of sand had been put on the circle.

There was a committee appointed to investigate the matter of putting a telephone in the sexton's house.

Instructions were given the collection committee to see all members in regard to dues for the fiscal year.

The entertainment committee reported that plans are being made for the Colonial Tea.

All members are requested to remember the date for regular meeting is the first Monday in each month.

There being no further business meeting adjourned.

Rosa T. Lowry, Sec'y.

McNamaras Sentenced.

Los Angeles, Dec. 5.—James B. McNamara, the confessed murderer, was sentenced to life imprisonment here today by Judge Walter Bordwell. His brother, John J. McNamara, secretary of the international Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, who confessed to the dynamiting of the Llewellyn Iron Works, was sentenced to 15 years in the penitentiary.

Socialist Candidate Defeated.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 6.—George Alexander, Good Government candidate for mayor, defeated Job Harriman, Socialist, in the city election here by a large majority.

Dragged to Death

[Roswell News, 6th inst]

While riding home from the school where he was teaching, in a cart behind a young horse, Joe Conley for six months a resident of this city and who has been teaching school for some time at Dunlap, was thrown out and dragged to his death Monday afternoon.

Conley, while teaching the school had been boarding at the home of C. M. Hester, now clerk at the Roswell hotel and had been driving one of his young horses back and forth to school in order to break it in.

Monday night he was driving home as usual, with Mr. Hester's son, Ned, on another young horse just behind him. Scaring at something in the road, Conley's horse shyed violently and, taking him un-awares, threw him out of the cart, catching his foot in the brace between the shaft and the body of the cart. This seemed to craze the young horse, causing it to run until tired out.

When young Hester was able to stop the horse he was unable to extricate Conley from the cart and had to go to a neighbor and get help. The young man was terribly bruised and was dead when the horse was stopped.

Conley was formerly a resident of Paintersville, Ky., where he leaves a father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Conley, two brothers and three sisters.

Citron, orange and lemon, pure candied cherries—in fact everything for your fruit cake at Joyce-Pruit Co.

For Sale.

Team good brood mares, 5 or 6 yrs. old. Pony, very gentle, ride or drive. "V" for ditching. Alfalfa seeder. 1 electric flat iron. Majestic range with water front, in perfect condition. 1 double bed, springs and mattress. 1 sanitary couch with pad and cover. 1 single cot. 1 chiffonier, 1 Princess dresser. 1 Coles hot blast heating stove. Stove board. 1 grass rug, large size. 2 burner oil stove, double and single ovens. Writing desk. Magazine stand. 2 small rugs. 1 kitchen cabinet. 1 dining table. 1 kitchen table. 1 large cupboard, glass doors. 1 center table. Lamps and lantern. Kitchen utensils. Stone churn and jars. Washing machine, tubs, boiler, wringer. Ironing board. Jars can fruit, pickles, etc. Thoroughbred white Plymouth rock chickens. Dbl. screen. 12 square yards inlaid linoleum. Kitchen chairs. School books 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th grade. All goods bought will be delivered. 2 fine residence lots on west Main street, lots 11 and 13, block 1, Forrest Hill addition, planted to alfalfa, fenced, cement walks in front. Formerly owned by J. E. Swepton. Cheap if taken this week. Almost new 3½x5½ folding kodak, post card size, developing tank, etc. Guitar and mandolin. E. S. PORTER, 2½ mls. S. W. Artesia.

When you want anything in Job Work call at this office.



Excursion

Account Pecos Valley Teachers Association.

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C. O. Brown,

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