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THE COUNT FINISHED

Eight Democrats and Same Number Republican State Officers are Reported Elected.

Santa Fe, N. M.—When the official canvassing board adjourned just before Christmas, the result of the voting, so far as the state ticket and judiciary is concerned, was known.

Prior to adjournment the board handed down its decisions in all the cases in controversy save that of Clayton, which has been certified to the district court.

In its decision the board in every instance sustained the contentions of Neil B. Field and C. D. Cleveland who represented the interests of the democratic party.

In the matter of the Melrose, Reserve and Teanaja precincts, where the poll books were not sent with the returns, the board held that their absence was not fatal and ordered that the vote in these precincts be counted.

In several precincts in Valencia and other counties where there were no tally sheets, the board likewise decided that the vote should be counted.

In the matter of the controversy over the vote of O. L. Owen, democratic candidate for corporation commission, the board held that it could only count the votes as they appeared upon the returns and that it was without power to count votes cast for "Sol" Owen for O. L. Owen. This ruling caused a loss to Mr. Owen of 1,032 votes and will result in giving the certificate of election to G.

H. Van Stone, the progressive republican candidate. The board, as in the Clayton case, held that it was purely a ministerial body and as such was without power to inquire into the intent of the voter when he cast his ballot.

It is believed that Mr. Owen will, when Mr. Van Stone assumes office, at once institute contest proceedings. It has been intimated that Mr. Van Stone will not oppose the proceedings since it is so evident that the majority of the voters of New Mexico desired Mr. Owen as a member of the corporation commission.

After handing down its decisions, which were oral and delivered by Chief Justice Pope, the board adjourned, subject to the call of the chairman. It is expected that the body will reconvene in formal session immediately after Judge McFie has handed down his decision in the Clayton precinct, where the judges and clerks of election are summoned to show cause why they should not be punished for contempt for failure to sign the returns. In the Clayton precinct approximately 571 votes were cast, 307 for the democrats and 264 for the republicans, or an average democratic majority of 43. It is not believed a decision either way would affect the election of any of the candidates on the state ticket, but the fate of the candidates for district judge in the Eighth district, several men on the Union county ticket and at least one member of the legislature hangs in the balance.

The decision to count the votes in the Reserve precinct in Socorro county, adds 23 to

the vote of the democratic candidates and means the election of Abelino Romero, democratic candidate for the state senate and several candidates on the democratic ticket in Socorro county.

The net result of the action of the board today in deciding to count the votes in the disputed precincts resulted in an average gain of 168 for the candidates on the democratic state and judicial ticket and an average of 94 for the republicans, thus increasing the democratic majority by 74. This insures the election of Hanna for the supreme court and White for superintendent of schools. In the event the Clayton precinct is counted it will add 307 to the democratic vote and 264 to that of the republicans.

The completion of the canvassing board's work shows that the parties divided equally on the state ticket, the republicans electing eight and the democrats eight of the sixteen candidates, as follows:

Governor—W. C. McDonald, democrat.

Lieutenant-Governor—E. C. DeBaca, democrat.

Secretary of State—Antonio Lucero, democrat.

State Auditor—W. J. Sargent, republican.

State Treasurer—O. N. Marron, democrat.

Attorney General—Frank W. Clancy, republican.

Commissioner of Public Lands—Robert P. Eryien, republican.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction—Alvan N. White, democrat.

Justice of the Supreme Court—Clarence J. Roberts, republican; Frank W. Parker, republican; Richard H. Hanna, progressive.

Corporation Commissioners—Hugh Williams, republican; M. S. Groves, republican; G. H. Van Stone, progressive.

Congressmen—George Curry, republican; H. B. Fergusson, democrat.

When the board reconvenes again it will dispose of the matter of the Clayton precinct, issue the election certificates to the successful candidates, make its report to the president and adjourn sine die. It is expected that this work can be completed in time so that the statehood proclamation can be issued and the inauguration ceremonies held not later than January 4.

Judge McFie refused to hear the Clayton precinct tangle, so statehood is further delayed. Judge C. J. Roberts has been requested to pass upon it.

By urgent request the Oratorio recently rendered at Western College, will be reproduced at the Methodist church, Friday night, January 12th, Admission, adults 50 cents and children 25 cents.

All lines of business took a holiday on Christmas day.

SUGAR BEET PROFIT

In Their Growth and Where They Thrive Factories Follow Says Mr. E. E. Hanger.

At the last meeting of the Artesia Commercial Club the sugar beet factory question was up again for consideration in a different phase than heretofore presented. However, as the club had other matters requiring immediate attention, the sugar beet proposition was deferred. And before it is again brought up the Advocate believes the suggestions of Mr. E. E. Hanger should be duly considered, and that the people of this section may have an opportunity to do this an article from him follows:

"A beet sugar factory for Artesia would enhance the value of all the land in this vicinity from 25 to 50 per cent.

"The writer lived in a farming community before the sugar factory came and after. I know of nothing that would do this place both town and country so much good.

"I know no better way to illustrate the enhancing of land values by a sugar factory than to give an incident in my own experience, a few years ago. I purchased a farm nine miles from a town in Colorado, where was located a sugar factory. The distance was considered too great a haul to raise beets profitably, so the farmers in the vicinity prevailed upon the sugar company and the Santa Fe R. R. to build a spur R. R. 12 miles and to build a beet dump each 4 miles, the farmers agreeing to put 1-10 of their land to beets for five years. The end of this road was four miles from our land and we raised two crops of beets and sold our land for just double the price paid for it.

"Very few farmers however, sold because they could make more money even on the increasing price of land raising beets than by selling, and it is a peculiar fact that when peo-

ple know they can sell at a good profit at any time, they don't care to sell—its only the fear of not being able to sell, together with lack of income from their property that make them want to sell.

"The greatest reason why I think this is a good beet country is our water. Beets require not more than 1-3 to 1-2 the water that alfalfa does, and being a row crop they must not be flooded and a small head of water can be used to as good advantage in production as a large head, but the greatest advantage I think we have in the irrigation of beets is that they require water often while young, I think every ten days or two weeks, but not in great quantities. In Colorado most ditch companies run the water in three mile sections and each farmer gets water for about three days and then no more for about thirty days, which we found was too long without water for young growing beets, but with our artesian wells to have the water just when we need it, that difficulty is overcome; also in the early spring when the beet is young and needs more water is just the time we have the greatest flow in our wells of any time in the year.

"The yield of beets is from 15 to 30 tons per acre, a fair average yield is 20 tons, the price ranges from \$5 to \$7 per ton, owing to the saccharine matter they contain. The average cost to attend, if everything is hired, including the seed is about \$35 per acre. One man can tend about 20 acres and where he does his own work, plowing, irrigating and etc. then the greatest cost he has is thinning which is done under the direction of the factory by Indians usually, the factory working them in squads of 25 to 30, the charge made by the factory for this is \$7.50 per acre and I think the seed will not exceed a cost of 50 cents per acre. It is a custom with the factories to sell the farmer the seed and do the thinning

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Thank the people for their past patronage and trusts to be favored with a continuance of the same in future.

With the close of the old year and the dawn of another we wish all

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The First National Bank

Sends greetings and best wishes to its many Friends
and Customers for

A Happy and Prosperous New Year,

And hoping that their DEPOSITORS may be greater than ever.

Thanks are given for the patronage heretofore extended, and special thanks will be tendered those who will come in and pay up past due notes.

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Artesia in its entirety has much for which to be thankful the past year. Business has averaged good, there has been a net increase in population, the banks are in flourishing condition, while the prospects for the future of Artesia are very flattering indeed.

Artesia people are generous and noble hearted. Through the associated charities committee, the W. C. T. U. and Eastern Star, the needy in Artesia were provided for if they let themselves be known, and diligent search was made to see that none were neglected in a reminder that it was Christmas time when all should be glad of heart and none be in want.

Western College Appreciation.

I desire most earnestly and fully to express appreciation of the public spirit shown in regard to our affairs in the recent crisis. In the name of the student body, the church, the faculty and myself, I acknowledge the goodwill and labor of love on the part of those who worked and gave so faithfully. To our adverse critics: I promise to make good if it be possible for me to do so. Such institutions as ours, while they ought to be run on business methods, are not business projects for all that. EDWARD C. MORGAN.

The Advocate is also pleased, as are most of the people of Artesia, that the crisis which confronted Western College, has been overcome by the liberal-hearted and enterprising people of this town. While this crisis was an unpleasant experience to all concerned, still, the Advocate believes it has contained some blessings in disguise. It was not pertinent to the crisis that the situation should be published in the newspapers, but by the conferences between the people and college officers a better understanding was reached and in future each can

the better aid the other in making Western College what was purposed it should be.

The Advocate believes that President Edward C. Morgan will make a flattering showing for Western College within the next year. He will do his utmost, and he has the capacity and ability to do much.

The Advocate trusts and believes there will in future be more harmony, greater prosperity and increased benefits for all concerned.

The express office in Carlsbad receives, each day, \$100 worth of booze and beer, the money for which, of course, is sent away. This amounts to about \$2,500 per month, or \$30,000 per annum, and still some people say taxes are high.—Carlsbad Current.

Agricultural Demonstration Train.

On January 11th, an agricultural live stock and soil demonstration train will start from the state agricultural college and traverse all sections of New Mexico wherever the Santa Fe touches.

The train will eclipse anything of like character ever operated in New Mexico. There will be six cars. The exhibits will contain samples of soils from every section of New Mexico, live stock exhibits, latest farming machinery, grain exhibits, fruit exhibits, etc. One coach will be fitted up for a lecture rooms and lectures on different agricultural subjects will be delivered at various stops.

After leaving Mesilla valley, the first stop will be Deming. Thence up the Rio Grande to Albuquerque, Las Vegas and Raton. From there the train will run over the Belen cutoff and through the Pecos Valley. The journey will require several weeks.

This demonstration train will be in Artesia on Thursday, January 25th, from 1:40 to 2:40 in the afternoon.

Notice.

The listings for the next directory of The Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Co., will close on Jan. 5, 1912. Any changes or corrections to be made should be reported to our office before that date.

It will be necessary hereafter that all subscribers call by number; any one not having a directory will please notify our office.

THE MT. STATES TEL. & TEL. CO.

High School

:: Department ::

The last week before vacation has been a busy one for all the pupils in the High school, just one more week and then will close the first half of the school year 1911-1912, but all have been promised a treat before it passes, everybody gets to take the final half-year examination in every subject, quite a lot of work but won't the teachers have some, too. We have been having pretty weather here, but up north, at Roswell, they had so much snow and ice they had to call off the girl's basket ball game, that was scheduled for last week. Never mind, the same story will be to tell whenever we do go. Quite a lot of interest has been taken the last half year in the tennis clubs in the school, the girls and boys both have some good material now and with the proper training they will soon be ready to do some creditable work for the school.

Mr. Bishop had a letter from the Agricultural college this week saying that their girl's basket ball team would come here for a game, the 9th of January, if we would guarantee them \$45.00 and hotel bills. This was agreed to, if the school pupils would raise \$25 of the amount. Captain Ruel Crandall went to work with a subscription list and soon had the necessary "Dinero." The girls were wired to come on. Miss Ruth Brainard one of the A. H. S. graduates is a member of this team and we will be glad to show her that the A. H. S. is keeping up in the way of first-class material.

Manager-at-large Johnson is over-hauling the school this week. A thorough fumigation was given every room first, and now he is treating everything to a good coat of soap, water, furniture oil and paint. By next week it is probable that the school house will be as free from germs as our brain will be from ideas—after the vacation.

The High School Lyceum course is gaining many friends, if the increase in the attendance is any criterion by which to judge, each number is better attended than the last. The next entertainment will be the famous Meistersingers of Chicago. This is a male quartette, and is one of the most popular attractions on the circuit today. They will be here the 26th of January.

The Eighth grade will take the final test on agriculture and then take a ten week's review in political geography and eight weeks review in physiology. They will take the Territorial examination in all the thirteen branches of the common school studies in the spring examination. In addition to the regular work outlined for these grades they have regular lessons each week on reading, spelling, writing, drawing and music.

There will be several changes in the studies after the close of the examinations. The senior

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class will take up solid geometry, and American government. They will discontinue American history. The junior class will not take up solid geometry as first outlined but will take an extra half year on college algebra. The freshman class will finish physical geography and in its place will take a half year of elementary geology, studying particularly the geological formation of the Rocky mountain region, including New Mexico.

Hotel Hardwick Changes Management.

Mr. John L. Hunter, of Clovis, has leased the Hotel Hardwick and will take charge January 1st. Mr. Hunter is an experienced hotel man and will conduct a first-class and up-to-date hotel. He will open the dining room for regular boarders and the transient trade.

Mr. Hunter has a family of a wife and two children. In addition to leasing Hotel Hardwick, he may invest in property here.

Notice to Teachers.

The regular mid-winter teachers' examination will be held at the courthouse, in Carlsbad, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 12th and 13th, 1912.

All permits expire Jan. 15th, and cannot be re-newed. Persons holding low grade certificates are urged to take this examination.

The examination will be free to those who attend the county institute. Stationery, ink, etc. will be furnished free to applicants. A. A. KAISER, County Supt.



Excursion

All year tourist rates to points in Texas and various points in the east.

For rates and other information call on

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A Very Happy and Plentiful New Year

And cordial thanks will be extended those who owe us to start in the New Year by prompt payment, as we need it and must have what is due.

Public Sale.

At the Farm of E. R. Boyer, 4 Miles North of
Artesia postoffice,
Friday, January 5th, 1912

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| <p>1 Team mare mules coming 7, weight 2500 pounds, sound.
1 Extra good 7-year-old brood mare in foal to Crouch horse, weight 1400.
1 Good saddle and driving mare in foal to Crouch horse, 6 years old, weight 1000, quiet driver.
1 9-year-old mare, weight 1150.
1 2-year-old fillie.
1 Registered Jersey cow, extra good, 6 years old, be fresh Mar. 1, milking well now.
1 half-blood Jersey, Talbot-Lowry stock, 4 years old, milking 2 gal daily.
1 Bay pony, 5-year-old, weight, 800, sound, safe for lady or child. This property of Fremont Patrick.
3 dozen chickens.
2 Good farm wagons.</p> | <p>1 3 1-2 inch wide tire, high wheel wagon, in excellent condition.
1 Extra good hay rack.
1 Mower. 1 Rake.
1 Disk corn plow.
1 Alfalfa renovator.
1 Extra good ditch cleaner.
1 Shovel plow.
1 Garden plow.
1 14-in. stirring plow that will scour.
1 Two-section harrow.
1 Set heavy harness.
1 Set chain harness.
1 Good saddle.
4 Nearly new canvass dams.
Several tarpaulins.
3500 pounds alfalfa seed.
Sacked kaffir corn.
1 Range with water fittings, first-class condition.</p> |
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TERMS:--Over \$10, 6 months time, 10 per cent bankable notes, 5 per cent off for cash.

E. R. BOYER, Owner,

A. C. Keinath, Clerk.

I. V. Whiteside, Auctioneer.

Delightful Reception.

One of the most delightful affairs of the holidays was the delightful reception Thursday afternoon by Mrs. Bertha Cohen and Mrs. Jo Jacobson at the home of the latter, given in honor of Mrs. Fendler of St. Louis. Mrs. Jacobson met the guests at the door and made them feel a joyous welcome, in keeping with the season, and then introduced them to the charming honoree. Mrs. Osburn received at the parlor door and Mesdames Enfield, Mathes and Welton, were also parlor hostesses, and in their pleasing way gave each a gracious greeting. The parlor was beautifully decorated, the season's color scheme of green and red being used. After the greetings the guests were invited to the dining room—a bower of beauty. The large dining table was adorned with exquisite center piece and a large vase of lovely white chrysanthemums in the center. Madames Bowman, Fatherez, C. V. Brainard and Hanger, assisted by Mesdames Talbot, Greenlaw and Tullis, served the delicious salad course. Little Francis Fendler

and Annette Jacobson pinned the favors—a beautiful sprig of holly.

During the afternoon a most excellent program was rendered. In the first part of the afternoon Misses Nell O. Francis, Margaret Mathes and Francis Fendler favored the guests with piano selections, and Annette Jacobson an enjoyable reading. In the latter part of the afternoon Mesdames Enfield and Corbin rendered lovely voice selections; Mrs. McCrary, Miss McIlhany and Francis Fendler piano selections; Annette Jacobson and Mrs. J. D. Atwood gave delightful readings.

The entire affair was exquisite and about eighty-five ladies enjoyed the gracious hospitality of Mesdames Cohen and Jacobson, and also had the pleasure of meeting the charming honoree Mrs. Fendler, of St. Louis.

Notice.

The annual election of the board of directors for the Public Library Association will be held in the Library room Tuesday, January 2, 1912, from one till five o'clock p. m.

MRS. MYRTLE JACKSON, Secy.

Roswell-Malaga Road.

Representatives from the various towns along the proposed road from Roswell to Malaga, met last week at Carlsbad and arranged for construction to commence January 8th. It is proposed for Chaves county to build the road through the section it goes through there, and Eddy county to do the same here. Chairman Atkinson was appointed to pilot through the legislature a bill to provide for counties issuing bonds to build roads.

SUGAR BEET PROFIT.

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for him and wait for the pay until he delivers his beets and during the growing season they even advance the farmer money on his crop.

"The best thing about beet raising is that when you haul your crop to town you get the cash for it. I think any man can put in and attend 20 acres of beets and realize enough to clear him \$50 per acre or \$1000, besides attending 10 to 20 acres of alfalfa. If you have a 20 acre young orchard this can be done between the trees.

"In addition to these advantages a beet factory does more, it insures all who want to work in the winter just the time they are not employed on the farm, employment at good wages, which is a great benefit to many farmers.

"For the town, it insures a town of at least 5,000 inhabitants, it creates a demand for forty acre farms instead of larger ones. Beet land should be rotated with alfalfa every five years and in so doing it does not deteriorate the land.

"I think the best plan and the first thing to do is to send

to Colorado for some seed and ask them for instructions as to how to attend them and each farmer raise one acre of beets next year and next fall ship at least a car load of these Pecos Valley beets to a Colorado factory and get an exact test as to the saccharine matter, etc. Then we would have the facts and figures to show that we can raise beets and that it is not an experiment.

"Some say we cannot do these things on account of not having R. R. competition. In answer to this I will say that the great American Sugar Beet Co. factories in Rocky Ford and all up and down the Arkansas valley, Colorado are located on a branch line of the Santa Fe system, the same as we are.

"The beet factory will take care of the freight rates, the farmer makes a contract in the spring with the beet company to sell his beets at a stipulated price to be delivered from Sept. 1st to March 1st following.

"In addition to the above benefits, the raiser has the beet tops which are excellent stock feed and has the option of hauling the beet pulp home for feed or selling it to the company for an additional 25 cents per ton

"This pulp mixed with chopped alfalfa makes the very finest feed to fatten cattle. The Lockhart Cattle Co. feed ten thousand head of cattle at the Rocky Ford factory every year.

"It is the history of the industry that where one factory is located others soon follow.

"Rocky Ford had the first

factory in the Arkansas Valley and in a very short time there were others until at present I think there are about seven in the valley.

"I think the Pecos Valley has brighter prospects to eventually have seven sugar factories than had the Arkansas Valley at that time. One other advantage we have over Colorado is that our winters are so mild that would eliminate the possibility of ever having to silo which would be a considerable saving.

"A beet sugar factory located in the Pecos Valley would solve the problem of bearing the expenses of the long years of waiting for the fruit trees to come into bearing, for it puts ready cash in the community.

"If 100 farmers in this vicinity will raise one acre each so as to have a variety of samples to prove conclusively that this soil is what we think it is, the best kind of beet land, I believe that in 18 months from this date we will have a factory started and will have added to our list of honors one more of the greatest of all industries in our country."

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| Morning Invitation..... | Veazie |
| Choral Club | |
| Lullaby..... | F. J. Noll |
| Mrs. Gates and Mrs. Love, Miss Withington and Miss Sullivan | |
| Bedouin Love Song..... | Pinsuti |
| Mr. Kauffman | |
| The Bull Terrier and the Baby—One Act Comedy. | |
| Miss Dorothy Pennant..... | Mrs. Reed |
| Nora, her maid..... | Mrs. Linell |
| Jack Stodard..... | Mr. VanHoy |
| Sam, the butler..... | Mr. Welton |
| When the Heart Is Young..... | Buck |
| Mrs. Gates | |
| A Madrigal..... | Ambrose |
| Choral Club | |
| Cradle Song (Clarinet)..... | Hauser |
| Mr. Francis E. Kepple | |
| Crossing the Bar..... | Meidlinger |
| Mrs. Gates and Mrs. Love, Miss Withington and Miss Sullivan | |
| My Peace Thou Art..... | Schubert |
| Miss Nell Sullivan | |
| Gloria..... | Mozart's Twelfth Mass |
| Choral Club | |

Season's Greetings

We extend to the readers of the Artesia Advocate the season's greetings and wish you a

Very Bright and Prosperous New Year

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