# Che Artesia Adpurate. 

With ample capital, modern equipment and a
genuine desire to render helpful financial service,
we qre in position to give the people of this town
and community the best there is in banking.
We invite vou to feel at home with us.
ABSOLUTE SAFETY is the best thing we
bave to offer.

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## New Schedule will take Ef-

 fect the first of February as now planned.There is going to
in the time table of the Santa Fe railway in the Pecos valley the first of February, though
mothing as yet has been defi nitely decided. In fact there is to be a decided change in the schedu.
ta Fe lines.
The plan by the Sauta Fe overhead officenls, is that the train going satuth from Roswell now at - 3 :
10 p , will arrive in Roswell about noon and teave between 12 and 1 o'elock.
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veston to California, that the
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ed.
The Santa Fe is preparing to
handle a record breaking crowd to the San Diego-San Francisnext year.--Roswell Evening
News.
News of Hope.
(From Penasco Valley Press.)
Arthur Wake, son of Mr
 home on a post card that he married last Friday a young
lady at Pittsburg, Pa. He gave no particulars.
Whitaker \& Lewis sent a car
of fat hogs to market this of fat
week.
W. S. French sent five hun dred fat she
Kansas Citv.
Capt. Brock and his son John are building house
farms south of town
farms south of town
Dr, White will leave, for Bis
ee, Ariz., Monday, to remain
ith his family until Christ school in Bisbee.

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## Practical Gifts

For the benefit of every Christmas Shopper we have a practical line of gifts on display. Do your shopping early, we all know that early shoppers always get the best.

## Early Suggestions

Navajo Rugs Hand Bags Suit Cases Sweaters Silk Hosiery Hair Ornaments Handkerchiefs Silk Supporters Smoking Jackets Fancy Towels Neckwear Table Linen Toilet Cases Shoes Bathrobes Gloves Kimonas Hats Combs Dolls Burnt-Leather Novelties.

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## The Land of Broken Promises <br> A Stirring Story of the Mexican DANE CODLIDGE

## CHAPTER XXVVI-Contina










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per Bottom Jumped and a man rose up
from the grond.
"Who goes there?" he mumbled "Who goes there?" he mumbled,
swaying sleeptily ahove his gun, and
Hooker retned his horse away betore
he gave hinm an answer. "None of your bustness," he growled
impattenty. "I am going to the pass."
And as the sentry stared stupldy after Impatiently. "I am going to the pass."
And as the sentry stared staplilily after
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gained the trail.
"oood luck $!$." he observed to Gracta,
when the camp was far behnd. "He When the camp was far behind. "H
took me for an oflleer and never sa
you at all."
"No. I flattened myself on my pony
answered Gracia with a laugh. " answ
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tain of their satety. The waning moon came out as they
left the wide valley behind them, and
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lito the gloomy shadows of the can-
yon. For an hour or two they plodded yon. For an hour or two they plodded
sowly upara, passing through nar-
row defles and into moonlit epaces.
and still they did not mount the sum-
mit.
In the east the dawn began to break
and they spurred on in almost a panic.
The Mexican paisanos count themThe Mexican paisanos count them-
selves late if they onot take the trail
at sunup-what if they should meet some straggling party before the
reached the pass?
Bud Jumped Coper Bottom up
series of cat steps; Gracta's roan ca scrambling behind; and then, just as
the booed walls ended and they gained
a level spot, they suddenly found them-
severs in the midst of a camp of Mex
icans-men, saddes, packs, and rifes,
all scattered at their feet. all scattered at their teet.
"Buenos dias!" saluted Bud, as the
binking men rose up from their
blankets. "Excuse me, amigos, I am blankets. "Excuse me, amigos, I
In a hurry ${ }^{\text {a }}$ A
len donde va? A donde va? chat a bearded man as he sprang
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"To the pass, senor," answered Hook-
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Gracti to ride on ahead. "Adiog Gracta to ride on ahead. "Adios!"
Who it that man?" bellowed the
bearded leader, turning furiously upon
" his followers. "Where is my sentl-
nel! Stop him!
But it was too late to stop him. Bud
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roan and spurred forward in a dash tor
 rang out; and, as a trightened sentinel
jumped up in their path mud rode him
down. The man dropped his gun to
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at a rock-slide and scrambled to the
bench bench above. The path was rocke,
but they pressed forward at a gallop
until, as the sun came up, they beheld unil, as this sun came up, they beheld
the summit of the pass
"We win!" cried Bud, as he spurred
"the last incline up the last incline.
As he looked over the top he ex.
ploded in an oath and jerked Copper
Bottom back on hts haunches. The Bottom back on hts haunches. The
leader of a long hne of horsemen was
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"Keep behind me," he commanded
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 her holster; then both together they
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| National Bank Building |
| New Mexico. | <br>

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## Public Sale!

December 28
1914. AT THE

## E. C. Lamb Ranchr

Eight Miles Southeast of Artesia. Will Sell at

Public Auction the following Property. Sale Begins at 10 o'clock. List of property will be

## $\mathbf{2 0}$ Horses, Mares and Colts.

 One imported Registered Percheron stallionGood Percheron mares and colts

## 25 Cows and Calves.

Red Durham cows and calves
Fine Jersey milk cows.
Farm Machinery and Household Goods.
TERMS-A credit of six months on all purchases of more than
ten dollars. All sums under ten dollars cash.

Dr. Friedman Coming.
Dr. M. Friedman, Eye, Ear,
Vose and Throat Specialist, Nose and Throat Specialist,
will be in Artesia Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 19 and 20.

Notice of forectlosure Sale In The District Courl, Eddy Gounty. New Mexico.

| M. Bradshaw |
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the drag just as the road is drying off method of dragging roads

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1 dragging roads only a small amount of earth is moved, Just enough
to fill the ruts and depressions with a
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was reported from Joliet, ill. Miss Jessie Cope, complainant in th
wilte slave indictuent against Co Charies Alexandor, a millionaire of
Providence, R R., was arrested in Ch-
cogo ou a eharge of attempted bribery. Mrs. Ernestine Dreyfus of Kansa
Cty was elected executive secretary of the National Councilive of Jewrsh
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tion's convention.
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P. Clipston Sturgis, Boston, wa
elected president of the American In
ottute of Architects at Its convention

## in Weshington.

An appeal to university, college and
school puplls for assistance in allevi athoo suffering and distreess in Eurorpe
atige issued by the American Red Cross
wis.
A casualty list of American mines
and quarries, Issued by the bureau o mines, showed 3,651 men kulled last year and estimated
less than 100,000 .
A great tuberculosis hospltal for all
branches of the governmental service
may be eatablished at Lais Antmas
Colo. The annual report of W. C
Bratated, surgeon general of the navy Braisted, surgeon general of the n
says 367 patients were treated at
Animas naval hospital in 1913 .
Exports of American zinc during the
last three months broke all previous
recrid totalles records, totaling $65.544,574$ pounds anc
valued at $\$ 44,443,381$, the bulk of which
was went to Europe. These figures, whith
were announced by the Department of Commerce, compare with $1,346,877$
pounds, valued at $\$ 80,756$ in the like
period of 1913 . Romico s. Naon, for three years
minister to the United States from Argentina, presented his credentials
to President Wilson as the flrat ambassarce Phelpe Repu
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date for representative from the Frist
Colorado Coiorado district, spent $\$ 236.50$ durling his campaign, according to
to the clerk of the House. Guatemala has contracted for the
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Frank Horborn, convicted of forgery
in Lincoln county in March, 1913, and
sentenced to from two to three years.

## The Santa Fé Woman's Club has appointed a committe headed by Mrs Harry T. Herring to take actual charge

charge of the work of looking after
the needy children of the Santa 75
county rural schools. They will have
A $\$ 50,000$ ranch in Luna county is
the present John Holland has given thirty,tive miles northeast of Deming
and is known as the Hall and Pride
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 esting paper on "Two Fundamental
Errors in the Education System of
New Mexico." The Chaves country land that will be
open to entry on Dec. 15 under the order issued by the United States land
office at Roswell, Nov. 12, comprises six townships, or 192 full sections,
west and southwest of Tatum.
The Supreme Court has affirmed The Supreme Court has affirmed
the decision of the Distrise Court at
Albuquergue in dismissing the action for damages brought by Elfego Baca,
alleging injuries as the result of care-
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It will be several months before
threshing will be completed th the threshing wil be completed in the
southeastern part of Roosevelt county
on account of the enormous crops.
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## College Buildings

For Sanitarium Purposes.

Just as certain sections of New Hampshire are to the famous "Hay Fever Colony", so has the Pecos Valley of
N ww Mexico come to be regarded by the person over whom The Great White Plague has thrown its shadow.
Lung and throat specialists, in search of a climate which lacked none of the essentials to the well being of their
patients have found at Artesia, New Mexico, in the heart of the Pecos Valley, a health giving atmosphere which meets patients have Tound at Artesia, New Mexico, in the heart of the Pecos Valley, a health giving atmosphere which meets
all the requirements of the person afficted with throat or lung trouble. Tuberculosis in its advanced stages has been
arrested and in many cases complete cures have As a heath resort, the beneficent results obtained by a residednce in
As a heath resort, the beneficent results obtained by a residednce in Artesia and vicinity, of even three months,
duration are attested by hundreds of men and women whose bodily vigor has been restored by the climatic duration are attested by hundreds of men and women whose bodily vigor has been restored by the climatic and
attmospheric conditions peculiar to this section of the Pecos Valley.
According to physicians, Artesia is situated at an altitude which'exactly meets the requirements of a majority of tubercular cases,--thirty three hundred feet. Another thousand feet might prove too high for those in whom the progress of disease had reached the advanced stages, whose heart action is already weakened by the ravages of the
disease. Another thousand feet lower and the beneficent effects are entirely lost disease. Another thousand feet lower and the beneficent effects are entirely lost.
With regard to Artesia and the adjacent territory all these facts are recognized by the medical profession. A A
arge proportion of the population of this town of twenty-five hundred people is composed of the health seeking class, large proportion of the population of this town of twenty-five hundred people is composed of the health seeking. class,
The invalids tent hiouse and the slepening porch.are everywhere in evidence. Of those who seels this climate in
search of health, ninety per cent find complete cures. A funeral is a rare oceurence in Artesia. search of health, ninety per cent find complete cures. A funeral



 ooms with numerous baths and toilets convenienently located throughout the building. On the first floor are a serfing of cooms connected by folding doors suitable for office purposes or for rest and reading. rooms. In the basement ereed the
specious dining hall, kitchen and storage rooms. All these are desirably suited to hospilal purposes, without alteration The In the larger building building ( 140 by 50 ) is the auditorium which occupies practicalty the entire second toor.
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 his invalid wife who went to their arrival here. Though the separation was then a great
sorrow to him, they are now happily reunited in their Fathers house where separations In the death of Brother Bish reat loss from its regular reat loss from its regular
orces and especially from its Board of Deacons. But we aubmit our will to that of our Father that one who has ser d so lonig and so taithful here go over to join the ranks of the Victors. May his life be an example to those who reHis pastor
W. 0. W. Elect Officers

## "NOW" Says Santa Claus.

"We're ready for you. I've been helping this LIVE STORE get things into shipshape. They've made great preparations. You better see their fine array of goods, sensible givables, for, let me tell you THE CRITERION always shows THE NEW THINGS WHEN THEY'RE NEW

FATHER AND THE BOYS, MOTHER AND THE GIRLS will stamp their presents O. K. if they come from here. Courteous salespeople make choosing a pleasure, and you'll find that what you want is priced moderately.

## SPECLAL Announcement

We are saving all our card board boxes as they are emptied, and our friends and customers are welcome to them. They are very necessary for packing gifts for shipping.

THE CRITERION
children Mozley, wife and two Lower Penasco last Monday.
The Dr, went to his mother to Illinois to vis
few days at the Hardwick

Clippings from Exchanges


# Che Axtesia Auporate <br> ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO. 

First National Bank

With ample capital, modern equipment and genuine desire to render helpful financial service, and community the best there is in banking. We invite you to feel at home with us. ABSOLUTE SAFETY is the best thing we ave to offer
 10 p m , will arrive in Roswell 12 and 1 o'clock.
The north bound train leav ing Roswell now a 7 o'clock would arrive at Roswell about
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The Santa Fe has never kablished through trains on their Coleman cut off since it
was completed. Along about Along about with his family until Christ

## - <br> Practical Gifts

For the benefit of every Christmas Shopper we have a practical line of gifts on display. Do your shopping early, we all know that early shoppers always get the best.

## Early Suggestions

Navajo Rugs Hand Bags Suit Cases Sweaters: Silk Hosiery Hair Ornaments Handkerchiefs Silk Supporters Smoking Jackets Fancy Towels Neckwear Table Linen Toilet Cases Shoes Bathrobes Gloves Kimonas Hats Combs Dolls Burnt-Leather Novelties

Joyce-Pruit Co.

Fred Gibson left the latter ted in as a new member.
part of last week fot Ft. Wor- tresurer reported $\$ 104.29$
i Texas with two cars th Texas with two cars of fat hand Dec 1st. Plans for the
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Colonial entertainment for Fel several hundred of as fine hogs
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## Santa Claus <br> Has made our store headquarters

Here you will find Gifts for all and prices are within the reach of all. Make your selections early.


| much improvement in business during the next few months. $\qquad$ | Buys Residence. <br> D. J. Miller, of the Turkey Track ranch east of Artesia, |
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| A Former Artesian. | has purchased the residence oc- |
| Elmer Miller of Turon, Kan. passed through here this morning on his way from the const | and known as the John B. Enfield place. Chas. S. Brown |
| He is ä relative of F. W. Haskell, the Wells Fargo agent | made the sale. It is rather significant when such a confirmed |
| Mr. Miller is a traveling | old bachelor as Mr. Miller gets |
| Flour and Mill | interested in a beautiful home |
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| been recalled from the coast by the illness of his wife.-Las | Watch stopped? See Edward |
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| Red Cross Stamps. | NOTICE |
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| The Society For the Preven- |  | Well Owners and Water Users

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## 1914-\$104.29.

White Christmas Gifts. the Church December twanty Gift for our King, the Lord Christ, whose birthday
These white gifts may cons
of food, clothing, money classed under three heads, self, service, substance. No gif that all, both old and young,
may bring their gift of self, or

The pastor or any teacher in
the Sunday School will be gla to tell you more should you in-
quire.
$\qquad$ ing your gifts, wrapped in
white, and hear the Christmas white, an
program.

## Lumberman Visits Artesia.

H. N. Roberts, vice president of the Big Jo Lumber Co, from Wichita, Kansas, was here last
week and went over but week and went over bu-
siness matters thoroughly with Mr. Young. Helis well pleased with this years business, con-
sidering the conditions prevaiing in the Valley. He is a
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"Good luck!" he observed to Gracta,
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## "No, I flattened myself on my pony, answered Gracia with a laugh. "H

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"Good," chuckled Hooker: "you did
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io suggest the presence of men.
But now as the velvet night set Ared camp glimmering to the east and a hun
orth. But the form polnted were set falriy in their trail. poinced were set fairly in their trail,
and they barred the way to Gaddsen.
"Look!" ghe said. " I did not want op everywhere. These last ones ar
tight in the peg Hhen did you see them?" asked
Hooker, his head still heavy with
sleep. Have they been there ion?"
"No; only a rew minutes, she anfrom his brush shelter. "To the pass, senor," answered Hook
er. stil politely, but motioning to
Gracta to ride onead. "Alios!
"Who is that man?" bellowed the "Who is that man?" bellowed the
bearded leader, turning furiously upon
his followers. "Where ts my senti hel? Stop him!"
But It was too late to stop him. Buc
lald his quirt across the rump of the lad
roan and spurred forwarr fn a dash for
cover. They whisked around the point
of a hill as the first scattered shota rang out, and, as a trightened sentine
jumped up in their path Bud rode him
down. The man droped hig down. The man dropped his gun to
escape the fury of the charge and in
a mad clatter they flung themselves at a rock-slide and scrambled to the
bench above. The path was rocky,
but they pressed forward at a gallop until, as the sun came up,
the summit of the pass.
"We win!" cried Bud, a
As he looked over the top he ex-
ploded in an oath and jerked Copper
on Bottom back on his haunches. The
loader of a long the of horsemen was
Just coming up the other side-there Just coming up the other side-there
was no escape--and then back at the
trightened girl.
$\qquad$ He Jumped his horse out to one side
and landed squarely on the rim of the
ridge. Gracla drew her hores in be ridge. Gracla drew her horse in be
hnd him and reached for the pistol in
her holster: then both together they her holster; then both together they
drew their guns and Bud threw down
on the first man. "Go on!" he ordered, motloning him
forward with his head; "pr-r-ronto!"
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fashed up just now:
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over the pass and camped
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