

Christmas Wishes to All

OF NEW STATE O. EXTENDS THE FOUR MILES NE.

Development Shows a
Picked up Even
ore it is Expected—
Well Brings The
duction Nearer.

Last week has been chucked full
of interesting events in the oil field.
The Duke No. 1, first to come
to center of attention last
week, was closely followed by an en-
gineer strike made by the Roswell
No. 1. This well has been quietly
producing for the past three weeks for
success or failure hinged a
great deal on the amount of future development
of the field.

From the reports of various
engineers the Roswell No. 1 gives every
appearance of being a real producer,
as good as the Illinois wells
in the south. And the possibilities
it may be even better. The
well was made at 2297 feet Saturday
morning. Oil rose 500 feet in the hole
in a few hours.

Roswell No. 1, New State Oil
located in Sec. 4-18-28, about
two miles north and one mile east of
Artesia, the present produc-
tion. The encouraging feature
of the field is extended over a
large acreage, bringing the pro-
duction about three and one-half
miles closer to Artesia and it will
mean an intensive develop-
ment of that section later.

Roswell No. 1, or New State
located two feet Wednesday, com-
ing a total of five feet into the oil
hole. There is now over 1000 feet of
the hole and there is a possi-
bility that it may be near the top as
it presses. The well appears to
have a tendency to cave and the
well will run a string of pipe to
relieve of this kind.

The general opinion that the
well has probably picked up the
production, which is an interesting
and valuable discovery. It
is of interest to mention
that the well is the 8th one to be
produced in the Illinois mesa. They
are producers, which enables this
field to grade 100 per cent.
The well is in the SW corner of
the NE of Sec. 29-18-28
and rig. They expect to com-
mence drilling operations within a
few days.

At al., in the SW of the NE 4
of 9-18-28, have started drill-
ing operations. The depth is un-
known.

At al., Royal Duke No. 1,
NW 1/4 NE 1/4 of Sec. 29-18-28,
is casing in the well all set.
Recent showings of the well are
to be very gratifying, oil
coming within a few feet of the
hole Tuesday morning and
operations were made to swab the
hole.

No. 7, 550 feet west of well
in Sec. 32-18-28, drilling at
1200 feet.

No. 8, 550 feet south of well
resumed fishing job at 1765
feet. Fishing tools arrived Tues-
day. The fishing job is unsuccess-
ful and will be skidded and a new
rod set.

Caldwell et al., Reiff permit,
W 1/4 Sec. 8-20-28, drilling, the
depth not known.

Illinois No. 1, in the NE 1/4
of 10-18-28, drilling at 1200 feet.
Oscar Howard et al., in
Sec. 27, drilling at 2655.
Walker No. 2, 500 feet
west of No. 1, in Sec. 28-18-28,
at 900 feet. Work will start
on last page, column one)

ANOTHER CAR GOES INTO DITCH ON THE HOPE HIGHWAY WEST

Another car accident is chalked up
this week against the Hope road.
Tuesday morning while Mrs. Z. B.
Moon and little grand-daughter were
coming to Artesia, the coupe in which
they were riding overturned, after the
car had struck the soft sand in the
road. It was learned that Mrs. Moon
had turned her attention to the little
girl and was looking after her com-
fort when the car wheels struck the
soft dirt or sand and overturned be-
fore either car occupant knew what
had occurred.

Neither Mrs. Moon nor her grand-
daughter were seriously injured, al-
though Mrs. Moon received a few se-
vere cuts about the face and body.
Another car following closely behind
the Moon car brought Mrs. Moon and
the little girl into town, where they
received medical attention.

The car appears to have fared
rather badly in the accident, but the
extent of the damages could not be
learned.

POST OFFICE HAS A HOLIDAY RUSH HERE RECEIPTS MAKE RECORD

If the Christmas season lasted the
year around, as far as the post office
is concerned, the Artesia office would
become a first class over night. The
rush at the office reminds one of the
early days of an oil rush in a Texas
town. Five clerks are kept busy
even working overtime to take care of
the Christmas business here this year.
It takes five clerks to perform the
work ordinarily done by three in nor-
mal times. Part of the rush of
course has been due to the habitually
late trains for the past few days, but
discounting the delays made by late
trains the clerical work is the heavy-
iest known in the history of the office
according to Postmaster E. A. Hannah.

Over 1000 insured packages have
been handled in the past three days,
which does not include packages sent
without insurance. An average of ap-
proximately 1000 letters and nearly as
many post cards daily have been
handled since the rush proper. The
postoffice sends and receives about
fifty bags of mail per day.

The receipts are running on an
average of 30 per cent better than the
previous year according to estimates.
The record this Christmas should
make it easy for Artesia to reach
second class again another year.

Another feature of interest about
the local post office department is,
that about 100 more boxes are rented
now than has ever been known since
the establishment of the office.

CHRISTMAS SEAL SALE

The Christmas Seal sale this year
was under the auspices of the
Woman's Club, which was assisted in
selling by a number of popular young
ladies of the town. Although the sale
was conducted so late the goodly sum
of \$45.90 was realized for this worthy
cause.

COLD WAVE HITS HERE VALEY FEEL EFFECTS OF THE RECENT STORM

Artesia has been shivering in the
coldest weather of the season for the
past few days. The effects of the
storm which swept the rocky moun-
tain states the middle of last week
was not felt proper in the valley until
Saturday. Sweeping east the storm
wrought destruction in the middle
western states, causing extensive
damage to livestock and telegraph
and telephone companies. The Kan-
sas City train from which the Pecos
Valley gets most of the mail has been
late for the past five days, averaging
from two to six hours and has thus
caused a delay in the passenger run-
ning down the valley.

The coldest temperature reached
here in the early part of the week
was recorded Saturday morning, when
the thermometer registered three de-
grees above zero, so Mr. Bruce, the
weather observer here tells us.

Santa Was to See Me



The Advocate Has a Birthday

On our next publication day, Thursday, January 1st, 1925, the Advocate will pass its 21st anniversary. It will at that time be one of the oldest institutions in Artesia passing the period of eligibility, when a citizen is allowed to cast his or her first vote.

Established in 1903 when Artesia was yet in its infancy and cow trails were more common than highways are today, it has played an important part in the growth of this section. The early struggles of the Advocate are recalled by many of the older residents including J. W. Tur-
net, S. W. Gilbert, Dave Runyan and E. C. Higgins who relate many amusing incidents connected with the development of both the town and newspaper. It was at this period when the old fashioned saloon far outnumbered the other business establishments of the town and the thirsty did not have to pass out of their way to replenish what they thought to be a necessary thirst.

The Advocate was founded by Gale Talbot who later formed a partnership with J. D. Whelan, a few years after which Mr. Talbot returned to Artesia to again pilot the Advocate as editor, the paper in the meantime had passed to C. E. Biles and on to Mr. Tullis, as near as we can get the information.

It was about this time 1907, that the Pecos Valley News entered the field, owned and edited by D. L. and J. Frank Newkirk's.

Some time after the establishment of the Pecos Valley News, a stock company composed of local citizens assumed the control of the Advocate. Returning to Artesia, the second time as editor of the Advocate, Gayle Talbot sold the paper to A. W. Henry, who disposed of the plant to W. L. Hollister. In the meantime the Pecos Valley News was taken over by the First National Bank after a few years of existence. The plant of the News was purchased from the First National by Todd & Hoffman, who initiated the Artesia American. A brief publication of the American and the same management purchased the Advocate plant from W. L. Hollister and consolidated the two papers—leaving the Advocate alone in the field. The Advocate was purchased from J. R. Hoffman by the present management.

The transfers related above concludes a brief historical sketch of the institution, but many of the earlier experiences of the various editors must remain unwritten, the story is too long.

In passing we would not forget to express our gratitude to patrons of the Advocate for the splendid support and encouragement received by us for we sincerely believe the past year has been one of the greatest ever enjoyed by the institution.

All indications point to the fact that 1925 promises to be the greatest year yet for this section. The prosperity which we believe is here we hope to share with our fellow citizens. Our aim for 1925 shall be to continue to share the good will of our patrons as in the past.

J. E. BOWMAN WINS IN HIDDEN NAME--MAY BE YOURS THIS TIME

J. E. Bowman was the lucky man in last week's hidden name contest. His name appeared in the lower right hand corner of the Artesia Auto Company's ad. The diligent search made by some of the subscribers was quite amusing. Because the instructions contained in the announcement were misunderstood. We believe that everybody interested will agree that the hidden name contest is a good way to test the powers of observation and proves to be a pleasant pastime. It equals if not surpasses the crossword puzzle fad. Now that it is generally understood how this contest is conducted, try your luck this week. (Continued on last page, column one)

MANY XMAS SHOPPERS ARE SEEN TRADING IN THE VARIOUS STORES

This has been the most successful holiday season for the merchants here of any year previous. Despite the inclement weather, people far and near have made Artesia the mecca of this section. Saturday was probably the gala day for Christmas shopping. A biting wind did not deter the anxious shoppers and all of the stores were crowded during the entire afternoon. It was a good day for every store and many staple articles were sold besides the numerous articles used for gifts.

The crowds were especially numerous in the stores displaying Christmas toys, which included both variety stores and the two drug stores. The three departments of the Joyce Fruit Co. also enjoyed a good patronage as did Ferriman Son & Co., J. W. Nicholson and others including the garages.

Many people were here from a distance west and north. The Hope and Pecos communities were well represented.

JOHN SMITH DIES AT HIS HOME IN ARTESIA LAST SUNDAY MORNING

Had Been a Sufferer of As-
thama for Many Years.
Body is Buried at Hope
His Former Home for 15
Years.

John Smith, a well known resident of the Artesia and Hope communities died at his home here at 7:00 a. m. Sunday morning. Mr. Smith who has been a sufferer with asthma for several years contracted a cold which later turned to a form of pneumonia and caused his death.

Mr. Smith came to New Mexico a number of years ago from Iowa and resided at Elida for sometime. He moved from Elida to Hope and lived there fifteen years. He moved to Artesia a year ago and resided here until his death. He was sixty-nine years of age at the time of his going.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church at Hope Monday afternoon. Rev. Z. B. Moon conducted the funeral services. Interment was made in the Hope cemetery.

Mr. Smith is survived by a wife, Mrs. Ollie Smith and three sons, Oran, Sherley and Therald.

SCHOOL BOARD IS HANDLED A PACKAGE

The deliberations of the board at its last meeting were much prolonged and sweetened by a wonderful big box of candy, the gift of the Domestic Science department of the high school. The sweets were so pleasing to the eye and delicious to the taste that they almost upset the deliberations altogether, we are told. The candy was all made by the girls of the Home Economics department, under the supervision of their teacher, Miss Ruth Morgan.

McCLAY FURNITURE CO WILL MOVE -- PEOPLES MERC. CO. ARE COMING

The building formerly occupied by Dunn's Garage on Main street is now undergoing a thorough overhauling preparatory to the removal of the McClay furniture store to that place. The whole interior will be refinished, the walls replastered and a new floor put in the building. Several changes will also be made in the front of the building, which will add much to its exterior appearance. The work includes the installation of a new glass panel in the west end. The second story balcony in the rear will be remodeled and repainted and a commodious office built in rear the back.

The present quarters of the McClay Furniture Co., will be occupied by the Peoples Mercantile Co., who are now operating stores at Carlsbad and Lovington. The new firm will move in as soon as the building is made available, which will be near or after the first of the new year according to the present plans. The Peoples Mercantile Co. will operate an up to date department store carrying a general line of dry goods and groceries with a wholesale and retail department.

PREPARATIO'S MADE FOR THE INAUGURAL OF GOV. A. T. HANNETT

Many People Expect to At-
tend Opening Ceremonies
at Santa Fe--Committees
Are Appointed to Take
Charge.

SANTA FE.—Arthur T. Hannett, governor-elect of New Mexico, will be introduced into office on New Year's day, 1925, with the usual festivities, possibly a bit more elaborate and imposing than ever before. Irrespective of politics, the inauguration is the big biennial celebration for the old capital, when Santa Fe becomes hostess to the state, and indications are the city is to entertain more guests than on any previous similar occasion. Hotel facilities will make it possible to make the visitors more comfortable than ever before.

The inaugural executive committee, headed by Arthur Seligman as chairman, is holding frequent meetings—sub-committees are at work and plans moving along smoothly toward the culmination on January first.

The program will be as usual divided into three parts; the formal inauguration in the morning, in the hall of the House of Representatives, or weather permitting, on the west steps of the capitol; the state reception at the museum in the afternoon, and the grand inaugural ball at La Fonda in the evening.

All details are being carefully looked after. The decorations and flowers will be new, novel and beautiful in treatment. Adjutant General Skipwith is planning to bring a Roswell on a truck one of the big "seventy-fives" to fire salutes. The music committee is arranging for unusually fine musical features and the parade will be quite imposing. Colonel Norman King of the New Mexico National Guard will have general charge as master of ceremonies, and the whole celebration will be fully in line with the traditions of old Santa Fe, where over a hundred Spanish, Mexican and American governors have taken the oath of office in the past three hundred years.

The railroads have made available for the inauguration a special rate of a fare and a half for the round trip from all points in New Mexico to Santa Fe and return, with tickets on sale December 19th to 25th, inclusive, and December 30th January 1st, inclusive, good for return passage until January 5th.

The committee chairmen and vice chairmen are as follows: Finance: Chairman, R. L. Orr; vice chairman, Don R. Casado. Carlos Dunn. Publicity: Chairman, E. Dana Johnson; vice chairman, Mrs. Ruth Barker. Transportation: Chairman, H. S. Lutz; vice chairman, R. C. Ten Eyck. Automobile: Chairman, E. L. Thomas; vice chairman, J. W. Cassell, Jr. Music: Chairman, James L. Seligman; vice chairman, Mrs. Fletcher Catron; Antonio Lucero, Mrs. Ed Thiele. Floor: Chairman, R. L. Thornton; vice chairman, David Chavez; Theo. Espe. Refreshment: Chairman, Mrs. J. A. Roll; vice chairman, Miss Manderfield; Miss Spitz. Decoration (Museum) Chair, man, Mrs. Howard Huey; vice chairman, Kenneth Chapman. Decoration (Capitol): Jose D. Sena; vice chairman, Mrs. F. C. Wilson. Decoration (ball room): Chairman, Gustave Bauman; vice chairman, Mrs. Wm. Sargeant Flower.; Chairman, Mrs. E. L. Thornton; vice chairman, Mrs. E. W. Fiske. Reception: Chairman, Nathan Jaffa; vice chairman, Mrs. James F. Hinkle, Mrs. Joe Martinez. Parade: Chairman, Col. J. W. Skipwith; vice chairman, Ed Tafuya. Master of Ceremonies: Col Norman L. King.

NEW MASONIC OFFICERS

The following members of the local Masonic order have been elected as officers for the ensuing year. The election was held the first meeting night in December:

A. B. Coll, W. M.; E. A. Hannah, S. W.; Geo. Welton, J. W.; J. R. Atteberry, Sec'y.

It might also be of interest to mention that the Masons will retain their hall over the First National Bank. It was thought for a time that the lodge would be moving from this meeting place on account of the raise in rent, however, this matter as we understand it has been settled.

BUYS NEW CARS

McGeorge, a driller for the Walker people purchased an automobile from the Widney garage. W. P. Cox, another driller, also purchased a new car from Widney's last

LOCAL POLITICS WARMING UP

Local politics are warming up as the day approaches for precinct elections, Monday January 12th, 1925. Rumor has it that there will be three aspirants for the office of justice of the peace. J. M. of Artesia this week through in the ring for constable in No. 6. Mr. Jackson's full announcement will appear in next week's

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TELEPHONE NO. 7

THE COMMUNITY TREE

Disappointment will come this year to the children of Artesia who have been accustomed to the public Christmas tree. Not a single church in Artesia will have a Christmas tree so far as we know. A Christmas tree is not an absolute necessity of course. It arises more from custom, but customs of this kind mean much to the children for Christmas is a time which they all look forward to, yet even begin counting the days long before the season approaches.

To realize just what the season means to the older people who have been accustomed to the Christmas carols, the tree and other exercises appropriate for the occasion, one has only to listen to the older folks and hear the tales of Christmas times long ago. To the child with his childish imagination, appropriate Christmas exercises brings reverence for the occasion and a memory of the childish delights that will go with him down to the grave. The reverence for the good and the beautiful can be made permanent while the mind is yet plastic.

We see no reason why Artesia could not have a community tree. While a tree of this kind might not be ideal in every sense of the word, it could be made a very enjoyable affair for the community in general. Somebody could always find fault with a public thing of this sort, but as far as meeting the general needs, it could be made more suitable for everybody than if undertaken by any one organization. Several of the members of the various churches have expressed themselves as favoring a tree for everybody, but the public in general have been slow in their response, hence a move of this kind has never been undertaken.

We realize that it would be too late for a community tree this year, even after the subject was first mentioned to us, but we merely wish to present the matter for your approval. Let us see what may be done before another Christmas season rolls around.

JOBS AND WORK

Several million Americans are continuously out of employment. Such is the report of the Russell Sage Foundation. (It doesn't include the economic parasites who live the life of ease without contributing anything to production or progress.)

The estimates of "several millions" as the total of people out of work is an average for good and bad years combined.

During hard times, as many as six millions are jobless.

Even in the booms as many as a million are out of work for weeks and sometimes for months at a time. A considerable part of this unemployment during prosperity is due to "floaters" who drift from one town to another or work a while and then loaf until their money runs short.

Striking an average, at least a tenth of the workers of our country are out of work, year in and year out. One man may be jobless only one month in a year. Twelve like him are equivalent to one man idle the year round.

In this situation is a tremendous economic waste, from the national viewpoint. For men consume whether they are producing or not. When a man isn't doing a tap of work, he must eat, wear clothes and have heat and shelter. And these, naturally, have to be produced by someone.

It stands to reason that the prosperity or standard of living of the American people could be raised a tenth if ways could be devised to keep the chronically-idle-tenth busy all the time.

LEAVE CHILD LABOR TO STATES

President Coolidge refuses to support the child labor amendment to the federal constitution, which would give congress jurisdiction over labor of all persons under 13 years of age.

The child labor amendment advocates will try to force every legislature in session this coming year to submit this question to a vote of the people.

Massachusetts and some other

states have buried the amendment under enormous negative majorities, taking position that it is a question for every state to deal with. Business organizations, some forty organizations of manufacturers and about eighty state and national organizations of farmers and hundreds of chambers of commerce and bar associations are opposing this twentieth amendment.

The federal child labor amendment would create a new department at Washington with an army of officials traveling all over the United States and telling families of good American citizens how to bring up their children and issuing permits whether boys and girls up to the age of 18 shall be permitted to labor, and under what conditions.

LINK IN THE FAMILY CIRCLE

As an entertainment and educational device, the radio is far surpassing motion picture theaters, dance halls or any other form of public amusement.

A new horizon has been opened up by radio to millions of families living in the country, the town or the big city, a new means of culture.

The world in its larger centers is offering programs of good entertainment and instruction to people in their homes both by day and night, the new marvel drawing families together.

Young and old, instead of wandering idly in search of diversion, can hear an orchestra, a band, a pipe organ, a religious service or a good play, in their own home, be it in a city, on a farm, or miles away in mountains or desert.

There are lectures for the serious minded all the way from literature to electricity and specialists give the latest ideas in dress, dancing, gardening or the various fields of scientific progress.

As broadcasting stations are enlarged to give better service over wider areas radio will give still greater service to the nation.

GET PROPER VIEW POINT

Building permits in the United States for October showed an increase of three per cent over October, 1923; also an increase of about sixteen per cent over September, this year, according to national monthly building survey of S. W. Straus & Co.

New building that is done, whether it be wood, steel, concrete or brick, requires lumber in its construction. Western states are particularly interested in sound conditions in the lumber industry and the west way to secure and maintain such conditions is to help create and maintain sound conditions in other basic lines of industry, including mining and agriculture, which furnish the market for lumber.

A logger may say, "What do I care if the railroad company has a strike or metal prices are so low that mines cannot operate, my job is in the woods?"

If the railroad doesn't buy ties and car timber, if the mine fails to buy mine timbers and if the farmers cannot purchase lumber for buildings, fences, etc., the logger in the western forest will soon be out of a job. That is why we are all interested in helping maintain good general conditions, because it means our own bread and butter.

TO KEEP DOWN MOTOR CAR EXPENSE

By Erwin Greer, President Greer College of Automotive Engineering, Chicago

When my friend opens his garage door every morning he always greets his car with: "Well, how are you this morning, old boy?" Somehow the spirit of that man gets into his car, for he seems never to have any mechanical trouble. Car kindness means car service. Car service means money in the bank that would otherwise be spent on repairs.

I have merely stolen my friend's method of working, and it amounts to just this—the fellow who anticipates trouble is better off than the fellow who simply remedies that trouble after it occurs. And following is the reason why my car is always ready to go on a cross-continent trip any day in the year.

To keep down expense is the first item. I inspect the ignition system weekly, with special attention to the distributor, making positive all connections are tight. Every month I clean and set the spark plugs, checking up on the battery every two weeks, filling it with distilled water when necessary, tightening the battery supports and all connections, inspecting battery wires to the starter and to the frame ground and noting if the commutator on the starting motor is clean and not cutting. On the lighting system, checking up on all connections once a month, making sure that the "cutout" works properly and does not stick.

Lubrication is, I believe, the most important of all items to keep down car expense. My grease gun is used exactly once a week, together with a few drops of oil here and there where needed, especially around the spring leaves. Every five hundred miles I change the crankcase oil, and every three months the transmission and differential get a new bath.

I check my tire inflation every other day. Temperature changes make a lot of difference in air pressure. All in all, about two hours work on the car a week keeps it in excellent condition.

What's that? This careful attention isn't absolutely necessary to keep a car in good working order. You, dear reader, can think what you please. I get a great kick out of treating my car like I would a pet, and my car responds with constant, economical service.

Next week's article: "Can You Park Properly?"

See the New Oldsmobile at Widney's.

We have the assignment blanks for oil and gas lease. Advocate Office.

STATE BRIEFS

ELIDA GETS NEW BUSINESS HOUSE

The large new concrete business house being erected by S. F. Myles, at Elida, is nearing completion, and will make a very imposing building. This building closes up the vacant space between the First National Bank and the Cash Bargain Store.

CARLSBAD SCHOOL GIRL WINS STATE PRIZE

Alma Sue Felix, of Carlsbad, an eighth grader, has been awarded first prize in the fire prevention essay contest put on by the state insurance bureau, W. G. Wagner, director of the bureau, announced Friday.

She gets a prize of \$25. The subject of all papers entered in this contest was "How Can My Community be Protected from Loss by Fire." They were judged by the state department of education.

A number of other pupils were given honorable mention. They are: Cleo Lisk, Mountainair; Ernest Ayers, Estancia; Thomas McCauley, Hachita; Elwena Bryan, Capitan, Erma Stokes, Lovington; Marguerite Williams, Knowles; Joe Bustillos, Mogallon.

CHECK ARTIST AT CLOVIS

Clovis officers are seeking John Curtis Daly, who left Clovis Sunday morning after passing bad checks on Clovis business men to the amount of about \$600. Daly came to Clovis about three months ago and accepted a position with the Clovis National Bank as bookkeeper. Last Saturday he purchased goods and cashed checks at several business houses in town without sufficient funds on deposit at the bank to care for them. Daly did not show up for work Monday morning and when the checks commenced to come in Monday, the bank reported the matter to officers, but the check artist had about twenty-four hours the start. Daly did not have access to money in the position he held at the bank, his job consisting entirely of operating one of the book-keeping machines.

On Friday, before he left Sunday morning, the Clovis National Bank cashed a check for Daly on a Colorado bank where his wife was supposed to have an account. This money was gotten for Mrs. Daly to make a trip home for Christmas. She left Saturday morning before Daly made his get-away Sunday and this check has been returned to the bank here.—Clovis News.

DEA CLOSED FOR BIG REFINERY IN SAN JUAN COUNTY

FARMINGTON—The deal for the creation of the big refinery of the Mid-Continent Oil company has been closed according to reports given out each after the week. The titles of the property have been approved and it is likely that actual construction will be started at an early date. The blue prints of the big plant have been in the hands of the officials for some time and bids will be out for the brick and concrete work in the next two weeks if the reports are true. The building of the refinery and the big pipe line will make this city the center of the oil business of the northern part of the state and assures the progress of the city.

NEGROES HELD TO GRAND JURY FOR ATTACK ON A TRAIN CREW LAST MONTH

LAS VEGAS.—Mike Ullman, John Clifford and John Watson, the trio of negroes who are charged with assaulting the crew of a freight train in the vicinity of Wagon Mound the latter part of November, were held to the grand jury under bonds of \$1,600 each after a hearing at Mora. It was learned at the hearing that the men had served a term in jail at La Junta for the same offense on the northern branch of the Santa Fe while attempting to steal a ride on a freight. It is said that the men come from Cleveland. All three are now being held in the jail at Mora for safe keeping until the next term of the district court.

CALIFORNIA OIL MEN WILL DRILL NEW TEST ON LEASES AT VAUGHN

VAUGHN.—Interest in the oil business in this section of the state took a big jump the last of the week, with the arrival of oil men from California who are planning to drill several tests on a block of leases north of the city. A standard rig is being shipped from Oklahoma and the site for the first test will be located in the next ten days. It is also reported that the old Tularosa well south of here has been taken over by coast oil men and the well is to be completed. Other oil men are in the field and it is rumored that several other tests will be under way shortly after the first of the new year.

BUILD SEVENTH GIN IN CHAVES COUNTY

ROSWELL.—Work has been started here on a new gin, located just south of the cotton compress. It will be owned and operated by J. B. Boone and Langford Keith, of this city, and will be ready for operation next year. The gin will be a five stand, 80 saw, and one especially adapted for ginning Delta staple cotton, the class of cotton which predominates in this section. This will make the seventh gin in Chaves county.

CHRISTMAS PARTY AT SILVER CITY, N. M., ENTERTAINS TEAM

SILVER CITY.—Captain Alvin Franks of the Teachers' college football team entertained the team, coaches and various members of the student body at the Franks ranch.

LOG OF CARLSBAD WELL

Indian Territory Illuminating Oil Co. NE 1/4 Sec. 4-22-28 of N. M. P. M. Eddy County, N. M. Commenced March 3, 1914. Completed Sept. 12, 1914. Casing record: 164' 15 1/2", 52 lb. bottom jt. damaged. Did not shut off water or cave. Impossible to get 12 1/2" pipe thru same. This necessitated using 10" 40 lb. casing in lieu of 12 1/2", which was set at 311', shutting off all upper water and have reduced hole at 2700' to 8 1/2" 28 lb. wrought iron Reading casing.

Made from chemical examination of samples from depths furnished by Stillwell & Fleehart. Following record compiled from tests on samples by E. E. Lyder and W. A. Whitaker of University of Kansas. Trace of oil reported by E. G. Adams, driller, at 2640 feet.

0 to 14 feet	gyp rock
14 to 120 feet	red cavey sand
120 to 175 feet	soft, white lime-water at 120 to 175
175 to 220 feet	light sandy clay
220 to 266 feet	red mud, cavey and sandy
266 to 268 feet	anhydrite
268 to 300 feet	light shale
Above record	furnished by drillers.
300 to 485 feet	light crystalline anhydrite—somewhat iron stained
485 to 505 feet	coarse salt
505 to 510 feet	anhydrite
510 to 618 feet	coarse salt
618 to 640 feet	granular anhydrite
640 to 645 feet	grayish anhydrite
645 to 650 feet	bluish granular anhydrite
650 to 820 feet	coarse salt
820 to 830 feet	granular anhydrite
830 to 1118 feet	coarse salt
1118 to 1185 feet	bluish anhydrite
1185 to 1310 feet	white anhydrite
1310 to 1365 feet	grayish anhydrite
1365 to 1830 feet	white anhydrite
1820 to 1845 feet	iron-stained anhydrite
1845 to 2045 feet	white anhydrite
2045 to 2065 feet	dark anhydrite colored with organic matter
2065 to 2110 feet	lighter anhydrite
2110 to 2200 feet	dark anhydrite
2200 to 2220 feet	anhydrite, showing 15 per cent limestone
2220 to 2380 feet	light anhydrite
2380 to 2430 feet	dark anhydrite with limestone
2430 to 2455 feet	light anhydrite
2455 to 2465 feet	soft, shaley limestone
2465 to 2470 feet	bluish lime, trace of oil
2470 to 2480 feet	shale impregnated with limestone
2480 to 2500 feet	dark, hard sandstone
2500 to 2510 feet	light blue sandstone
2510 to 2535 feet	very dark limestone
2535 to 2555 feet	light colored limestone
2555 to 2560 feet	sandstone
2560 to 2630 feet	sands
2630 to 2700 feet	dark limestone
2700 to 2735 feet	light, fine-grained sand—water bearing
2735 to 2745 feet	very coarse sand, grains well rounded and colored
2745 to 1820 feet	white fine-grained sands
Bottom	dark limestone

Formation record complete in above description.

Various games were indulged in and refreshments were served.

The annual Christmas party for the Teachers' college students and faculty was held in the gymnasium on Thursday evening. The gym was tastefully decorated by the freshmen class under the direction of Mrs. Beckham of the social committee. Music for dancing was furnished by a local orchestra.

WHAT A BOMB IT WOULD MAKE

Road hogs and speeders who are a menace to traffic along the highways would be surprised to know that a big truck they have been passing about twice a week on the highway between Amarillo and Artesia, is the torpedo truck of the United States Torpedo company, which is used to shoot oil wells. This truck is loaded with nitro glycerine and should a road hog or a speeder bump it too hard, it would take three weeks for the wreckage to fall. However every safeguard is used to protect the public, and there is very little danger of a collision. As the oil fields around this section of the country increase, these trucks will be more numerous.

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Christmas Clue Calendars

By Gertrude Walton

(1924 Western Newspaper Union)

Clue hunting for facts and fancies for a Christmas Clue calendar or catalog promotes the real art of giving at Christmas, on birthdays or at other times. For giving is a fine art that every one may possess with practice. The result that gift-giving is a genuine pleasure instead of the usual worry exchange habit of just as good as you received. A friend or member of the family who has his or her favorite color, that you are giving that one a gift and the gift is jotted down in the Clue calendar, which is a book in which the names of friends and members of the family are kept.

Each brother expresses a wish for his within our means, that wish is put down under his name. Each one's likes, dislikes, wishes, with dates of birthday and anniversaries are added. If challenges to dry dishes, immediately her name is registered and perhaps some dish cloths, which her initial is stamped for the outline in colored thread, like her task more pleasant.

Each brother has the habit of throwing soiled clothing promiscuously into a bright laundry bag with his name help him overcome the habit. If grandmother loves white things is a clue for a bottle of soap and pleasure for some June when you take her a bouquet of violets. You might never have observed her pet flower if you had referred to the Clue calendar.

With so many facts and fancies Clue calendar, an appropriate easily selected, and the receiver wonder how you knew just what she wanted without being told.

See New Oldsmobile at Widney's.

Typewriter Ribbons for sale at the Advocate Office.

ALFALFA SEED MOVEMENT

Alfalfa seed movement was active during the past four weeks and it is estimated by the United States department of Agriculture that 80 per cent of the crop had left growers' hands by December 8. The movement to date is normal and somewhat ahead of last year. In the heaviest producing districts of Utah the crop has been moving much more rapidly than last year and 80 per cent or more of the crop in that state has been sold by growers. In portions of Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado and Montana only 30-60 per cent of the crop had left growers. In most of the southern districts a very small percentage of the crop is being held by growers at this time.

Growers have been free sellers at prevailing prices that average about the same as last year at a corresponding time. In some districts, however, prices are slightly higher than last year while in others they are somewhat lower than last year. On Dec. 8 growers were being offered on an average \$16.25 per hundred lbs., basis clean seed, compared with \$15.65 about a month ago. The range was from \$13.85 in southeastern Nebraska to \$20 in south central Montana. Prices in some of the more important sections were as follows: In east central and western Utah, \$16.35-\$16.65; in southern Idaho, \$15.75; in western South Dakota, \$18.60; in eastern and south central Montana, \$19.50-\$20; in western Colorado, \$15.15; in northwestern Kansas, \$14.65; in southwestern Kansas, \$17.65; in western Nebraska, \$15.10; in southeastern Nebraska, \$14.85; and in western Oklahoma, \$15. Most of the Grim alfalfa seed was being bought from growers at about \$35 per 100 lbs.

The quality of the 1924 crop is considerable better than that of last year. Every section except western Colorado and eastern Montana indicated that the quality is equal to or better than that of last year.

Imports during November were much smaller than last year, 629,100 lbs., compared with 2,377,000 lbs. During the period July 1-Nov. 30 3,629,300 lbs. was permitted entry compared with 5,864,500 last year, 5,719,400 lbs. two years ago, and 2,806,400 lbs. three years ago for the same period. European exporters report few, if any, sales of alfalfa seed recently to American seedsmen.

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Novel Ways of Wrapping Gifts

By FRANK HERBERT SWEET

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A world full of gladness. Of love and good cheer. Merry Christmas to you And a Happy New Year.



HAT the holidays are with us once more, we are sure to hear the question—"How shall I wrap up my present this year?" Although there is nothing new, yet we may give a little touch here and there that will make them different and more interesting. Why not make the wrapping as attractive as the gift? Holly, pine, bells, stars and Santas are the symbols of Christmas and should be used profusely with white, red, green and brown ribbons and paper.

The ideas suggested below may help some friend who is looking for something different:

Use white tissue paper and dark brown satin ribbon. A spray of pine cones (with a touch of white paint) may be tied with the ribbon.

Or use red tissue paper over white tissue and tie with white satin ribbon. Have the ends finished with red tassels.

Use white tissue paper over red tissue. Tie with red satin ribbon, with a pompon of the same in the center.

Bore holes in tiny hemlock cones—splashed with a weak solution of alum—and run ribbon through the holes. They will sparkle like frost. Use white paper and brown satin ribbon for wrapping, and tie one or two of the cones in with the ribbon.

Use light green tissue paper and silver cord which has been wound with smilax.

Use heavy white paper and wide red satin ribbon. Have an immense bow in the center.

Use red tissue paper and green ribbon. Fir needles may be tied in with the ribbon.

Use white paper and brown satin ribbon. Tie a pine cone—splashed with alum—in with the bow.

Use green tissue paper over white tissue paper and tie with gold cord. Tiny gilded wishbones may be tied in with the ribbon.

Use heavy red paper and tie with white ribbon. Stand a small Santa Claus where the ribbons cross.

Use red paper and tie with gold cord, on the ends of which are tiny gold bells.

Use holly paper and red satin ribbon.

Use red paper and holly ribbon.

Use white tissue paper over light green and tie with silver cord, on the ends of which are tiny silver bells.

Use white paper, with satin ribbon, on the ends of which are tiny snowballs—made of white cotton covered with mica snow.

On large packages use white paper, red ribbon, and a poinsettia tied in with the bow. On the ends of the petals have tiny snowballs tied on with silk thread.

Use red paper and tie with red and green raffia which has been braided.

Use white tissue paper over green tissue, and gold cord which has a spray of mistletoe tied, and which has been wound with smilax. Have a spray of mistletoe tied in with the ribbon.

WOMAN HURT IN RUN-AWAY AUTO

Mrs. W. A. Killen of Clovis, was injured when her son, W. J. Killen, turned a run-away Ford into a bank between Rencona and Rowe late Thursday to prevent it from plunging over a 300-foot embankment.

She was brought to St. Vincent's sanitarium. It was feared at first she had received a fracture of the skull, but she was able to leave the hospital yesterday. She is now out of danger.

A daughter of Mrs. Killen and her son's wife and child were in the auto but the others escaped injury except the daughter, a teacher at Rencona, who received several minor cuts and bruises.

The party was on the way to Clovis, taking the daughter home for Christmas. On the way down a steep hill beyond Rowe the brake bands burned out and the car began a run-away. Suddenly, Mr. Killen, who was at the wheel, saw a sharp turn ahead with a 300-foot drop on the outer side. Believing the car would go over the embankment if it hit the turn at the speed at which it was going, the driver turned it into the bank on the inner side of the road and brought it to a stop—after it turned a couple of flip-flops.

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PECOS RIVER WATER TREATY IS SIGNED AT EL PASO MEETING

EL PASO—Agreement on the division of the flood waters of Pecos river for irrigation purposes between New Mexico and Texas has been reached by interested farmers of the two states. It carries with it the neighborliness on the part of New Mexico in allowing Texas to store water at Red Bluff, if that is found to be the best site.

Instead of any "prior" rights, repugnant to Texas farmers, only "vested" rights were recognized in the agreement. In this New Mexico's side of the ledger overbalances the Texas side 76,000 acres to 40,000.

The Carlsbad, N. M., federal project, comprising most of the vested rights in New Mexico, will be benefited by the agreement, farmers believe, as the federal government will be more favorable to its development now, that the two states are in agreement on division of the river water.

R. E. Thomason, Texas commissioner, and R. H. Hanna, New Mexico, will give governors of the states copies of the final compact signed Friday, and C. T. Pease will give a copy to secretary of interior, to be presented to the national congress ratification.

After the Red Bluff dam is installed, if the annual storage is found to justify it, there will be great added development along the Pecos in Texas. It will at least stabilize production, land values and commerce in the 40,000 vested acres.

PROTECT YOUR CHILD FROM MAD DOG BITES

The fear of hydrophobia, or mad dog, that lurks in the back of every mother's mind may be to a great extent eliminated by vaccinating the pet dog once a year, says Dr. Hugh Hurst, livestock specialist of the New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts. A vaccination can be administered by any qualified veterinarian or your family physician at a very nominal cost, and there need be no danger of the dog's infecting any member of the family with the dreaded disease.

The old theory that rabies may develop thru an animal's being poisoned or starving for want of water is all a mistake. The disease can only arise through infection by the specific germ, and this germ is carried in the saliva of the animal. It is commonly carried from one animal to another through the canine family, probably the most prominent of which are the coyotes and the town dogs which are in our state in superfluous numbers. It is caused by a specific organism which has recently been described by our investigators, and is responsible for a condition known as "negri bodies" which appear in the brain and the larger nerve ganglion.

An animal, as well as a human being, if exposed to hydrophobia, or, in other words, if bitten by a mad dog, can be successfully treated with Pasteur treatment. However, "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." The town dog is the particular animal that is most likely to attack members of the human family because of the close association with its owners and neighbors, and also because of the peculiar characteristics of the disease. Therefore, if it is possible to render the dog that plays with your child immune to rabies, why not try it?

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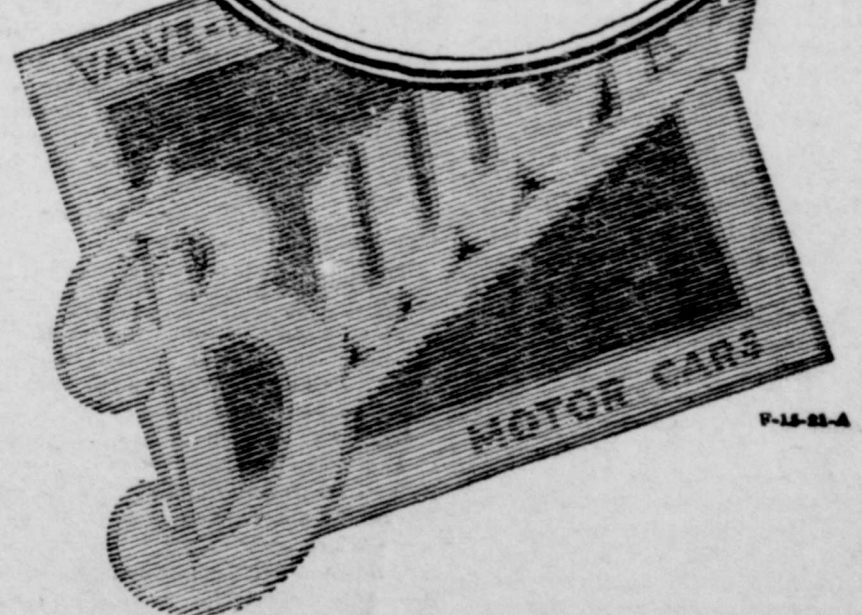
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HALF-MILLION GET NEW YORK'S BONUS

New York's more than a half-million soldiers, sailors and marines are in line for payment of the state bonus, payment of which, according to announcements made to Legion officials, will soon begin.

As the American Legion is to have a primary part in disbursement of the big fund, posts have been supplied with full information, here passed on to those native New Yorkers, who, though entitled to the bonus, are now residing in other sections of the country.

1. Briefly, the provisions of this legislation are as follows: Forty-five millions of dollars have been appropriated to provide payment of bonuses to honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines of the World war. A commission, composed of the adjutant general as chairman, the attorney general, state comptroller and the state treasurer will be the distributing agents of the state of New York.

2. Honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines of the World war include every person, male or female, who was enlisted, inducted, warranted or commissioned and who served in active duty in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States at any time between the 6th day of April, 1917, and the 11th day of November, 1918, and who was honorably separated or discharged from such service, or who is still in active service, or has been retired, or has been furnished to a reserve. Also every person who was enlisted in the army nurse corps or the navy nurse corps, and who served in active duty therein at any time between the 6th day of April, 1917, and the 11th day of November, 1918, and who was honorably discharged or separated from such service or is still in active service.

3. Every honorably discharged soldier, sailor or marine, as above defined, who, at the time of enlistment or induction to the military or naval service of the United States, was an actual resident of the state of New York, is entitled to receive \$10 for every entire month that such person was in active service in the military or naval forces of the United States during the World war; the maximum to any person being \$150.

4. The widow or widower, child or children, mother, father, brother and sister, in the order named, and none other, of such soldiers, sailors, or marines who, without having received payment of this bonus, dies after the act takes effect, shall be paid the sum that such deceased would have been entitled to under the provisions of the law if such veteran had lived.

5. All payments made under the provisions of this law are exempt from all taxation and from levy and sale on execution.

6. All applications for benefits under this law must be filed with the commission before the first day of July, 1925.

7. No agent, attorney or any other person shall demand, be entitled to or receive any compensation for his services in prosecuting any claim for any bonus under this law. Penalties are provided for false statements.

8. The bonus is not transferable, except assignments to any corporation formed prior to the passage of the legislation and organized solely for aiding disabled or incapacitated veterans, shall be valid. As an example, assignments may be made to the Veterans' Mountain camp of the American Legion Department of New York; and provision has been made on the application blanks for such assignments.

9. Payments of this bonus will be made in one lump sum.

10. Veterans who were actual residents of the state of New York at the time of enlistment, but who are now residing in other states, are entitled to the benefits of this law. They should make application to the adjutant of the American Legion of the state in which they now reside, as application blanks will be distributed to the state headquarters of all states for the convenience of veterans residing in such states. Any American Legion post will advise the name and address of the department adjutant.

11. Veterans of the World war residing in the state of New York should communicate with the American Legion post in the community in which they live, for arrangements have been made for distribution of applications through these posts, and assistance will be rendered in the filing of the applications. A certified copy of the discharge must accompany application, and this copy may be certified by a notary public, commissioner of deeds, justice of the peace, etc.

12. A bill has been introduced, at the request of the American Legion in the legislature to provide for payment to the next of kin of those who made the supreme sacrifice, and those who have died since the signing of the armistice, for the amount due for each full month of active service and it is expected this bill will pass. It provides for \$1,500,000 to be handled by the bonus commission.

13. Provision is made in the application form for filing of claim by a guardian or committee of veterans who have been declared to be insane or of unsound mind.

14. The American Legion posts throughout the state have made arrangements to assist veterans in filing applications. Get in touch with the Legion posts in your community and they will take care of you.

15. The entire work of the commission will be handled at Albany, New York.

NEWS IN BRIEF FOR THE WEEK

Thirteen deaths were reported Friday as the result of the storm which has swept over the rocky mountain states.

A discharged clerk at Atlanta, Ga., shot and killed his employer, two clerks and then turned the gun on himself Saturday.

A state wide search was instituted for two bank bandits who looted two Valley View Texas banks and fired the town last Friday.

A slight cold wave has caused John D. Rockefeller to cancel his plans to depart for his winter home in Ormond Beach, Florida.

Six miners were killed in an explosion of an undertimed cause at the Burnett mine fifty miles from Seattle, Washington Thursday.

Fritz Harrmann, known to Germany as the wholesale murderer has been convicted of killing twenty-six persons in six years. His sentence is death.

Two car loads of flowers are said to have been placed on the grave of the late Samuel Gompers at the Sleepy Hollow cemetery where he was laid to rest.

Police force in the Chinatown of New York have been doubled during the past few days to prevent further outbreak among two Chinese factions, following the murder of one man and the wounding of another.

The Ford Motor Company announced the distribution of two million dollars to thirty six thousand employees Friday through the investments of certificates which pay fourteen per cent interest for 1924.

Five persons were drowned in the Chippewa river near Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, when a dining car of the Chicago Soo line passenger plunged into the river Friday. Seven have been rescued from the icy waters of the river.

A new era of peace is promised between the American and Japanese governments. Secretary Hughes has issued a formal notice recognizing the new Jap minister, which bespeaks cordial relations between the two countries.

President Coolidge has appointed an oil board, consisting of the secretary of the navy, interior and commerce who will make a study of the government's responsibility in oil conservation and will seek the cooperation of the producers.

Let Us Remember

By Emily Burks Adams

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"MOTHER, what is that poetry you're quoting?" said Agnes, as her mother came from the sewing room, where she and Jane were making dresses for the fatherless cousins who lived in the country.

"Oh!" said mother, "I was just saying to Jane—

"Tis not the pleasure we enjoy, In life, as it comes our way; But the joy we give to others Marks our best and happiest day."

Agnes, who was of a more serious mind, replied: "Well, Jane knows that, doesn't she, mother?"

"Oh! Yes, of course, or at least she should. She just said she was powerfully tired working and sewing for relatives and she wished some one would sew for her once."

"Well, mother," continued Agnes, "it doesn't seem fair for us to do all the helping. Why doesn't Aunt Kate help? She has scads of money and no one to think of but herself. She could clothe them outright and never miss it."

"Yes, daughter, but what greater joy do we receive at Christmas than the letter of love and appreciation?—at ways a note from each one, and just as soon as they get the box, too. Aunt Kate has never known need and she doesn't know how to share. Before we had plenty, how delighted we were to receive even second-hand clothes from Uncle and Aunt Defoe. Always something new, too. My! how we enjoyed opening the box."

"Yes, mother, dear. 'Tis true we do soon forget," said Agnes, thoughtfully.

"Let's hurry, mother," said Jane, picking up her needle. "Never a word of complaint from me again. Let's make the prettiest boxes ever."

"Yes," chimed in mother. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these ye have done it unto me."

"A real Christmas to them this time," and Jane was off to town for some little gifts, Christmas seals and holly.

The packages were sent full of useful gifts, overflowing with love and carried Christ's benediction.

Christmas
She—If I stood beneath the mistletoe, would you kiss me?
He—Yes, but I'd do it quicker behind the Christmas tree.

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AIR MAIL PILOT JUMPS TO HIS DEATH NEAR KANSVILLE, ILLINOIS

OMAHA, Neb. — Two investigations, one by the post office department and another by aircraft experts, were ordered Sunday by Carl F. Egge, air mail superintendent, into the death of Air Mail Pilot Clarence Gilbert, who fell to his death near Kaneville, Illinois, late last night.

CHICAGO.—Trusting his life to a few yards of silk composing his parachute after his airplane failed in a blinding snowstorm, Clarence Gilbert air mail pilot, Sunday night leaped into space high in the clouds over the little town of Kaneville, Illinois, and lost his gamble with death.

His body, with strands of the parachute which had failed to operate still attached to his belt, was found near Kaneville Sunday shortly after farmer searchers had found his smashed plane with its burden of mail following a 15 hour hunt along the air mail route.

His death marked the first fatal accident to that little band of transcontinental birdmen who for six months have been winging their way across a continent in good weather and bad making a schedule almost to the fraction of a minute with their cargoes of mail.

Gilbert, who entered the air mail service last August, left here Monday night shortly after 7 o'clock towing his way through a snow storm in near zero weather, guided only by the blazing beacon and signal lights that mark the path of the air mail carriers on the night route to Omaha.

Five minutes later a second mail plane westbound took the air here and the pilot in this machine maintaining a lonely vigil as he rushed through the night, reported upon reaching Iowa City, the first stop, that he had seen the lights of Gilbert's machine far below him through the snow at Kaneville, 50 miles west of Chicago. When Gilbert failed to arrive at Iowa City, farmers along the route were aroused from their beds by telephone operators and scoured the country for miles around.

First intimation of the fate of the lost airman came at 10 o'clock Monday morning when his smashed and twisted plane was found by the searchers about a mile from Kaneville. Less than an hour afterward, the body, half buried in a snow drift was found. The body was literally broken to pieces.

Fliers expressed the opinion that Gilbert had trouble with his plane in the snow storm and near zero weather and believing a crash to be imminent leaped for his life, trusting to the parachute.

Gilbert was 29 years old and came from Plainville, Kansas. He had been on a relief schedule flying between Chicago and Iowa City. He was trained in the army aviation camp at Fort Riley, Kansas. A widow, at present visiting relatives at Junction City Kansas, survives.

MRS. HALSEY BOBS HER HAIR

Mrs. Fred Halsey, who is now serving a term in the state penitentiary awaiting orders of the higher courts in the Halsey murder case, has been prevailed upon to bob her hair. Archer, who is reported to have reformed, spends his time reading the Bible. While Foster retains an unbroken silence, according to information from Santa Fe.

Typewriter Ribbons for sale at the Advocate Office.

Legal Blanks—Advocate

LOCALS

Martin Yates and family spent Saturday in Roswell.

Miss Julia Bolt was in town from Lakewood Monday.

Dr. Thies is visiting friends in Denver during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Wilson were shopping in Artesia Saturday.

Ovie Meadows left last week for a holiday visit at his home in Texas.

Miss Oriel Curtis, of Roswell, was the week-end guest of Mrs. Leon Meeks.

Miss Elizabeth Johnson, of Hope, has been visiting Miss Pearl Henderson this week.

Miss Anna Frances Jackson is at home from the State University for the holidays.

The Misses Nova Reeves and Maybelle Schaefer are spending the holidays at El Paso.

Mrs. E. L. Selby, of Lake Arthur left last week for Tennessee where she will spend the holidays.

Miss Lucile Morris and Miss Hazel Belle Johnson went to Hope Saturday to spend the vacation with home folks.

Bryan Bunyan was in town from Trail's End Sunday. Bryan took the Shriner's degree in Masonry at Santa Fe last week.

W. C. Wilson and wife arrived from Oklahoma City this week to visit Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. U. McCaw.

J. A. Williams, of Lake Arthur has gone to North Carolina, where he will spend Christmas and New Year with his father and mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Edd Carter were here from Carlsbad Sunday visiting Mrs. Carter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Stagner.

Mrs. Granville Powers and baby daughter arrived from Belen last Thursday to visit her sister, Mrs. Ike Keller, and family.

H. G. Southworth, who was a business visitor here Monday reports that a few bales of cotton on his farm remain to be gathered yet.

William Dooley left Saturday for his home in Kansas City where he will spend the holidays with home folks, returning to Artesia about the middle of January.

E. A. Traylor and L. M. Traylor, recent arrivals from Hunt County, Texas will farm the Hoff place near town another year. Both of these gentlemen are well pleased with the community.

Mr. Crews, brother-in-law of Mrs. Atteberry, arrived from Kansas City last week and will probably spend the winter here. Mr. Crews was formerly a resident of this community, having a homestead northeast of town in the early days.

D. A. Abernathy, living near town paid the Advocate office a call Monday. Mr. Abernathy says that all of his cotton is gathered and he will soon make preparation for another crop. Cotton and tomatoes he says are his principal crops.

E. C. Hellberg accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Meyers of St. Louis, Mo., made a short stay in Artesia this week. Hellberg, who was formerly connected with the Filler and Hellberg Real Estate Co., here, is now in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Louis who is known for his truth and veracity states that he now owns half of Tulsa nearly.

Homer Dunagen and wife returned home Monday, after a fortnight visit to relatives in Oklahoma. They got into a blizzard in Oklahoma and drove south to Ft. Worth to get away from the snow. Homer says that in some places the sleet was piled up and as difficult as sand to get through. The only way he could make it was to make a run for it.

See the New Oldsmobile at Widney's.

Poor Fellow



Bug—There isn't a thing on that tree for me!

SNAP SHOTS

One of the best "New Years" resolutions that can be made for 1925 is for the road hog to remember to be more like the tiny pig.

It has been said that the "Oneryest" position a man can hold it to be an honorary member of a local bootleggers association.

One of the best examples of foresight occurring in town was when the whittlers club was supplied with iron benches for seats.

A negro was heard to remark not long ago "Des here Lake Arthur road

was the vebertanist road ever run a Lizzy over."

Some of our leading American artists would never make good lawyers if you can tell that by the red paint daubed on their

Question: Is it ever possible for a person to escape from a wreck out being injured. Answer: Most purchasers of third hand cars perform this stunt daily without injury to anything but their pocketbooks.

See the New Oldsmobile at W

ARTESIA ADVOCATE
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To Our Friends

With the coming of another Christmas Day, we want to pause long enough to extend to you the Season's Greetings—a Merry, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

And, too, may we say a word of thanks for the business you have so kindly sent our way during the year now drawing to a close? This business has been, and is, sincerely appreciated—and we sincerely hope to number you as a Friend and Customer throughout the years to come.

So with a feeling of gratitude, we wish you a most Joyful Christmas, and hope that 1925, in its entirety, may be full of Happiness and Prosperity for you.

Sincerely yours,

Palace Drug Store
 Artesia, New Mexico

We wish all of our friends and patrons a merry and happy Christmas and New Year

Mize Variety Store
 "WHERE PRICE AND QUALITY MEET"
 TELEPHONE 32 ARTESIA, N. M.

To all we wish a Merry Christmas and a very pleasant and prosperous New Year.
 We still have many special bargains to offer you for late gifts for those friends you had forgotten.
"OUR STORE"
 J. W. NICHOLSON

Santa Remembered Them



Want Ads

FOR SALE—A rate of ten cents per line for classified ads for first insertion and five cents per line thereafter. No ad accepted for less than 25c. An average of 6 words or less constitute a line. Charges will be based on this average. Cash must be paid on all ads sent by letter, otherwise will not be inserted.

FOR SALE—Eddy county deed brought up to date, by mail sale at our office. \$1.00 per H. & H. EXCHANGE.

FOR SALE—Decided land with oil and gas leases. J. R. Hoff, Artesia, N. M. 11-20-tfc

FOR SALE—Income business proposition Main street. Address Makins, Abilene, Kansas. 12-11-4tc

OPERATORS NOTICE—Have heavy drilling machine, tools etc. Would ship to New Mexico. Enough contracts can be set to justify the shipment. Ready to go. C. F. Finefield, Wagoner, Oklahoma. 12-18-3tp

FOR SALE—Nice five room house with bath and sleeping porch. Well located. Second house west of City on Quay Ave. Part cash, balance rent. See D. G. DeGeer at Ferry's store. 12-18-2tc

FOR SALE—40 acres improved three miles from Artesia. In care of L. L. Feather. 12-4-4tp

FOR SALE—Cotton and alfalfa in small or large tracts with terms reasonable with cheap rate. E. C. Higgins. 12-4-tf-3i

FOR SALE—Ford coupe, piano, etc. Call 273. 12-24-1tc

FOR SALE—1922 Ford roadster. Apply to Edward Laughlin, Arthur, in care of Martin Hardin, route. 12-24-1tp

FOR SALE—New Oldsmobile at Widney's.

FOR SALE—Pure bred S. C. R. I. chickens. Mrs. O. E. Nickey, Main street.

FOR SALE—Hosiery, samples your agents. Write for proposition paying \$75.00 weekly full time, or an hour spare time, selling hosiery to wearers; must be replaced free. Quick sales, no orders. INTERNATIONAL SOCKING MILLS, 5475, Norristown, Pa. 11-20-6tc

FOR SALE—No. 5 Underwood typewriter. Good shape, reasonable price desired. Big Jo Lumber Co. 12-18-2tc

FOR TRADE—Close-in Roswell property or 20 acres adjacent to Roswell, for business proposition. 210 West Fifth Street, Roswell, N. M. 12-18-2tp

FOR EXCHANGE—Five room cottage in El Paso would like to exchange for a five to ten acres of land in Texas. 12-24-1tp

FOR EXCHANGE—New Oldsmobile at Widney's.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

J. P. Dyer to J. S. Highsmith L. 8, B. B. 24, Roberts addition to Artesia; Valley Land Co. to Jim Lopez, water right. J. P. Middleton to H. Thacher NWSE: NESW 8-22-27. M. L. Lemley to L. L. Smith, SW 1/4 pt WSE 23-17-21. O. G. Willis to S. C. Harkey WNW: SEWN: NWSE 25-24-25. M. M. Schnell to J. H. Long L. 10 B. 48, Artesia Imp. Co., addition. R. A. Toffelmire to Y. Contreras L. B. 10 Stevens addition to Carlsbad. By quit claim deed Mrs. Addie Howard to C. L. White E 1/2 B. 19, Loving, T. W. Lane to Valley Land Co., N 1/2 N 1/2 SENE 16-24-29.

By tax deed E. B. Armstrong to W. S. Moore 4, 12 B. 19, 1st addition; N 1/2 L. 1-3-5, B. 10, Greene's Highland Addition to Carlsbad. R. B. Armstrong to F. A. Manda L. 9-10-15-16, Section 4-16-26.

Assignment of tax sale certificates: R. B. Armstrong to L. G. Syferd L. A. B. 26, Fairview, Artesia. R. B. Armstrong to J. D. Atwood L. 16-18, B. 7; L. 15, B. 10, C & S Addition to Artesia. R. B. Armstrong to I. S. Reser P. C. 584 7-17-27, SNE 11; WNW 12-17-26. R. B. Armstrong to L. M. Austin L. 2-4, B. 23, Artesia Improvement Co., Addition; L. 2-4, B. 15, Chisum Addition to Artesia. R. B. Armstrong to J. M. Jackson SNE; SWSW; pt. NSE 21; SWNW; NWSW; SESE 22; NNW 28-17-26.

R. B. Armstrong to E. L. Upham WNE 2-19-26. R. B. Armstrong to C. P. Pardue L. 8, B. 55, Malaga; Tract 1285, Sec. 9-24-28; Tract 302, Sec. 15; Tract 740, Sec. 27-23-28; L. 8, B. 77, Malaga; Tract 1069, Sec. 7-24-28; L. 12, B. 115, Malaga; Tract 1407, Sec. 15-24-28; L. 6, B. 55, Malaga; Tract 1291, Sec. 9; NNENE 19-24-28; L. 7, B. 43, Malaga; Tract 1264 9-24-28; L. 4, B. 102; L. 12, B. 21, Malaga; Tract 745, Sec. 23; Tract 1017, Sec. 6-24-28; L. 5, B. 78, Malaga; Tract 908 6-24-28; WNESWSW; NWSWSW; SWSWSW; NSESW; ESWSSESW; SESESW 27-23-28; L. 5, B. 37, Malaga; Tract 406, Sec. 19; Tract 487, Sec. 30-23-28. R. B. Armstrong to J. J. Clarke L. 3, B. 2, Rose Lawn Addition to Artesia; L. 10-12, B. 12, C & S; L. 1-2-3-4, B. 13, Blair; L. 9-11, B. 10, Chisum; L. 5 to 14, B. 13, Blair; L. 1-3, B. 12, Blair; L. 15-16, B. 13, Blair Addition to Artesia. R. B. Armstrong to Mrs. M. M. Atwood L. 7, B. 9, C & S Addition to Artesia.

We have the assignment blanks for oil and gas lease. Advocate Office.

Legal Blanks—Advocate

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for housekeeping. Connecting bath. Apply at Advocate office.

FOR RENT—Furnished, one of the finest homes in Carlsbad. Call on or address J. M. Pardue, Carlsbad, New Mexico. 12-18-2tc

See our samples of Engraving—Artesia Advocate.

U. S. JOBS OPEN

Men and women wanted for Govt. clerkships. Age 18 to 70. Start \$1600. Appointments to be made from civil service examinations on Feb. 7. Write G. Cook, Civil Service Instructor, 945 Pa. Ave., Washington, D. C., for free information. 12-24-1tp

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SHOULD BE PROUD

F. G. HUNTINGTON, former judge advocate of Camp Travis, Texas, in an address before the Yellowstone post of the American Legion in Billings, Mont., declared that the Legion should be proud of the charge that it was suffering from virile insomnia recently made by certain politicians in Washington. The charge, he said, was made by certain people who resented the Legion's pension, for keeping awake and kicking until it got what it wanted. Mr. Huntington emphasized the fact that only through positive and definite expression of their ideas and opinions could those ideas and opinions become known, and more important, adopted.

"This idea that individual effort and expression is futile in the effort to accomplish the things the Legion stands for is ill-considered and fallacious," Mr. Huntington declared, "for the men in Washington have their ear to the ground and take note of what people are saying."

RENEWS LEASE FOR TEXAS SANITORIUM

The American Legion sanatorium at Legion, Texas, has again been leased by the United States Veterans' bureau for a term of years. This fact apparently has little meaning, but the truth is, that by the acceptance of this institution the bureau is provided with one of the most adequately equipped and best adapted institutions in the nation.

The sanatorium is near Kerrville, Tex., where it was built mainly through the activity of the American Legion of the Lone Star state. The official station is now designated as "Legion," having received this name from the Post Office department.

Four years ago a construction wagon could not mount the hill on the present site of this hospital until brush had been chopped away. Today there stands one of the handsomest hospitals in the country. It was started primarily for World War disabled. The Roosevelt American Legion hospital near Battle Creek, Mich., is the only other which was erected by veterans for the veterans.

But there was a specific reason for building this Texas hospital. Many soldiers contracted tuberculosis during the World War and it was erected for their care. The money for the building was raised by popular subscription and the project became one nearest the hearts of Texas citizens. A site was donated by the public-spirited citizens of Kerrville, approximating 800 acres. By the end of 1920, the power and subsistence buildings had been erected and two one-story ward buildings were well under way. But the country was hard hit in return to normalcy and the financial depression stopped all work. Many pledges remained unpaid, so the Legion sought the aid of the Benevolent War Risk Society of Texas, in the hope that the people would complete the projected buildings.

In the early part of 1921, the state legislature came to the aid of the Legionnaires and \$1,500,000 was appropriated for erection of a 600-bed hospital where the Legion's work had begun. The Legion then donated its entire holdings to the state.

The administration building, having a ground area of 58 by 94 feet, is one of the handsomest buildings of the lot, a beautiful piece of brick work finished with cut stone from the quarries of the site. The nurses' home is another of the showy buildings of the little city on a hill. The brick dormitories, of which there are eight, five or two stories; added to these are the two original stucco dormitories, making ten buildings in all. The buildings are designed so that each patient has a private room, with every modern convenience, and each of the ward buildings has its screened porch and sun parlor. The interiors of these buildings are finished in white enamel and tile, with carpeting of battleship blue.

The infirmary is the largest and most attractive building of the group. It is 140 by 295 feet and is two stories high. It is designed as an infirmary for the treatment of bedridden patients, and is equipped with everything conceivable for the successful treatment of such patients.

One of the most important pieces of construction in the whole scheme is the concrete and steel water tower. This structure stands 95 feet in height and is surmounted by a concrete tank 25 feet 8 inches in diameter and 29 feet in height. The capacity is approximately 100,000 gallons.

Other buildings are the vocational therapy building, garage, four junior officers' duplex cottages, storehouse, warehouse, oil pump house, fuel oil storage tanks, incinerator, sewage plant, laundry, power house, dormitories and superintendent's home. The cost of the entire institution was \$1,650,000.

Legion Officials Protest

The fight of the American Legion in Massachusetts to obtain veteran preference in civil service employment is being widely discussed in that state. Protest has been made by department officials over the appointment of a woman as attendance officer for Boston schools over the heads of 30 veterans on the list.

LOCAL

S. W. Gilbert was in Carlsbad on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Winans drove to Carlsbad Monday.

Mrs. Herman Jones and Miss Ruby Turknett spent Friday in Roswell.

Mrs. Dick Atteberry is spending Christmas with her parents at Hope.

Mr. and Frank Wilson made an auto trip to El Paso the last of the week.

George Pate, of Lake Arthur will spend the holidays with home folks in Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schnoor are rejoicing over the birth of a son on Friday, the 19th inst.

Miss Hollie Cass is spending the vacation in Lakewood and assisting her uncle in his store there.

Mrs. C. W. Williams returned Friday from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Oscar Gamble, at Canyon, Texas.

A. F. Roselle returned Friday from Texas, where he had been on a business trip, making delivery of honey.

Judge and Mrs. N. C. Doering of the Cottonwood community were doing some Christmas shopping in Artesia Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cash Austin arrived from Clovis today to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hightower.

ARMY RADIO LECTURE

DECEMBER 23rd, 1924

Major Harry L. King, instructor at Headquarters, 103rd Division, Organized Reserves, will open a series of radio conferences for reserve officers at Denver next Thursday evening at 8:00 o'clock p. m.

A wave length of 400 meters will be used.

These lectures will constitute a course of military instruction for Reserve Corps officers throughout the divisional area, which covers the states of New Mexico, Arizona and Colorado.

Blank forms are to be distributed to the student officers, upon which their answers to the various problems may be submitted.

Considerable interest is being shown by reserve officers throughout the area, and it is believed the project will prove successful and interesting.

The broadcasting station at Fitzsimmons General Hospital, in Denver, will be used for the lectures.

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See the New Oldsmobile at Widney's.

A merry Christmas and a very happy New Year is the earnest wish of

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Wishes you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Make our station your auto headquarters during 1925, where you will receive prompt and courteous treatment.

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A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year is Our Wish for Everyone

We also wish to take this occasion to thank our many friends and patrons for the patronage accorded us during the past year and we extend an invitation to all our friends and customers to come in and see us more often during the coming year.

The new year will usher in a new era of prosperity. We expect to grow and serve more people during the coming year than during the past. We want your cooperation—we want your business.

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Christmas Morning Specials

ON

TIRES

30x3 1-2 Fabric Tire and Tube \$8.00

30x3 1-2 ^{10 PER CENT} _{OVERSIZE} Cord Tire and Tube \$10.00

A Tube will be given Free with all other size Tires bought. A Tube Repair Kit given Free with every Tube bought.

This holds good until Saturday night.

GAS, OIL, GOOD TIRE SERVICE, VULCANIZING

Pior's Service Station

Telephone 41—Artesia, New Mexico

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, November 19th, 1924.

NOTICE is hereby given that Basil D. Kimbrough, of Artesia, New Mexico, who on December 22nd, 1921, made Enlarged Homestead, No. 049859, for E½ E½ Section 28; E½ SE¼ Section 21 and W½ SW¼ Section 22, Township 18-S, Range 29-East, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year final proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before S. W. Gilbert, U. S. Commissioner, at Artesia, New Mexico, on the 27th day of December, 1924. Claimant names as witnesses:

Edgar Shuler, of Artesia, New Mexico.
Holly Shuler, of Artesia, N. M.
Charles P. Riley, of Artesia, New Mexico.
John D. Dillman, of Lakewood, N. M.
JAFFA MILLER, Register.
11-27-12-25

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, November 25th, 1924.

NOTICE is hereby given that Lullien Davidson, of Artesia, New Mexico, who, on September 20th, 1919, made additional Homestead, No. 045720, for Southeast Quarter Section 33, Township 17-S, Range 25-East, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make five year final proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before S. W. Gilbert, U. S. Commissioner, at Artesia, New Mexico, on the 6th day of January, 1925. Claimant names as witnesses: Earnest Horner, of Artesia, N. M. Carrol W. Brown, of Artesia, N. M. Andrew J. Shockley, of Artesia, N. M. Arthur H. Horner, of Artesia, N. M. JAFFA MILLER, Register.
11-27-12-25

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, December 4th, 1924.

NOTICE is hereby given that Conrad Hatchett, of Acme, Texas, who, on December 27th, 1919, made Stock Raising Homestead, No. 040680, for All Section 2, Township 17-S, Range 24-East, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make five year final proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before S. W. Gilbert, U. S. Commissioner, at Artesia, New Mexico, on the 14th day of January, 1925. Claimant names as witnesses: George P. Whithorn, of Artesia, New Mexico.
George R. Ray, of Roswell, New Mexico.
Mrs. George R. Ray, of Roswell, New Mexico.
Samuel G. White, of Artesia, New Mexico.
JAFFA MILLER, Register.
12-11-1-8

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, December 5th, 1924.

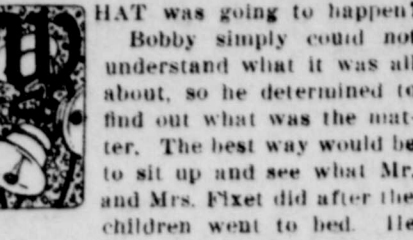
NOTICE is hereby given that Connie V. Horner, of Artesia, New Mexico, who on December 6, 1923, made Original Homestead entry, (Stock Raising), No. 051744, for S½ SE¼ Sec. 33; S½ SW¼, SE¼ Sec. 34; SW¼, Section 35, Township 19-S, Range 24 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before S. W. Gilbert, U. S. Commissioner, at Artesia, New Mexico, on the 14th day of January, 1925. Claimant names as witnesses: Andrew J. Foster, of Artesia, N. M. Jim Foster, of Lakewood, N. M. Allen M. Fell, of Roswell, N. M. Joseph E. Horner, of Artesia, N. M. JAFFA MILLER, Register.
12-11-1-8

SANTA FE RAILROAD OFFICIAL ANNOUNCES CO. TO BUILD COLMOR LINE

Tuesday afternoon of this week J. W. Stewart, chief engineer of the Santa Fe railroad, announced to the people of Boise City that "The Santa Fe is ready to build your railroad as soon as the right-of-way is secured or guaranteed thru Cimarron county." The above announcement was made in a meeting of citizens of Boise City and Cimarron county, held at Boise City for the purpose of conferring with the railroad officials regarding the building of the Dodge City-Colmor cut-off. Mr. Stewart addressed the meeting and made the above statement, adding that construction work would commence as soon as the right-of-way was secured, and also that the company was anxious to begin construction in order to complete the work at the earliest possible date. The road will be built on the survey made by Mr. Stewart during the past fall, which survey is definite to a point near the Texas-New Mexico corner about ten miles northeast of Clayton. It is the general belief and understanding that from that point the road will follow the survey through Clayton made about a dozen years ago. W. A. Henderson and Light P. James of Clayton, were present at the meeting held at Boise City, and in addition to hearing the definite announcement by Mr. Stewart, were assured by him and other members of the party in private conversation that the Santa Fe meant business and was anxious to begin construction of the line.—Clayton Citizen.

See the New Oldsmobile at Widney's.

A Christmas Bone
By H. LUCIUS COOK



HAT was going to happen! Bobby simply could not understand what it was all about, so he determined to find out what was the matter. The best way would be to sit up and see what Mr. and Mrs. Fixet did after the children went to bed. He knew that they would not care, as he was now so big he was allowed to do as he pleased. About ten o'clock when he came in from his walk, therefore, he strolled deliberately down the hall. "Sh!" he heard Mrs. Fixet exclaim. "Oh, it's only Bobby!" was her husband's reply, so he kept right on down the hall. When he got to the living room he went in and lay down on the sofa to watch. Soon Mr. Fixet left the room, and returned dragging a big tree. Whatever he brought that tree in for Bobby could not imagine. Ordinarily Mrs. Fixet would have had a fit to see the thing in the house. But tonight her face was radiant. Together the Fixets got out a lot of colored things and great strings of popcorn and pretty lights, and covered the entire tree. After that they left the room and came back with arms full of bundles that they lovingly placed around the base of the tree. It took them so long to do this that Bobby fell sound asleep. When he awoke the room was swarming with the entire family, all of whom were laughing and joking and opening packages and kissing each other. It seemed as though the world had gone crazy. But Elizabeth soon noticed him and came and danced with him around the table. That was all the attention he got, so he went for a stroll into the town. When he got back dinner was being served. He went in and stood by Elizabeth's chair. The table was literally groaning with food, and the turkey fairly made his mouth water. The odor of turkey suddenly grew stronger, so he glanced around. Elizabeth's hand was down under the table and it held a drumstick of the turkey. It was for him. Wagging his tail frantically, he kissed her hand before he took the bone, and then he heard Mr. Fixet say laughingly, "Why, Elizabeth. More turkey so soon? You certainly made quick work of that for a little girl." Thus Bobby was not forgotten at the Christmas meal, and the world did not seem so crazy as he had thought it was.

Christmas Cigars

Christmas cigars come just in time to save the man who thinks about swearing off on the first of the year.

GLIMPSES OF THE PAST

From the files of the Pecos Valley News, December 26th, 1907.

Milton Brown and wife went to Mexico today.

The Lakewood Progress is recuperating this week and will not get out an issue.

Governor Curry and a party of prominent New Mexicans arrived in this city Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Welch who belonged to C Co., 16th infantry is spending the holidays with his sister, Mrs. Beal of Hope.

Sheriff J. D. Christopher is in town this week looking after political matters and his chances for re-election.

Sam Butler and Norman Owens look several kids out Monday morning to teach them the mysteries of hunting.

L. W. Martin and family spent Christmas in Roswell visiting Mrs. Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. McClane.

Milt Atteberry was seen hiking in the direction of Roswell this morning, but refused a satisfactory explanation.

Rev. E. Ward, former pastor of the Artesia Baptist church, but now a resident of Hope was in town on business this week.

T. E. Bibble of Hagerman, who has charge of the construction work on the Antelope-Lake project was in Artesia last Saturday on business.

Christmas was appropriately observed in Artesia. Programs were rendered at the Baptist and Presbyterian churches on Christmas night.

Roswell is having a warm time with her saloons at present and the people are up in arms according to the Roswell Record because the council of the Queen City passed an ordinance cutting the saloon license from \$2000 to \$1000 per year.

We have a complete line of samples of social stationery—Artesia Advocate.

See our samples of Engraving—Artesia Advocate.

Just What I Wanted



More Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Editor: It is just possible that these letters may arrive too late to reach old Santa but perhaps next year the writers will receive what they desire and have a "bigger and better" Christmas.

Santa—Old Duck: I am a little chorus girl so don't need any clothes but I would like a diamond necklace and a Pierce Arrow and a sweet old Daddy. If you can't find anyone else old Asa Candler will do.
Hallie Highback

Dear Old Rover: I am a college graduate. Having spent the last fifteen years at Princeton I am now totally unfitted for practical life. So kindly send me an heiress and a case of synthetic gin.
Larry Lamebrain

To His Esteemed Highness, Santa Claus: I would hesitate to address you did I not know that you have a social position which is unequalled. I am aware that you visit the best houses. My dear Santa I would like a book of etiquette and several dinner invitations from the BEST PEOPLE—knowing them all so well I am sure you can procure any amount of invitations and if you will, on your rounds, only drop a hint that I am your friend I shall be very grateful.
Most respectfully,
Celia Climber

Honored Sir: I am a pastor without a congregation. Would you kindly drop a hint on your rounds that I would like a little more consideration. People are in the habit of sleeping through all my sermons—when I say people I refer to the half dozen individuals who attend

entirely to increased coverage of infant lives; the same is true of pneumonia.

There is no more gratifying item in the record of this year than the improvement in the mortality from diseases incidental to maternity. Barring unexpected developments in the final seven weeks, a new minimum death rate will be established.

Organic heart disease, as in 1923 and 1922, will be the leading cause of death; but the rate is now about seven per cent less than at this time last year. Cancer mortality has declined slightly as has that for cerebral hemorrhage. Deaths from chronic nephritis have decreased eight per cent and a new minimum will probably be registered for this disease. A decline of 11.4 per cent in diabetes mortality may be credited, largely, to the increasing use of insulin.

The record for violent deaths is also distinctly encouraging. Slight declines as compared with last year are shown not only for suicides and homicides, but for accidents. Automobile fatalities, to date, have not increased over the preceding year. It looks as though we had reached the peak in the mortality from this, the greatest single item in the fatal accident record. (Metropolitan Bulletin)

ALMOST—NOT QUITE

Portly Gent: "Sambo, your a cynic."

Sambo: "No, boss—a gin-hic!"

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A NEW CODE UNCOVERED

like says, "Leave it to the oil men to pull something new, the latest bit of news to attract the attention of the public is the new manner in which the latest code system works. For instance if one hears some cow covered guy speak of having a wrist pin broken, that means oil has been struck, if he says the second wrist pin has been put out of commission, it means the bit is in the oil sand. "Clever I call it."

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Wire Line Pete

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ROSWELL YOUNG PEOPLE COME TO

The Christian Church Society of Roswell to visit the of the First Christian church last Sunday afternoon. A visiting program was rendered by a social hour and refreshments. Miss Arlene Gibbany had the young people from Roswell. A. F. Roselle had charge of the young people.

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NEW CHAMBERS ARE DISCOVERED IN THE CARLSBAD CAVERNS

More interesting facts develop about the wonders of the Carlsbad caverns. The main part of the caverns have long been known to Guide White, but great cavities remained unexplored until recently. In commenting on the new chambers discovered, the Carlsbad Argus relates an item of interest about the recent exploration of chambers. The article follows:

It has long been known that the were large chambers beneath the floors of the ones already explored, but their extent and number were matters of conjecture, as no one, not even the venturesome guides of the cavern, had ever made extended explorations of the lower passages, because of the danger in getting down the improvised ladder used by the guides. But Guide Jim White had been making more extended search for a more easy means of going down into the unknown depths, and discovered in one of the numerous sink-holes a descent of only about ten feet by ladder into the largest chamber, and a gradual slope to the floor of the new discovery.

Sunday, as stated, was the first time the guides had allowed visitors to visit the new chambers, and to those who made the downward journey was opened up another quite as large underground series of wonders as have been visited many times by thousands of people. After making the easy descent by ladder, one encounters an incline leading into a series of four chambers, the full extent of which are not as yet known, but which underlie the big caverns above. One of these chambers is circular in formation, and contains many beauties besides the dazzling stalactites and stalagmites, one of which is the countless little crystal marbles which lie scattered on the floor.

Another chamber has been christened the "Ice" chamber, as it is said the most beautiful, delicate formations of brittle "icicles" hang suspended and rear their brilliant spear points from the floor. Because of the extreme brittleness of these formations, the guides would not allow but a few visitors at one time, fearing that the beauty of the chamber might be marred by carelessness.

Through another passage the guides lead their visitors into what is termed the "marble room," because of the large numbers of white marbles which are found on the floor, and because the walls are of marble formation with a huge marble column towering into the void of blackness. To show the vastness of this chamber, a flare was set off and as far as the eye could see the huge pillar of marble was visible.

Winding passages lead by easy stages into two other huge chambers, with several pits of unknown depth to make perilous the trip were it not for the canny watchfulness of the guides, who seem to have several pair of eyes each to look after the welfare of those entrusted to them. Fanciful names have been given the different chambers of the upper caverns, and it has been decided to christen the new chambers in honor of the four guides who show the visitors the wonders of the caverns. The big marble chamber will be named after Guide Jim White, one for Henry Samples, one for John Hill, and the "Ice" chamber for Pete Smith, all of whom have acted as guides the past several years. Indeed, in one of these new chambers the names of the four guides were found burned into the walls of one of the rooms under date of 1906.

Messrs. Fair and O'Brien left for Los Angeles, the first of the week, but will return and it if understood establish a bus line to the caves. They own a string of Cadillac cars and will give the best of service.

DISEASES REPORTED FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 13, 1924, BY COUNTIES

ANTHRAX—Gaudalupe 1.
CHICKENPOX—Bernalillo 10, Eddy 2, Luna 1, Union 1, Valencia 2.
DIPHTHERIA—Grant 1, Gaudalupe 2, Santa Fe 1.
GONORRHEA—Chaves 1, Bernalillo 1.
MEASLES—De Baca 4, Grant 2, McKinley 20.
PNEUMONIA—Bernalillo 2, Grant 1, De Baca 2, McKinley 1.
RABIES (in dogs)—Bernalillo 1.
SCARLET FEVER—Bernalillo 1, Luna 5, Quay 1, Valencia 3.
SEPTIC SORE THROAT—Santa Fe 1.
SMALLPOX—Hidalgo 1, Otero 1.
TETANUS—Bernalillo 1.
TUBERCULOSIS—Grant 1, Bernalillo 4, Chaves 1, Lincoln 3, McKinley 1.
TYPHOID—Otero 1, San Miguel 3.
WHOOPIING COUGH—Grant 1.

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The Advertised Article

is one in which the merchant himself has implicit faith—else he would not advertise it. You are safe in patronizing the merchants whose ads appear in this paper because their goods are up-to-date and never shopworn.

Very Happy on Christmas Day

By Mary Graham Bonner

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PRETTY SUZETTE was very happy. Everything amused her or pleased her, or warmed her heart still more, it seemed.

She had seen a little boy, obviously poor, giving a nickel which looked as though it had had no companion in the pocket from which it came, into a bucket where money was being collected for Christmas dinners for those still more poor. The little boy had looked so enormously pleased, as he had given it with an air of complete indifference. It had been such a joy for her to have given him an engine which he had next gazed at lovingly in a shop window.

She had been amused at Alice, the little girl next door. Alice had told Gwendie, her playmate, that if Gwendie wanted a little sister she must get the address of their doctor, who had brought them one.

Suzette had watched a traffic policeman holding up the traffic while three boys and three dogs had crossed over proudly.

She had heard an older girl she knew telling of the diary she had destroyed not long before. "Because," the girl had explained, "it was written when I was engaged, and we used to quarrel then, and we never do now. It made me sick to see how I used to act." That was the way Suzette hoped her married life would be.

Then she had been amused that day because Mrs. Purdy had, as a rule, always dropped a nickel in the corner of the collection plate where it would not be noticed.

She had always explained that she didn't believe in giving ostentatiously.

And this Christmas day Suzette had noticed she had put in a dollar—and had turned it so that it could be seen



Bruce Had Kissed Suzette Under the Mistletoe.

that it was a bill, but so that its denomination could not be determined. It wasn't because she wanted others to see that she gave a bill, she explained to Suzette, that she put it down conspicuously upon the plate, but she thought it was well to set an example.

Ah, yes, Suzette was very happy. All things about her seemed perfect. She had never seen such white, dazzling snow. She had never heard such clear, merry sleighbells.

She had never noticed how cheery and gay were the voices of people and how joyous were the voices of children.

There seemed to be something appealing and attractive about every one. And how crisp and fresh was the air! How beautiful the Christmas trees standing in their gay and decorated glory in the windows of all the happy homes.

Suzette had never been so happy. Never! Never! Never! And Bruce was happy, too. He had never been so happy. Never! Never! Never! Everything to him seemed appealing

or attractive or amusing or cheery. For Bruce had kissed Suzette under the mistletoe. And Suzette had liked it. And so had Bruce. And he had asked her to marry him. And she had said "Yes." And the mistletoe was winking at the holly and saying: "I did a good Christmas day's work!"

HUNTER KILLS FIVE LIONS A DAY

Ed Steele, a predatory wild animal hunter employed by the United States Biological Survey trails lions through the rocky recesses of Fox mountain in the Black range and captures five a day.

A fresh snow having fallen, Mr. Steele took his dogs and proceeded to the territory where he knew at least one lion was working. First one lion and then another was picked up until a total of five were taken. The stomach contents showed that they had all been living on deer. Two of the dogs were badly injured in the hunt but will recover.

This remarkable capture will be of much interest and gratification to the stockmen and sportsmen of the district, as each lion is known to destroy at least \$500 worth of livestock and game each year, therefore this day's work means a saving of at least \$2500.

Since July 1st, over 3000 coyotes



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You have our best wishes and the promise of our sincere cooperation during the months to come.

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120 bobcats, 25 lions, 17 wolves, and 7 stock killing bears have been killed by the Biological Survey hunters. This represents a saving since July 1 of \$206,000 in stock and game to the state. These results are due to the improved methods now being employed.

BLONDE BESS OPINES

"When the boss refers to 'circumstances not under his control'—I just know he is thinking of his wife."

HIS OPINION

Bilkins: "Did you hear that Adolph the butcher was shot by detectives who mistook him for a burglar?"

Terance: "Perfectly natural mistake, I'd say."

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A Tender T-Bone Steak

By WALT FILKIN

There is beauty in an apple, and a yellow orange, too—
It's a bit of captured sunshine that's imprisoned there for you,
But when Hunger's claws are pullin' like a good old-fashioned rake
There is nothin' so invitin' as a tender T-bone steak.

I have eaten fancy salads that I'm sure an artist made,
I have tasted dainty portion of fine orange marmalade,
But I've never yet encountered any dish a chef could make,
When I'm hungry, looked so temptin' as a tender T-bone steak.

Yes, I know there're fancy dishes that a fellow likes to eat,
When it's Christmas or Thanksgiving that are surely quite a treat,
But when Appetite's a-knockin' at my sides until they ache,
Nothin' soothes my ruffled feelin's like a tender T-bone steak.

Oh, there is no sight that's finer—nothin' looks so good to me,
And no king or queen could ever have a greater luxury
Than an appetizin' supper—no you don't need pie or cake—
With some homemade bread and butter and a tender T-bone steak.

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MONEY WILL BE RAISED TO FIGHT ACTION OF THE PROPOSED TEST CASE

That democratic women are holding food sales and putting on entertainments in a number of communities to raise money to fight the contemplated election contests to the bitter end was the report brought back by E. B. Swope, democratic state chairman, who Sunday returned from a trip over the state with James A. Hall, Clovis attorney, to raise a fund for the contests and investigate reports of election irregularities.

"We were struck by the enthusiasm which we found everywhere in fighting the contests to the finish," he said. "I have never seen anything like it in the past—not even on the eve of an election. The people everywhere are 'up on their toes'."

There was not one county in the 16 they visited where they failed to find some irregularities which they believe will result in increased pluralities for the democratic ticket if the contests are instituted, he said.

Relative to a report that the polls were kept open after 6 p. m. at Hagerman he said all the election judges, including the republican, were willing to make affidavits that they closed "on the dot" at 6 p. m. Questioned about a rumor that several hundred Texans had been voted in east-side counties, he said if any were voted they were voted for the republican ticket.

"In view of what we found," he said, "I believe if there are any quo warranto proceedings they will serve only to increase Mr. Hammett's lead to 2,000 or more."

Asked about a report that there were few if any legal ballot boxes used in Rio Arriba county—only coffee cans, pasteboard boxes and other boxes which could not be securely locked—Mr. Swope said he had been informed that this was the case. The law requires the county commissioners to furnish ballot boxes that can be securely locked.

Saying he would welcome contests, Mr. Swope said they would show us so many irregularities that they will force the senate, in which there is a republican majority, to give the state an iron clad election law or put it itself in the light of wishing to continue the present law in force.

ROSWELL NO. 1 EXTENDS THE FIELD FOUR MILES NORTHEAST

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on well No. 3 after the first of the year it is understood.

California No. 1, Burgess and Goodale, McCrary permit, in Sec. 35-18-28, will be closed down until after the holidays. In the meantime boiler repairs will be made.

Ohio Oil Co., on the Francis Tracy permit in the NE corner 34-21-26, are drilling on their new location after skidding the rig 30 feet last week on account of a crooked hole.

Wallace Merchant has closed a drilling contract for a deep test with a Louisiana firm to commence drilling on or before the 15th of January 1925. The location of this well is in the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 35-18-28. The acreage to be drilled on is about three miles east of the Illinois block as we understand the location.

A large crowd is reported to have attended the initial spudding in of the first New Mexico Zeppen test well near Roswell last week. The location is southwest of Roswell a few miles. A number 30 star rig will be used. The operators expect to get production around the 2500 foot mark if oil is found.

An official of the D. K. & W. Oil Co., the new firm to take over the holdings of the Tri State Oil Co., report that the old Brown well No. 1 is now pumping approximately 30 barrels per day. Drilling operations on the Brown well No. 2, will start as soon as a fuel supply is laid in. These wells are about 6 or 7 miles southeast of Artesia and all of the operations near this territory will be followed with interest.

J. E. BOWMAN WINS IN HIDDEN NAME—MAY BE YOURS THIS TIME

(Continued from first page)
The subscribers name appearing this week was the 3rd name on gallery number 3. Now the question comes, who is this person. Look carefully, the name may be yours. If the lucky person will report to us bringing the paper before next publication day January 1st, we will issue an order on the Pecos Valley Garage or the L. P. Evans Machine Shop which will entitle the bearer to \$2.00 worth of merchandise from either establishment.

YOUTHS CHARGED WITH TRANSPORTING AUTO ALLEGED TO BE STOLEN

Charged with transporting a seven-passenger Buick, knowing it to be stolen, from New Castle, Pa., to Portales, N. M., four youths, all apparently in their teens, were brought before Judge Colin Neblett in the U. S. district court at Santa Fe Saturday on removal proceedings.

They are to be taken back to Pennsylvania for trial when the court signs a removal order. All four have signed waivers consenting to be removed.

The four, whose names are Clarence Gahagen, Edward Mullen, Earl Swogger and Bert Hall, were arrested recently at Portales.

HOT LUNCH ANNOUNCEMENT

Beginning with the Monday after New Year the P. T. A. will serve the hot lunch free to all the children, who take their dinners at school. This will be continued as long as the "hot lunch" fund lasts, after which the hot lunches will be discontinued all together.

See the New Oldsmobile at Widney's.

HURRAH FOR PECOS VALLEY

The Pecos Valley has shown the largest amount of business of any district in the Denver branch of the Ford Motor Company, was the verdict of the dealers and officials meeting their annual conference in Roswell last week.

TIRE SALE

Autos during the cold weather have not been very numerous on the street we will admit, but some are still being used. Frozen roads and ice are hard on tires and many will doubtless be ready for the junk piles before the weather breaks. Anticipating that many car owners will be in the market for tires, the Pior Service Station is making a special Christmas price on tires and tubes good until next Saturday. See Pior's ad in this issue.

THE COMMUNITY CHEST

Practically all of the money raised by the various churches and other organizations for the community chest fund is now in the First National Bank ready for the use of the chest. All of the churches in town have contributed to this fund with one or two exceptions and these will come in later it is understood. All of the money will be ready to turn over to the officials of the associated charities, who will have charge of the chest funds. Further plans for the dispensation of this fund will be made after the first of the year.

MRS. DUNLAP IS DEAD

Mrs. Fannie C. Dunlap, aged fifty-six years, died at St. Mary's hospital in Roswell, Saturday evening at five o'clock. Mrs. Dunlap came to Roswell last Monday afternoon with her husband, W. O. Dunlap, who had sustained injuries in an auto accident that he might receive treatment there. She became ill Dec. 10th and was taken to the hospital where she died Saturday night. Mrs. Dunlap leaves behind her husband, five sons, Henry of El Paso, Texas, Erastus of Portales, N. M., Wm. O. Jr., of Melrose, and Robert C. and James K. of Dunlap, N. M., also one daughter, Jewel E. of Dunlap, N. M. The body was forwarded Saturday night by the Roswell Undertaking Company to Portales where services were held Sunday afternoon at the Methodist church and burial was made there.

ODDFELLOWS ELECT OFFICERS

The Artesia I. O. O. F. lodge elected new officers for the ensuing year at their last meeting in December. The following officers for the ensuing year:

R. W. Dunn, N. G.; N. P. Bullock, V. G.; Ed Stone, Sec'y.; H. L. Jones, Treas.; H. A. Stroup, trustee for three years.

Other officers will be appointed when the new officers are installed January 1st, 1925. Rev. L. R. Simmons received the initiatory degree at the last meeting.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. M. A. Brown superintendent.

Preaching service at 11:00 a. m. Rev. Dwight McCree, ministerial student at Clarendon college and one of our own boys, will preach at this hour.

Epworth Leagues each meet at 6:00 p. m.

Evening service at 7:00 p. m.

We wish for you and yours a Christmaside of peace and plenty, made glad by the gifts of love and friendship and sweet memories.

Come to church next Sunday. Strangers and visitors invited to make this their church home while in town.

JAMES H. WALKER, Pastor.

STORM RAGES THROUGH IOWA AND ILLINOIS LOSSES ARE HEAVY

DES MOINES, IA.—Two deaths were reported from exposure in Iowa today as a result of the prevailing cold. At Dubuque an aged woman, Mrs. Elizabeth Cronion, died from exposure after she had lain for a number of hours in her unheated home following a fall. Her leg had been broken in the fall and she was unable to call aid.

The body of L. M. Tyser, a carpenter was found frozen in a corn field near Sioux City. He is believed to have died from exposure.

CHICAGO.—Telegraph and telephone companies and the railroads in the middlewest tonight began taking toll of the damage to their properties from the cold wave and subsequent sleet and snow storms last week. At the same time they were making preparations for the renewal of heavy snows throughout the upper half of the Missouri valley.

The Illinois Bell Telephone Company, first of the communication companies to make a definite estimate of damages wrought during the week, said a \$1,000,000 loss had been suffered because of the storms. More than 21,000 poles were blown down throughout the company's territory. The sleet froze on the wires in some instances more than an inch thick. Peoria, Illinois, was the center of the heaviest damage to the property of the company.

Snow was predicted for the entire upper Mississippi valley with rains to the south. These may be followed in this section by a snow storm of almost blizzard proportions later in the week the weather man indicated. A heavy storm, the bureau reported, was developing in the far west and another of blizzard proportions later in the week.

NO GREAT WEALTH

Tom: She has a wealth of hair.
Hess: Oh, I don't know. You can buy those switches now for six dollars.

See our samples of Engraving—Artesia Advocate.

T. M. COX PASSES AWAY AT FLOYDADA, TEXAS; WAS A BARBER HERE

Last Sunday night marked the passing of a long-time resident of Floydada, T. M. Cox, whose death came as a result of a stroke of paralysis sustained Sunday night at the home of his father-in-law, A. L. Bishop.

Until four or five years ago Mr. Cox had been one of the leading citizens of Floydada, and was widely known over this section among the barbers, and many of these attended the funeral service held at the Methodist church, at which Rev. J. L. Henson officiated. Following the funeral interment was made in Floydada cemetery with the A. F. & A. M. Lodge in charge of the Masonic rites.

Coming to Floydada in 1907, Mr. Cox soon became owner of the City Barber shop and operated and owned the business until 1919, when he moved to the Pecos Valley, living at Artesia. Some of the friends he made among the barber fraternity during that time acted as pall bearers at the funeral and the shops of Floydada were closed out of respect for him. The pall bearers were W. H. Hilton, B. G. Morton, Harry Stanley, R. E. Scoggin, W. C. Bills, P. D. McBride, Clyde Davis, Claude F. Martin and Howard Lane, all barbers in Floydada.

After his removal from Floydada Mr. Cox sustained a serious stroke of paralysis while living at Artesia. He and his wife and child returned here about two years ago to make their home. His condition has been unsatisfactory during this time and the end was not unexpected.

The above item was taken from the Floydada, Texas newspaper. Mr. Cox, who left Artesia about two years ago will be remembered by many people of this community.

SORGO "CANE" SEED MOVING SLOWLY

The movement of sorgo("cane") seed has been normal this season. About 15-20 per cent of the crop had been sold by growers up to December 10, according to reports received by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Prices for the most part were unchanged during the four weeks ending December 10, although advances were noted in some of the important producing sections. Average prices offered growers for amber sorgo and sunac sorgo, respectively, were about \$1.35 and \$1.60 per 100 lbs., basis clean seed.

Kansas—About 15 per cent of the red and black amber in western Kansas is reported sold. In several counties in this section, however, no movement of the crop is indicated. Growers confidently expect higher prices and are making little effort to market their sorgo seed at this time. Prices offered in this state average \$1.30 per 100 lbs. basis clean seed in western Kansas, \$1.25 in northwestern Kansas and \$1.20 in southeastern Kansas.

Nebraska and Colorado—Approximately 20 per cent of the crop of amber had moved from growers' hands in southeastern Nebraska. In northeastern Nebraska little interest has been manifested by either growers or shippers. Twenty per cent of the crop in northeastern Colorado and five per cent in southeastern Colorado and been sold. Prices range \$1.35-\$1.60 per 100 lbs. basis clean in Nebraska and \$1.15-\$1.50 in Colorado.

Texas and Oklahoma—The sunac sorgo in Texas and Oklahoma is of much better quality than last year. In western Texas the crop has been moving rather freely, 20 per cent to 25 per cent having been sold up to December 10. Only 5 per cent to 10 per cent in Oklahoma had been sold by that date. Prices in western Texas range mostly \$1.50-\$1.75 per 100 lbs. basis clean and \$1.60-\$2.00 in Oklahoma, which are practically unchanged from a month ago.

Other States—From 10 per cent to 25 per cent of the amber orange sorgo had moved in Missouri. Prices are slightly higher and range \$1.50-\$2.00 per 100 lbs. basis clean seed.

Heaviest movement has occurred in Tennessee where 50 per cent of the orange and sunac sorgo is reported sold. Most offerings were around \$2.00 per 100 lbs. basis clean seed.

SUPREME COURT REVERSES CONVICTION AND ORDERS DISCHARGE

Samuel L. Hunt and Joseph S. Hunt, who had been convicted of voluntary manslaughter for killing Chester Bartell on a forest trail in Hidalgo county on September 13, 1917, were ordered discharged in an opinion by the supreme court Saturday which reverses the conviction.

According to the statement given out by the supreme court Bartell was trying to draw a Winchester 30-30 from a scabbard under his saddle when the brothers opened fire with six-shooters. "Not a word was spoken and the deceased was not able to get his gun more than half out of the scabbard," says the statement. There were numerous bullet wounds in the body.

Formerly the Hunt Brothers were convicted of second degree murder but the supreme court reversed this on March 19, 1920 and remanded the cause for new trial.

In the case of W. C. Kemo et al against H. C. Williams, et als, appellants' suit over adoption to buy real estate, which came up from Torrance county, the judgment was affirmed.

CROP VALUES HIGH

WASHINGTON.—This year's harvest of important farm crops, the highest priced in five years, though not the greatest in volume of products, was valued at \$9,479,902,000 today by the department of agriculture. Better prices than last year placed the value \$753,013,000 higher than last year when the total, as revised, was \$8,726,889,000 and \$1,663,882,000 higher than in 1922, when they aggregated \$7,816,020,000.

See our samples of Engraving—Artesia Advocate.

Items of Social Interest In and Around Artesia

CHRISTMAS DINNERS

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ferriman are entertaining at dinner today M. H. Ferriman and family, George Welton and wife, Mrs. C. W. Welton, and Mr. James Warner of Florida. The entire company enjoyed a Christmas breakfast at the Welton home.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Corbin will be host to the following at turkey dinner today—Messrs. and Mesdames Hightower, Lowry, G. R. Brainard, Hegeman, Reading, and Cash Austin of Clovis and Miss Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Dunn are entertaining at Christmas dinner Calvin Dunn and family, Rube Dunn and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dunn and Mr. and Mrs. John Dunn.

Louis Story and family, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Green of Roswell, and Miss Kiltz of Jonesboro, Arkansas will eat turkey with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Story today.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Anderson are entertaining at dinner today, their guests being Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Anderson, Miss Helen Sage and Mr. Rex Williams.

MISS JEWELL GAGE HONORED

The Misses Gladys and Ina Cole entertained a number of their young friends at a party last Friday night, complimentary to their cousin, Miss Jewell Gage, who recently came here from Arkansas. Following a number of merry games refreshments of fruit salad, cake and cocoa were served. Those present besides the honor guest were the Misses Lucile Floore, Carmen Brown, Helen Cogdell, Mas Wilson, Lulu Wilson, Amy Wilson and the two hostesses and Tom Lauderdale, Buford Lauderdale, Keith Hoffman, Charles Horne, Farrell McLean, and Glen Naylor.

SANTA VISITS CRADLE ROLL

Santa Claus made an official visit to the Methodist Cradle Roll in the Sunday school room last Sunday afternoon. Most of the youngsters were glad to see the good old saint, but a few, never having had the pleasure of his acquaintance before, gave expression to feelings of a different character. All of the children received nice presents from the Christmas tree and even the fathers and mothers were remembered by St. Nick, who represented Mrs. Schenck, the superintendent of the Cradle Roll, and her corps of helpers. A beautiful Vesper service was a part of the program, which was attended by a large number of the babies and their parents.

COFFIN—DOSTALIK

A quiet church wedding was solemnized at Carlsbad early Monday morning when Miss Elizabeth Coffin became the wife of Tony J. Dostalnik of Artesia. Miss Coffin is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coffin of Hope and is wide and popularly known in that town and community. Mr. Dostalnik is the assistant manager of the Big Jo Lumber Company of Artesia, coming here last April from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Miss Virginia Cooney, of Roswell, a school mate of Miss Coffin, acted as bridesmaid, and Mr. Edward Walter-shield was best man. The happy couple left at once for Oklahoma City and other towns adjacent to that city for a holiday tour. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Fabin. Mr. and Mrs. Dostalnik will be at home in Artesia after January 1st.

ONE O'CLOCK DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Jernigan entertained at dinner at noon on Sunday, their guests being Mr. and Mrs. Reed Brainard and children and Mr. F. K. Mason of Roswell.

ARTESIA GIRL WEDS IN LOS ANGELES

Word has been received here of the marriage of Miss Emily Skeen, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. M. P. Skeen, to Mr. W. B. Woods, of Los Angeles, California, on December the 22nd. Mr. and Mrs. Woods will be at home in Los Angeles. Mrs. Woods, who is well known here, was a former student in the high school here and is a graduate of that institution. For the past two or three years she has been attending college.

DANCE AT GRAY'S

The Gray home was given over to the young folks last Friday evening for an enjoyable dance. The guests were the Misses Maxine Rowan, Jack Hightower, Laura Raguse, Elaine Feemster, Glen Polk, Eloise Brown, Rubye Moore, Marjorie Wingfield, Vera Madge Eaton, Dona Robertson and the hostess, Miss Glenda Gray, Messrs. Howard Rogers, Oliver Crozier, Louis Michelet, Garland Rideout, Frank Wingfield, Harold Crozier, Bill Grisham, Paul James, "Dude" Dunn, Luther Caraway and Stanley Blocker.

DANCE AT ROWANS

Last Saturday evening was spent an enjoyable dance, given at the Rowan home. The guests were the Misses Glenda Gray, Marjorie Wingfield, Jack Hightower, Rubye Moore, Glen Polk, Vera Madge Eaton, Eloise Brown, Margaret Brown, Elaine Feemster, and the hostess, Miss Maxine Rowan and Messrs. Louis Michelet, Oliver Crozier, Harold Crozier, Frank Wingfield, Roy Pior, Howard Rogers, Garland Rideout, Bill Grisham, Stanley Blocker, Robert Feemster and Dalton Wilson.

ELECTION PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, by virtue of the laws of the State of New Mexico, it is made the duty of the Board of County Commissioners, to proclaim the Elections that are to be held in the respective counties for the purpose of voting for the candidates for the office of Justice of the Peace and Constable in the various precincts of each county, and to give public notice by publication of the same.

THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Eddy County, New Mexico, in public session held at Carlsbad, New Mexico, on the 16th day of December, 1924, having ordered an Election to be held Monday January 12th, 1925, in each Precinct in Eddy County for the purpose of electing one Justice of the Peace and one Constable for the term beginning February 1st, 1925.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, that the said election be held at the following voting precincts in said County as follows to-wit:

Precinct one, Carlsbad; Precinct Two, Malaga; Precinct Three, Hope; Precinct Four, Lakewood; Precinct Five, Loving; Precinct Six, Artesia; Precinct Seven, Dayton; Precinct Eight, Queen; Precinct Nine, Otis; Precinct Ten, Cottonwood.

IT IS THE FURTHER ORDER, that the following named persons are hereby appointed as Judges of Election in the several precincts as hereinbefore set forth, for the Election to be held January 12th, 1925, for the purpose of electing a Justice of the Peace and Constable in each precinct.

Precinct One—Carlsbad: R. A. Toffelmire, J. I. Penny, J. U. Falke.
Precinct Two—Malaga: L. B. James, L. A. Skinner, Anna E. Williams.
Precinct Three—Hope: Noel L. Johnson, W. L. Whitaker, L. L. Prude.
Precinct Four—Lakewood: J. W. Dauron, Stella M. Webb, D. E. Webb.
Precinct Five—Loving: L. W. Arthur, T. O. Wyman, W. E. Rose.
Precinct Six—Artesia: W. C. Doss.

LOCAL

Thornton Ferson is confined with flu this week.

Mrs. Bertha Mitchell is vacationing from her school, near Pinos Altos.

Mrs. E. H. Lane is here from Poria, Kansas visiting her father, Rev. J. H. Walker, and family.

Mrs. Eldridge Solomon leaves for a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis, at Memphis, Tenn.

Roswell and Mrs. I. C. Dixon relatives and attend a cantata at the Methodist church that night.

Herman Robbins, of Clovis, is on a holiday visit to his father, Robbins, southeast of town, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bailey for dinner today.

See the New Oldsmobile at

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BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, By G. W. SHEPHERD, Clerk.

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