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JANUARY 1ST OFFICIAL CLEANING DAY

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HOLIDAYS WITH OR NO DEVELOPEMENT

Marland Warren Gets Puff Of Gas at 2930—Texas Cagle Shut Down at 3401 Feet, Making 80,000,000 Feet of Gas.

Oil activity over southeastern New Mexico has experienced the usual holiday slump. Practically all of the more important wells were shut down to allow the workmen to enjoy Christmas. As a consequence, major developments have been at a standstill.

The Warren No. 1 of the Marland Oil Co., in the SE SW sec. 28-20-38, is the fourth Marland well to strike a flow of gas in recent months. Gas was encountered at approximately 2,930 feet, according to an early report. The quantity, however, can not be estimated since the flow is coming by the tools which were blown up in the hole and hung, says an early field report.

Later information says that the tools have been recovered from the hole. It was apparently just a puff of gas that hung the tools.

As report the first of the week from the Cagle No. 1, of the Texas Co., in the NE SW sec. 9-26-37, is to the effect that the test is shut down at 3,401 feet. The well is now making approximately 80,000,000 feet of gas, which is one of the largest gas wells yet uncovered in the field.

The Lynn No. 1 of the Marland Oil Co., in the center of sec. 26-23-36, continues the core drilling operations below 3,420 feet, without change in formation. This is another interesting test and its progress will be watched with interest.

An early field report from the State No. 1 of the Midwest Oil and Refining Co., in the NE NE sec. 9-19-38, states that workmen have succeeded in shutting off the flow of sulphur water after plugging back to approximately 4,109 feet.

The Midwest Oil and Refining Co., has recently made a location in sec. 3-19-38. The quarter section, however, was not announced.

GINNINGS AMOUNT TO 5448 BALES UP TO YESTERDAY MORNING

A total of approximately 5,448 bales of cotton have been ginned in this area, according to tabulations made up this morning. Fair weather has aided the gathering operations which will soon come to a close.

Table with 2 columns: Association gin, Location, Amount. Total 5,448

FIRE DAMAGES ROOF OF HOUSE

The Artesia fire department responded to a hurry call, Saturday afternoon to extinguish a blaze in the roof of the T. H. Knight dwelling, located across the street from Joe Clayton's residence. The fire originated from flying sparks from the flue, but the fire boys succeeded in extinguishing the flames before extensive damage was done.

THE COMMUNITY XMAS TREE

The coming of Santa to the community Christmas tree on Main street Saturday afternoon at 2:30 proved to be the enjoyable event of the year for the kiddies. Every child had the privilege of receiving a gift personally from the old gentleman himself. Included in the items presented to the children were 800 bags of candy, three boxes of apples and several cartons of chewing gum.

BIRTHS

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Harris, Sunday, the 23rd. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nelson on the Cottonwood, Sunday evening, the 23rd, a daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Welburn A. Smart are the parents of a daughter that was born Monday morning, the 24th.

ROTARY-LIONS CLUBS TO HOLD JOINT MEET FRIDAY

On account of the fact that the regular weekly luncheon date of the Artesia Rotary club fell on Christmas day, it was decided to postpone the luncheon date until Friday and hold a joint meeting with the Ar-

MAN IS MURDERED BODY IS THROWN IN Pecos RIVER

The Killing Occurs Saturday Night at Carlsbad—Three Mexicans Under Arrest Charged With the Murder of Martinez.

Eddy county's first killing prior to the holiday season occurred in Carlsbad Saturday night about 10 p. m., when Jose Martinez, Mexican, was shot down and the body later recovered from the Pecos river south of Carlsbad. Three men have been arrested and placed in jail charged with the murder of Martinez, Auri- que Nunez, Chico Gerriego and Miguel Martinez, the third man fled to Van Horn, Texas, following the killing and was later arrested and brought to Roswell by the sheriff's department, where he was lodged in the Chaves county jail for safe keeping. Martinez bears the reputation of a desperate character and officers thought it was safer to lodge him in the Chaves county jail, since he would have less chance to make his escape. The other two men are being held in the Eddy County jail at Carlsbad.

The body of the slain man was found in the Pecos river, south of Carlsbad by a searching party. The body was recovered under two feet of water. An examination revealed that the dead man was shot but one time, the ball entered the breast and is supposed to have caused instant death.

It is understood that the district attorney's department has investigated the circumstances surrounding the shooting and has recommended that Martinez, the principal character in the murder be held without bond to await the action of the Eddy county grand jury.

1,000 FLU CASES REPORTED FROM EDDY COUNTY

Approximately 1,000 influenza cases were reported to the State Health Department from Eddy county the first of the week.

THIS IS NO BULL, BUT MR. BULL STARTS ON A HORSEBACK JOURNEY

D. L. Bull, well known cow puncher of eastern New Mexico, left Artesia Christmas day on a 3,700 mile journey a horseback. The end of his journey will be his former home at Scranton, Pennsylvania, which he expects to reach about July 1, 1929.

Mr. Bull who has been following the chuck wagon in the Pinon-Dun- ken range for the past six months, decided he wanted a change, in fact he's decided to quit cow punching, notwithstanding eighteen of the best years of his life has been spent riding the range and busting broncs. Mr. Bull expects to get fairly well acquainted with the folks along the route. He called at the Advocate office Monday and informed us that he was on his way, riding the best cow pony he could find in this section.

PUBLIC SALE

Jim Fulton has arranged to hold a public sale on the Tom Lattion farm, northeast of Dayton, January 4th, beginning at 10:00 a. m. He will offer to the highest bidder a number of livestock, several farming implements and a number of miscellaneous items.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

W. F. McIlvain of Carlsbad, presi- dent of the New Mexico bureau of public- ity, organized at Silver City on September 3, has announced the per- sonnel of the legislative committee to draft a bill for presentation to the new legislature to officially create a state bureau of publicity and provide ways and means of financing. The committee will be: First dis- trict, Arthur Seligman, Santa Fe; second district, A. B. McGaffey, Al- buquerque; third district, Oliver Lee, Alamogordo; fourth district, Law- rence Tamme, Las Vegas; fifth dis- trict, R. M. Thorne, Carlsbad; sixth district, Carl P. Dunifon, Silver City; seventh district, B. S. Kinney, Socor- ro; eighth district, Charles Springer, Raton; ninth district, Don Weather- ford, Clovis.

This committee, Mr. McIlvain said, will meet and consider the various proposals made for financing the publicity bureau, and will agree upon what it believes to be the most prac- tical plan and present it to the state legislature.

MRS. KRUKENMEIR'S FATHER DIED LAST WEEK

Mrs. C. B. Krukenmeir, bookkeeper for the Artesia Auto Co., received the sad news Wednesday of last week that her father Phillip Heick had passed away at his home in Crown Point, Indiana. Mr. Heick was 75 years of age at the time of his death.

LIONS CLUB ELECT OFFICERS AT THE LUNCHEON FRIDAY

At the regular weekly luncheon Friday, the Artesia Lion's club held their annual election of officers with the following results: Willis Morgan, president; Boone Barnett, secretary-treasurer; R. G. Knoedler, first vice-president; Cecil Roberts, second vice-president; John Richards, third vice-president; Landis Feather, tail twist- er; Otis Brown, lion tamer.

JERNIGAN AND SY TO OCCUPY OLD EAGLE STORE BUILDING SOON

E. T. Jernigan has arranged to move his jewelry store from the old Sweet Shop building to the building formerly occupied by the Eagle store, the first door east of Welton's Grocery. Sy Edgerton is also planning to move his barber shop from the first door east of the Smokehouse and will occupy the new location jointly with Mr. Jernigan. The building will be partitioned off and Mr. Edgerton will occupy the east side while Mr. Jernigan will occupy the west side of the building.

PRESENT FLU EPIDEMIC HAS REACHED PEAK OF EPIDEMIC IN YEAR 1920

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Statisticians of the public health service issued a graph Saturday showing that the percentage of influenza cases in the United States was as high during the week ending December 15 as it was during the peak of the 1920 epidemic, though the mortality so far this year, they said, has been negligible.

At the same time the possibility of a second and more severe wave of this epidemic was discussed by public health officers. They pointed out that the most severe epidemic in recent decades, that of 1918, came in two waves, the first one mild, and the second one of exceedingly severe cases.

They noted that the number of cases now existing is no larger than that of 1920, which was not followed by a severe wave, but pointed out that this epidemic probably has not reached its peak. They saw no reason for general concern, however, and reassured against public alarm.

For the week ending December 15, the graph showed, there were 200 new cases of influenza for every 100,000 population, the same percentage as existed when the 1920 epidemic was at its height.

Comparison between the number of cases this year and the number during the 1918 epidemic, it was said, was impossible because reports on total cases in 1918 were unavailable. Officers said, however, that surveys of the 1918 epidemic showed a percentage of cases far greater than that of this year. Officers added that there have been four distinct outbreaks of the disease between 1918 and 1928. These four reached their peaks, they said, in February, 1920, March 1922, February 1923 and March 1926.

BASKETBALL GAMES IN P. V. CALLED OFF

Owing to the prevalence of influenza, which appeared to have been increasing slightly the latter part of the week, all basketball games in the Pecos valley loop were called off until after the holidays. The scheduled games will likely be resumed January 4th.

DUCK HUNTER IS SHOT

Howard White age 21 of Carlsbad was accidentally shot and perhaps fatally wounded Monday while hunting ducks on Black river. The accidental shot occurred when a companion who was running toward White, fell and discharged his gun.

FIRE AT THE REFINERY

The local fire department received a hurry call at 4:30 yesterday morning from the Continental refinery to assist in extinguishing a gasoline fire, originating near a still. The blaze started from a loose connection on a still, but was extinguished without serious loss.

Fumes From Auto Exhaust Prove Fatal To Little Girl

Ethel Pearl Terrill Dies On Way To Artesia—Her Companion Suffers From Effects of the Fumes But Recovers.

The deadly fumes from the exhaust of an auto has claimed another victim and cast a holiday gloom over the Artesia community. The tragedy occurred Saturday afternoon while Mr. and Mrs. Homer Terrill were returning from Roswell in an open car. Accompanying them were Mrs. Terrill's sister, Mary Hulcy, age 15 and their daughter, little Miss Ethel Pearl Terrill, age four. As a matter of protection against the cold, the two girls were placed between the seats of the Ford and covered over with a quilt. The first intimation of the tragedy Mr. Terrill had was when he got out of his car at Lake Arthur to look at his radiator. Removing the quilt he found Miss Hulcy in an unconscious condition and his daughter, Ethel very sick and vomiting violently. Frantic efforts were made to get in touch with a physician, but without avail, so the girls were hurried on to Artesia. The smaller girl Ethel is believed to have died en route here.

Miss Hulcy was finally revived and is recovering. Funeral services were held at the Terrill home for the little daughter, Monday afternoon, Rev. A. J. Cox of Hope, officiating. Interment was made in the local cemetery.

The deceased is survived by a baby sister, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Terrill and grandparents Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hulcy of Amherst, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Hulcy who attended the funeral hurried down in response to a message stating that their daughter, Mary had also died. Mr. Terrill is employed as the local Santa Fe section foreman.

ARTESIA CLEANERS MOVE

The cleaning department of the Artesia Laundry-Cleaners has moved from former quarters in the Bartlett building to the Mann building on the corner of Fourth and Main. It is understood that the manager, Howard Whitson, plans to move his laundry plant to the new location also, thus making a substantial savings in the overhead expenses of the two departments. The moving operations on the laundry will likely be completed about February 1st, or as soon as the necessary repairs and alterations on the new home are completed.

MRS. CARL NELSON OF THE COTTONWOOD PASSES AWAY TUESDAY

Mrs. Carl Nelson, age about about 28 years, wife of Carl Nelson, a farmer of the Cottonwood community, died Tuesday afternoon, following an extended illness, the cause of her death was due to influenza-pneumonia.

Mrs. Nelson has lived with her husband in this section for a number of years and was well and favorably known here. Despite the fact that she had the cares of a family, Mrs. Nelson always found time to engage in the upbuilding of her community and was a member of some of the leading organizations of the Cottonwood community including the Woman's club and the P. T. A.

Funeral services will be held at the Methodist church at 3:00 p. m. Rev. Scoggins officiating. Burial will be made in the local cemetery. The deceased is survived by a husband and three children, the youngest of whom was born Saturday.

PANKEY HERE

Hon. B. F. Pankey of Santa Fe, state land commissioner, accompanied by his wife and sister, Mrs. A. O. Boatwright, of Harrisburg, Illinois, stopped off in Artesia Saturday for a short visit while en route home from a visit to the Carlsbad caverns. Mr. Pankey informs us that until recently he had not seen his sister, Mrs. Boatwright in forty-se- ven years.

## LOCALS

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## NEW CIRCULAR NOW READY

The following is part of the summary of a new circular entitled "Sheep and Cattle on Southern New Mexico Irrigated Farms," by L. H. Hauter of the New Mexico Agricultural college. The circular is now being printed and will be available for distribution by January 1, 1929. Those desiring copies should address the extension service, state college, New Mexico. The first part of the summary deals with the feeding and is as follows:

Thirty-seven records were secured on the feeding of lambs. These cover a period of nine years, 1916-16, 1916-17 and 1921 to 1928 inclusive.

Thirty-five of the feeding operations showed a profit and two showed a loss. The average profit was \$1.99 per lamb.

The gross margin received between the buying price and the price received at the market was \$4.71 per 100 pounds. The average margin necessary to break even was \$2.40, leaving an average profit of \$2.31 per 100 pounds.

Grain and alfalfa were the principal feeds fed, altho most of the records showed the feeding of some cottonseed feed products. Fodder and silage were fed in three cases each.

Feeding lambs was a means of utilizing waste pasture feed in the fall of the year. Where only a few lambs were fed, some of the cheapest gains were secured on this waste pasture feed before the lambs were placed in the feed lot. Where a great many lambs were fed, the problem of securing adequate pasture before putting them in the feed lot was often a serious one.

The practice of feeding at Emporia, Kansas, for about three weeks and shearing the lambs before they were sold was followed with success by several of the feeders.

Some of the small feeders sold locally, but large lots were sold in middle western markets, mostly in Kansas City and St. Joseph. The March, April and May markets have usually been the best markets on which to sell, but this was not true every year.

The number of sheep and lambs in the United States has been increasing but the demand has been sufficient to maintain a relatively high price for lambs. If the number should continue to increase, some lower prices may be expected and the feeder should be prepared to meet this situation.

One Sunday morn, the pastor noticed a new member at church. He went over to talk with the newcomer.

"Well, well I'm mighty glad to see you, Rufus, guess you haven't been to church in a good while."

"I had to come. I need strength," answered Rufus. "You see, it's this way. I've got a job whitewashing a chicken coop and weedin' a watermelon patch."

Red, White, Blue and Yellow carbon paper for tracing on cloth.—The Advocate.

Advocate want ads get results.

## FULLER PEP



## A Resolution

We are resolved that during the coming year we will serve our patrons more efficiently, more completely and with greater joy of service than ever before.

We are resolved to increase the satisfaction of our patrons to the best of our ability.

## ARTESIA BATTERY CO.

W. A. Bryan, Prop.

## Legal Blanks—Advocate



Our Best Wishes  
to You 1928 - '29

We hope this will be a Happy, Prosperous New Year for you and all your folks.

You just don't know how we appreciate your business and your loyalty. But during 1929 we'll do our best to show you.

COME TO SEE US!

## Artesia Auto Co.

## A Mighty Good Resolution For the New Year

Resolved: "That my home shall come first!"

Home we all know is the place for the family and the family is the cornerstone of our civilization.

We appreciate the patronage accorded us during 1928 and trust that we may have a continuation of your business.

## McClay Furniture Store

# The End of the Year

The year that is passing has been good to us—and your loyalty, your confidence, your friendship were the greatest factors in this success.

It is but natural that we should feel grateful to our friends and patrons. We acknowledge our appreciation with the sincere hope that you will enjoy a Happy New Year.

In conclusion we would say to you, start the New Year right. We have everything to make the car run and real service along with it.

## Pior Service Station

PHONE 41

## A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL

And my sincere thanks to my friends and customers whom I have had the pleasure of serving. I extend greetings and trust that the coming year will bring to you and yours an abundance of success.

Hoping to continue my service and your patronage with the best goods I can purchase.

My Customers Must Be Satisfied!

## WALTER GRAHAM

328 Main Street

## Hail 1929

In the feeling of deepest sincerity and the fullest appreciation of you as friends and neighbors we offer our New Year's Greetings to you of happiness without a blemish, of cloudless peace, of the spirit of faith, hope and love that passes all understanding.

May each New Year's day find you happier than the one before and may each day of the New Year be filled with the spirit of contentment.

## Mount's

## 1928 Says to 1929

I am father time. Since time immortal I have welcomed the ambitious youngsters that come to travel this earthly trail for 365 days and as the New Year bells of their departure, they stop to whisper, farewell and to leave a few words of wisdom.

This is their heritage. Save, save frequently. Save regularly. For the coming days see the need of ready money for leisure of life—for independence—for education—for travel—for business.

This bank announces its willingness to help you save by offering you complete banking facilities.

## Citizens State Bank

"The Bank of Personal Service"

E. A. CAHOON, President

C. E. MANN, Cashier

## HIGH SPOTS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO CHEVROLET "6" PRE-VIEW



Immense crowds viewed the new Chevrolet Six models at the Northern California pre-view which was held in San Francisco from December 8th to 13th. While only eleven showings were originally scheduled in important cities throughout the United States, the response and interest has been so great that additional showings will be held between now and the first of January. At the upper left is the new Chevrolet Six coupe, center, a head-on view of the new radiator with little Miss Marian Claire Hooper showing her approval of the new models, right, The Chevrolet Six convertible cabriolet and lower left, a view of the complete showing which was held in Larkin Hall of the Civic Auditorium.



# Society

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## LOCALS

Frank Walker and wife spent Monday evening with Lee Walker and family at Roswell.

Jeff Hightower was at home for Christmas with his family and left yesterday for a business trip to Arizona.

F. E. Hubert and son, of Carlsbad deputy automobile license collector for Eddy county was a business visitor in Artesia Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Ward were guests at a family dinner on Christmas day at the home of Mrs. Ward's brother-in-law, Oldham Moore, at Dexter.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Martin and children spent Christmas with Mrs. Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Runyan on their ranch at Trail's End.

Miss Joyce Nicholson came home from Los Angeles, California last week to spend the holiday vacation. Miss Nicholson is attending Woodbury's Business college in the coast city.

Miss Margaret Phillips, who has been spending the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Phillips, leaves today for Ft. Collins, Colorado, where she has a good position as secretary for an oil co.

Wilmer Kemp, of Muskogee, Oklahoma, was in town yesterday shaking hands with old friends and was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. Atkeson. Mr. Kemp came from Roswell, where he and Kemp were making a holiday to the latter's mother, Mrs. McCl...

Miss Patty Witt arrived Monday from Miami, Arizona, where she employed as a teacher in the schools and was a guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Rude Wilcox until Christmas morning when they all drove to Lovington to eat Christmas dinner with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Witt, on the ranch. Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox returned the same evening, but Miss Witt will remain at Lovington during the vacation.

## T. & P. PETITION TO BUILD IN LEA COUNTY ON FILE

SANTA FE.—Hugh Williams, state corporation commissioner Saturday received a letter from the interstate commerce commission to recognize the petition of the Texas and New Mexico railroad to build in Lea county had been placed on file and would be considered with other evidence.

The state corporation commission wrote to the interstate commerce commission at the request of a committee of men from Lea county. Mr. Williams said the I. C. C. probably would hear the petitions for railroad construction in Lea county in January.

IT will pay you to get our prices before you order

# SALE BILLS

Calling cards, 100 for \$1.75, padded stock.—The Advocate.  
Loose-leaf binders, special ruling and stock forms.—Advocate.

### CHRISTMAS DINNER PARTY

There was a large dinner party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Hammond on Christmas day. The party included H. H. Watters and family, Hugh Walters and family, Pickett and wife, K. E. Hammond and wife, Clarence Cisco and Elbert and Noah Doyle, the Misses Ruth Jones, Rachel Fletcher Josephine Hammond and I. N. Hammond and wife, parents of Mr. and Mrs. Hammond and in whose home the dinner was given.

### CHRISTMAS DINNER

The McCaw family gathered for annual Christmas dinner at the home of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. McCaw and family at noon on Christmas day. A number of the family were unable to attend on account of illness, those present were Hagen and family, "Whitey" McCaw and family, "Whitey" McCaw and family, the Misses Marie, Mary, Linna and Fern McCaw and L. E. Neeley and Elzy Barker.

### CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Gail Hamilton entertained at an elegant three course Christmas dinner at noon Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Huelson of Seattle, Washington. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. T. Collier and sons, Fletcher and Mrs. Earle and Mr. and Mrs. Little son, Horace and the host and hostess.

### DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Corbis followed the custom of entertaining relatives and friends at dinner. In addition to turkey another favored bird, the goose, graced the table which a splendid dinner in four courses. The guests included Messrs. and Mrs. G. R. Brainard, E. N. Bigler, Hegeman, J. P. Lowry, Bigler, Mr. Carl Bildstone, Guy Westcott, Guy Reed Brainard and Peyton White and the family.

### CHRISTMAS SUPPER

Miss Jackie Hightower entertained at a Christmas supper on Christmas her guests included Messrs. and Mesdames Byrd and Priest and Mr. Stanley Blocker. Later Miss Helen Mann and Mr. Peterson joined the party for an evening of bridge.

### SECOND EVENING BRIDGE CLUB

The club celebrated the Christmas season with a party at the Ferree home last Friday evening. The Ferree home was gay with the brilliant red and green Christmas colors used in decorating the rooms and the tables. There was an extra table of guests, Mr. Eyck of Seattle, Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Noble Brainard, of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, and Mr. Beecher Rowan, to enjoy the splendid turkey dinner, which was served in three courses.

### FAMILY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Cole were hosts at a large family dinner Christmas day. Those who helped them eat turkey were Rev. Peterson and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Glover, Fred Cole and family and Louis Cole and family.

Wedding invitations and Announcements, engraved or printed—The Advocate.

## Social Calendar

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### TUESDAY

The Idlewhites Bridge club will meet with Mrs. J. M. Story at 2:00 o'clock.

### FRIDAY

Concert at Presbyterian church at 7:30 by the Pecos Valley Orchestra.

### THURSDAY (NEXT WEEK)

The Methodist Missionary Society will hold its regular business meeting at the church at 2:30 p. m. Installation of officers.

The Presbyterian Aid Society will hold its regular meeting in the church at 2:30 p. m.

### CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Christmas day was one of unusual festivity at the V. L. Gates home. On that day Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Withington, of La Pyor, Texas, assisted by their two daughters, Mrs. V. L. Gates and Mrs. Rex Wheatley, and their families, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary. At a delightful four course dinner plates were laid for sixteen, which number included only the immediate members of the family and Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Gates.

After the attractive poinsetta salad course the table decorations of crimson roses, red tapers, and tinsel were removed and the gold setting was laid for the centerpiece, which was a miniature bride and groom placed impressively between tall golden tapers. The remainder of the dinner and service carried out the color scheme and general idea of the Golden Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Withington were the recipients of many beautiful and appropriate gifts and cards of congratulations from old friends. Illness prevented the attendance of Mrs. Withington's two sisters from California and also that of the other daughter, Mrs. Shambaugh, of Des Moines, Iowa, and two grandchildren of Tama, Iowa.

### POINTS ROUT DANGERS OF WHOOPING COUGH

Whooping cough is often the forerunner of pneumonia and tuberculosis in older children and is extremely dangerous of itself to small children. More than 95 per cent of all deaths occurring from whooping cough occur in children under 5 years old. In spite of these grim statistics whooping cough is not regarded seriously by many parents, and they do not take proper precautions to prevent it from spreading among children.

Whooping cough is probably the most difficult of all diseases to control. It is most communicable during the early stages, yet that is the time when it is hardest to distinguish from an ordinary cold. Responsibility for preventing the spread of whooping cough rests primarily on the shoulders of parents, the health department of New Mexico insists. If parents will keep their children away from others when they have colds and if they will call a physician if the cold persists, more than a few days, contact between the sick and the well will be broken and the disease will not spread. Eddy County Health Department, Carlsbad, New Mexico.

## WE THANK

The following have subscribed to The Advocate for the past week:

Bob Gushua  
Mrs. A. H. Crandall  
N. H. Patterson  
Walter Heidebreder  
Charles H. Hale  
John A. Stuart  
Gus Hoagland  
F. W. Wilde  
B. M. Rasmussen

## NOTICE

Please do not send an envelope for subscription to be lost—send cash or check.

## BOLDING BODY THROUGH

The body of Doug Bolding, who died through Carlsbad last Monday afternoon on his way to a funeral, shipped from Carlsbad to Los Angeles, California, for a military funeral where he was engaged to be married. Details of the funeral arrangements received here though a military funeral was held here. Mr. Bolding was a resident of Carlsbad. He was engaged to be married with a plane which



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You have a year—a courage and confidence and to win

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## RETROSPECTIVE

Only four more days of the old year remains. It  
will soon be time to take an inventory, to take stock  
and to turn over a new leaf. New resolutions are in  
order along with other changes.

In viewing the personal accomplishments of the past  
year, some have cause to feel proud, others may feel  
that the year 1928 has been a failure, so far as it  
ouches their lives. 1928, however, is past history.  
Most of us enter the new year on an equal footing so  
far as opportunities are concerned; it is up to us to  
make the best of it. Individual success in 1929 depends  
energetic application.

The old slogan that "Our failures are the stepping  
stones upon which we arise," depends on whether or  
not we seek to avoid the pitfalls of the past. Experi-  
ence is a great teacher. Experiences of the past year  
as better equipped us to face a new year. If we could  
live the year 1928 over again in the light of our  
resent knowledge, what a wonderful change it would  
be, but after all most of us would not wish to do so.

It is a well known fact that most folks learn by  
making mistakes. The child learns to walk by the trial  
and error method. There are many bumps in store  
for the child that is just learning to toddle, but life is  
made up of hard knocks as well as pleasure and it is  
a combination of both that makes a rich human ex-  
perience that most of us delight to treasure. We ought  
to face the new year squarely, but not with regret. Re-  
grets are useless. They inject hopelessness into the soul  
and consume valuable energy.

Do not worry about the water that has passed under  
the bridge, there is more coming down the stream.  
Therefore let us not fret about the mistakes we have  
made in 1928, but be sure we do not repeat them in  
1929.

## LOW PRICE CRUDE

With Texas and Oklahoma each producing about  
seven hundred thousand barrels of oil and the Yates  
pool in west Texas producing only about 2 per cent  
or less of its capacity, which is something over four  
million barrels a day, it appears that there is little  
likelihood of the new year bringing us an increase in the  
price of crude oil.

There is little doubt that the old Artesia field  
would show considerable activity, if the present crude  
market justified extensive developments. Even as con-  
ditions are, many operators look to see some impor-  
tant extensions made to the old field during the com-  
ing year, but they will not come as fast as with a  
reasonable market.

The market, however, is expected to have little or  
no effect in wildcatting which will be carried forward  
on an extensive scale all over southeastern New Mexico.  
Lea county has undergone a surprising amount of de-  
velopment during the past year and the discoveries  
made and the information gained will be of far reach-  
ing importance to the oil industry in years to come.  
Even though development has been confined largely  
to wildcatting, the surface has barely been scratched.  
During 1929, we expect to see some real development.

## STABILIZING OIL

It is expected that far-reaching and important re-  
sults will come from the efforts being made by the  
oil industry to formulate a code of fair practices for  
the marketing of petroleum and its products. The  
movement is being made to determine exactly what  
constitutes fair and upfair business conduct.

Ultimately, if the proposed code is as successful as  
it is hoped, it will have a stabilizing effect on the in-  
dustry, with consequent savings to both the producers  
and the consuming public.

It is obvious that "oil wars" and radical price cut-  
tings and like practices are economically unsound and  
can only have a deleterious effect on the producers, and  
eventually on the public to whom petroleum products  
have become a basic necessity.

The modern trend is toward scientific cooperation  
that will equalize supply and demand, effect fair price  
stability and prevent unnecessary duplication of pro-  
ducing, refining and marketing facilities, and serve  
the public with a consistently high grade product at a  
reasonable cost, while allowing the industry to progress  
and develop along sound economic lines.

Any industry should be commended for conscien-  
tious effort to so adjust itself as to give the best pos-  
sible public service with a minimum of waste.

Notice where President Coolidge has signed a bill  
to raise the duty on onions—there's always something  
to take the joy out of life.

## GREAT MEN, AVERAGE MEN

Few realize what a part chance plays in  
lives of great men, or what a small difference there  
after all, between great men and average men.

A cross tie that happened to fall in the river  
Niagara Falls would take a wonderful ride, making  
of an awful noise, and eventually travel a famous  
to the sea. A cross tie that happened to fall in the  
Animas river above Durango would likely lodge in a  
mud bank, and rot away in unromantic silence.  
Neither fault nor credit to the cross tie in either  
case, and one tie might have been just as good as  
a tie as the other.

One piece of bar silver may have become a  
coin, to be worn away in countless commotions,  
while a companion piece became a buckle on a  
belt. Each would have assayed exactly the same.

We call to mind a pair of brothers. One is  
more than a bum. The other is wealthy, respected,  
honored. His opinion is sought, upon affairs of im-  
portance, by men who wouldn't care to be seen con-  
versing with the other. They have the same blood.  
They are, under the skin, as nearly alike as two peas  
in a pod. One has about as much sense as the other,  
and there is just about as much real man to one as to  
the other. Each is the product of circumstances, and  
the circumstances, since early manhood, have material-  
ly differed. One fell into the river above Niagara. The  
other lodged in an Animas valley mud bank.

Abraham Lincoln once said: "I can find plenty  
of material for a first class cabinet in any regiment  
in the Federal army."

A generation later, Governor Cleveland said: "I  
can pick a good attorney general from among the  
lawyers at most any county seat in the United States."

Lincoln and Cleveland were right. Our country is  
literally full of first class men, of big men. The man  
who gets the right answers to the little questions of  
his personal and community life, would also get the  
right answers to the big questions in state affairs. It  
is just as easy to figure the interest on \$100,000,000 as  
it is to figure the interest on \$100,000. Clear thinking  
is just as easy in the problems coming before the at-  
torney general of the United States, as in the problems  
coming before an ordinary district attorney. A dis-  
trict judge gets the right answer by exactly the same  
process of reasoning as would a supreme court judge.

In fact most men, in their everyday life, are called upon  
to answer moral questions, social questions, econom-  
ic questions that involve the same process of reasoning  
as though their answers effected the welfare of many,  
rather than their personal or family welfare. The man  
who knows his multiplication table up to the tens,  
ought to be able to multiply any one number by any  
other number, and get the right answer.—Exchange.

## PRACTICAL INDIVIDUALISM VS. SOCIALISM

President-elect Hoover's statement, that in regard to  
business, government should be the umpire and not a  
player in the game embraces in an epigram our whole  
American theory of social and economic existence.

Elsewhere in the world we have seen the failure  
of industrial nationalization. Many foreign govern-  
ments have not only been players in the game but in  
some instances, of which Russia under Soviet regime is  
the outstanding example, they have become the entire  
game, to the disadvantage and loss of all others.

The United States has forged ahead under a govern-  
ment policy based on encouraging practical individ-  
ualism. That century old statement, that the govern-  
ment is for the people, not the people for the govern-  
ment, is as true today as in the time of Jefferson.  
Our attitude toward the European and Russian experi-  
ments has been that of a by-stander with an innate  
dislike and distrust of political paternalism.

That the soundness and wisdom of American individ-  
ualism has been proven cannot be doubted. It can be  
measured in dollars and cents, and in the less tangible,  
but more important values of human rights and hap-  
piness. There has never been a period in our history  
when the relations between labor and capital were more  
amicable; we have never been more free from strikes  
and disturbances and never have the people of any  
country at any time in the world's history enjoyed the  
advantages which are commonplace to every American  
citizen. We have learned that personal prosperity and  
general prosperity are indivisible, that it takes capital  
to make industries and pay rolls and comforts.

The average American has leisure unknown to the  
average European, which he can use to whatever pur-  
pose, cultural or otherwise, he wishes. He has motor  
cars and sufficient money to keep them going; entertain-  
ment and money with which to buy it. He has all  
the natural advantages, and an illimitable number of  
other advantages that have accrued from science and  
industry and our living standards.

Those who, in the past, have looked to Europe as  
the barometer that forecasts the future of America have  
been mistaken. We have become a world in ourselves,  
a universe of individuals, free from blight of depotism.  
The American social-economic theory, with its stalwart  
support of innate soundness of individual initiative  
and effort, as contrasted with paternalism, has been a  
magnificent success.

## DON'T GROW OLD

If I could plant in every man's garden a flower,  
more fragrant than the rose, more beautiful than the  
lily, and call it LOVE and let its sweet fragrance, and  
its charming beauty radiate through all life the ever-  
green fruits of youth. Just so long as it lives you  
are young and life is rare and happy, but when it dies  
and its memory is gone, you are old with the years,  
whether you are twenty or one hundred.

If you can keep alive in your heart the spirit of  
cheerfulness, the love of the wonderful, the sweet  
amazement of happy thoughts; the challenge of ser-  
vice, the lure of tomorrow, and the joy of today you  
will never grow old. Life will be young and fresh,  
sweet and winsome and sunshine will play around your  
feet, and rainbows will circle your horizon.

Whatever you do, do not lose the love of the beauti-  
ful, the good cheer that hope brings; the courage that  
gives power to life, and the eagerness to share your  
joy with others. When you lose this—you are old,  
but not until.—McCaslin.

Before you make any New Year's resolutions this  
year, it would be well for you to try to remember how  
many you have kept in the past.

One never knows how to appreciate a good taste  
until you've had the flu and recovered.

After next Monday you must write it "1929."  
Don't forget this.

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cooked—fried,  
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may be scraped,  
casserole with  
seasonings, or used  
in slices, in salad or  
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Farmers' bulletin 1523-F, "Leather  
Shoes," will give some good sugges-  
tions on caring for shoes, especially  
in rainy and snowy weather. Sev-  
eral formulas are included for water-  
proofing shoes.


Have spare ribs and saurkraut for  
a change. Select 2 well-padded ribs.  
Wash and cut them into pieces suit-  
able for serving. Cook for about an  
hour with 1 quart of saurkraut in  
sufficient water to cover. When  
tender drain off the liquid and serve.

Here's a recipe for an easily made  
potatoe soup, from the bureau of  
home economics, U. S. Department  
of Agriculture: Cook 2 cups of raw  
diced potatoe in one quart of boiling  
water until soft. Drain off the water  
and save it. Rice the potato. Heat  
2 cups of milk in a double boiler  
with 1/2 onion, sliced. Meantime cook  
2 tablespoons finely chopped parsley  
in 4 tablespoons of butter, add 2  
tablespoons of flour, and stir until  
well blended. Pour in 2 cups of the  
water that was drained from the  
potatoes, add the riced potatoes,  
stir until smooth and cook for 2 or  
3 minutes. Mix with the hot milk.  
Season. Remove the onion before  
serving.

There is a story reputed to have  
started in New York about two  
rather prim maiden ladies who at-  
tended the play, "What Price Glory,"  
at it's first showing. During the  
earlier acts they were shocked by  
the profanity used by the players.  
As the play progressed the kindly  
ladies became somewhat hardened to  
the language with the result that  
when the final curtain dropped one  
said to the other:  
"Let's get to h— out of here,  
Mary!"  
"All right, Ellen," came the reply.  
"But wait till I find that d—  
umbrella."

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