

Early Morning Fire is Fatal to 2 Young Men

Oliver Bowman, Andrew Peden Burned to Death in Fire Which Destroys 4 Cabins in the Midvale Tourist Camp.

Tragedy stalked in a fire which took the lives of two young men, Oliver Bowman and Andrew Peden, both about twenty years of age, and four cabins at the Midvale tourist camp, in the northeast part of Artesia, about 3:00 o'clock Sunday morning. The blaze is believed to have been started from a lighted cigarette or a match thrown on the bed clothing in the cabin. Both men were evidently suffocated by the smoke before being burned beyond recognition. On victim was said to have been found against the north wall of the cabin and another against the south wall of the cabin. Both are said to have been under the influence of liquor and were probably in a deep sleep when the fire started; too deep to be aroused by the smoke.

Occupants of the adjoining cabins were compelled to flee in their night clothes, it was said. Fire spreading quickly soon had consumed four cabins, or all on the north side of the camp. The alarm was turned in by Ward Cave, proprietor of the camp, but owing to the flimsy construction of the cabins, had burned the building before the fire department arrived.

A coroner's jury impaneled by Justice W. H. Ballard Sunday morning rendered a verdict that the victims met their deaths by reason of a fire in a burning building. The jury was composed of Tex Polk, Dr. W. C. Doss, Leon Barker, B. D. Wilson, Glen Sharp and A. P. Mahone. Witnesses called to testify at the inquest were: John Stanhope, Herman O'Brien, Beatrice Stanhope, Reba Garrison, A. C. Murburger and Dr. E. A. Metzger. All except the last two were said to have been with the two men shortly after midnight. The two men, however, were alone in the cabin at the time the fire occurred, it was said.

A. C. Murburger, who occupied the adjoining cabin, testified he heard one of the occupants moving in the burning building, but when he attempted to open the door, flames prevented any possibility of rescue.

Funeral services for the two victims were held at the graveside in the Woodbine cemetery Monday afternoon with the Rev. John S. Rice, Methodist pastor, officiating. Burial was made in the Woodbine cemetery.

75,000 BACK TO WORK FOR GENERAL MOTORS

DETROIT — Factory whistles called approximately 75,000 employees back to work Monday in General Motors plants reopening throughout the nation following settlement of the six-week strike.

Within a few days the corporation expects to have all of the 135,000 who were idle at the peak of the strike again at their work at benches and offices desks. The back-to-work movement started Saturday with the return of 3,000 men at Flint, Michigan.

Artesia Properties Co. Hold Annual Meeting Here Tuesday Morning

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Artesia Properties Co., owner of the Artesia hotel, occurred here Tuesday. In the principal item of business, all former officers and directors were re-elected. Officers include: J. W. Berry, Artesia, president; F. A. Berry, Santa Fe, vice president; Rex Wheatley, treasurer, and Boone Barnett, secretary. Board members in addition to the officers include: W. E. Robertson of El Paso, Texas, and V. S. Welch of Artesia.

Among the visiting stockholders present were: E. N. McGregor of Wichita, Kansas, president of the Big Jo Lumber Co., and E. H. Brettman, also of Wichita, secretary-treasurer of the Big Jo Lumber Co. Mmes. McGregor and Brettman accompanied their husbands here and spent Tuesday sightseeing over this section.

The company ended the year in a much better financial condition than the preceding year and prospects are good that the company will enjoy an even better period during the coming twelve months.

Farmers Protest Two House Bills

Committee Now in Santa Fe to Protest Passage House Bills 29 and 40.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Eddy county farmer's protective association here Friday, the committee entered a strong protest against house bills Nos. 29 and 40, which affect farm labor and places the farmer under compensation act.

Practically every farming community in the county was represented at the meeting, including Artesia, Cottonwood, Lakewood, Dayton, Atoka, Malaga, Otis and Loving. The committee voted to send a delegation to Santa Fe early this week to protest the passage of these bills and appointed H. G. Watson as head of the delegation from here. Chas. Pardue of Loving and O. A. Pearson compose the second and third members of the committee and the committee of three was authorized to appoint two other members.

The Farm Bureau was also contacted at Las Cruces and agreed to send five representatives to Santa Fe. It was also understood that Chaves county will send a delegation of five to the state capitol.

William Dooley, secretary of the Eddy County Farmer's Protective Association, yesterday issued the following statement with reference to the fight on two house bills: "Two house bills, now pending at Santa Fe, will adversely affect the farming industry, if passed in their present form.

"House Bill No. 29 would establish a minimum rate of wages for adult women and all minors in the state, excepting those employed in the home, which minimum rate, applied to 'season industries,' such as cotton picking, etc., would be from 22 cents to 25 cents per hour.

"We believe that a minimum rate of wages that does not take into consideration the market price of the crop produced is fundamentally unsound and would in the end operate against the best interests of both the employer and employee.

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AAA Will Share Cost of Program

"The AAA is going to pay a part of the local county administrative costs of the 1937 agricultural conservation program in counties where there are small participating farms so that the deductions from the farmers' payments will not be too great in counties where there are a large number of small farms," G. R. Quesenberry, in charge of the program in New Mexico, says.

"For each farm on which the 1937 payment will total \$20 or less, the AAA will credit the county association with \$2 to be used in paying the local AAA expenses for the county. This plan is being used because it costs about as much for filling out forms and measuring a small farm as it does for a large farm. Many more small farms are expected to participate in the 1937 program than last year. Without some such provision, the AAA believed that the administrative expenses in counties with many small farms would be so high that large deductions would have to be made from the payments of all the farmers in the county.

"With this plan, the more small farms there are in the program, the larger will be the amount which the AAA will contribute toward the county expenses. Deductions from the payments for the local administrative costs of the program will, therefore, be about the same in most counties this year as last, even though there are a larger number of small farmers taking part," Mr. Quesenberry says.

FEW EL PASOANS HERE

The stop of the El Paso good-willers, consisting of about thirty business men, scheduled for Artesia at 4:15 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, went hay-wire in some way and only a few of the business men showed up here. The boosters are believed to have become scattered after reaching Roswell and did not arrive here in a body. After a visit to Carlsbad the El Paso business men planned a trip over to Hobbs and on to Wink, Kermit and other west Texas towns.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Watson and family spent the week-end in Pecos, Texas.

Social Security Board Authorizes Grant \$33,705.77

SAN ANTONIO — The Social Security Board today authorized a grant of \$33,705.77 to the state of New Mexico for administration of the New Mexico public assistance plans for the needy aged and dependent children for the month of January, 1937, it was announced by Oscar M. Powell, regional director of the board.

The board allotted \$26,616.98 of this amount, including five per cent for administrative expenses, for the state's old-age assistance program, while the remainder, \$7,088.79, will be used to assist dependent children.

The New Mexico estimate for aid to the needy blind for the months of January, February and March also was approved but no grant was authorized for payment, since the balance of federal funds on hand from a previous allocation will provide adequate funds for the current quarter, Powell said.

The last previous grants to New Mexico for aid to the needy aged and dependent children amounted to \$45,469.75 and covered the period from October 1 to December 31, 1936.

Farmers Elect Committeemen Here Tuesday

Community Committeemen from North and South Part of County Chosen; Elect County Committeemen Soon.

Committeemen from both north and south Eddy county have been elected to serve on the county's conservation program for 1937. At a meeting attended by about 100 farmers from this district held at the American Legion hut Tuesday afternoon the following community committeemen were elected: From Hope, O. M. Scoggin; Cottonwood, Tom Terry; Atoka, Chas. Martin; Artesia, J. W. Bradshaw. Committeemen from south Eddy county elected last Thursday are: J. L. Williams, Malaga; G. R. Howard, Loving; Enea Grandi, Otis, and Fred O'Chesky, Carlsbad.

Jerd Wooten, Eddy county rancher west of Carlsbad, was named a member of the committee to represent the livestock interests. Two community committeemen from each district of the county, together with Fred Barham, county agent, plan to attend the district meeting to be held at Roswell February 24th and 25th, at which time the new 1937 conservation program will be explained more in detail. In the meantime community committeemen are expected to hold a meeting to elect the county committeemen. A chairman elected from the north and south part of the county with the committeemen representing the livestock interests will constitute the county committee.

L. R. Kurtz, formerly of Roswell, has been named the new APA secretary or is sometimes referred to as the assistant county agent. Mr. Kurtz assumed his duties Monday at Carlsbad.

ENGLAND HAS HUGE ARMS PROGRAM

LONDON — Labor and liberal party critics opened a parliamentary battle yesterday against Great Britain's huge \$7,500,000,000 rearmament program.

The government's attempt to float a \$2,000,000,000 arms loan and raise the other \$5,500,000,000 by taxation in the next five years launched a debate by opposition leaders that was expected to grip parliament for two days.

Leaders of the fight charged the program was inflationary and would skyrocket the cost of living.

Financial observers estimated the increased burden on the British taxpayer would average a set-up in the income tax rate to \$1.37 in every \$5.00 of income. The average rate now is \$1.18 to \$5.00.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Marriage licenses issued during the week-end at the office of Rude Wilcox, county clerk, in Carlsbad, were to Forrest Kirkes of Loving and Jewel Estes of Malaga; J. R. Morris and Marie Reed, both of Lubbock, Texas; S. O. Higgins and Florence K. Moor, both of Artesia; Eugene Le Roy Eminger and Lois Witherspoon, both of El Paso, and A. F. Owens and Hedwig Stark, both of Carlsbad.

New Mexico May Lose Federal Health Grant If Proposed Bill OK'd

The state would lose over \$50,000 and the district health office \$2,520 in federal funds, if a bill introduced in the state legislature becomes a law. It was learned from an authentic source that the bill was proposed as a spite work on the part of a legislator against a district health officer. If the bill were to become a law, New Mexico would lose its federal funds amounting to over \$50,000 and the state would have to go back to its former health setup, if any were maintained.

While informed sources say there is small chance for the passage of such a measure, if you believe the present health program is worthy, contact your representative and see that he is informed of your views. Should New Mexico change the present health law, some other state would get the benefit of the federal health fund.

Possibilities Said to be Good for Erection Tomato Cannery Here

The erection of a tomato cannery here is one of the possibilities of the immediate future, it was learned this week. The prospect is enhanced with the extensive development of the shallow water area and promises another avenue of diversification for truck growers and farmers. Despite the fact that the tomato acreage was considerably enlarged last year over the previous year, the local demand kept ahead of the supply and those who planted a bigger acreage made a fair return on their investment.

Those who have studied the prospective outlook for the establishment of a plant here say this section could develop a tomato equal in both quality and quantity to the famous Lakewood tomatoes, which established quite a reputation here several years ago. A cannery was operated at Lakewood for several years, but suspended operation when the labor supply grew short. Local labor here is sufficient to supply the demand even in the busiest season, it was pointed out.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

The following real estate transfers are reported through Gilbert and Collins: T. H. Knight of Comanche, Texas, has sold a house and two lots on Quay street to C. R. and Nina Vandagriff. It is understood the building will be remodeled into a home for Mr. and Mrs. Vandagriff and Mr. and Mrs. Vandagriff will make their present home into a duplex apartment. Mrs. Nellie Smith has purchased a lot at the corner of 5th and Quay streets from H. A. Porter and plans the erection of an apartment.

Water Belt Near Hagerman Again Open to Drilling

State Engineer Thomas M. McClure on August 3, 1936, closed the area included in townships 13 and 14 south, ranges 25 and 26 east, N. M. P. M., west of Hagerman, to further development of shallow water.

The above order is hereby rescinded and the following order becomes effective this date:

Applications will be received by the state engineer for the appropriation of shallow underground water which lies above the caprock of the artesian water aquifer within the artesian basin as bounded by the Pecos valley Artesian Conservancy District; provided, such applications submitted are not within a congested pumping area, or in an area which is considered congested, due to permits now issued but not drilled.

Social Security Records \$1.25 up

If you employ one or more persons the law requires you to keep adequate records. Your January return must be in not later than February 28th.

The Advocate

Grayburg Oil Co. Annual Meeting Tuesday Morning

The annual meeting of the Grayburg Oil Company was held in the office of the Western Drilling Co., Tuesday morning. M. D. King of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, life-long friend of the late Hugh Burch, was elected president, succeeding Mr. Burch. G. U. McCrary of Artesia was re-elected vice president, and C. J. Dexter, also of Artesia, re-elected secretary-treasurer. Directors elected in addition to the above named officers included: J. W. Berry and T. H. Flint of Artesia, W. G. Gillespie of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, and Howe Walker of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Other out-of-state stockholders attending the meeting were: S. Cottingham of Columbus, Ohio; J. D. Long of Los Angeles, California; R. L. Long of Shreveport, Louisiana, and S. A. Billingsley of Fort Worth, Texas. While here Mr. Gillespie of Hattiesburg, gave an interesting account of his early-day experience as a buffalo hunter and as an Indian fighter in this section.

Pneumonia Fatal to T. J. Stagner; Funeral Today

Dies at Home of Daughter in Carlsbad Yesterday Morning; Funeral Rites to be Held Here This Afternoon.

Old timers of this section learned with sorrow yesterday of the passing of T. J. (Uncle Tom) Stagner, aged 76, which occurred at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Will Ed Carter, in Carlsbad at 8:00 o'clock yesterday morning. Mr. Stagner had been ill for two weeks with pneumonia and for the past four or five days had been gravely ill.

Mr. Stagner and family came here in 1909, twenty-eight years ago. Mr. Stagner resided here continuously since that time up until shortly over a year ago when his wife, Mrs. Stagner, passed on. After the passing of Mrs. Stagner he spent most of the time here with the exception of an extended visit to his old home in Dearborn, Missouri, several months ago.

Mr. Stagner engaged in farming during his residence here. For four years after his arrival he served as justice of the peace. His interest in politics never waned. He was a staunch democrat and was a regular attendant at all political gatherings and rallies.

Surviving the deceased are a sister, Mrs. E. L. Wells of Dearborn, Missouri; two sons, A. M. Stagner of Santa Monica, California, and James W. Stagner of Carlsbad; three daughters, Mrs. Rex Ragsdale of Oakland, California, Mrs. R. B. Dixon of Phoenix, Arizona, and Mrs. Will Ed Carter of Carlsbad. All of the children are here for the funeral services, which will be held this afternoon at 2:30 at the First Methodist church, with the Rev. A. C. Douglas of Pecos, Texas, and former Methodist pastor, officiating. Burial will be made in the Woodbine cemetery.

DESTROYING PROPERTY AT CLARK LAKE

The efforts to establish a recreational center at Clark lake may come to naught unless destruction of property ceases there. Several months ago a number of improvements were completed at the lake as a WPA project and included the building of several piers, a bath house, graveled road running around the lake, two outdoor cooking ovens and the planting of two hundred Chinese elms around the lake. Rabbits have eaten the bark from around practically all the trees, some planks have been torn from the piers and someone has torn down one of the ovens.

The improvements were made for the benefit of the public. The person or persons who attempt to destroy these improvements should be reported directly to the state game department or to M. Stevenson, deputy game warden at Roswell.

BLACKTOPPING PROJECT TO START HERE SOON

The starting of the blacktopping project, delayed several times, is expected to begin within about the next ten days. The project will involve eighty blocks. Funds are available for the project, it was said.

Hill Inquest is Held Saturday

Deceased Died of Gunshot Wounds Inflicted by Persons Unknown.

A delayed coroner's inquest held at Roswell Saturday handed down a verdict that Dave F. Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hill of the Cottonwood, died of gunshot wounds inflicted by a party or parties unknown. Hill was found dead by his brother, A. D. Hill, Jr., and his widow, Mrs. Dave Hill, on February 9th, on the Tatum highway about fifty miles east of Roswell. He was found dead in a trailer house after the two had broken the door of the house in and after they had heard a shot. According to testimony entered at the inquest, three .22 rifle shots were fired into the body of Hill near the heart. One ball grazed the heart and one severed an artery above the organ.

Testimony of Lacy Shortridge, Chaves county deputy sheriff, showed that it was improbable that a man would shoot himself, turn and shoot himself the second and third time by pumping the rifle. Testimony by the officer indicated Hill would have had to hold the gun over the side of the bed in a strained position in order to shoot himself.

Testimony of others said Hill was still alive, although very weak when he was loaded into the car to make the trip to Roswell.

NEW FIRE STATION FINISHED

The new fire station, adjoining the city jail building on the south has recently been completed as a WPA project. The building, made of concrete, affords ample room for the two fire trucks of the fire department. In the rear of the building a sleeping room and bath room is provided for the attendant, who will be on duty.

Louis Cole was called to Lovington Friday to substitute for his brother, Clint Cole, manager of the Lovington Gas and Sewer Co.

Ask Solons Save Farm Ownership

WASHINGTON, D. C.—President Roosevelt asked congress Tuesday to save the "American dream" of individual farm ownership.

Reporting that it is increasingly difficult for energetic young men to ascend the traditional ladder from hired man to tenant to independent owner, he proposed to bring federal millions to their assistance.

"A nation-wide program under federal leadership and with the assistance of states, counties, communities and individuals is the only solution."

1. Government purchase of good farm land for sale on liberal credit terms to selected tenants. Purchases would have to pass through a trial leasing period not to exceed five years, would have forty years to complete payment, and could acquire title in twenty years if their finances permitted.

2. Federal and state purchase and retirement of about 100,000,000 acres of poor crop land, and assistance to families moving from it to better farms. This would be carried forward at the rate of 2,000,000 to 5,000,000 acres a year.

3. "Modest loans" to prevent small farm owners from slipping into tenancy and to help tenants, croppers and farm laborers to increase their standards of living. The committee said about 1,300,000 tenant and cropper families and members of other groups of "disadvantaged farm workers" needed such federal assistance.

4. A federal "windfall" tax to take a large percentage of profits from sales of land made within three years after its purchase. This was proposed as a means to discourage land booms and to encourage families to stay on and develop one farm.

5. State legislation to improve the general leasing system and provide compensation to tenants for property improvements they make.

6. Construction and operation of "decent places to live" for itinerant farm laborers.

7. Creation of a farm security administration, under the secretary of agriculture, to direct the federal program. A farm security corporation would handle legal transactions concerning purchase and sale of land, stock and equipment, and making loans.

Getty Pay is Found in Eddy County Wildcat

N. Willis Well Hits Pay at 1402 feet; Oil Men Also Watching Eastern Lea County Well as Operators Prepare to Test.

Major oil interest in eastern and southeastern New Mexico continues to be centered in the wildcat districts, where during the past week a new well was developed in Eddy county, two wells were abandoned in Lea county near the Texas-New Mexico line was definitely established as a commercial producer.

In southeastern Eddy county, Neal Wells, Colglazier No. 1, NE sec. 20-20-30, is cementing six-inch casing at 1440 feet after topping the Getty pool pay at 1402 feet. The well is standing with a hole full of oil. It is probable, according to present plans, that the test will be drilled a few feet deeper and placed on production.

The most interesting test in Lea county at the present time is the Parcell No. 1 of Brown and Reynolds, sec. 8-21-38. The hole is bottomed at 4373 feet and the well is making one head per day of heavy gravity oil (about 25 gravity). Workmen are preparing to run 5 1/2-inch casing to give test of production. No estimates are available on the probable amount of production.

In eastern Eddy county, Murchison, et al., State 1-A, SW sec. 16-17-31, on state land, is preparing to plug back to shut off water. Total depth is 3644 feet and probable production is thirty barrels daily. It is understood plans are being made to acidize the test when workmen plug back to production with prospects for materially increasing output with acid.

Near Lovington, county seat of Lea county, the Magnolia Petroleum Co., State 1-G, NE sec. 24-17-34, continues to hold out hope for commercial production as drilling continues below 4800 feet with oil coming from three showings. The Magnolia is said to be capable of swabbing thirty barrels daily.

Ten producers were completed in the Lea county oil districts the past week, three of which were classed as small to average inside wells. By district the principal producers were: Monument: Amerada Oil Co., State 1-W, NE sec. 30-20-37, drilled to 3835 feet and made an initial production of 500 barrels in six hours with 750,000 feet of gas. Gulf Petroleum Corp., Anderson No. 2, NW sec. 17-20-37, made a flow of 285 barrels of oil with 1,500,000 feet of gas when drilled to 3865 feet. Gulf, White-mier No. 2, NE sec. 8-20-37, made an initial flow of 182 barrels in three hours with 1,500,000 feet of gas. Ohio Oil Co., Barber No. 8, NW sec. 5-20-37, flowed thirty. (Continued on last page, column 2)

STEWIG CAR STOLEN

The 1933 Ford V-8 of Bill Stewig, stolen yesterday morning after 10:00 o'clock, was recovered yesterday afternoon at Maljamar after the driver had abandoned the car and after a head gasket had been blown. No arrests have been made. It was reported this morning. J. C. Floore, city marshal, went after the car yesterday afternoon.

Quarter Inch Rain Falls Here Up to Yesterday Morning

Coming on the heels of a dust storm, a quarter inch of rain had fallen here up to yesterday morning. A light sprinkle fell here at intervals Monday after the Pecos valley caught the tail end of a Panhandle duster. The intermittent rain Monday night brought the moisture up to .17 of an inch and Tuesday night an additional .08 of an inch fell, bring the total moisture up to an even quarter of an inch.

While the rains will not be of sufficient benefit to be of material aid to the ranchers, it will lighten the irrigation load for the farmers, who are now busy preparing lands for another crop.

The dust Monday is believed to have inflicted severe damage to the wheat crop in the panhandle of Texas. However, rains over that area Tuesday night will help save the remaining crop. While it was raining here, snow and rain fell in the northern part of the state, the greatest precipitation was at Silver City, where more than an inch was recorded.

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THE PROCESS OF ELIMINATION

Today we hear much about cooperative buying and the elimination of the middle man. It is human nature to wish to buy as cheaply as possible and sell our products as dearly as possible. At the same time the fair minded citizen will admit that a higher standard of living for the American people is desirable. Then how shall we attain this end? Shall we encourage mass buying at wholesale prices, using cheap labor to accomplish this objective?

A common sense view on the matter of eliminating the middle men is contained in the last issue of the National Publisher and the chief thought presented therein is at least worthy of reprinting a portion of the article, which follows:

"Few realize that if this principle were literally and universally followed, our present civilization would disappear. For we are all middlemen. Each one of us wherever placed stands between two other economic functionaries. Not one of us fully completes any economic operation. And strange as it may seem, it would be uneconomic for us to do so. Possibly I can make my point clearer by example. Your grandfather or great grandfather bought his shoes from the man who made them. It would seem that in this transaction no middleman was involved. But actually, the cobbler who made the shoes was himself a middleman for he did not tan the hide or slaughter the animal from which it was taken, nor did he make the thread, the lining, the pegs, the buttons, or the polish with which the shoes were finished. The cobbler was actually a middleman who came between your grandfather and the producers of the various materials which entered into the make-up of a pair of shoes, and by his specialized function made those materials more readily available to your great grandfather's use as footwear.

"Since your great grandfather's day in the production and distribution of shoes, more than half a hundred middlemen have been introduced to replace that one former cobbler middleman. Within the walls of any factory where shoes are made, more than a score of specialized functions in the production of each pair of shoes, all of which were formerly performed by one cobbler, while another score of middlemen outside the walls of the factory perform other distinct functions in the complex business of making the elements which go into a pair of shoes available for individual use. But although under modern industrialization more than fifty times as many hands play a part in the production and distribution of your shoes as played a part in the production and distribution of your great grandfather's shoes, you today can secure a better pair of shoes with a smaller expenditure of effort than you great grandfather could.

"The economic order by which we now live is based on specialization of function and subdivision of work. Wholesalers and retailers are preeminently middlemen performing a very definitely and highly specialized operation in the business of rendering goods and services more readily available for individual use."

TWENTY BUREAUS FOR ONE JOB

In a plea for reorganization and consolidation of federal bureaus, Senator Byrd of Virginia, recently pointed out some astonishing instances of duplication and overlapping.

For example, at least twenty-four agencies have been created to deal with lending government funds, and five similar agencies are now in liquidation.

At least three agencies have been concerned with insuring deposits and loans.

At least ten agencies have been concerned with government construction.

At least nine agencies have been concerned with credit and finance.

At least twelve agencies have been concerned with home and community planning.

At least sixteen agencies have been concerned with wild life conservation.

So it goes, down a long list. Every one of the purposes for which these agencies have been created may be beneficial and legitimate—but certainly there can be no excuse for setting up twenty bureaus to do one bureau's job. Nor can there be any excuse for permitting bureaus to grow unchecked and to eat up tax funds in unimaginable quantities. Senator Byrd also points out that one bureau has thirteen addresses in Washington alone.

Untold millions of public dollars are thrown away annually through duplication. Congress can have no excuse for failure to adopt at once a reorganization plan such as the president recently proposed.

UNFORTUNATE

It seems a bit unfortunate that we didn't have Brigham Young or some other Mormon church founder here when Artesia was started so that we could have built streets wide enough to accommodate some of these long-bodied vehicles that occupy about half of the width of the street. Parking of these vehicles on the main thoroughfare is going to cause a serious accident some day, but until then, nobody will do anything about it. In most up-to-date cities and towns, vehicles of a certain length are usually restricted to certain zones as a matter of safety, but not here. Maybe we are trying to stand in with the undertaker.

Artesia also stands in great need of more modern homes, but here again we can offer little inducement or protection to the property owner who wants to build a nice home. Since Artesia is scattered over about twice as much ground as it should be and since we have no restricted districts, the property owner who builds a nice building on a vacant lot is doing so at his own risk. Anybody can build a barn or an outhouse right next door and the owner of a good home has no redress, so we are told. Maybe that's one reason for this talk of trying to reorganize the courts. And if it is, we hope they start in the lower courts.

Those who have studied the proposed change in the supreme court as suggested by the administration, see no occasion for undue haste, even though part of the plan may be feasible. The people

have usually to be given the opportunity to express their opinion by popular vote when a change in the constitution is desired.

Now is the time to start the planting of trees and shrubs and planning your lawn. Nothing adds to the attractiveness of the home as much as shade trees and shrubbery and no improvement costs so little. On the farm trees will help control the soil erosion.

Another political promise was thrown in the waste basket the past week when the state legislature refused to consider the primary bill.

Chislings

Wife (to husband who was inquiring what she thought of his speech): "You did not make the most of your opportunities."
Husband: "What opportunities?"
Wife: "Why, all the opportunities you had to sit down."

The newly rich woman was trying to make an impression: "I clean my diamonds with Ammonia, my rubies with Bordeaux Wine, my emeralds with Danzig Brandy, and my sapphires with fresh milk."
"I don't clean mine," said the quiet woman sitting next to her; "when mine get dirty, I just throw them away."

Bartender: "You look worried; whassa matter?"
Customer: "I can't remember if my wife said I could have two drinks and be home before ten or that I could have ten drinks and be home before two."

Among other things, the recent depression has taught us that the ladder to success is not an escalator.

Defendant: "Whatever the outcome of this trial I feel sure the experience will make me a better man."
Judge: "In what way?"
Defendant: "In striving to live up to the speech made by my attorney."

Members of the German Reich spend most of their time singing the national anthem and are said to be developing into excellent singers. And noting the 49 to 0 way the New Mexico house passes bills and the 23 to 0 way the senate passes bills, we wonder if there aren't some good singers being developed in the New Mexico state house.

In one state it is said to be against the law for a wife to go through her husband's pockets. Realizing the uselessness of such efforts, male legislators have never suggested such a law. Maybe the New Mexico solons would like to try its passage.

A newspaper offered a prize for the best recipe for making the hands beautiful. There was a deluge of answers from which the following was chosen:
"Soak the hands three times a day in dishwater while mother rests."

Man blames fate for other accident but holds himself personally responsible when he makes a hole-in-one.

A noted authority on human nature says modern infants, especially girl babies, resent being loved because they are not used to it. These same girls probably make up for it after they get in college.

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CARLSBAD BOY PLEADS GUILTY
Jack Martin, twenty years old, of Carlsbad, pleaded guilty to charges of larceny when arraigned before Justice of the Peace Frank Richards of Carlsbad, Friday, in connection with the recent burglary of the Carter Tobacco company at Carlsbad.

He was placed under \$500 bond for appearance in the March term of district court.

Frank Womack, seventeen years old, an alleged accomplice, will appear before District Judge James B. McGhee as a juvenile.

Martin admitted that three cases of cigarettes found in his possession were stolen from the Carter Tobacco company, but he did not say what became of ten other cases reported stolen by the tobacco company officials.

CARBON PAPER—The Advocate.

tion, one of the neighbors accused him of being insane.
"No I ain't," the man retored, "I've been tried for being crazy and got papers to show that I ain't crazy. You are the one that's crazy because you ain't got no papers to show that you ain't crazy."

KILL PRIMARY BILL

SANTA FE—Acting swiftly and almost without debate, the senate of the fourteenth legislature Friday forestalled final action on the direct primary proposal by voting fifteen to eight to recommit the measure to the judiciary committee after that committee brought

it to the floor without recommendation.

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Flower of Spain

(By Anna Nolan Clark)

(Editor's Note: This is the second of four articles on Coronado's Journey written by Anna Nolan Clark, New Mexico author.)

Plans for an expedition of gigantic, unsurpassed magnitude was born, and fed upon itself, in the fertile brain of the shrewd, far-seeing Mendoza. After some thought he gave the coveted office of Captain General to his friend Coronado, who, besides being of noble birth, was a man of means and had married, some years before, the wealthy and beautiful Beatriz de Estrada, cousin to King Charles of Spain.

Mendoza was clever. He saw to it that the pulpits of the churches kept alive with glowing accounts, the tales of the Cities of Gold; while he, himself, made his plans for getting the gold with adroit and well advertised secrecy.

New Spain rocked with eagerness and desire and Mother Spain gave lavishly of money and men. King Charles taxed the royal arsenal and sent over a ship loaded with sidearms, crossbows, harquebuses, cannons, harness and armor.

Coronado put in his entire private fortune and Mendoza, not to be outdone, gave all of his spare cash. Such men as Pedro de Tovar, son of Don Ferdinand, lord high steward of Queen Dona Juana, Lupe de Samaniego, governor of the Mexican arsenal, sons from the royal families of Arrellano, Guenvara, Cardenas, Maldonado, Lopez, and Gutierrez hastened to enlist with dispatch and enthusiasm.

Truly they were, as Mendoza said, the very Flower of Spain. For two years there was concentrated preparation. At last even Coronado was content to say that all was in readiness for the great adventure.

Compostela was chosen as the place of assemblage and on February 22, 1540, Viceroy Mendoza journeyed there from Mexico City for the final inspection of the troops.

Sunrise in Compostela that day saw the little town a-fever with activity. In honor of the event the streets had been swept to brown bareness, all the houses of the Spaniards had been freshly white-washed and even the squalid, weatherworn straw hats of the natives had taken on an unusual cleanliness.

Temporary corrals had been erected on the outskirts of the city and in them bawled, bleated and squealed the animals of slaughter by the hundreds, the herds of cattle, the flocks of sheep, the droves of swine.

Servants, black and red, ran hither and yon. Gentlemen on horseback dashed about. Crowds gathered. But at last came order quieting confusion.

Church bells rang out joyously. Trumpets cut the still morning air with slivers of silver sound. Drums rolled accompaniment to clattering horses-hoofs, to marching feet, to the heartbeats of the women being left behind. Mendoza entered the reviewing stand which had been lined with silken panels of scarlet and gold. He raised his hand in signal. The procession formed.

Trumpeters came upon the field. Guidons flared proudly from lance heads held high. Then rode forth Captain General Don Francisco Vasquez de Coronado. Upon a white horse, in golden armor, with white and scarlet plumes flowing from his helmet, with the golden fringe of the scarlet, silken caparison touching the ground, leading the procession rode Coronado. Behind him rode the gentlemen of Spain, more than two hundred, clad in armor shining in the sun. Next were seventy foot soldiers each carrying sworn and shield, harquebus and crossbow. And then came eight hundred Indian allies, bright in colored blankets with cockatoo feather-bunches crested in their blue-black hair. Forming the rear guard were the servants, the grooms for the thousand horses and mules, the leaders of the pack animals, the drivers of the slaughter herds. And at intervals along the line of procession walked the somber brown-frokked Friars holding silver crucifixes aloft, their eyes on the ground, their thoughts on heaven.

Slowly, perfectly, majestically they marched and counter marched before the reviewing stand, before the audience of high officials and citizens.

All were delighted, spectators and participants alike. After the review Coronado and his officers returned to the stand and before the Viceroy with their hands upon their hearts swore to courage, perseverance and fidelity.

The rest of the day was given over to fiesta, entertainment and

The monthly auction of oil and gas leases held at Santa Fe the 10th netted the state \$8,002.42, in addition to the filing fees on fourteen of the twenty-two tracts offered for sale. No bids were received on eight tracts at the time of the sale.

Tract No. 1, consisting of 1228 acres and located in twps. 6-7, ranges 34-35, sold to W. S. Patterson of Santa Fe for \$478.92. Tract 2, consisting of 160 acres and located in twps. 17-18, ranges 34-37-38, sold to the Humble Oil and Refining Co., for \$1,200.00, the highest per acre price paid during the auction. Tract 3, consisting of 120 acres and located in sec. 16-18-37, sold to the Tidewater Associated Oil Co., for \$271.00. Tract 4, consisting of 160 acres and located in sec. 16-19-34, sold to R. L. Halley of Carlsbad for \$365.00. Tract 5, consisting of 157.71 acres and located in 20-33, sold to Wm. C. Uphoff of Davenport, Iowa, for \$199.00. Tract 8, consisting of 160 acres and located in 20-33, sold to P. H. Hawley of Los Angeles, California, for \$176. Tract 9, consisting of 160 acres and located in 21-33, sold to P. H. Hawley for \$190.00. Tract 11, consisting of 160 acres and located in sec. 32-21-33, sold to Tidewater Associated Oil Co., for \$416.00. Tract 13, consisting of 160 acres and located in 21-35, sold to Roy Barton of Clovis for \$240.00. Tract 14, consisting of 160 acres and located in 21-35, sold to Roy Barton for \$240.00. Tract 16, consisting of 635 acres and located in 23-34, sold to the Humble Oil and Refining Co., for \$1,540.00. Tract 18, consisting of 280 acres and located in 23-35, sold to Clarence E. Hinkle of Roswell for \$1,890.00. Tract 20, consisting of 160 acres and located in sec. 16-24-35, sold to Dorothy Heard of Santa Fe for \$160.00.

merrymaking. The next morning after hearing Mass, officers and soldiers alike, the conquistadores set upon their way. So great was the approval of the Viceroy that he rode with them for the first two days of their journey and left them then with great reluctance.

The road to Culiacan was narrow and long. The procession stretched backward for miles. Every man had been made responsible for his own baggage, and difficulties began. The Dons had taken, not only necessities, but luxuries of all kinds and many of their servants were unskilled in the handling and tying of packs. The horses were fat and the road was rough. It took a month to reach Culiacan which was the northwest outpost of European civilization. However, true to their heritage, after a sham battle with the citizens of that town, they entered in Castilian splendor. All sorts of festivities were held and the light hearted conquistadores opened their bulging packs with great relief and bestowed all the extra luxuries upon the delighted populace. Fancy silk and velvet garments, books, toilet articles of expensive nicety, even silver candle sticks lightened the loads of the travelers and the hearts of the people of Culiacan. The previous harvest had been good so the citizens of the town repaid their guests' generosity by loading more than six hundred pack animals with provisions for their new friends, the seekers of gold.

Taking fifty horsemen, a few foot soldiers, most of the Indians and all the Friars, Coronado left the main army in Culiacan to await further instruction from him and started in earnest for the Cities of Cibola. When his party reached Chichilticalli they were amazed to find, instead of the inhabited fortress which they had been told to expect, the abandoned ruins of one house. Although disappointed they were undaunted and, with Friar Marcos as guide, pushed on over the mountains, through an unidentified pass and eventually to the mesa overlooking the first of the Cities of Cibola.

The only event of note during their journey was a night attack upon their camp by unfriendly Indians. The Dons awoke eager for defense, but unaccustomed to serving themselves, in their haste and excitement many of them put the saddles on their horses hind-side-to and in the ensuing confusion the Indians became alarmed and ran away.

The journey had been arduous, the men were gaunt, saddle-sores and weary. Their backs were bruised and bleeding from the continuous rubbing of armor. They were hungry. Food had been unpalatable and scarce, but nevertheless they had reached the famed Cibola. The men on the mesa-top based down on the terraced city. Friar Marcos stood before them. He ran a thickened tongue over wind swollen lips and mumbled, pointing out to the cavaliers of Spain the Golden City, the jeweled

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**Cage Teams Win
Four Games in
Row Last Week**

Both the junior and senior basketball teams set a fast pace last week in winding up the home stand in the district conference. The two teams won four games from Lake Arthur and the New Mexico Military Institute Colts and juniors here Friday and Saturday. In downing Lake Arthur thirty-six to twenty-eight, the Bulldogs wiped out an earlier season forty to twelve defeat. The Bulldogs also evened the standing with the N. M. I. Colts with a thirty-one to twenty-seven victory.

In the meantime the junior team won from Lake Arthur handily nineteen to nine and from the N. M. I. juniors twenty to seventeen. In the game Saturday night, Buchanan accounted for half of the Artesia score with a count of ten.

The best teamwork of the season was displayed by the senior cagers in the thirty-six to twenty-eight defeat of Lake Arthur and in this game the Lake Arthur lads met their fourth straight defeat. While no team in the district has shown up exceptionally strong to date, the race for district honors lies between four squads, Hobbs, Roswell, Carlsbad and Artesia.

Summary of the Artesia-Lake Arthur game here Friday:
ARTESIA (36) FG FT P
Johnson, f7 3 1
Rice, f2 0 1
Box, f1 0 0
Irby, c2 0 0
Tidwell, g3 3 3
Conner, g0 0 0
Totals.....15 6 5

LAKE ARTHUR (28) FG FT P
H. Nelson, f2 0 1
Payne, f4 3 3
Cummins, c4 1 1
C. Nelson, g2 0 0
Price, g0 0 2
King, f0 0 0
Totals.....12 4 7

Summary Artesia-N. M. I. Colts game played Saturday:
ARTESIA (31) FG FT P
Johnson, f4 1 2
Rice, f0 0 0
Irby, c4 2 2
Conner, g0 0 0
Tidwell, g4 1 1
Box, f1 1 0
Totals.....13 5 5

N. M. I. (27) FG FT P
Crowlett, f4 1 1
Skarda, f2 0 0
studded City, the promised City of Cibola.
(To be continued).

**Farm Real Estate
Taxes Show Rise**

A small rise in farm real estate taxes in 1936 was reported recently by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, on the basis of a preliminary survey by state tax officials and tax students in thirty-eight states. The bureau pointed out that replies to a similar inquiry in 1935 agreed very closely with the final returns for the year. A rise of one point in the index for 1935 marked the end of the decline in the trend in farm taxes which had continued since 1929. Farm real estate taxes in 1935, reported by the bureau at thirty-seven cents per acre as an average for the country, averaged the same as in 1934—the lowest level since 1918. The highest figure on record was fifty-eight cents an acre in 1929. The bureau points out that taxes per acre vary widely among the different parts of the country and among individual farms.

Expressed as an index figure, the bureau reported that the tax per acre in 1935 was 154, compared with 153 in 1934, 241 in 1929, and with 100 in 1913. The average of the 1935 levies, based on data received from forty-two states, was about the same as that for 1934.

Prince, c3 1 1
Dunlady, g1 1 2
Fowler, g2 0 2
Bratton, f0 0 0
Christensen, f0 0 0
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**Basketball Teams Make Whirlwind
Finish of the Last Home Ball Games**

The high school cage teams made a whirlwind finish of the last home games here Tuesday evening when the junior and senior teams won a double bill from the two Dexter quintets. The juniors won handily in a free-for-all twenty-five to six. Every member of the junior squad saw action in the rough and tumble game. Buchanan led his teammates in scoring with nine points while Jones was high point man for the visitors with four points. The junior score by quarters:

Artesia	1	2	3	4
Dexter	7	1	10	7
Dexter	0	1	3	2

The Dexter Demons encountered too much Johnson in the senior game and came away on the short end of a 36-24 score. Johnson led his teammates with a total of fifteen points, while Adams was high point man for the visitors with eight. The Bulldogs flashed the best teamwork of the season in the second quarter when they overcame a 7-2 lead of the visitors with twenty points. Tidwell went out in the early part of the fourth quarter on personal fouls.

Summary:
ARTESIA (36) FG FT P
Johnson, f7 1 1
Rice, f1 0 0
Irby, c5 0 0
Tidwell, g4 0 4
Conner, g0 0 1
Box, f0 0 0
Womack, g0 1 0
Totals.....17 2 7

DEXTER (24) FG FT P
Adams, c, f3 2 1
McCausland, f2 0 1
Lee, c0 0 0
Dockray, g3 0 1
Stone, g1 2 1
Smith, g1 0 0
Totals.....10 4 4

Score by quarters:
Artesia2 20 4 10
Dexter7 7 7 3
Crowned Basketball Queen

Amid pomp and ceremony Miss Lela Bess Mann was crowned the basketball queen of the Artesia high school at the half time period of the Dexter-Artesia game. As-

HEARS TWO PLEAS

Elton C. Copeland plead guilty before Judge James B. McGhee in Chaves county district court at Roswell Monday morning to a charge of stealing chickens from Wesley Stockard of Roswell. He will be sentenced later.

Ernest Heffner plead not guilty to a charge of stealing oil well equipment from a well of Etz Brothers east of Artesia. Bond was set at \$500.

sisted by the Artesia school band and the high school pep squad, Rell Johnson escorted the queen to the throne.

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SILVER TEA GIVEN BY CHRISTIAN WOMEN

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The program for the occasion which was repeated for the second hour was given by the following: Piano solos by Miss Helen Scoggins, who played Polka de Concert, and Miss Sybil Pior, who played Pas de Amphores by Chaminade; readings by Mrs. Keith McCrary, who read "In a Pullman Dressing Room," and by Miss Florine Muncy, who read "Brotherly Love," also a soprano solo by Miss Bettyne Lanning, who sang "Honeytown," a plantation lullaby by Widener, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. John Lanning, at the piano.

THIRD DISTRICT FEDERATION NOTES

Wednesday, February 10, found the program committee of the third district in Carlsbad in conference making their plans with Mrs. C. R. Blocker, third district president, for the coming district convention, April 6th and 7th have been set as tentative dates for the convention to be held at Carlsbad.

Thursday the Dexter Woman's club celebrated their thirtieth anniversary with Mrs. Blocker as their official guest. The splendid program was devoted to a biblical theme in accordance with the request of the general federation, who strongly advises that each club devote one program of the year to this thought. Mrs. Blocker spoke quite briefly on the issues of federation. Mrs. Roger Durand drove with Mrs. Blocker to Dexter to attend this occasion.

Friday, the Woman's Civic club of Hobbs voted to join the New Mexico Federation of Women's clubs, with a membership of one hundred. They invited the president of the third district to speak to them at this time on the "Advantages of Federating." Mrs. J. J. Clarke accompanied Mrs. C. R. Blocker to Hobbs for this meeting.

LEOLA TURNER LAUDED IN THE ROLE OF MICAELA

Leola Turner, a former Artesia girl, has received recent favorable reviews on her performance of Micaela with the San Carlo Opera company, who gave the opera, "Carmen," in El Paso, February 10th. According to the critic in the El Paso papers Miss Turner as Micaela and Coe Glade as Carmen were the two outstanding voices and characters of the entire cast. Miss Turner was especially lauded on her solo and her dramatic, though sympathetic, interpretation of the character. A beautiful girl with a lovely voice who has won innumerable acclamations with her musical ability in concert, radio and opera fields is one to make Artesia proud to claim as a former resident. Her father, F. E. Turner, was once a merchant and rancher here and about the surrounding country and was quite well known to people here. She was a student of the McBernie Voice Studios in Chicago and a regular feature of the National Broadcasting company for some time. She is now connected with the San Carlo Opera company on their regular winter tour of the leading cities of the country in varied roles.

VALENTINE PARTY

The ever popular Valentine motif with its colorful romantic air was used by Mrs. Merrill Sharp as she entertained her bridge club and an additional table of guests at her home Thursday afternoon. Members of the Thursday Bridge club, including Mmes. M. A. Lapsley, Chas. Morgan, Howard Gissler, Luther Caraway, Marvel Archer and W. R. Schoonmaker along with the invited guests including Mmes. Lawrence Carroll, Wren Barker, Owen Haynes, Joe Foster and E. E. Gillispie had the pleasure of this affair. The afternoon was devoted to bridge and at the close of the game high score was held by Mrs. Lawrence Carroll, second high by Mrs. E. E. Gillispie, while low score was won by Mrs. M. A. Lapsley. Tallies and delicious refreshments were used by the hostess to carry out the Valentine theme of the very lovely party.

Social Calendar

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THURSDAY (TODAY)

The Swastika Bridge club will meet at 7:30 p. m., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Marshall.

The Episcopal Guild Auxiliary will meet at 2:30 p. m., with Miss Addie Coll at her home. Mrs. Wendel Welch will have charge of the program.

FRIDAY

The Viernes Bridge club will meet at 2:30 p. m., at the home of Mrs. Andy Compary, hostess.

P. E. O. chapter will meet with Mrs. W. E. Kerr, hostess, at her home at 2:00 p. m. Mrs. S. W. Gilbert and Mrs. Jessie Morgan will present a program on the "Phases of Art."

Bridge of the Month will meet at the hotel for one o'clock luncheon with Mrs. Mary Evans as hostess.

Past Noble Grand club will meet with Mrs. Ed Conner, hostess, at her home at 7:30 p. m.

Past President's Parley has been postponed until next week.

The Miercoles Bridge club has been postponed until a later date.

Friday Evening Bridge club will meet with Mrs. Glenn Naylor as hostess at her home at 7:30 p. m.

Literary club meets at home of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Martin at 7:45 p. m.

TUESDAY

The Fortnightly Bridge club will meet. Call Mrs. Albert Richards for place.

WEDNESDAY

Nimble Thimble club will meet with Mrs. D. M. Walter, hostess, at her home at 2:30 p. m.

Abnormis Sapiens club will meet at 2:00 p. m., with Mrs. Beecher Rowan at her home.

THE FUN LOVERS ENTERTAIN

A recently organized club of young people celebrated the opening of their club activities with a Valentine dance Saturday, February 13th, at the Woman's club building. The club has been very fittingly named the Fun Lovers club and their aim is to live in keeping with the name. Games of monopoly were played along with the dance and the music for the occasion was furnished by the Rockwell orchestra. The building was very cleverly and attractively decorated with St. Valentine colors of red and white. Punch was served throughout the evening. Hostesses for this meeting of the club were Bettye Brainard, Helen Gates, Margaret Mahone, Lela Bess Mann, Rachelle Swift and Annadell Williams. Guest list included the following: Misses Margaret Compary, Josephine Payne, Imogene Burrows, Letha Grant, Louise Rice, Pat Walker, Mary Evans, Nina McLean, Cora Lee Ansley, Dorothy Berry, Mamie Bell Terry, Virginia Fulton, Vivian Haldeman, Ruby Rowland, Edith Coleman, Jessyle Cunningham, Marjorie Rowland, Mary Lou McConnell, Dorothy Walsh, Florine Muncy, Margaret McCrary, Eunice Cadell, Marjorie Funk, Messrs. William Dunn, Joe Richards, Lynne Shelton, Benton Reed, Chandos Alcorn, Clyde Dungan, Johnny Rice, Laurent Gordon, Bob Cornett, Charles Kimball, Jimmie Fulton, Cooper Malone, H. C. Munroe, Loyd Evans, Blaine Haines, Charles Baldwin, Clyde Tidwell, George Conner, James Thigpen, Chester Lapsley, Olin Woodside, Dalton Loving, Meredith Jones, Bell Johnson, Jack Angelous, Ed Conner, Robert Garner, Preston Dunn, Douglas Phillips, and Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Mahone, Mrs. E. P. Mahone, Miss Maurine Lewis, Orville Branscom, Donald Maudslay and Virgil Henry.

FIRST BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. G. U. McCrary was hostess to the members of the First Bridge club at her home Tuesday afternoon, with a dessert bridge. Mrs. Leslie Martin and Mrs. G. R. Brainard were substitute guests for the club at this party. At the close of the bridge game Mrs. Arba Green held high score for the afternoon. Mrs. Thomas Massie was guest for the refreshment hour which immediately followed the game. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. Keith McCrary, Mrs. D. C. Blue and Mrs. Fletcher Collins, served a delicious dessert course to the following members: Mmes. J. M. Story, Beecher Rowan, Jeff Hightower, S. E. Ferree, J. Hise Myers, Jim Berry, Arba Green, C. R. Blocker, Maude Ployhar and guests.

NATIONAL SHRINES TOPIC WOMAN'S CLUB PROGRAM

An interesting hour devoted to the consideration of the shrines of our nation which was very capably led by Mrs. C. R. Blocker and contributed to by Mrs. H. A. Stroup and Mrs. Mark Carbin was spent Wednesday afternoon at the Woman's club building by over twenty-five members of the club. A short business meeting prefaced the meeting at the close of which Mrs. John Lanning introduced the leader of the program with the explanation that she had so nobly risen to the occasion on a very short notice. An outline of the nation's shrines, including Shrines of Culture, Patriotism, Battlefields, Landmarks, Cities, Inventions, and concluding with the shrines of our native state were the stimulus of thought of the afternoon. Mrs. H. A. Stroup gave a very interesting description of the Memorial at Valley Forge which was made more real with pictures and her own personal visit to this place. Mrs. Corbin described the Dickson mound at Dickson, Illinois, which is the burial ground of a pre-historic people. She, too, had pictures of great interest to illustrate her description. Mrs. Blocker brought the general thought of the afternoon to a close with the shrines of our home state and urgent request that the club members inform themselves on the places of interest in the state in view of the coming Cuarto Centennial to be held in 1940.

Music was furnished by Mrs. Howard Whitson, who played Souvenir du Venoise, by Hatch, on the violin. The technical accuracy was outstanding in the interpretation of the fiery melody. Mrs. Herman Terry accompanied her at the piano. According to the Past Matron's club Monday afternoon. A short business meeting at which routine affairs were taken care of was immediately followed by a very pleasant social hour. Mmes. Elevia Hightower, Maude Ployhar, Azelee Funk, Eva Coll, Florence Ferree, Lucia Floore, Mary Green, Alameda Shearman and Hazel Knoeder were guests at this occasion. The hostess served a very tasteful refreshment plate in keeping with the Valentine motif used in decorations at the close of the hour. The next regular meeting to be held in March will be with Mrs. Hightower.

SHOWER FOR MRS. BOBO

Mrs. Basil Bobo of the Cottonwood, a recent bride, was honored with a lovely shower last Thursday afternoon at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Sy Edgerton of Artesia, with Mrs. Glenn O'Bannon of the Cottonwood as co-hostess. The honored guest was the recipient of many lovely gifts. Games and a social hour furnished the diversion of the afternoon.

The Valentine motif was carried out in the refreshments with a miniature bride mounted on heart-shaped candy at each plate. Guests present were: Mmes. H. G. Watson, E. P. Malone, Bill Gelwick, D. A. Bradley, Emma Huey, Allen Johnson, Chas. Brown, P. L. Loving, Paul Otts, Otice Brown, C. S. Smith, D. R. Watson, M. S. Brown, T. M. Bobo, Alvin Payne, J. H. Jones, Bill Ross, Virginia Briscoe, Carl Cunningham, Truman Howard, Monroe Howard, Kate Cave, Paul Cobble, J. O. Garner, Jim Vogel, Mary Conner, Nora Conner and Newt Teel of Hope.

TO CELEBRATE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

On February 24th Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hale, residents of Artesia for the past thirty-two years, will pass the fiftieth milestone of their marital journey. As yet nothing definite has been planned by the couple in the celebration of their golden wedding anniversary, but their many friends will be interested to know the exact date.

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An' makin' racers, too!
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An' take a girl somewhere;
Or talk t' folks like they was men—
Jus' sittin' in a chair!

I'm glad I'm still a little guy;
An' Daddy says they'll see
The time when they'd give anything
T' be a kid like me!
I s'pose it won't be very long
Till I get big—but, say,
I hope I'll never get so big
That I won't like t' play!

PAST MATRON'S CLUB

Mrs. J. A. Reed was hostess at her home to the members of the Past Matron's club Monday afternoon. A short business meeting at which routine affairs were taken care of was immediately followed by a very pleasant social hour. Mmes. Elevia Hightower, Maude Ployhar, Azelee Funk, Eva Coll, Florence Ferree, Lucia Floore, Mary Green, Alameda Shearman and Hazel Knoeder were guests at this occasion. The hostess served a very tasteful refreshment plate in keeping with the Valentine motif used in decorations at the close of the hour. The next regular meeting to be held in March will be with Mrs. Hightower.

FRIDAY EVENING BRIDGE CLUB

Miss Elaine Feemster was hostess to the Friday Evening Bridge club at her home Friday evening. Members met at seven-thirty for the usual games of contract. Mrs. S. A. Lanning won high score for the evening with Mrs. Glenn Naylor winner of the consolation prize. Guests included Miss Cecilia Rehberg, Mmes. S. A. Lanning, J. O. Woods, Harvey Yates, Glenn Naylor, Lowell Naylor and Lawrence Carroll. An attractive luncheon plate that proved as good as it looked was served by the hostess at the close of the games.

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A. F. F. BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. Herman Jones and Mrs. Fletcher Collins were co-hostesses to the A. F. F. Bridge club and a shower for Mrs. Carl Folkner at the home of the former, Wednesday afternoon. Bridge was played during the afternoon and at the close of the games the prizes were awarded, high score going to Mrs. Stanley Carper, and low score to Mrs. John Fullilove, though it was announced that Mrs. Carl Folkner had won low score and the shower of gifts which was a real surprise were presented to her. The tallies and the dessert that was served by the hostess carried out a patriotic theme of red, white and blue. Guests for the occasion were: Mmes. Howard Stroup, Leon Clayton, Carl Folkner, A. T. Woelk, J. A. Brown, John Williams, Fletcher Collins, Stanley Carper, Marshall Rowley, Jimmie Keith, Hugh Donald Burch, John Fullilove, Marlin Traylor, Reed Dowell, Leon Bryant, Vernon Bryan and Miss Virginia Woods.

MISS MARY McCAW HONORED

Two dinners were given honoring Miss Mary McCaw Sunday. At one o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Leon Barker had dinner celebrating Miss McCaw's birthday, with Luther Jones as the other guest for the occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Douglas served six o'clock dinner at their home again honoring Miss McCaw as she celebrated her birthday with Misses Merrill Bradley, Linna McCaw, the honoree and Luther Jones as guests for this event.

SO SO CLUB

The members of the So So club met at the home of Mrs. Bryan Elder, Thursday afternoon for their regular meeting. The ladies spent the afternoon living up to the phonetics of the club name. Members present were: Mrs. C. D. Marshall, Mrs. James Allen, Mrs. Charles Gaskins, Mrs. George Hart, Mrs. D. A. Miller and Mrs. J. C. Bruce. The hostess, Mrs. Elder, served delicious refreshments at the close of the pleasant hour.

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- 13—First high school in U. S. founded in Boston, 1658.
- 14—Arizona admitted to the union, 1912.
- 15—Battleship Maine blown up in Havana harbor, 1898.
- 16—United States buys Panama canal property, 1903.
- 17—Oldest bank in United States chartered in Boston, 1784.
- 18—Germany begins official submarine blockade of England, 1915.

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NOTICE STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE
Number of application RA-1512 Santa Fe, N. M., January 28, 1937

Notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of January, 1937, in accordance with Chapter 131 of the Session Laws of 1931, Ernest E. Scoggin of Carlsbad, County of Eddy, State of New Mexico, made application to the State Engineer of New Mexico for a permit to appropriate the shallow ground water of the Roswell Artesian Basin to the extent of 165 acre feet per annum by the drilling of a 12 1/2 inch well to an approximate depth of 250 feet, located in the SE 1/4 SW 1/4 of Section 7, Township 17 South, Range 26 East, N. M. P. M., for the purpose of irrigating 55 acres of land described as being 15 acres in the E 1/4 SE 1/4 SW 1/4 and 40 acres in the NW 1/4 SE 1/4 of said Sec. 7.

Any person, association or corporation deeming that the granting of the above application will be truly detrimental to their rights in the waters of said underground source may file a complete sworn statement of their objections substantiated by affidavits with the State Engineer and file proof of service of a copy thereof upon the applicant with the State Engineer on or before the 9th day of March, 1937, the date set for the State Engineer to take this application up for final consideration unless protested.

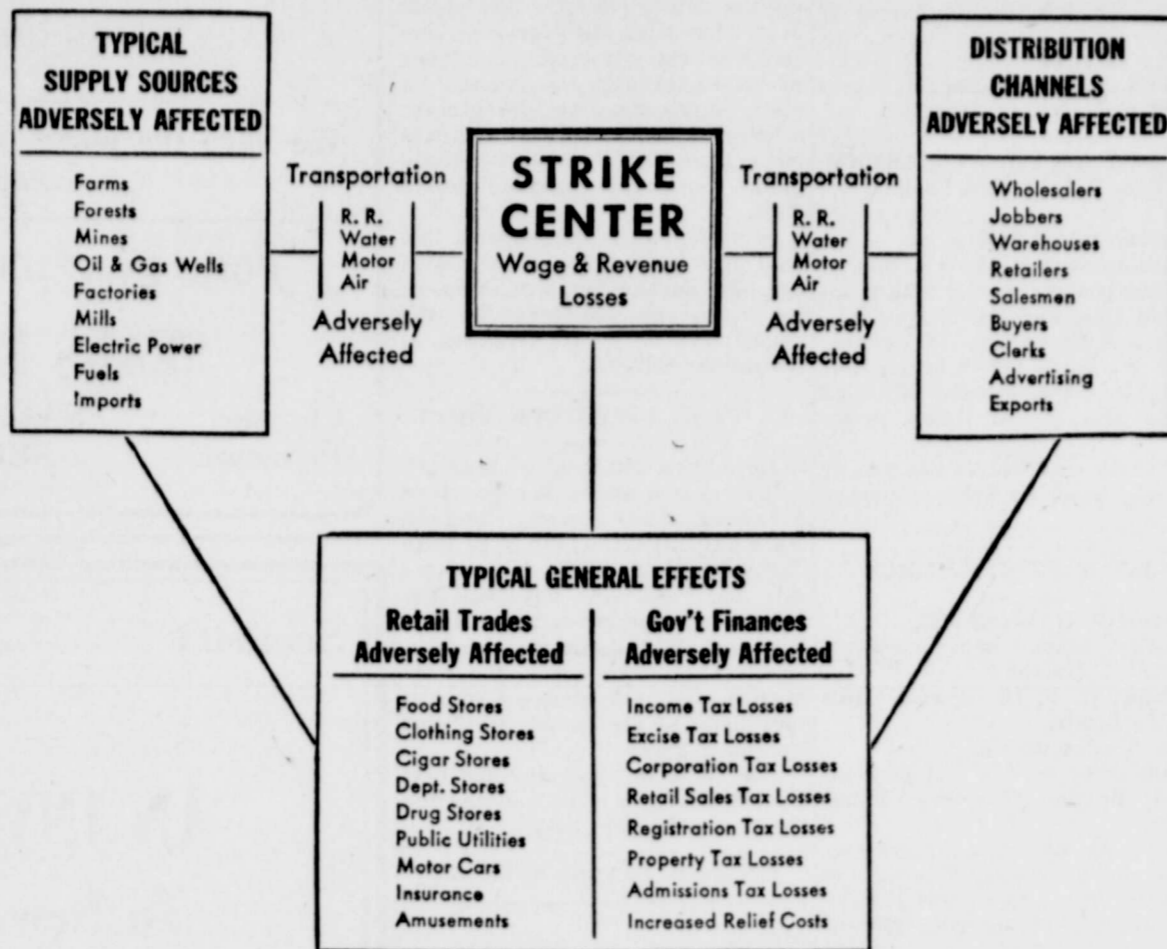
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TYPICAL EFFECTS OF A STRIKE IN ANY MAJOR INDUSTRY



The chart above shows how the chief effects of a strike begin immediately to spread in all directions. Back at the supply sources, cancelled orders for raw and semi-finished materials and equipment tend to create additional unemployment and lost business in ever-widening circles. In distribution channels, sales,

employment, and income fall off more or less sharply. Transportation revenues shrink. Curtailed business and thin pocketbooks at the strike center, in the supply sources, and distribution and transportation channels result in generally reduced retail trade, smaller tax collections, increased relief burdens. This picture of

the long trail of losses, even much simplified as it is, indicates why economists cannot estimate in advance the total cost of a strike. Studies of the losses from previous strikes show that their total cost mounts to anywhere from 6 to 700 times the value of wages lost by men thrown out of work at the strike center itself.

Hope Items

Miss Frances Johnson, Reporter

Henry Crockett left Sunday for Roswell where he has employment on a WPA project.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Welch and family moved to the Mrs. Martha Scoggin farm last week.

J. P. Parks and J. C. Buckner were re-elected as school trustees at the election held last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ward and family will move from the George Chambers farm to the Charlie Coffin farm.

R. E. Robinson returned home the last of the week from Pamaona, California, where he went to visit his mother, who had been ill.

Mrs. Flora Coffin and son Henry and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Seeley and children moved from their home on the Charlie Coffin farm to the Tom Coffin farm Saturday.

David S. Whiteley left Saturday to join his family in Arkansas after spending the past several weeks here in completing the final disposal of his farm.

Mrs. J. J. Wallace left for her home at Lake Valley Saturday after a visit of several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reed, at their home here.

Mrs. D. W. Weber and Mrs. Edmund Burk, Jr., of Big Spring, Texas, are here visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bishop, at their farm home southeast of Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Puckett and family moved to town from their farm last week. They are located in the concrete residence on the west end of Williams avenue in Orchard Park.

Miss Frances Johnson left Sunday for Albuquerque where she has entered the Western School for Private Secretaries. Mrs. N. L. Johnson and daughter Marjorie accompanied her as far as Roswell.

S. Ray Dearheart was here three days last week from Carlsbad to superintend the removal of the nursery stock from the Whiteley farm to Carlsbad where it will be used in the development of the municipal park there.

Prude Brothers weighed out about two hundred head of late calves Monday on the new scales which they recently installed on their Bullice Springs ranch. The calves were driven to Lakewood where the buyer, J. L. Budwell of Ralls, Texas, shipped them.

Miss Bobbie Woods entertained at her home Sunday evening with a Valentine buffet dinner. The table and room were attractively arranged with a Valentine motif. Guests were Miss Margaret Buckner, Miss Maxine Bunting, Miss Alma Lane, J. C. Reed and Jessie Buckner.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hawkins and children, accompanied by Mrs. Hilary White and Miss Hilda Kletke, attended to business matters in El Paso over the past weekend. Mrs. White remained to visit with her daughters, Blanch and Jeanne. Jeanne is attending a business school and Blanch is working for a gas company in El Paso.

Social Security forms and systems—The Advocate.

Loose Leaf Binders, special ruling and stock forms—The Advocate.

Attractive Lawns

At this season of the year many inquiries are received at the county agent's office for information on the building and maintaining of a lawn or garden, according to Fred Barham, agricultural extension agent.

There are just a few but important factors to bear in mind to have a nice lawn, accord to Mr. Barham. The important matter to consider is the fact that we have two types of soils, one is the heavy adobe type where water has difficulty in penetrating and the other is the light, sandy and porous type of soil where most of the water applied seeps through and is lost without great benefit to the root system. Therefore, the first requisite is to improve the physical condition of the soil with a material that will hold moisture and at the same time slowly decompose to supply ample bacteria along with plenty of water to germinate the seed and develop the plant.

Barn yard fertilizer, preferably sheep manure, is the cheapest and most generally used source of humus to improve the physical condition of the soil and is a fairly good source of nitrogen. One objection to barn yard fertilizers is the presence of seeds of noxious weeds and other grasses that have a tendency to smother out the grass and if applied in heavy application the nitrogen content might burn the lawn in the absence of a plentiful supply of water.

Peat Moss is gaining favor as a source of organic matter to maintain the proper physical condition of the soil and as a source of humus. Peat Moss holds eight to ten times its weight in water. When used as a mulch to a depth of four to eight inches furnishes an ideal seed bed and holds the moisture at the roots where needed. To build a new lawn, scatter Peat Moss about six inches over the soil and spade it in to form a mulch. On old lawns, top dress with peat moss to a depth of an inch or so and work it in gradually with a rake, removing any surplus that might remain after the grass is up.

Peat moss contains no mineral plant food. This mineral plant food can be supplied by a number of lawn and garden fertilizers that are offered with full directions for applying. Where barn yard manure is applied to a lawn ample nitrogen is generally thereby supplied and the only element necessary is superphosphate applied at the rate of two to four pounds per hundred square feet before watering.

As the season advances, where lawns bleach or turn yellow, this usually indicates a deficiency of available iron and can be remedied with a light application of sulphate of iron applied lightly at the rate of a pound or two to 100 square feet and repeated in thirty days if necessary.

Due consideration should be given at all times to the fact that plenty of water is necessary for a nice lawn. It should have a substantial soil to hold the water. When sprinkling water should be applied as a spray and not concentrated through a nozzle and directed at the roots as this will in time tear out the roots and kill the grass.

Locals

R. T. Haas of Artesia underwent an appendectomy at the Eddy county hospital on the 10th.

Mrs. Tom Runyan spent the week-end as the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Irvin Martin, at her home.

Mrs. Isa McClay left Saturday for an extended visit with her niece, Mrs. C. V. Sommer, in La Feria, Texas.

Vernon Hall, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brown, returned to his home in Montoya.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom James have purchased the Welton property, formerly occupied by G. V. Price and family, and have moved in the first part of this week.

Mrs. Reed Brainard has as her house guest her aunt, Mrs. J. W. Runyan of Saint Joseph, Missouri. Mrs. Runyan will be here for the remainder of the week.

John Paul Otts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Otts, was painfully hurt Saturday when he fell down an incline on a hill west of Dunkin and made a deep cut in his ankle.

There were sixty-seven births and twenty-six deaths in Eddy county during the month of January, according to data compiled by the county health office at Carlsbad.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mertaugh of Bisbee, Arizona, arrived here last week to make their future home. Mr. Mertaugh is a brother of Miss Katherine Mertaugh, employed at the First National Bank.

A. J. Basel has improved the well on his farm in the Upper Cottonwood community by changing the size of the well from an eight to a twelve inch and installed a new pump and engine.

Miss Nona Morrison and C. E. Goodman, both of Elk, were married at Alamogordo on February 5th, with Justice D. M. Barringer officiating, according to a belated announcement received here.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hall have moved from the Buck farm on the Cottonwood to the old Cole farm, about a mile south of the Cottonwood school house. Mr. Hall will operate the latter farm another year.

Bruce Stewart of Peoria, Illinois, has been the house guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Corbin for the past week. He has been traveling through California and Arizona and stopped by to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Corbin on his way home.

Robert Burns, former resident of Artesia, was freed of a charge of stealing gasoline by tapping a line of the Union Oil Refinery at Wilmington, California, last week. The trial occurred in a Los Angeles court after the men were arrested on October 28th of last year. Two other men accused with Burns will continue on trial. The above item was printed at the request of a local resident who said several people had made inquiries regarding the outcome of the trial.

SOCIETY.

SATURDAY EVENING SOCIALITES ORGANIZE

A new club has been organized by the younger set in Artesia and named the Saturday Evening Socialites. It is their purpose to meet each Saturday evening at each others homes for a social time together such as each hostess shall see fit to designate. Last Saturday evening these young people met at the home of Mary Baird for dinner. After the dinner general organization was perfected at which time Sybil Pior was elected president, and Wanda Story, secretary. Various games were the program of the evening. The guests and incidentally charter members of the club were Misses Sybil Pior, Jane Shugart, Bettynelle Lanning, Edna Carder, Wanda Story, Laverne Hampton, Catherine Louise Williams and the hostess, Mary Baird.

EVENING VALENTINE PARTY

Mrs. Roy Ingram and Mrs. Bryan Shoemaker entertained a number of friends at an evening of bridge at the home of the former on February 10th. Following a Valentine party theme the home was beautiful with red and white sweetpeas and carnations and the general decorations accented this scheme. The close of the game found the high score awarded to Mrs. J. A. Clayton, Jr., while Mrs. Cruse Corckran received low score. The hostesses served heart sandwiches, frozen fruit salad and a heart-shaped moulded dessert in keeping with the Valentine motif. Guests honored by the occasion were: Messrs. and Mmes. J. A. Clayton, Jr., Stanley Carper, Leon Clayton, Cruse Corckran, Ralph Pearson, Marshall Rowley, J. O. Woods, Orval Gray, Donald Fanning, Harold Dunn and the hostesses' husbands.

GUILD AUXILIARY

A very good representation of members of the St. Paul's Mission Episcopal Guild Auxiliary met at the church Thursday to observe the World Day of Prayer. Mrs. Mark A. Corbin was leader of the program in the absence of the chairman of the auxiliary, Mrs. J. K. Wallingford. The program that was followed by the members at this time was made out in northern Rhodesia, Africa, and embraces a unified world devotion.

KIMMELL-HNULIK

Miss Juanita Kimmell and A. Hnulik were married by Judge Frank Richards of Carlsbad in that city Wednesday, February 10th. Miss Kimmell, who has been visiting in Carlsbad, was a former resident of Artesia. Mr. Hnulik is a well known farmer and has resided in this locality over a period of years. They are at home on the Hnulik farm southeast of town.

SEVERANCE TAX UP AGAIN

SANTA FE—The introduction of virtually the twin of the 1933 severance tax in a move to hurry legislative action on a revenue bill and a public hearing on the senate liquor bill stood out on the assembly docket for yesterday.

Rep. Coe Howard (D-Roosevelt) announced that with fifteen others he would introduce the same bill adopted in 1933 and repealed a year later after yielding approximately \$600,000 in ten months. His purpose, he said, was to "make certain that in the final days of the session the house would not be called upon to act upon a measure which it had not had time to study."

MASONIC LODGE MEETING

The regular meeting of the Artesia Masonic lodge will be held this evening in the Masonic lodge hall. The lodge will finish installation of new officers. Visiting lodge members are invited.

MICKIE SAYS—

IS TH' SMALL CITY ON TH' SKIDS? NOPE, NOT AS LONG AS WE BUY MOSTLY AT HOME—BUT IF A MERCHANT AINT WILLIN' TO ADVERTISE, 'N BACK UP HIS ADS WITH GOOD SERVICE AN' UP TO DATE STOCK, THEN HE GANT HOLLER 'BOU' FOLKS SHOPPIN' OUT OF TOWN'



RICE AND MYERS ADDRESS ROTARIANS

John S. Rice, Methodist pastor, made the five-minute talk at the luncheon program of the Artesia Rotary club on the subject of "Guiding and Counseling Boys and Young Men." J. H. Myers, the principal speaker, talked on "Vocational Service." Jim Ferguson, newest member of the Artesia Rotary club, was presented during the program.

It might be of interest to mention that the meeting Tuesday was the third 100 per cent meeting in as many weeks and the local club is leading the attendance of the district.

Visitors present included: Syl Johnson and Earl Patterson of Roswell and Frank Gorman of El Paso, Texas.

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Mrs. Clarence Evans, Reporter

Mrs. R. F. Beasley spent several days last week in Albuquerque.

The Home Extension club will meet February 19th at 2:00 p. m., at the home of Mrs. John Havens.

Miss Alma Lane came over from Hope Saturday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Lane.

J. U. Meador has purchased the Bob Allison house and has rented the property to the Connell family.

Bob Allison and Mac Carrol have accepted work in the Eunice oil field.

Mr. Carysle was called to Lubbock, Texas, Monday because of the serious illness of his father.

Mmes. J. B. Crook, J. M. Jones, Mattie Williams, Mary Griffith, Roxie Clark and Cummins were shopping in Artesia Tuesday.

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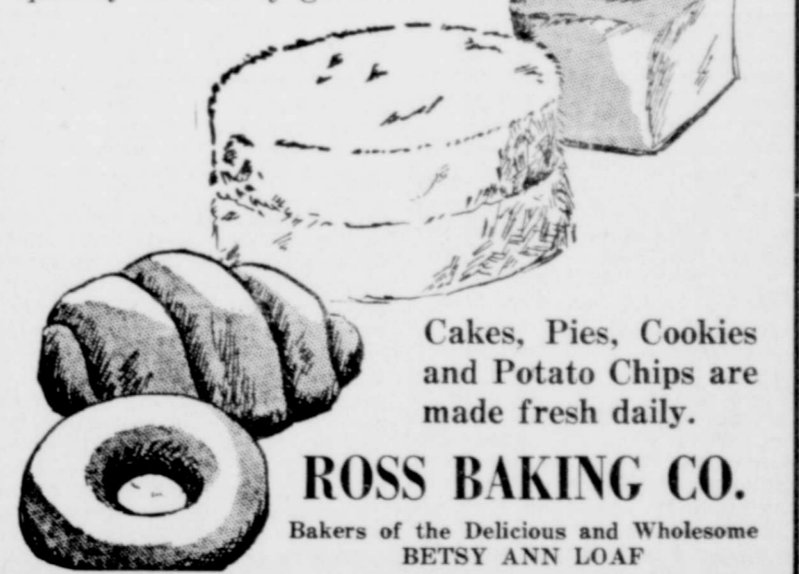
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Cottonwood Items
(Bonnie Rowland, Reporter)

Mrs. D. A. Bradley is on the sick list this week, being quite ill with the flu.

Bill Cline is now in the employ of the Iverson Tool company of Artesia.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. B. Moon from Farmington were visiting friends here the first of the week.

F. C. Fields visited last Friday with the R. L. Brazil family who live near the Lawrence ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Johnson from near Artesia were the Sunday dinner guests of the J. C. Gressett family last Sunday.

Mrs. W. C. Fleming from Roswell is spending this week here visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Glenn Yarnell and children.

Miss Bonnie Rowland was the dinner guest last Tuesday of Miss Bette Cornett, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Craig Cornett of Artesia.

Little Miss Mildred Cline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Cline, was quite ill during the week-end, suffering with a severe case of earache.

J. I. Funk accompanied Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Reed of Artesia to Roswell last Friday where they attended the funeral services for Dave Hill.

Mrs. Wayne Norris accompanied her aunt, Mrs. B. H. Nelson, to Roswell last Tuesday where they spent the day attending to business matters.

Mrs. Reynolds and Mr. and Mrs. Alton Lowery from south of Artesia were the Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gressett and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Brad Willbanks have moved recently from their home here to the Pearson Brothers farm at Hagerman where they will make their home this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Taylor moved last week from their home near the Cottonwood store to the bank's farm two miles west of Dexter where they will be located this year.

Mrs. A. D. Hill, Sr., returned to her home here last Saturday from Hagerman where she has been taking treatments at the Mineral Wells apartments. She is reported quite improved.

Miss Eunice McKinney, Eddy county health nurse, visited several children who are ill in this community last Wednesday. She reported a case of scarlet fever in the R. L. Roberts home.

Dennis and Melvin Bivens returned to the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. A. Bivens, here last Sunday from Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene, Texas. They do not plan to re-enter school for a year.

Ed Taylor motored to near Tularosa last Sunday to get J. J. Scotty, who was working at the Childress sawmill there. Due to heavy snows Mr. Taylor and Mr. Scotty were forced to abandon Mr. Taylor's car and return here by bus.

St. Valentine's day was given recognition at the Cottonwood school last Friday by each of the teachers. Each room had a decorated Valentine box and the respective teacher served light refreshments after the Valentines had been distributed.

Lige Davis returned here last Sunday from Turkey, Texas, where he had been for the past three weeks with his wife and daughter, who are staying at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Miller. Mrs. Davis plans to return here in the next two weeks.

Word was received here February 10th that R. E. Coleman had a car wreck when a front tire blew out near Hereford, Texas, in which he sustained a broken leg, and completely demolished the car. Mrs. Coleman left for Hereford immediately after receiving word. Mr. Coleman was brought home in an ambulance the following day.

Mrs. Basil Bobo, a recent bride, was honored last Wednesday by a shower given at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Sy Edgerton of Artesia. Mrs. Bobo received many beautiful yet useful gifts from the many ladies of the Cottonwood and Artesia present. Delicious refreshments, which cleverly carried out the Valentine motif were served after an hour of games.

Miss Ione McMinn, girls' basketball coach at the Cottonwood school, entertained the girls on the team and the substitutes with a hike Saturday afternoon. From the school house they hiked to the Cottonwood dam where after playing many games they toasted marshmallows over a bonfire. These with weiners and cake made up the delicious refreshments. Fifteen girls, Mrs. C. R. Cline and Miss McMinn enjoyed this occasion.

NO BANK FAILURES DURING PAST YEAR

A report recently issued by the comptroller of the currency of the United States discloses the fact that there have been no bank failures in this country for the past twelve months. The report covers the period from October 1, 1935, to October 1, 1936. This establishes a record that has not been set for the past fifty-five years.

LOCALS

J. C. Reed of Santa Fe, engineer of the Pecos Valley Gas Company, was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Grant county has been restored to a first-class division through an additional valuation of \$475,000 by the Chino copper mines.

G. I. Peden reported the theft of tools and a cap from his car while it was parked in front of the L. P. Evans shop Friday night.

M. S. Brown of Lake Arthur returned Friday from Albuquerque where he served for several days on the federal grand jury.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Gray drove over to El Paso, Texas, Sunday where Mrs. Gray will receive hospital care for a short time.

Judge J. B. McGhee drove over to Lovington the first of the week to preside over a short session of the Lea county district court.

Donald Pior, who underwent an appendectomy at the St. Mary's hospital in Roswell last week, was able to return home Saturday.

Billy Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Williams, is ill with pneumonia. His condition was reported slightly improved Tuesday.

Lawrence Burrows, who operated a farm north of town the past year, has purchased a farm in the Lakewood community, it was learned here Tuesday.

Mrs. B. C. Johnston returned the latter part of the week from Sterling and other Texas points and Monument, this state, where she made a visit with relatives.

J. E. Taylor of the Cottonwood has purchased the Eaker farm and the Crawford and Eaker farm, east of the Cottonwood gin. Mr. Taylor's combined farm consists of 340 acres.

Max Merrell of McCook, Nebraska, spent a few days here the first of the week on business and attending the annual meeting of the Artesia Properties Co., owner of the Artesia hotel.

Joe H. Patterson of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, has purchased the Owens and Welch farm, consisting of 240 acres, a half mile north of Artesia, S. W. Gilbert, real estate dealer, announced here Tuesday. Mr. Patterson plans to make a number of improvements on his new farm, it was said.

Local farmers found the growing of corn profitable last year. R. M. Middleton, former Cottonwood resident, who is farming southwest of Hagerman, raised \$750 worth of corn on eighteen acres the past year. His corn, incidentally, paid him the highest cash return of any crop.

Health Column

Conducted by Dr. J. R. Earp, Director, New Mexico Bureau of Public Health.

A Food Law

Inquiries reach us at Santa Fe on a number of subjects related more or less to the public health. We are glad to answer these. It is a part of our job less onerous and more diverting than some other parts.

The other day we received a post card on which was written: "Gentlemen, I have been told that there is a law in New Mexico prohibiting a cafe from serving sweet milk to a patron who has also ordered fish. Will you please tell me if this is true . . . ?"

Not to our knowledge. But there is a law about foods which everybody ought to know and which reads as follows:

"If any person knowingly shall sell any kind of damaged, spoiled, or unhealthy provisions either for food or drink, without giving sufficient notice to the purchaser of the same, he shall be fined in a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding six months."

This law should be enforced. For example, should you buy apples that are thickly smeared at the stalk with a coating of lead arsenate spray and if you have a witness to the sale ask the district sanitarian to analyze the spray residue. If there should be more lead arsenate than the federal government tolerates in interstate shipments, it is likely that a New Mexico judge would hold that our

Wreck Fatal to Carlsbad Woman

Mrs. Henry A. Ballman, 29, of Carlsbad, was injured fatally and her husband, 29, and daughter, Doris, 5, suffered serious injuries in an automobile mishap late Sunday about twelve miles south of Lubbock.

Mrs. Ballman died Monday morning of a broken neck and back and fractured skull.

The Ballmans, in a light sedan, were thrown from the car which overturned several times, eye witnesses said. It was forced from the highway when another sedan attempted to pass them.

The body of Mrs. Ballman was taken to Floydada, her former home, for burial.

FOREST SERVICE PLANS STRESS WATERSHED PROTECTION IN STATE

ALBUQUERQUE — Supervisors of the thirteen national forests in Arizona and New Mexico, meeting February 10th at the forest service regional office in Albuquerque to discuss grazing matters and other work for 1937, were instructed by Regional Forester Frank C. W. Pooler to pay particular attention to watershed protection. He also stressed the necessity of close cooperation with other conservative agencies and with forest user groups.

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CATTLE SHIPMENTS DURING JANUARY

ALBUQUERQUE — The New Mexico cattle sanitary board reported Tuesday that shipments of cattle from the state in January totaled 32,481 head, or 2,079 head more than for January last year. December shipments were 69,831 head.

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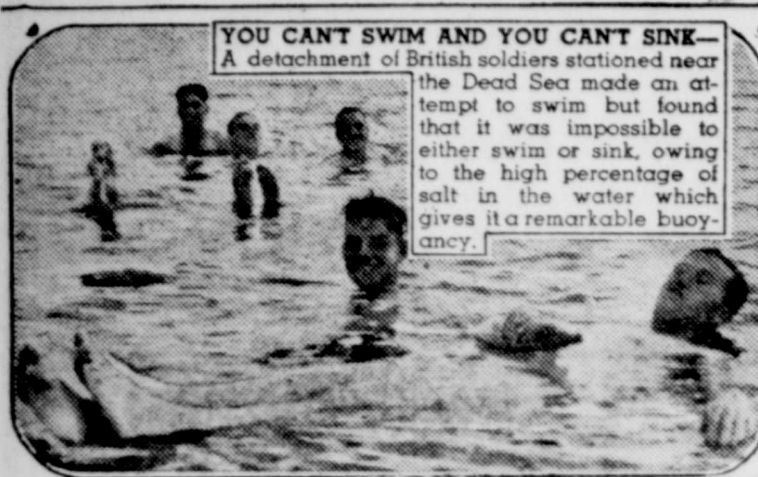
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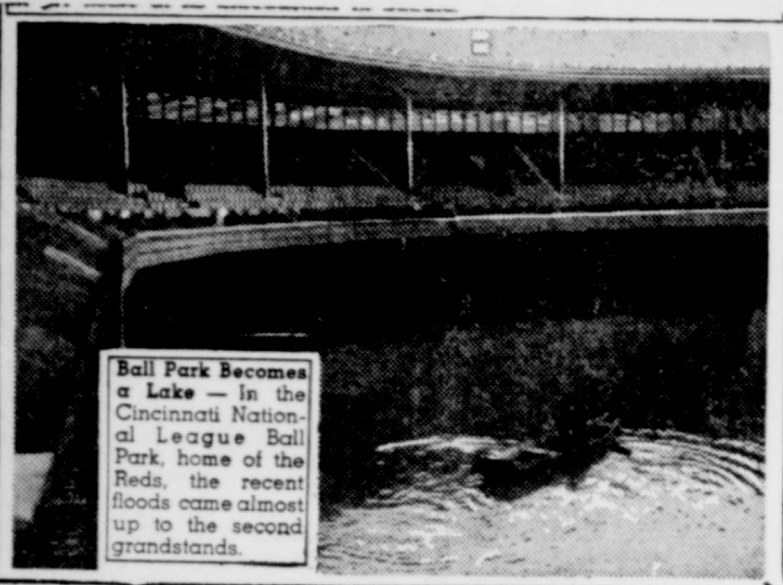
THE ADVOCATE SNAPSHOTS



YOU CANT SWIM AND YOU CANT SINK—A detachment of British soldiers stationed near the Dead Sea made an attempt to swim but found that it was impossible to either swim or sink, owing to the high percentage of salt in the water which gives it a remarkable buoyancy.



MARY AND BUDDY—This handsome pair, Mary Pickford and Buddy Rogers, plan to retire to some obscure retreat after their marriage this Spring. If they do, the movie and radio worlds will lose two of their favorite entertainers.



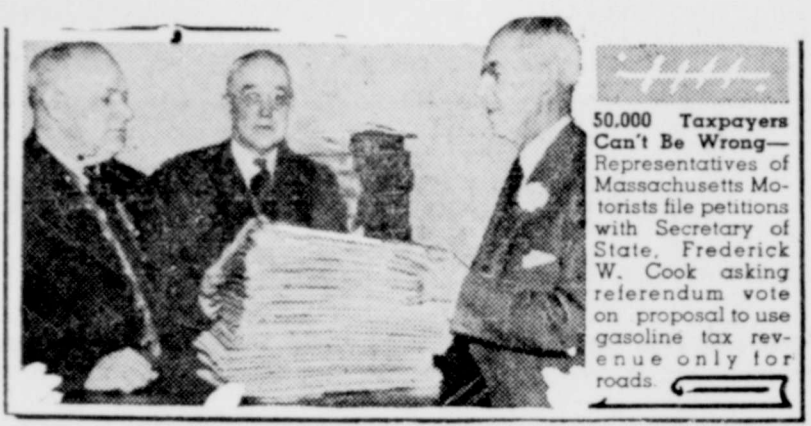
Ball Park Becomes a Lake—In the Cincinnati National League Ball Park, home of the Reds, the recent floods came almost up to the second grandstands.



AMERICA'S FAVORITE SPORT—Wm. Tippy Dye, Captain and guard on the fast Ohio State basketball team enjoys the sport that sixteen million other Americans play.



SHE SPRINGS TO FAME—Mary Hoeger, 12-year-old national diving champion, amazes the spectators with her dexterity at the Deauville Cabana Club, Miami Beach.



50,000 Taxpayers Can't Be Wrong—Representatives of Massachusetts Motorists file petitions with Secretary of State, Frederick W. Cook asking referendum vote on proposal to use gasoline tax revenue only for roads.

Fourteen Indicted in a Stock Selling Fraud on Saturday

Fourteen persons, including three former New Mexico public officials, were indicted by federal grand jury at Albuquerque Saturday on charges of fraudulent security practices in connection with stock sales of the New Mexico Potash and Chemical Co., Carlsbad.

Those indicted included officers of the potash company and of the Royalty Bond and Share Co., Santa Fe, a holding corporation.

The indictments contained fifty-three separate counts, charging use of mails to defraud, conspiracy to commit an offense against the United States, which owns all potash lands in the Carlsbad area, and fraudulent interstate transactions.

The following "organizers and promoters" of the potash company were named:

George F. Montgomery, Amarillo, Texas, oil man; W. G. Halthusen, Albuquerque, secretary and treasurer of the company and former adjutant general of New Mexico; Hugh H. Williams, Santa Fe, former state corporation commissioner; Charles E. Lamb, Carolina Beach, North Carolina; A. C. Nebeker, Carlsbad, consulting engineer for the company; E. Ralph Seward, Albuquerque; W. R. Seward, Hereford, Texas; Harvey O. Garst, Terre Haute, Indiana, a company salesman, and George Edgar, Carlsbad, vice president of the company.

Those indicted as organizers of the Royalty Bond and Share Co., were Williams, Nebeker, Garst and the following:

C. J. Little, Santa Fe, president of the concern; E. L. Hanson, Clovis; Harry S. Bowman, Santa Fe, secretary of the company and former assistant U. S. district attorney, and E. J. Fox, Tatum.

Core tests on property surrounding that which the potash company claimed held 40,800,000 tons of mineral, the jury held, showed "that such a deposit did not exist on said property."

In another indictment it was charged the company claimed assets over \$1,000,000 when as a matter of fact the company had only \$1.65 in cash at the time.

Acid Treatments Play Increasing Part in Boosting Oil Production

Some idea of the wide scope and importance which acid treating of wells has attained in the oil industry as affecting conservation, production and ultimate recovery is shown in a recent report of the All-South Development Council.

The nation's oil and gas wells took "shots in the arm" to the extent of about 12,000,000 gallons of muriatic acid in 1936, the report shows, as this four-year-old step-child of the oil industry doubled its 1935 record in treatments—about \$5,000—and in volume of acid used.

The 1936 activity in acidizing represents approximately a 600 per cent increase over that of 1933, regarded as the first full year of practical application, after the process' virtually accidental discovery in 1932.

Two industrial chemists of Midland, Michigan, John Grebe and Ross Sanford, seeking to stimulate brine production from subterranean salt deposits by acid injection, found that it wouldn't work on salt. But they tried it on an oil well, and it did. And in scores of applications since its perfection it has shown ratios as high as ten to one in dollar return.

Originally devised and used primarily to "kick up" dead or dying wells, acidizing by 1936 had fought its way out of this class with big operators to the extent that last year actually more treatments were given to, and more acid used on, flush, full-flowing, new wells than stripper wells.

Briefly, here's how and why of acid treating: Acid forced into a well under carefully-regulated pressure eats through the oil-bearing limestone increasing the porosity of the lime through "channeling" of its weaker strata, and thus making recoverable scores of oil and gas previously blocked off from the well-hole by congested pores of lime or borderline porosity.

Use of the process on new wells is an important factor in conservation, the report says, because of its function in subjecting the wildest possible area of a given hole to maximum natural pressure at the outset instead of waiting to tap new pools in old wells after much or all of this pressure has been dissipated.

The extraordinary volumes of muriatic acid used in this new industry has made it easily the nation's principle consumer of this type of acid, the bulk of which is

produced in the south as a by-product of salt mining and refining. The cost of acid alone in 1936 is estimated by the council at \$1,800,000.

It is a simple and not especially risky operation, performed usually by crews working out of one of a score of treating stations—most of them located in Oklahoma, Texas and Kansas. There are probably not more than 100 "treating engineers" in this infant industry, and no technical schools as yet have courses teaching it, though several touch upon it. The average treating expedition is about a 125-mile round trip, though some crews have gone all the way from Tulsa, Oklahoma, to Alberta, Canada, to do a job.

One of the major effects of the acceptance of acid treating has been to return to production many wells from which the sand reserves have been exhausted, and opening the wells at new levels where original drilling showed oil-bearing limestone. In many cases these lime stratas were passed up because they were considered less desirable than sand as sources of oil, and re-working at lime levels, after acid treating, has given new life to abandoned wells.

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A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Leland Price Saturday night at the Carlsbad hospital.

H. C. Moorehead, superintendent of the Vaughn schools, and Reed McCaw, also of Vaughn, both former residents of Artesia, accompanied the Vaughn high school basketball team to the valley Saturday. The basketball team went on to Hope to play the Hope Yellowjackets. Mrs. Moorehead and children, who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Wilson of the Cottonwood for the past two weeks, returned home with them.

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Farmers Elect—

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"The Farmer's Protective Association has asked that House Bill No. 29 be amended so as to 'exempt farm and ranch labor.'

"Relative to House Bill No. 40, it would require the farmer to carry expensive compensation insurance, as is now required of the oil, mining industries, etc. Our association believes that the farming industry should be exempt from the provisions of said bill.

"In addition to above, other legislation, affecting the farming industry, is pending at Santa Fe.

"A farmer's committee, composed of Messrs. Hollis Watson of Artesia, Charles Pardue of Lovins, and Oscar Pearson of Cottonwood, left for Santa Fe, Wednesday morning, to protest against the passage of legislation that would adversely affect the farming industry, including House Bills 29 and 40.

"A total of \$12.90 was contributed yesterday toward the legislative expenses of the said committee, but about one hundred dollars or more will probably be needed to cover auto and hotel expenses of the committee and to pay for cost of wires, long distance calls and other incidental expenses.

"The committee may have to spend considerable time at Santa Fe and additional trips may be necessary.

"We suggest individual contributions toward said expense fund of one or two dollars, but any amount will be acceptable. A prompt response will be greatly appreciated. Please make all checks payable to Farmer's Protective Association."

Mrs. Dorothy Hanny, district home agent, of Carlsbad, was able to resume her office duties Monday after a siege of the flu. Mrs. Hanny is busy compiling programs for the farm women's county extension programs to be included in the new year books to be issued soon.

Oil News—

(Continued from first page)

five barrels an hour and 3,000,000 feet of gas at 3900 feet. Shell Petroleum Corp., State 4-B, NW sec. 6-19-36, made 230 barrels in four hours with 750,000 feet of gas. Jal district: Continental Oil Co., Eaves A-19 No. 3, SW sec. 19-26-37, completed at 3192 feet for forty barrels an hour with 500,000 feet of gas. Eunice district: Two States & Southern Petroleum Exploration Co., McQuatters No. 1, SE sec. 11-21-36 made 330 barrels in twelve hours when drilled to 3885 feet with 2,250,000 feet of gas.

New locations by districts: Monument: Phillips, Britt 2, NE sec. 18-20-37; Gulf, White 2, SE sec. 25-20-36; Gulf, Anderson 5, NW sec. 17-20-37; Repollo, Barber 7, NW sec. 8-20-37; Amerada, Laughlin 1, NW sec. 9-20-37; Superior, State 1-B, SE sec. 13-20-36; Humbie, State Aggies 11, NE sec. 21-20-37. Eunice: Stanolind, McQuatters 1, NE sec. 11-21-36.

Wildcats
The following drilling report may be of general interest:

Lea county—
Carlock et al., Quincy Ricker No. 1, SE sec. 7-16-36, plugging to abandon at 5500 feet.

Hershback, Alston No. 1, NE sec. 31-17-37, rigging.

Jno. Baldridge, Blakney No. 1, sec. 5-20-29, 4000 feet sulphur water at 4410 feet, plugging to abandon.

Getty Oil Co., Etz No. 1, sec. 12-21-32, no report.

Magnolia Petroleum Co., State 1-G, NE sec. 24-17-34, drilling below 4800 feet.

Brown and Reynolds, Parcel No. 1, sec. 8-21-38, preparing to run 5 1/2-inch casing to total depth of well, 4373 feet.

Eddy county—
Murchison et al., State 1-A, SW sec. 16-17-31, plugging back to shut off water.

Neal Wills, Colglazier No. 1, NE sec. 20-20-30, cemented six-inch

BROWN'S GHOST STORY

M. S. Brown, who runs a cafe and beer garden about two miles north of Lake Arthur, has the best ghost story of the season. He said last Saturday night a number of young people came out to his place and among them were Oliver Bowman and Andrew Peden, the young men who were burned to death here early Sunday morning about 3:00 o'clock. The young men played two musical numbers on an electric piano three times. Sunday morning at 3:00 o'clock Mr. Brown said he and Mrs. Brown were suddenly awakened by the sound of the piano. The instrument played one number, switched and played another, the same two selections as were played by the fire victims. He said when the piano started up the lights went on and after the two numbers were finished the instrument was turned off in darkness.

In the meantime Mr. Brown said he investigated the strange phenomenon, but found nothing. His dog, usually very noisy when anything unusual occurs, lay in a chair, "scared stiff," he said.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson have as their house guest, Miss Mildred Baade of Saskatchewan, Canada. Miss Baade is the niece of Mrs. Wilson and plans to make an indefinite stay here with her aunt.

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casing at 1440 feet. Roosevelt county—
Clovis Development Co., Smith No. 1, SE sec. 17-2n-30e, fishing for tools at 3000 feet.

Franklin and F. W. & Y., Catts No. 1, sec. 28-3n-30e, drilling below 5000 feet.

Otero county—
O. K. Hearte, Evans No. 1, sec. 22-24-21, drilling below 1830 feet.

George Mulvey, State No. 1, SW sec. 11-25-8, rigging up.

Chaves county—
J. & L. Drilling Co., Hurd No. 1, NW sec. 14-11-36, rigging.

Locals

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Johnson, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Baird spent Tuesday in Roswell on business.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cooper is now located at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. R. Blocker, where she will remain for the next few months.

Miss Mary Woods had as dinner guests Wednesday evening, Miss Beulah Strang, Miss Isabel Macdonald and Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Spratt.

The concrete frame work on the new court house under construction at Lovington, is practically completed, it was learned here the first of the week.

Mrs. Rex Hartgraves was painfully hurt Tuesday when she dropped a teakettle of boiling water. Her foot and ankle was scalded when hot water from the kettle splashed out.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Richards took as their guests, Mrs. C. Bert Smith and her house guests, Mrs. A. O. Alexander and Virginia, to Alamogordo Sunday. The drive was made by way of Cloudcroft where the guests were surprised to see skiing and sleigh riding. The party visited the White Sands National Monument before returning home that evening.

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