

Big Plane Lands On Completed Artesia Airport

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While CAA Makes Inspection, Army Officers Set Ship Down

All Are Well Pleased, When Greeted Tuesday by Mayor Carper at Splendid Field, Costing Two-Thirds Million

The new two-thirds-million-dollar CAA airport west of Artesia is virtually completed, it has undergone official inspections this week with glowing compliments, the first large airplane landed on it Tuesday morning, and it should be in regular use within a few days.

While Don Lee, CAA inspector from the Fort Worth office, and other CAA officials were inspecting the airport Tuesday morning, a B-17 from the Roswell Army Air Field landed, bringing three Army officers, who were greeted by Mayor Emery Carper. A few small private planes have landed before.

The Army officers and Lee were highly pleased with the airport and one said "it could be no better." Nowhere in the nation is there a better airport than the one at Artesia for its size, it was intimated.

Now that the port has been inspected, it is said the Army will be prepared to take it over in the near future.

It is expected a crash and first aid crew will be on duty at the airport at all times. A crash station has been erected by the Army adjacent to the taxiways at the east side of the field, in which will be stationed a fire truck and an ambulance.

The work remaining is mostly of a clean-up nature, although there is a little surface sweeping to be done.

Ground on the airport was broken last Oct. 7, after contracts respectively for the excavation and dirt work, and the finishing work had been let in September to Brazos Valley Construction Company and Jay W. Craig Construction Company for contracts originally totaling \$692,732.74.

The three runways total 20,458 feet. Two of them, the east-west and the northeast-southwest, are 6,800 feet long and the one running northwest-southwest is 6,858 feet long. All are 150 feet wide, blacktop surfaced by a method, which is said to be more satisfactory and lasting than previous methods used in airport construction. It is, in fact, "the last word," officials said here Tuesday.

Besides the runways, there are several taxiways, the principal one of which is in the shape of a "U," connecting the ends of the runways at the southeast and northeast ends. From it are three strips extending to the angled runways, with one extending across the northwest-southwest runway to the east-west landing strip. The crash station is at the middle of the "U."

The greater part of the equipment of the two contracting companies has been moved out. A number of the heavy Craig pieces have been rolling out this week.

Flag-Raising Ceremony Is Put on By Boys And Girls Wednesday

A flag-raising ceremony was put on at the Artesia postoffice flagpole Wednesday morning in observance of Flag Day by the boys and girls of the junior band.

The youngsters, who are continuing their band activities during the summer under the direction of E. L. Harp, marched down Main Street, executed several maneuvers, and stopped at the postoffice for the flag raising.

Harp said the band will have another patriotic parade on the downtown streets on the Fourth of July.

WILL AUCTION SURPLUS ARMY HORSES MONDAY

More than sixty riding horses, surplus to the Army's needs are to be auctioned off at the National Guard stables in Santa Fe at 1 o'clock Monday afternoon. These horses are not condemned, but are animals which are not needed.

The sale will be by the Procurement Department of the Treasury Department.

Charles H. Roady, who suffered a stroke a few weeks ago, is reported recovering at the home in Carlsbad of his daughter, Mrs. Calvin Dunn.

RIG ON BREWER WELL IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

The drilling rig on the Brew Drilling Company's Mitchell No. 17-A well caught fire about 8:30 o'clock last Thursday evening and was destroyed.

The well was being cleaned out after a shot and started flowing, when the spudder caught fire. About 4,000 feet of line fell into the hole.

WPB Priorities Analyst Will Be Here Tuesday At Chamber Office

W. C. Anderson, priorities analyst for the War Production Board, Albuquerque office, will be at the Artesia Chamber of Commerce office from 9 o'clock next Tuesday morning to 5 o'clock that afternoon for the purpose of rendering assistance to citizens of this community in the matter of priorities.

Persons having building problems or other problems coming under the jurisdiction of the WPB are invited to contact Anderson at that time.

E. N. Bigler, 56, Dies Suddenly Here Saturday

Services Are Held Monday, With Full Military Rites

E. N. Bigler, 56, prominent Artesia businessman, died suddenly Saturday afternoon in a physician's office shortly after suffering a heart attack. Feeling ill, Mr. Bigler went to the office of his physician, where he died a half hour later at about 3 o'clock. With him when death came were Mrs. Bigler and their daughter, Miss Ruth Bigler.

Funeral services were from Bayless Funeral Home at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon by the Rev. Joseph H. Harvey, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Burial was in Woodbine Cemetery, with full military rites at the grave by members of Clarence Kepple Post No. 41, American Legion, assisted by a firing squad and bugler of Company 8, 2nd Battalion, New Mexico State Guard.

Pallbearers were J. S. Ward, Neil B. Watson, Howard Whitson, John Lanning, and L. B. Feather of Artesia, and Harry Blythe of Roswell.

Mr. Bigler is survived by his widow and daughter, Ruth; his father, John S. Bigler, 87, Glendale, Calif., and two brothers and a sister, Dr. Wayne H. Bigler, St. Louis; George Bigler, Glendale, Calif., and Mrs. C. L. Gibson, Wakeeney, Kan.

Earl Newton Bigler, a son of John S. and Harriet Blair Bigler, was born Jan. 8, 1888, at Abilene, Kan.

In 1906 at the age of 18 years he came to Artesia, when the town was young, and he lived here since. Mr. Bigler worked for the telephone company here from 1906 until 1920, when he started to work for the late L. P. Evans in his store.

He took over the agency in Artesia for Continental Oil Company in 1931, which he operated until the time of his death.

Mr. Bigler and Lillian Spitz were married in Artesia Nov. 21, 1910, and to them was born the daughter, Ruth, mentioned as surviving.

During World War I Mr. Bigler entered the Army and was attending Officers' Training School at Fort MacArthur, Tex., when the war ended.

Prior to World War I, Mr. Bigler saw service under General Pershing on the Mexican border in 1915 with the New Mexico National Guard.

He was a charter member of Clarence Kepple Post No. 41, American Legion, and was quite active in veterans' affairs over the years and held a number of offices in the post. He was also a member of the Episcopal Church and the B. P. O. E.

Here for the funeral were Mr. Bigler's brother, Dr. Wayne H. Bigler of St. Louis, and Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Palmer of Big Spring, Tex., old-time friends of Mr. and Mrs. Bigler and former Artesia residents.

Death Comes to Mrs. Hightower, Young Matron

Services Are to be Held Monday, With Full Military Rites

Mrs. Earl V. Hightower, a popular young matron of Artesia, died at 11:45 o'clock Tuesday morning in a Roswell hospital three weeks after undergoing major surgery. She was 27 years old.

Services are to be held from Ballard Funeral Home in Roswell at 2 o'clock this afternoon, by the Rev. Dr. T. W. Brabham, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Roswell. Burial will be in South Park Cemetery there.

Pallbearers will be S. P. Yates, Robert O. Anderson, Joe W. Lackey, Boone Barnett, C. H. Jones, and G. Rex Holmes.

Mrs. Hightower is survived by her husband, two children, Earl Vernon, Jr., 3 years old, and Warren Barrie, 2; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Reichart, Jr., Houston, Tex., and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Reichart, Sr., Kansas City Mo., and Mr. and Mrs. Carwin Barringer, Des Moines, Iowa.

As Gwen Reichart, Mrs. Hightower was born in Kansas City, Kan., March 28, 1917. She married Earl V. Hightower at Fort Worth, Tex., in July, 1936, and to them were born the two children mentioned.

Mr. and Mrs. Hightower moved to Artesia from Houston about two years ago, since when Mrs. Hightower was quite active in the Junior Woman's Club. She was a member of the Lutheran Church.

Some Kid to Be Mayor for Day in Drive

And May Be Made Governor Too for Selling War Bonds

Some North Eddy County boy or girl of 16 years or less will be honorary mayor of Artesia for a day, and will stand a chance to be governor of New Mexico for a day, as a prize in a selling campaign of the Fifth War Loan.

The general plan was instigated by the theaters of New Mexico, with the approval of Gov. John J. Dempsey and various War Savings Staffs, and the local campaign has been further stimulated by Mayor Carper, who has offered to step down for a day for the boy or girl selling the most Series E bonds during the current campaign.

Should the local winner likewise win the state contest, he will be personally conducted to Santa Fe by State Police Chief Frank Young.

L. B. Feather, chairman of the North Eddy County War Savings Staff, said War Bond sales in the Fifth War Loan up to 10 o'clock this morning totaled \$112,000, of which \$30,000 was in Series E, of quotas respectively of \$604,800 and \$162,000.

Buying of bonds must step up, Feather said, and in order to stimulate sales, dedication of the new CAA Artesia airport is contemplated Saturday of next week, June 24, in connection with a bond rally, with the Roswell Army Air Field cooperating.

to be a guest at the governor's mansion of Governor and Mrs. Dempsey over night, while honorary governor of the state.

Governor Dempsey also will appoint the boy or girl a colonel aide-de-camp on his staff.

The trip will be made with all expenses paid and will include a special tour of places of interest in the Santa Fe region.

And to top it all off, the state winner will be given a prize of \$250 to \$500 in War Bonds, the exact amount yet to be announced.

Every boy and girl 16 years old or under selling as many as twenty War Bonds during the Fifth War Loan campaign will be given an honorary citation, signed by Governor Dempsey, and those selling fifty or more will receive special citations done in red, white, and blue, and carrying the state seal.

Ray Bartlett, manager of the Ocotillo and Valley Theaters in Artesia, is in charge of the campaign in North Eddy County. He said the state contest was announced by Ted Jones of Roswell, district manager of Griffith Theaters, who is state chairman.

The general drive, with boys and girls selling, is part of the campaign of movie theaters, which have sold many millions of dollars worth of War Bonds in their all-out efforts.

Bartlett said for boys and girls who wish to enter the contest, in hopes of being mayor-for-a-day and governor-for-a-day, should be at the Ocotillo Theater at 10 o'clock Friday morning for instructions.

Another contest has been instigated in New Mexico, in which a pedigreed Jersey bull calf will be the capital prize. The calf will go to the person selling the greatest amount in dollar value of Series E War Bonds. The bull was presented as a prize by Burton D. Armstrong of Las Vegas.

It is possible that the boy or girl winner also could win the bull calf, although it is offered as a prize to anyone, child or adult.

REGULAR MASONIC MEET IS TO BE THIS EVENING

The Artesia Masonic Lodge will hold its regular June meeting at the hall this evening.

There is to be balloting and other important business will come before the lodge.

Forty Scouts Leave for Week Of Camping Out

Forty Artesia and Loco Hills Boy Scouts and three of their leaders left Monday morning to attend a "Camporee" at Tansill Dam, Carlsbad, until Saturday noon. The boys, each with his bedroll and gear, set up camp Monday for a week of Boy Scout work and fun.

They were accompanied by the Rev. Fr. Michael Brown, scoutmaster, and Henry Hernandez, assistant scoutmaster of troop No. 78, and the Rev. V. Elmer McGuffin, an acting scoutmaster.

In the party were five Boy Scouts of troop No. 8, seventeen of No. 27, two of No. 28, and nine of No. 79, Artesia, and seven of No. 69, Loco Hills. Accompanying them and their leaders to help them get started Monday were J. D. Smith and Don Jensen, members of the local committee.

The camp is in charge of Ray Robins of Lovington and W. T. McRee of Hobbs, field executive.

WATSON IS NAMED IN PARTY PLATFORM GROUP

Hollis G. Watson of Artesia was named a member of the platform committee of the state Democratic party to submit recommendations at the state convention in Albuquerque June 26, it was announced by H. R. Rodgers, state chairman.

Gov. John J. Dempsey was named chairman of the group, a meeting of which Rodgers indicated he will call shortly.

Treatment of War Prisoners Is Explained

The careful procedure which must be followed in caring for prisoners of war was described Tuesday noon by Capt. D. L. Johnson, commander of the Artesia branch of the Roswell Prisoner of War Camp, at the weekly luncheon of the Rotary Club.

Captain Johnson said the treatment of the prisoners follows the rules set forth by the Geneva Convention of 1929, of which the United States is a signer. They cannot be treated harshly, except as discipline is meted out, and must not be accorded the treatment of slaves.

The prisoners from the side camp, who are employed on farms in this community, are paid for their work at an agreed price by the government of the United States, which is paid by the farmers for their services.

They cannot be expected to be 100 per cent efficient in their work, Captain Johnson said, and the prisoners do no more than they have to, which the speaker said is understandable.

Prisoners of war are given the same rations as American soldiers, and Captain Johnson said he is certain the same treatment is being accorded American boys in German camps, although it stands to reason the food is not up to the standard the prisoners receive here, as the German soldier is not so well fed.

Captain Johnson complimented the Artesia community on the spirit of friendship shown the officers and enlisted men from the side camp, greatly in contrast with the attitude towards military personnel in many communities.

Official Canvass Shows No Great Changes in Totals

In the official canvass Monday of the vote in the primaries Tuesday of last week in Eddy County no great changes in the outcome were noted, although totals unavailable last week were brought out.

The county commissioners tabulated a total of 2,673 votes for the two parties.

The largest number of votes polled was for Fred Hill, Democratic candidate for re-election for sheriff, running without opposition on either ticket, who received 1,964.

In the Democratic race for county treasurer, W. L. (Bill) High polled 1,450 votes to 926 for Mrs. J. R. (Dick) Attebery.

The closest race in the county was for probate judge on the Democratic ballot, in which Xury White won the nomination with 787 votes, to 762 for P. J. McCall and 571 for Scott Etter.

Other results in Eddy County, only for offices in which there was opposition.

For representatives in Congress: Ben F. Meyer, 84; Manuel Lujan, 87; James S. McCall, 181; Severino Trujillo, Jr., 13, Republicans. Clinton P. Anderson, 1,559; Antonio M. Fernandez, 352; Thomas L. Curran, 246; Bob Wollard, 850; Robert (Bob) Valdez, 517, Democrats.

For governor: Glenn L. Emmons, 140; Carroll G. Gunderson, 79, Republicans. John J. Dempsey, 1,931; Mrs. Robert E. (Edna) Peterson, 286, Democrats.

For lieutenant governor: Tom K. Broome, 137; Filemon T. Martinez, 73, Republicans.

For state auditor: J. D. Hannah, 1,769; Joe B. Garcia, 275, Democrats.

For commissioner of public lands: J. C. Morrison, 57; Holm O. Bursum, Jr., 24; Richard C. Dillon, 152, Republicans. John E. Miles, 1,161; Tom Wilson, 1,014, Democrats.

For member of State Corporation Commission: Benton W. McGinnis, 89; Hugh P. Cooper, 104, Republicans. Eugene M. Allison, 923; George W. Armijo, 123; Ingram B. (7-Foot) Pickett, 805; J. R. T. Herrera, 130, Democrats.

For justice of the State Supreme Court: Reese P. Fullerton, 92; Edward D. Tittmann, 18; Charles H. Fowler, 102, Republicans. Martin A. Threet, 541; George L. Reese, Jr., 1,392. Eugene D. Lujan, 154, Democrats.

Well Might Be Drilled Today

Believe the Hultman Brothers would commercial well if which spent a few years ago. The rig is drilling a 300 feet today, after some through about a good oil pay.

Artesia on the Roswell side, discovered a pay zone 6,325 feet a month ago. The Pennsylvania was drilled into. It is definitely established that the formations is good.

The well gave off a free petroleum, 56-gravity, about 100 feet, which focused the drilling operation of this section. The test ever drilled in this county which has discovered a lower gravity than total depth, but of a quality. It has not yet.

Wednesday, the well was to be drilled for a period after then an undisclosed depth of the deep oil was being a "tight well" by Sam Sanders permitted The Advocate that "it is looking and drilling ahead."

Expresses the Voters for Margin

High, successful of the Democratic no Eddy County treasurer, expressed thanks to the wide margin achieved Tuesday of last week. The margin is equivalent to there is no Republican in the office.

Useful to the voters of and I can't find words of real appreciation," he said, "to thank everyone who worked in my behalf."

LEAVES FOR DENVER

Martin, a member of the AA Board, left Monday for Denver, Colo., to attend Wednesday of the committee of the Pro-Division, Treasury De-

Safeway Goes to New One Is Vet

Trade of managers of the Safeway Store, J. T. Haile, the last six months, left for the Navy.

It is not likely the new manager, Seth G. Acres, will follow for he is a veteran of World War II, with a medical career after serving thirteen months and comes from the He and Mrs. Acres take this their permanent family has gone to Clovis during the duration.

Rationing at... Meats—Red... through 78... Processed... stamps A8... definitely... Sugar—Stamp... Book Four... indefinitely;... for five... through Feb... Shoes—Air... and 2 in Book... pair each... Gasoline—No... Book "A" valid... each through...

Douglas Will... Conduct... At Methodist... The Rev. A. C... Tex., district... er pastor here... of the First... Artesia Sunday... pastor, the Rev... closing out a... has been holding... last week... The district... hold the quarterly... the local church... afternoon... Rev. Asmond... a member of... which spent a... three years ago... Miss Helen... who has just... ary work as a... preacher, will... Methodist Church... Especially the... Artesia who work... Jaravan when he... orded an opportu... gain. The pastoral... invitation to... end this service...

Death Comes... To Mrs. Maria... Of Brainard... Mrs. Maria... Furtos Co... G. R. Brann... east of Artesia... ars died in... hospital at 12:30... ternoon... Funeral services... y of Grace... Monday morning... Michael... Cemetery... Mrs. Co... 77, at Victoria... in the Pen... funeral arrangements... of Bayless...

T BARBECUE... Served at pit... the family, also... y us once and... ain. Tom Thurt...

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TELEPHONE 7

LEONARD GOT TO DOOLITTLE'S HEART

Ernie Pyle, the famous war correspondent from New Mexico, last week devoted a column to Lt. Gen. Jimmie Doolittle, in which he related a story regarding the general and his aerial gunner-engineer.

The story is of special interest to people in this community, for the gunner-engineer was M/Sgt. Paul J. Leonard, whose home address was Artesia. Wrote Pyle:

The last time I had seen General Doolittle was some sixteen months ago, way down at the desert airrome of Biskra on the edge of the Sahara. That was when he was running our African bomber force that was plastering the Tunisian ports.

General Doolittle flew in one afternoon from the far forward airrome of Youks les Bains. The night before his entire crew except for the co-pilot had been killed in a German bombing at the Youks field.

His crew had manned their plane's guns until it got too hot, and then made a run for an old bomb crater fifty yards away. It was one of those heart-breaking freaks of hard luck. A bomb hit the crater just as they reached it, and blew them all to pieces.

General Doolittle has written hundreds, perhaps thousands, of letters to people who have lost sons or husbands in his air forces. But one of the men in that crew was the hardest subject he has ever had to write home about. Here is the reason.

When he led the famous raid on Tokyo, Doolittle had a mechanic who had been with him a long time. Doolittle was a colonel then. The mechanic went on the Tokyo raid with him.

You remember the details of that raid, which have gradually seeped out. The planes were badly scattered. Some were shot down over Japanese territory. Others ran out of gas. Some of the crews bailed out. Others landed in Russia. The remainder splattered themselves all over the rice paddies of China.

That night Doolittle was lower than he had ever been before in his life. There wasn't any humor in the world for him that night. He sat with his head down and thought to himself.

"You have bailed up the biggest chance anybody could ever have. You have sure made a mess of this affair. You've lost most of your planes. The whole thing was a miserable failure. You'll spend the rest of your life in Leavenworth for this, and be lucky to get out of it that easy."

As he sat there this sergeant-mechanic came up and said: "Don't feel so bad about it, Colonel."

Doolittle paid no attention. But the sergeant kept at him. "It's not as bad as it seems. Why, I'll bet you that within a year you'll have a Congressional Medal for it and be a brigadier general."

Doolittle just snorted. "Well, I'll bet you so," the sergeant said. "And I'd like to ask one thing. As long as you're flying I'd like to be your mechanic."

That finally got inside Doolittle's gloom. Somebody had confidence in him. He began to buck up. So he said:

"Son, as long as I've got an airplane you're its mechanic, even if we live to be a thousand years old."

As you know, he did get a Congressional Medal of Honor, and now he has not only one star but the three of a lieutenant general. And that sergeant, who devoted himself to Colonel Doolittle that miserable night out there in China, was still General Doolittle's mechanic the night they landed at Youks les Bains in January of 1943. He was one of the men who ran for the shell hole that night.

DIXON TELLS A DRAMATIC TALE

While we are writing about war correspondents from New Mexico, we should give you the classic story which came from the war-battered typewriter of our good friend, Kenzie Dixon, former editor of The Carlsbad Current-Argus, who is doing a bang-up job.

Here is one of the greatest bits of dramatic writing to come out of the war to date, written by Kenzie from the Italian front:

Just at sunset someone shouted "Look!" and we all glanced up and watched the two P-40's coming back over the combat line.

The one in front was a wounded duck; its motor was dead and its flight had that unsteady quality of a damaged ship. The pilot had the nose up in a desperate angle, stretching every inch out of it to reach friendly territory before the crash.

He could have bailed out safely back there when he still had altitude—but that would have meant capture and a lost plane. So he had elected to bring her back and take his chances on bellying on this side of no man's land.

Behind him came his buddy, sweeping back and forth in protective thunder, daring anyone to touch that guy in front. At that treetop altitude the odds would have been 10 to 1 against having an enemy fighter jump them, but he had made his choice, too. His sidekick had been shot up and he was herding him home.

We watched in paralyzed fascination; like men in a dream, powerless to raise a hand to help. Three battered planes had made the same game attempt in the last two days and all three had crashed and burned, two on our side of the line and one on the German side.

And all along that combat line Doughboys forgot their own fight for just a moment; forgot their own dead of the day and watched the last act of the little drama of life or death for one man.

He made it over the line and then swept our heads, still stretching that glide desperately—searching for a landing field that wasn't there. Finally when he begged the last inch out of his sinking ship he slipped over some bushes and bellied her down on a grainfield.

We couldn't see him then. All we could do was stand there watching the cloud of dust arise, and sweat, and wait, and inwardly swear. Still no one spoke out loud.

His pal circling anxiously over the dust clouds couldn't tell yet either. He kept wheeling his Warhawk around in a tight circle and you could almost see him peering over the side trying to pierce the dust by the very intensity of his stare.

We began to hope a bit when no smoke blossomed up. But you can't tell. Sometimes they don't explode right at first; sometimes they don't burn for a few minutes, and even if it didn't burn he might have been killed in the crash.

For a long moment the whole front seemed to stop the incessant noise of its own slaughter and wait silently for some sign that would tell just whether or not the pilot survived.

Then the sign came. It came from the other P-40 pilot overhead and it told the whole story in one motion. Rolling out of his circling vigil he whipped the Warhawk up and out in a sharp wingover and dived down to the field, his motor howling a happy, hilarious thunder. Then he buzzed the site of the crashed plane so low he must have clipped the heads of the grain. Then he pulled out, climbing

CHURCHES

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

"Committed to the Ministry of the Word of God"
Corner of Grand and Roselawn
Sunday Services
Bible school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 10:45 a. m.
Spanish Mission, 2:30 p. m.
Morningside Mission, 2:30 p. m.
Training Union, 7 p. m.
Evening worship, 8 p. m.
Young people's fellowship, 9 p. m.

Weekly Services
Monday after the last Sunday in each month: Cradle roll meeting, 2:30 p. m. Lydia Class meeting, 7:30 p. m.

Tuesday: Prayer and preaching service at Morningside Mission, 8 p. m. After last Sunday in each month, Dorcas Class meeting, 2:30 p. m.

Wednesday: Teachers' and officers' meeting, 7:15 p. m. Prayer and Bible study, 8 p. m. This is a continued study on the life of Christ. Read from the four gospels and bring your Bibles. First Wednesday in each month: Fellowship Class meeting. Second Wednesday in each month: Women's Bible Class meeting.

Thursday: W.M.S., first and third Thursdays. Circle meetings, second and fourth, 2:30 p. m. Troop 27, Boy Scouts, 7:30 p. m. Third Thursday in each month Brotherhood, 7:30 p. m.
S. M. Morgan, Pastor.

LOCO HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Preaching service, 11 a. m.
Training Union, 7:30 p. m.
Preaching service, 8 p. m.
Mid-week service, Wednesday, 8 p. m.
Rev. S. S. Perry, Pastor.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Corner of Fifth and Quay
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship service, 11 a. m.
Evening service, 8 p. m.
Mid-week prayer service, 8 p. m.

Sunday school superintendent, Mrs. E. A. Paton, 511 W. Dallas, phone 296.
Pastor, Mrs. Jessie Miller, 901 W. Chisholm, phone 433-R. All visitors are welcome.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m., Fred Jacobs, general superintendent.
Morning worship, 10:50 a. m.
Evening worship, 7:30 p. m.
Woman's Society of Christian Service, first Thursday at 2:30 p. m., Mrs. Reed Brainard, president.

Official board, first Tuesday each month, 7:30 p. m.

Wesleyan Service Guild, first Monday each month, 7 p. m.

Choir rehearsal each Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., Mrs. Glenn Caskey, director; Mrs. R. L. Setterlund, organist.

Nursery for small children for morning service under the direction of Mrs. Fred Jacobs.

You are invited and will be welcomed to any and all services.
C. A. Clark, Pastor.

LUTHERAN SERVICES

Every second and fourth Sunday, 8 p. m., Artesia Woman's Club building, 420 Dallas. Public invited.

ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Ninth and Missouri
Mass Sundays, 8 a. m., English sermon.
Mass week days, at Artesia Memorial Hospital, 6:15 a. m.; in church every second week at 8 a. m.

Confessions every Saturday from 7:30 to 8 p. m. and before the Mass on Sunday morning.
Franciscan Fathers in charge.
Rev. Francis Geary, O.M.C., Pastor.

Rev. Michael Brown, O.M.C., Assistant.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

307 South Seventh Street
Holy Communion, sermon, second Sunday in the month, 8:00

joyously up in the thickening dust, and headed back to his home field.

And as plainly as though we could see it, we knew then what was confirmed later—that the pilot who brought his wounded Warhawk back was standing beside the crashed ship, his right arm high, his thumb and forefinger sending the flying man's circle signal meaning "okeh."

SOME PROGNOSTICATOR, EH, WHAT?

Being an old-timer and practically a native here now, having been in the state more than six years, we long since have realized the truth of the statement that only a fool or a newcomer predicts the weather in New Mexico.

However, we did predict rain Wednesday of last week and hit the nail on the head.

Earlier in the week we had written a story about precipitation since the first of the year, saying it totaled only 1.05 inches to date, as of our presday, Thursday.

But when a few clouds began to drift about Wednesday, long before it even looked as though it might rain, we said it would, just so we would have to rewrite our story. And it did.

So we have discovered how to bring about rain—if it only will work every time.

You farmers and ranchers just keep us informed on when you want rain and we will try the trick.

p. m.
Evening prayer, sermon, third, fourth, fifth Sundays in the month, at 8:00 p. m.
Public cordially invited to worship with the congregation.
Rev. Jos. H. Harvey, Rector.

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North Hill
Mass Sundays, 9 a. m., Spanish sermon.
Mass week days, every second week at 8 a. m.
Confessions every Saturday from 4 to 5 p. m. and before the Mass on Sunday morning.
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Rev. Francis Geary, O.M.C., Pastor.

Rev. Michael Brown, O.M.C., Assistant.

PRIMER IGLESIA BAUTISTA MEXICANA

Sunday school services, Tirzo Marquez, superintendent, 10 a. m.
Preaching, sermon by pastor, 11 a. m.
Evening worship, 7:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.
Rev. Donaciano Bejarano, Pastor.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible School 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 a. m.
Christian Endeavor, 7 p. m.
Evening worship service 8 p. m.
Mid-week Bible study, Wednesday, 8 p. m.
Official board meets first Monday of each month, 8 p. m.
Visitors welcome at all services.
Kenneth Hess, Minister.

LAKE ARTHUR-COTTONWOOD METHODIST CHURCHES

Cottonwood
Sunday school, 10 a. m. each Sunday.
Worship service, 11 a. m. second and fourth Sundays.
Ladies' Aid, third Thursday.

Lake Arthur
Sunday school, 10 a. m. each Sunday.
Worship service, 11 a. m. first and third Sundays.
Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. each Sunday.
Preaching, 7:30 p. m. each Sunday.

W. S. C. S., first Wednesday.
Chester Rogers, Pastor.

SPANISH-AMERICAN METHODIST CHURCH

North Hill
The Artesia church is visited by the pastor every other Sunday from 3 to 5 p. m. Two services conducted by the pastor.

He is here every other Wednesday during the day to visit the members and friends of the church, and to conduct services at 8:15 p. m.

On Sundays when the pastor does not come, the Sunday school is held at 10:30 a. m. by the superintendent, Sr. Andres (Henry) Juarez.

Rev. Evaristo Picazo, Pastor, 212 West Lea St., Carlsbad.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

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Sunday Services
Bible school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 a. m.
Evening worship, 8 p. m.
Weekly Services
Tuesday prayer meeting, 8 p. m. p. m.

C. A. Program, Thursday, 8 p. m., special music and songs.
The public is invited to attend each service.
R. L. FRANKS, Pastor.

SHERMAN MEMORIAL CHURCH

(Oilfield Community)
Sunday school at 10 o'clock.
Prayer meeting and choir practice, 8 o'clock Wednesday evening.
Ernest Thompson, Superintendent.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fourth and Grand
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 10:50 a. m.
Christian Endeavor: Junior, 4 p. m.; senior, 6:30 p. m.

Vox Populi

CAN'T DO WITHOUT IT
Columbia, Mo.
June 7, 1944.

Editor Advocate:
Glancing over your paper Monday (June 5), which is the day I usually get my copy, I noticed where an Artesia girl established an altitude record, thinking to myself there must be something screwy about all this, as I had seen a girl at the airport here a few days before who was supposed to have done the same thing. Reading a little further, however, I found the Artesia girl and the Columbia girl to be one and the same, which of course leaves the veracity of The Advocate at the usual high level.

Enclosed is \$2.50. Just as well renew my subscription for another year. That will give me twelve months more to figure out why I take this paper, that after you once subscribe for seems like you can't do without.

Yours truly,
Paul Holly.

Choir rehearsal, Wednesday, 8 p. m.
The association of the Ladies' Missionary Society meets the first and third Thursdays, 3 p. m.
J. Basil Ramsey, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

613 W. Main
Sunday school, 10 a. m.
Sunday service, 11 a. m.
Wednesday service, 8 p. m.

"Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" is the subject of the lesson-sermon to be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, June 18.

The Golden Text is: "Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands." (Hebrews 1:10)

Among the citations which comprise the lesson-sermon is the following from the Bible: "All thy works shall praise thee, O Lord; and thy saints shall bless thee." (Ps. 145:10)

The lesson-sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook: "When understanding changes the standpoints of life and intelligence from a material to a spiritual basis, we shall gain the reality of Life, the control of Soul over sense, and we shall perceive Christianity, or Truth, in its divine Principle." Visitors always welcome.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Seventh and Grand
Sunday
Bible study, 10 a. m.
Preaching, 10:50 a. m.
Evening service, 8 p. m.

Wednesday
Ladies' Bible class, 3 p. m.
Mid-week service, 8 p. m.
Robert A. Waller, Evangelist.

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FIFTEEN YEARS AGO
(From The Advocate Files for June 13, 1929.)

A bond election held in the Cottonwood district Saturday carried by a vote of 116 to 49, approving an issue of \$30,000 for the construction of a new, modern school building.

Bill Linell won the city golf championship in the first annual tournament, defeating B. E. Spencer on an extra hole, after they were tied at the end of the regular eighteen holes.

Mrs. J. W. Berry and Mrs. D. I. Clowe drove up to Dexter Friday with a number of the local Girl Scouts to attend a jamboree at Lake Van.

J. D. Josey, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Josey of Hope, who was recently appointed to West Point Military Academy, expects to leave Sunday to commence his studies there.

Word has been received here from Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Stroup and family that they are having an enjoyable vacation in the East. They visited Washington, D. C., June 7.

Apple growers of Hope are preparing to harvest a bumper crop soon. It is estimated at about fifty carloads.

Chester Russell, Jr., is in Albuquerque this week getting acquainted with some of the details connected with the position of assistant professor of engineering at the university, which position he has accepted for the coming year.

In York, Pa., a pair of spectacles turned up at Russian relief headquarters with this note attached: "I wore these when I first met my wife and decided they might help some Russian to find a good wife."

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Person et ux to C. R. 14, block 6, Clayton 10 etc.
Shearman et al, heirs of Archer, lot 1, block 4, vision, \$10 etc.
Jones et ux to Mrs. 14, Blair Addition, \$10

Thorpe to Elizabeth 8, 9, 10, 11, block 10 etc.
Snyder to A. C. 2, 4, 6, 8, block 8, Addition, \$10 etc.
Welch et ux to Wal- 15, Keller & Addition, \$10 etc.
Lynch et ux to W. V. 6, block 5, Rose-

ward et vir to Raymon 1, lot 1, block 9, Addition, \$10 etc.

DEED
Armstrong et ux to Mal- 2, 3, block 16, Addition, \$40.
Lynch et vir to Rosalio 5, block 25, Artesia

COURT
Anna Belle Fuller vs. Frank Witterman vs. Herman, divorce.
Robert A. Leonard vs. annulment.
Lula McDaniel vs. Le- 1, suit for determina- of community proper-

Mildred Brown vs. Willie Goff vs. Irene 1, divorce.

Cottonwood

(Ora Buck)
Cox of Hope was the of her cousin, Florence re last week. She re- home Saturday.
P. Johnson left Monday to visit a few days

with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Charles Johnson.
Mrs. Tom Terry has been on the sick list the last week.
Mrs. W. A. Wheeler of Albuquerque, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Chester Rogers of Lake Arthur, is quite ill at her home. Mrs. Rogers expects to go to Albuquerque in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Mullinax are redecorating the interior of their home.
Mrs. Lester Hanson has returned to her home on Cottonwood after a visit of a week at Duncan, Okla., with her brother, who was at home on a furlough, and with other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Parker and family have moved into their new house, which has just been completed. Mr. and Mrs. Arch Horton and family will move into the house left vacant by them.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Briscoe and children, Miss Mary Catherine and John Briscoe, of Artesia were guests at a Sunday dinner of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Felton and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Worley and daughter, Florence, of Cottonwood, Marilyn Cox of Hope, and Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Warthen of Artesia were entertained at a dinner Wednesday evening of last week at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jones in Artesia.

Mr. and Mrs. Todd Downs and two small children of Mountain- air arrived Tuesday of last week and expect to move in a few days to Hagerman. At present they are visiting Mr. Downs' sister, Mrs. George Crenshaw, and family and Mrs. Downs' mother, Mrs. Joe Stone, at Lake Arthur.

Miss Mary Shipp Sanders, a representative of the General Board of Education of the Methodist Church, will be at the church at Lake Arthur next Thursday. All officers and teachers are urged to attend sessions both afternoon and evening.

A nice-sized crowd was present Sunday for a Father's Day program at Cottonwood Church, when the Rev. Chester Rogers delivered a special sermon for the fathers. A violin solo by Everett Dean O'Bannon was followed by a duet by Mrs. O. A. Pearson and Mrs. Orval Gray. After the morning services a basket lunch was served from a long table in the church basement. A song service was then held. The

Time Extended To Aug. 15 to Repay Loans

The Commodity Credit Corporation will allow producers until Aug. 15, to repay outstanding loans and redeem cotton pledged under the 1942 loan program, according to Roy Forehard, chairman of the Eddy County ACA Committee.

All of the 1942 cotton not redeemed by Aug. 15 will be placed in a pool and sold in an orderly manner.

On final liquidation of all cotton in the pool, the net proceeds will be prorated among producers, Forehard said. No payment will be made to the producers at the time the cotton is placed in the pool, and after Aug. 15 individual producers will not be entitled to order the sale of the particular cotton which they placed in the pool.

The War Food Administration is also permitting producers to repay their 1943 loans or to sell their equity in the cotton after July 31 in the same manner as prior to the maturity date of the notes. The loans will be extended for an indefinite period, subject to call by the Commodity Credit Corporation.

Perry Roop and son-in-law, Tom Franklin, returned Saturday from Wichita Falls, Tex., where they went Monday of last week on business. They were accompanied there by S. S. Ward, who went on to Dallas.

Rev. A. C. Douglas of Pecos, Tex., district superintendent, was a guest.

Mrs. Ralph Pearson has written from Rochester, Minn., that Mr. Pearson has undergone an operation at Mayo Hospital there and is doing nicely. He is expected to be there about three weeks more.

Program for School Lunches Goes Over Well in New Mexico

Approximately \$165,000 of the \$288,000 allotted New Mexico under the WFA Office of Distribution's school-lunch program will have been spent by July 1.

And, according to Robert D. Coppock, state program assistant, every dime spent by participating schools found its way into the pockets of New Mexico farmers and merchants.

Bernalillo County leads the state both in WFA funds used to buy food and milk and in the number of schools participating. Approximately \$10,000 will have been spent with local farmers and merchants by the twenty-two schools. Other counties ranking high in the school-lunch program include Santa Fe, Rio Arriba, Lincoln, Mora, Curry, Colfax, Taos, Union, and Roosevelt.

A hundred forty schools in thirty New Mexico counties participated in the program this year. Fourteen thousand school children have shared in its benefits.

FARMERS URGED TO PLANT MORE SORGHUM

Eastern New Mexico farmers who were unable to seed the usual feed grains because of unfavorable weather are being urged to use sorghums and Sudan grass as emergency crops.

Farmers should buy their seed early, as seed dealers usually convert their surplus grain sorghums into feed about this time of year. Supplies of most principal varieties of grain sorghum seed are adequate, but forage sorghum and Sudan grass seed are not sufficient in some areas.

Locals

W. P. Boggs of Berger, Tex., left Wednesday morning for his home, after visiting his son, Bill Boggs, and family a month. He is 90 years old.

Nearly a year, arrived home Friday. Wade Cunningham and Bill Dunnam attended a dinner and meeting of the D. A. V. in Roswell Monday evening. They were accompanied to Roswell by Mrs. Cunningham.

A son, their first child, was born Tuesday at Salem, Ore., to Lt. and Mrs. Chandler Mathis. He has been named James Chandler. The baby, a grandchild of John A. Mathis of Artesia, weighed 8 pounds 7 ounces at birth. Lieutenant Mathis is at Fort Sill, Okla.

A. A. Amsler, who was on a defense job at Comanche, Okla., nearly a year, arrived home Friday. The job there has been completed.

Mrs. Ralph G. Roberson, Jr., is doing nicely in an El Paso hospital, where she underwent surgery Wednesday of last week.

Frank Marshall was a surgical patient in an El Paso hospital last week.

Rex Wheatley left Saturday night by train for Rochester, Minn., to be with his sister, Mrs. C. M. Humphreys, who is at Mayo Hospital with her husband, who underwent major surgery more than two weeks ago and whose condition is still serious. Mr. and Mrs. Humphreys, whose home is in Amarillo, Tex., have visited here on numerous occasions.

Ralph Pearson, who recently underwent major surgery at Mayo Hospital, Rochester, Minn., is reported to be recovering nicely and he and Mrs. Pearson are expected to return home soon.

Richard Hefler, lieutenant junior grade, brother of Mrs. S. P. Yates, visited in the Yates home last week. Lieutenant Hefler, who has been on airplane carriers in the Pacific about a year, is in the States on leave and was en route to Boston, Mass., for a visit with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Sears had as

their guests the first of the week Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bass of Kilgore, Tex. Mr. and Mrs. Sears took their guests to Ruidoso and Cloudcroft on a sight-seeing trip. They reported the mountains terribly dry.

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	TODAY	Prices June 12, 1943
Sirloin Steak, lb.	40c	42c
T-Bone Steak, lb.	49c	49c
Chuck Roast, lb.	27c	29c
Beef Stew, lb.	17c	20c
Ground Beef, lb.	24c	26c
Pork Roast, lb.	30c	32c
Lunch Meat, lb.	32c	35c
Spice Lunch Meat	39c	39c

FRESH PRODUCE

	TODAY	Prices June 12, 1943
TENDER Celery	25c	24c
TOPS OFF Turnips	10c	9c
WHITE Onions	6c	11c

FATS... OILS

	TODAY	Prices June 12, 1943
Butter, lb.	48c	50c
JEWEL Shortening	20c	1 lb. ctn. 20c
ROYAL SATIN Shortening	49c	3 lb. jar . 60c
SNOWDRIFT Shortening	67c	3 lb. jar . 67c
PURE Lard	72c	4 lb. ctn. 74c
WESSON Salad Oil	28c	pt. jar . 28c

CANNED MEATS

	TODAY	Prices June 12, 1943
LIBBY Potted Meat	No. 1/4 TIN 6c	No. 1/4 tin . 6c
Spam	12 oz. can 34c	12 oz. can 36c
BREAST-O-CHICKEN Tuna	7 oz. can 30c	7 oz. can 30c
LUNCH MEAT Prem	12 oz. can 34c	12 oz. can 36c
UNDERWOOD Deized Ham	3 oz. can 18c	3 oz. can 25c
CORTEZ Tuna	6 oz. can 25c	6 oz. can 25c

COFFEE

	TODAY	Prices June 12, 1943
Hills Red	1 LB. JAR 33c	1 lb. jar . 33c
Airway	1 LB. PKG. 19c	1 lb. pkg. 19c
Folgers	1 LB. JAR 33c	1 lb. jar . 33c
Nob Hill	1 LB. PKG. 21c	1 lb. pkg. 21c

CANNED MILK

	TODAY	Prices June 12, 1943
14 1/2 OZ. CAN Cherub	3 FOR 25c	14 1/2 OZ. CAN 3 for 25c
Borden	14 1/2 OZ. CAN 9c	14 1/2 ozs. . . 9c
Carnation	14 1/2 OZ. CAN 9c	14 1/2 ozs. . . 9c
Pet	6 OZ. CAN 5c	6 ozs. 5c

CEREALS

	TODAY	Prices June 12, 1943
KELLOGG Corn Flakes	11 OZS. 8c	11 oz. pkg. 8c
Post Toasties	18 OZ. PKG. 12c	18 oz. pkg. 12c
Whiffs-o-Wheat	6 OZ. PKG. 7c	6 oz. pkg. . 7c
KELLOGG Krumbles	9 OZ. PKG. 11c	9 oz. pkg. 11c
KELLOGG All Bran	16 OZ. PKG. 18c	16 oz. pkg. 18c
Grape Nuts	12 OZ. PKG. 13c	12 oz. pkg. 13c
POST Bran Flakes	14 OZ. PKG. 13c	14 oz. pkg. 13c
QUAKER Oats	3 LB. PKG. 23c	3 lb. pkg. 23c

MISCELLANEOUS

	TODAY	Prices June 12, 1943
SEA ISLAND CANE Sugar	10 LBS. 65c	10 lbs. . . 66c
PETER PAN Peanut Butter	12 OZ. JAR 28c	12 oz. jar 28c
BLUE LABEL Karo Syrup	1 1/2 LB. JAR 15c	1 1/2 lb. jar 15c
SOAP, REG. BAR Palmolive	3 FOR 20c	reg. bar 3, 20c
KLEER Salt	24 OZ. PKG. 3c	24 oz. pkg. 3c
Country Home, Fancy Corn	No. 2 Can 14c	No. 2 can 14c

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Rainbow Assembly Is Instituted, Lillian Hightower Worthy Advisor, Mrs. Fay Thorpe Is Mother Advisor

A Rainbow Assembly was instituted at the Masonic Hall Wednesday evening, with a charter membership of twenty-eight. Miss Lillian Hightower, daughter of Mrs. Cecil Hightower and Nay Hightower, was installed worthy advisor and Mrs. Fay Thorpe, installed mother advisor.

Mrs. Laura Z. Becker of Belen, supreme inspector of the Rainbow Assembly of the state of New Mexico, was assisted by four Eastern Stars, Mrs. C. E. Roach, Mrs. D. M. Schenberg, Mrs. Owen Hensley, and Mrs. Stanley Blocker, in instituting the assembly.

Mrs. Florence Burrows, mother advisor of the Roswell Rainbow Assembly, and members of the Roswell Assembly, with Miss Arlene Hinkle, worthy advisor, the installing marshal, initiated members and installed officers. The work was beautifully and efficiently put on by the Roswell Assembly.

Other officers installed were Juanita Russell, associate worthy advisor; Christine Anderson, Charity; June McDorman, Hope; Ruby Henry, Faith; Betty Blue, recorder; Betty Broocke, treasurer; Fama Louise Jones, chaplain, and Betty Barnett, drill leader.

Officers installed at color stations were Carrol Hensley, love; Enaress Hightower, religion; Mary Louise Cunningham, nature; Betty McDonald, immortality; Teddy Jane Archer, fidelity; Dorris Exum, patriotism; Bobby Clem, service; Mary Dixon, confidential observer, and Rosemary Murphy, outer observer.

Joan Livingston was installed musician, and Dorothy Linell, choir director.

Others who were initiated were Nadine Ross, Kathryn Grace Stewart, Frances McAnally, Jerry Wiese, Dorothy Jo Dunham, Joan Johnson, Maxine McAnally, and Irene Gissler.

Masons and Eastern Stars of the Artesia orders who were installed as members of an advisory board were Mrs. Boone Barnett, chairman, and Mrs. Fay Thorpe, Mrs. C. E. Roach, Mrs. Stanley Blocker, Mrs. Ralph G. Roberson, Mrs. Owen Hensley, Mrs. Warren Ratliff, J. D. Josey, Marshall Rowley, and Dr. D. M. Schenberg.

An informal dinner was served at 6 o'clock, preceding the evening services, complimenting Rainbow girls and those who accompanied them here from Roswell, Mrs. Becker of Belen, and candidates for the Artesia Assembly. About eighty persons were served.

More than 100 witnessed the public installation of officers after the institution of the assembly.

Wedding Rites For Local Couple In Lovington

Announcement has been made of the wedding of Miss Louise Day, daughter of Elbert Day of Loco Hills, and Pvt. Joe Dale Garner of Artesia, son of William Garner of Artesia and Mrs. Lola Garner of Los Angeles, Calif. Wedding vows were spoken in Lovington at noon Saturday.

Private Garner has served twenty-six months with the Marine Corps overseas and was on furlough for a visit with his father and other members of his family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. McCauley entertained Tuesday evening honoring the newly-wedded couple. A pink and white color scheme was carried out in floral decorations and also in the large wedding cake which bore the inscription, "Marine and Bride." The honorees received many lovely gifts, which were presented by the large number of friends of the two families who were guests.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Clay Cade and daughters; Mrs. Charlie Harroll, Mrs. Andy Denny and son; Mrs. Travis Thomas and two children; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Newburn and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Garner, Miss Pauline McCauley, Mrs. Sloan Day and children; Miss Kathleen Simmons, William Garner, and Lonal Garner, and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Loyd of Loco Hills, and the McCauley children.

Cake and ice cream were served by the hostess.

Private Garner left Wednesday night to return to Camp Pennelton, Calif. Mrs. Garner expects to remain here until such time as she may be able to join her husband.

Don't Hold Back—Back the Attack!

CALENDAR

THURSDAY (TODAY)

Baptist Woman's Missionary Society, Royal Service program, church, 2:30 p. m.
Christian Council, installation of officers, luncheon at church, 1 p. m.

Joint meeting Gladys Dixon and Laura Bullock Circles, at home Mrs. Howard Gissler, leave Methodist Church 10:30 a. m., covered dish luncheon 12 o'clock.

SUNDAY
IOOF and Rebekah memorial services at Woodbine Cemetery, 5 p. m.

TUESDAY
First Afternoon Bridge Club, Mrs. H. C. Bidwell, hostess, 2 p. m.

THURSDAY (NEXT WEEK)
Presbyterian Woman's Association, Mrs. Raymond Bartlett, hostess, 2:30 p. m.

Baptist Circles, Lydia, Mrs. W. S. Hogsett, hostess, 2:30 p. m.
Priscilla, Mrs. V. E. McGuffin, hostess, 2:30 p. m.; Ruth, Mrs. S. O. Ashton, hostess, 2:30 p. m.

Marjorie Johnson, Lt. Cooney Are Married June 9

Mrs. Nora Johnson of Hope has announced the marriage of her youngest daughter, Marjorie, and Lt. Richard F. Cooney of Portland, Ore. Wedding rites were in Albuquerque June 9.

The bride, who was born and reared in the Pecos Valley, is the daughter of a well-known pioneer family. She taught in the public schools of New Mexico for several years, has been active in youth programs in the Methodist Church, and was doing secretarial work at the Carlsbad Army Air Field at the time of her marriage.

Lieutenant Cooney is a flight instructor at the Hobbs Army Air Field and he and his bride are in Portland, Ore., visiting members of his family, leaving for his former home immediately after the wedding ceremony.

They expect to return to Hobbs, where Lieutenant Cooney is to report to his station June 25.

Helen L. Wells' Violin Recital Is Held in Pecos

Miss Helen Louise Wells presented her senior violin recital in Pecos, Tex., Sunday, June 3. Her accompanist was her teacher, Miss Beverly Vaughn, who formerly studied in the Juillard Institute of Music in New York City.

The young violinist played compositions of Mozart, Corelli, Sarasate, Wieniawski, Massenet, Kreisler, and others.

Miss Wells, daughter of Mrs. Jesse Welch and Virgil Wells, formerly of Artesia, appeared for her recital in a black net gown, sequined and fashioned over blue net.

She wore a corsage of pink roses to match her coiffure ornament, and a lavalier and earrings of amethysts.

She was salutatorian of the 1944 graduating class of Pecos High School. She studied music here, Doris Deter Welborne, teacher, now of Hagerman, and gave her first recital in Artesia at the age of 13 years.

An account of the recent recital and a full-length picture of Miss Wells appeared in the Sunday society section of the El Paso Times.

P. E. O. Call Meeting Held at Shugart Home On Thursday Morning

About twenty members were in attendance at the call meeting of P. E. O. Chapter J, at the home of Mrs. Ralph Shugart last Thursday morning. Mrs. Don Marshall, co-hostess, assisted Mrs. Shugart in serving coffee before convention reports were given of the state convention held in Albuquerque last month.

Mrs. James Hall of Clovis is state president of the state organization for the coming year and Portales was named 1945 convention city, it was reported.

No Evasion! Back Invasion!

Mrs. Booker Hostess At Afternoon Bridge; Many Guests Invited

Mrs. Glenn Booker entertained members of the Fortnightly Bridge Club and a number of extra guests at bridge Tuesday afternoon at the Carper Terrace. Bouquets of snapdragons, roses, and mixed summer flowers were attractively arranged in white pottery.

Iced drinks were served during the games and ice cream sundaes after the rounds of contract. Napkins and place mats in pastel colors added color for the occasion.

Club guests were Mrs. Lewis Story, Mrs. Hollis Watson, Mrs. R. M. McDonald, Mrs. C. R. Blocker, Mrs. Albert Richards, Mrs. William Linell, Mrs. C. R. Baldwin, Mrs. John Lanning, Mrs. Grady Booker, and Mrs. Landis Feather. Other guests were Mrs. H. A. Heavily, Mrs. Howard Whitson, Mrs. Harvey Yates, Mrs. I. L. Spratt, Mrs. Neil Watson, Mrs. J. D. Smith, Mrs. Guy Reed Brainerd, Mrs. Andy Anderson, Mrs. E. A. Metzger, and Mrs. Tom Ed Bullock of Wichita Falls, Tex. Mrs. Mark A. Corbin, Mrs. Andy Corbin, Mrs. Stanley Carper, and Mrs. Marshall Rowley were guests for refreshments.

Local Men on State Committee Girl Scouting

Miss Lucille Skewes, national staff member in Girl Scouting, who was here Friday, announced the organization of a state men's committee, for the purpose of developing Girl Scouting in New Mexico.

Ten influential men of the state have been chosen to meet in Albuquerque June 26 for the purpose of perfecting the organization. Emery Carper, mayor of Artesia, has been named temporary chairman and Hollis Watson, a former mayor, vice chairman of the committee. Both Mr. Carper and Mr. Watson expect to attend.

Brownie Scout Troop Investiture Service at Woman's Club Monday

Brownie Scout Troop No. 2 held an investiture service at the Woman's Club Monday afternoon.

Girls to receive pins were Bina Bean, Ida Ruth Faulk, Beatrice Meadows, Sandra McCrory, Jo Ann Nunn, Marsha Rowley, Laura Lou Smith, Dianne Thomas, and Norberta Yeager. Three others who are entitled to pins, but who were unable to attend, are Jane Miller, Peggy Lou Hodges, and Geraldine Willis.

Mrs. R. A. Thomas is troop leader and Mrs. C. V. Miller, assistant. Any mother of a Brownie, who was unable to attend the service Monday and who wishes to order a uniform for her daughter, should call one of the troop leaders.

Another investiture service will be held when other girls in the troop have each attended four consecutive meetings.

Mrs. Joe Nunn, Mrs. J. D. Smith, and Mrs. Marshall Rowley served light refreshments after the service to members of the troop and their mothers.

A. Hnulik Is Honored Sunday At Family Dinner

A. Hnulik, pioneer farmer of this community, was honored Sunday with a family dinner, which Mrs. Hnulik served to celebrate the eighty-first birthday anniversary of Mr. Hnulik, which was Thursday. He received many handsome gifts.

Mr. Hnulik, who came to the Pecos Valley about thirty years ago from Oklahoma, lived in Roswell a year before coming to Artesia, where he has since lived and farmed. He is a native of Czechoslovakia, came to the United States at the age of 21 years, and today is grateful that he is a citizen of this country.

Members of the immediate family were guests Sunday, including Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Kiddy and Donald, and Miss Madge Hnulik of Artesia, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Hnulik and Bobby of Roswell, and Mr. and Mrs. Byron Yates, Jr., of Albuquerque. Two of his children were not present, Shirley, Mrs. Cecil Elliott, of Fort Worth, Tex., and a son, Richard (Buster) Hnulik, a prisoner of war of the Japanese government, captured on Bataan.

Stand Back of a Soldier—Back His Attack!

Mrs. Frances Painter Is Installed President American Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. P. V. Morris, Installing Officer

Mrs. Frances Painter was installed president of the American Legion Auxiliary Monday afternoon, at the June meeting of the organization held at the Service Club. Mrs. P. V. Morris, a past president, was the installing officer. Mrs. Del Walter is the retiring president.

Installed to serve with Mrs. Painter is a strong corps of officers, who are Mrs. H. C. Bidwell, first vice president; Mrs. Jesse Shildneck, second vice president; Mrs. H. R. Paton, secretary; Mrs. Dave Bunting, treasurer; Mrs. Mark A. Corbin, chaplain; Mrs. Oren Roberts, historian, and Mrs. R. W. McQuay, sergeant at arms.

Mrs. P. V. Morris, Mrs. J. B. Muncy, and Mrs. Irvin Martin were elected to membership on the executive board. Mrs. Andy Company was named color bearer by the new president.

Mrs. Frank Smith, poppy chairman, reported 3,750 poppies sold at the annual sale in May and a net sum of \$710.40 collected.

Mrs. Fred Jacobs, program chairman, presented a unique Pan-American program. Miss Priscilla Cole, in Spanish costume, played a number of selections on the accordion and members of Girl Scout Troop No. 1 marched across the stage as Mrs. Glenn Caskey played the national anthems of a number of the other American countries, each girl displaying a flag of that country and the girls singing our own National Anthem in closing.

Mrs. Setterlund Honors Summer Visitors at Lovely Informal Lunch

Mrs. Robert Setterlund honored four young matrons, who were visiting here last week, at a lovely informal luncheon at the Carper Terrace, at 1 o'clock Saturday. The visitors were Mrs. Wiley Roundtree of Pine Bluff, Ark., Mrs. David Barnette of Long Beach, Calif., and Mrs. A. L. Maxwell of Hanna, Wyo., who were schoolmates of Mrs. Setterlund through grade and high school, and Mrs. Carey Thompson of Pittsburg, Kan., whose husband, Captain Thompson, is in England.

The luncheon table was laid with white linen and two mixed bouquets of roses, sweetpeas, larkspur, and baby's breath in crystal bowls carried out a color scheme of pink and white.

Those sharing the occasion with the honored guests were Mrs. J. T. Caudle, Mrs. Grady Booker, Mrs. Glenn Booker, Mrs. M. A. Mapes, Mrs. Marshall Rowley, Mrs. Robert Anderson, Mrs. C. A. Aston, Mrs. William Bullock, Mrs. Roland McLean, Mrs. Bert Muncy, Jr., Mrs. Harold Kersey, Mrs. Stanley Carper, Mrs. Wallace Gates, Mrs. S. P. Yates, Mrs. Harvey Yates, Mrs. Joe Lackey, Mrs. Howard Stroup, and Miss Nina McLean.

FAST NOBLE GRANDS MEET AT CAVE HOME THURSDAY EVENING

Members of the Past Noble Grand Club, meeting at the home of Mrs. J. W. Cave with Mrs. G. B. Dungan cohostess last Thursday evening, were Mrs. W. S. Hogsett, Mrs. Nellie Cogdell, Mrs. Jack Hastie, Mrs. C. Bert Smith, Mrs. J. M. Story, Mrs. Frank Thomas, Mrs. E. M. Wingfield, Mrs. A. L. Bruton, Miss Ella Bauslin, and Miss Ina Cole.

After the business, light refreshments were served.

Send a Prayer Over Through War Bonds!

Mrs. Bert Muncy, Jr., Is Complimented by Friends With Shower and Coffee

Mrs. Bert Muncy was complimented by members of a sewing club and a number of other friends, when a morning coffee was served in her honor Friday, and when she received a lovely shower of gifts. Sewing club members presented her a lovely baby carriage, which was filled with gifts from other guests.

Mrs. A. P. Mahone, mother of the honoree, presided at the coffee service at a table appointed with a bouquet of mixed summer flowers.

Guests were Mrs. Muncy, honoree, and Mrs. A. C. Sadler, Mrs. Robert Anderson, Mrs. S. P. Yates, Mrs. J. T. Caudle, Mrs. Marshall Rowley, Mrs. Stanley Carper, Mrs. Joe Lackey, Mrs. A. P. Mahone, Mrs. Bert Muncy, Sr., Mrs. Robert Setterlund, Mrs. Cyril Stone, Mrs. David Barnett, Long Beach, Calif.; Mrs. Wiley Roundtree, Pine Bluff, Ark.; Mrs. A. L. Maxwell, Hanna, Wyo., and Mrs. Donald Butts.

Joe Bill Ballard Graduates With Distinctive Honors

Joe Bill Ballard, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ballard, graduated at George Washington University, Washington, D. C., last week with distinctive honors, receiving a degree of bachelor of electrical engineering.

Joe Bill was one of the ten members of a class of 360, who graduated with distinctive honors.

He attended Texas University at Austin, Tex., a year, where he met the girl whom he married, and later they moved to Washington, D. C., which was nine years ago. He now has a son 6 years old.

Joe Bill, who is assistant supervisor of the power division in the government printing office in the capital city, has gone to night school and summer terms for the last five years, while holding down an important job and commuting most of the time ten miles to school and his job.

Affiliation Program Tuesday Evening at Eastern Star Chapter

An affiliation program was held Tuesday evening at a meeting of Artesia Chapter 18 of the Order of Eastern Star, at which time the beautiful flower ceremony of the order was used in affiliating seven members into the order, who were Mr. and Mrs. Emery Carper and Mrs. Glenn Booker, whose membership has been in Roswell. Mrs. Stanley Carper, whose membership comes from Wyoming. J. D. Josey, from Texas, Mrs. Harold Kersey, from Missouri, and Mrs. John Rowland, from Hope.

Mrs. W. S. Hogsett held a school of instruction after the service. Dr. and Mrs. D. M. Schenberg and Mrs. Alex McGonagill were hosts during a refreshment hour, honoring new members. About forty members were in attendance.

Mrs. Ralph G. Roberson, Jr., who recently underwent major surgery at the Masonic Hospital in El Paso, is reported to be getting along nicely and will be brought home the first of next week, it is thought. The Roberson children are with relatives. Johnny in Hereford, Tex., and Jane in Clovis.

SON IS BORN FRIDAY TO MR. MRS. RODRIGUEZ

A son, weighing 6 pounds 7 ounces, was born at the Artesia Clinic to Mr. and Mrs. Faustino Rodriguez at 5:12 o'clock Friday afternoon.

On the same day, O. P. Mays was treated for a fractured clavicle.

Billie Jean Matthews, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Matthews of Loco Hills, underwent a tonsillectomy Tuesday.

Joe Nicholas of Carlsbad underwent an emergency appendectomy last night.

KONGENIAL KARD KLUB MEETS WEDNESDAY

Mrs. Andy Company was hostess to members of the Kongenial Kard Klub at her home Wednesday evening. Sweetpeas were used for house decorations.

Mrs. Glendon Robinson received high award, Mrs. A. L. Glasser, second high, and Mrs. Kelley Stout, consolation, in the games of contract. Other guests were Mrs. Dave Bunting, Mrs. T. E. Johnson, Mrs. R. D. Collier, and Mrs. H. C. Bidwell.

Mrs. G. C. Rose returned from a brief visit with daughter, Mrs. Pat Henson, Red Cross staff aide, General Hospital in London. They met at Dallas last week. Mrs. Hudson's husband, Capt. Hudson, was last week stationed in England.

Mrs. Jimmie Curran by train Tuesday evening. Her husband at Sioux Falls where he is in training.

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Activities

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Quota Raised Need Is Urgent For More WAVES

Lt. M. J. Miller, officer in charge of the New Mexico recruiting district, has notified Specialist L. A. Paulsen, recruiter in charge of the Navy recruiting station at Roswell, that the Office of Naval Officer Procurement, Los Angeles, has assigned a greatly expanded quota to New Mexico in the enlistment of WAVES.

In making the announcement, Lieutenant Miller informed Specialist Paulsen that Roswell had been assigned a quota of fifteen WAVE enlistments for the month of June. "This increased number of WAVES needed from New Mexico is necessitated," said Lieutenant Miller, "in order to meet the urgent requirement of young women to serve at Navy shore stations within the United States, thus releasing trained Navy men for service at sea. The stepped-up tempo of the war has made it urgently necessary to transfer all available Navy men now stationed on shore to units of the fleet."

"All Navy recruiting stations in New Mexico are prepared to assist applicants, between the ages of 20 and 36 years, in completing their applications. They will make arrangements for local applicants to take final examinations by the WAVE recruiting party which visits the state one week each month. All women who are eligible to serve in the WAVES are urged to contact their nearest Navy recruiting station immediately and get complete details on enlistment in the Women's Naval Reserve."

Our Boys

Harold Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Green, has been promoted from seaman first class to radioman third class, a petty officer rating. He is stationed at Littlecreek, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Crouch have received a letter from their son, J. C. Crouch, saying he has been promoted from seaman second class to first class. He has been in the Navy since Oct. 10 and has had six months of overseas service. At present he is somewhere in the South Pacific. He said to tell all his friends in Artesia, "Hello."

Mr. and Mrs. Crouch have another son, Pvt. J. T. Crouch, who has been in service since May 11, 1943. He has been overseas about seven months and now is in New Guinea.

Hospital News

Mrs. L. M. Vaughan underwent emergency major surgery Wednesday night. Her condition this morning is reported to be as well as can be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Atma are the parents of a son, Bobby, born at 9:45 o'clock Friday evening, weight 5 pounds 15 ounces.

John Wagner underwent an appendectomy Saturday. He is getting along nicely.

A. L. Vick of Elk, who was treated for an infected hand, has been dismissed, improved.

Larry Wooton, 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Wooton of Maljamar, a medical patient for a few days, has been dismissed, improved.

Helen Rose Horton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Horton, underwent a tonsillectomy Tuesday.

Miss Cora Lee Boggs, who underwent an appendectomy last week, was dismissed Wednesday.

Capt. and Mrs. Clarence Schrader, brother-in-law and sister of V. D. Bolton, visited Mr. and Mrs. Bolton from Wednesday of last week to Monday night. Captain Schrader was being transferred from Miami Beach, Fla., to San Antonio, Tex., for where they left by way of El Paso to visit the captain's sister.

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WHAT'S WHAT IN NEW MEXICO

News Briefs of the "Sunshine State" Gleaned From Many Sources

Reporting that the Army has modified its position on wage rates for prisoners of war labor on farms, A. E. Triviz says that New Mexico's chances now rest upon proof of actual need with an outside possibility the state's allocation may be increased from 2,000 prisoners to 2,750 for this season. Requests for 6,500 as a minimum have been made. The state supervisor of the Emergency Farm Program, who has just returned from Dallas conferences with officers of the Eighth Service Command, was not sanguine however over chances for an increase in the number of prisoners of war for farm work. To get them, the state must show that the prisoners are needed to save a crop, he said, and the number given this state must be taken from Texas, Louisiana, or Arkansas, which have been given 5,000 each. He even foresaw the possibility that if one of the other states could show more urgent need, they might get some of New Mexico's 2,000 "unless we can prove they're reported the Army would accept prevailing wage rates fixed by county boards for the prisoners, subject to a re-negotiation of contracts with the farmers if the Army finds it cannot break even at county rates."

Nineteen New Mexico charter banks showed resources totaling \$42,440,000 as of April 13, compared with 41,244,000 as of Dec. 31, 1943, Woodlan P. Saunders, state bank examiner, reported.

Receipts of the State Land Office for the first five months of 1944 exceeded receipts for the corresponding period a year ago by \$248,362.22, H. R. Rodgers, commissioner of public lands, reported.

Projects aggregating approximately three-fourths of a billion dollars are listed for Arizona, New Mexico, and Oklahoma among 236 irrigation and multiple-purpose projects presented by the Reclamation Bureau for post-war construction in seventeen Western states. The bureau takes the position that such construction would ease the post-war employment problem, and aid materially in rehabilitation of returning service men. On a basis of 1940 prices, the cost of projects for New Mexico would be \$53,903,000.

Wood rodents and grasshopper mice east of Tucumcari and south of Clayton have been found to be infested with "sylvatic" plague. Dr. J. R. Scott, state health director, reported, in warning ranchers and others to avoid handling the rodents in that section. He said evidence of a plague infestation among these rodents east of Tucumcari on Highway 66 and south of Clayton on Highway 18 was reported by N. E. Yason of San Francisco, now directing plague suppressive measures for the U. S. Public Health Service.

Funds of \$2,250,000 for the Tucumcari irrigation project have been recommended by the Senate appropriations committee, which acted on a House-approved Interior Department appropriation bill. The committee restored about \$9,000,000 cut from the bill in the House and added about \$26,000,000 in new items, boosting the appropriation total to \$123,629,345, compared with \$87,652,580 voted by the House.

Cattle, horses, swine, pigs and other domestic animals aren't going to be running around loose in Bernalillo County for long if Assistant District Attorney Scott Mabry has his way about it. Mabry drew up a petition, which has been circulated by James Johnson. As soon as the required number of signatures is obtained, says Mabry, the petition will be presented to the county commissioners.

The month of June has been designated as "Dairy Month" in New Mexico by Governor Dempsey, who has issued a proclamation in recognition of the importance of dairy products to the maintenance of health and efficiency.

Lt. Gov. J. B. (Jawbone) Jones has been mentioned by the publication, "State Government," as holding the military record among the nation's sixteen lieutenant governors who are war veterans. Jones received a copy of the publication containing an article entitled "The Lieutenant Governor in 1944," written by Dr. Robert F. Patterson, director of governmental research at the University of South Dakota. The article said Jones held the military record among lieutenant governors with twelve years of service in the Army and Navy. "That's not right," said Jones. "I was with the Army and Marines, but never the Navy. I'm especially interested in this table showing the New York lieutenant governor gets \$10,000 a year, the highest of all, and that the New Mexico lieutenant governor's salary is near the bottom."

State Revenue Commissioner J. O. Gallegos reported that May collections of the school sales tax totaled \$542,458.89, which was only \$164 under the record-breaking figure of January of this year. The May sales tax revenue was up 19.6 per cent, or \$88,984.89 over the \$453,474 for May, 1942. Victor Salazar, Revenue Bureau tax official, informed Gallegos. These figures were given for other tax divisions supervised by Salazar: Severance tax — May collections \$76,576.88, an increase of 11.06 per cent or \$7,631.67 over \$68,945.21 in May, 1943; compensation tax — May collections \$42,557.04, an increase of 15.98 per cent or \$5,826.84 over \$36,730.20 in May, 1943; tobacco tax — May collections \$57,146.93 (tax was not in effect a year ago); liquor tax — May collections \$83,392.71, an increase of 25.6 per cent or \$16,992.52 over \$66,400.19 in May, 1943; gasoline tax — May collections \$295,995.96, an increase of 16.2 per cent or \$41,357.79 over \$254,638.17 in May, 1943. The good month in sales tax was ascribed by Salazar to continued good business conditions, plus better cooperation by business men.

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The appointment of William H.

NOTICE OF SUIT PENDING THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: Howard Ham, Defendant GREETING:

You are hereby notified that an action is now pending in the District Court of Eddy County, New Mexico, wherein Laura Belle Ham is Plaintiff and you are Defendant, being No. 8466 on the Civil Docket; that the general object of the action is to obtain an absolute divorce for Plaintiff upon the grounds of non-support and abandonment; that unless you enter your appearance in this action prior to July 27, 1944, Plaintiff will apply to the Court for judgment of divorce by default. Neil B. Watson, whose address is Carper Building, Artesia, New Mexico, is attorney for Plaintiff.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Court this 13th day of June, 1944. ETHEL M. HIGHSMITH, Clerk, District Court. 24-41-27

Locals

Clyde C. Dunn, pharmacist's mate third class, who is stationed at the Naval Hospital at New Orleans, La., is spending a two-week leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Dunn of Artesia and Carlsbad, in Carlsbad. He has just finished a six-month operating room technicians' course at New Orleans, where he will report back to await further orders.

Miss Wanda Story and Lewis W. Story, daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Story, arrived Saturday from Denver, Colo. Miss Story, who is here two weeks on vacation, was accompanied by Miss Ruby Stahl, who is a house guest in the Story home. Mrs. W. L. Kramer of Roswell, who shared an apartment in Denver with Miss Story and Miss Stahl until her recent marriage, was also a weekend guest here. Lewis W. expects to be here indefinitely.

Mrs. David Barnette and her infant daughter, Sharon, left by train Tuesday to return to their home in Long Beach, Calif., after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mann, and others.

George H. Settlemyre, aviation cadet, stationed at Marfa (Tex.) Army Air Field, is expected home this week end for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Settlemyre.

Roberts of Santa Fe to fill a vacancy on the State Board of Embalmers was announced by Governor Dempsey. Roberts' term runs to June 7, 1949. Dempsey reappointed Herman Lindauer of Deming to the state racing commission for the term ending Oct. 21, 1949.

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Tulsa dogs can expect the worst. Mrs. Ann Crippen, stenographer in the city legal department, has been busy for two weeks drafting a new city dog ordinance. Recently a neighbor's dog bit her damaging a leg and a new pair of hose.

The Akron, Ohio City Council slowed riding horses down to a

THE NINE OLD MEN

By A. J. Kiser

"Those nine old men," Frank used to say, Before his hair had grown so gray. His mirror says he's getting old, Like nine old men he tried to scold. Day after day he used to shout, Until he drove the old men out. And now it seems it's time to say, Frank's growing old as well as gray.

Most any man could spend and spend, If he had a chance at lease and lend. Frank's had three terms and still wants more, Which makes most folks grow very sore. Bankruptcy is not far away, Yet Frank still hopes we'll let him stay. It is high time to comprehend, That some old men just spend and spend.

Nine old men were doing their bit, When Frank told them they had to quit. Dictator's rule in Europe's land, Is not far off, I understand. It was displayed as you well know, At Montgomery-Ward, Chicago. Try as I will to be real kind, It's time, I say, to use your mind.

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P. S. Wanted: Large second-hand White Wash Brush to send "General" Francis Biddle for use in his investigation of Sidney Hillman's Political Action Committee.

walk by unanimously adopting an ordinance prohibiting riders from putting their mounts through a trot, canter, or gallop within city limits. City officials described the legislation as an attempt to protect pedestrians and lawns and gardens. The new ordinance also requires riders to wear a tag.

Years ago Mrs. Lillian B. Roth of Tulsa, decided to invest \$2,000 in stock certificates. A salesman took her \$2,000, disappeared. She never saw him or her \$2,000 again, until the other day a stranger (not the same salesman), called at her door, presented her twenty \$100 bills in repayment. Mrs. Roth's only explanation for the belated return of her cash: "I think somebody had an honest wife."

Here is a bomb-born joke which travelers say is making the rounds of shattered Berlin: A new postage stamp, illustrated with a head of Hitler, came out about the time

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Thursday, June 15, 1944

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A Paramount Picture with Gil Lamb, Cass Daley and Milt Britton and Band
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IN THE PROBATE COURT IN AND FOR EDDY COUNTY, STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANNA A. STEPHENS, DECEASED No. 1145

NOTICE TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP UNDER CHAPTER 187, LAWS 1939

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO MARY A. DAVIS, UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ANNA A. STEPHENS, DECEASED, and ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS CLAIMING ANY LIEN UPON, OR RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN OR TO THE ESTATE OF SAID DECEDENT and TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, GREETINGS:

Notice is hereby given that a Petition has been filed by Mary A. Davis, alleging that Anna A. Stephens died intestate in Eddy County, New Mexico, on April 26, 1931, and no administration has been had upon her estate and that said decedent owned real property at the time of her death consisting of the following described lands in Eddy County, New Mexico, to-wit:

One-half interest in Lots Eight (8), Ten (10), and Twelve (12), in Block Fourteen (14), Original Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Notice is further given that by order of Honorable J. T. Hardin, Probate Judge of Eddy County, New Mexico, the 13th day of July, 1944, at 10:00 o'clock A. M. at the Court Room of the Probate Court at Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico, as the day, time and place set for hearing to determine the heirship of said decedent, the interest of each respective claimant thereto or therein and the persons entitled to the distribution thereof and also to determine the amount, if any, of succession taxes due the State of New Mexico.

D. D. Archer, of Artesia, New Mexico, is attorney for Mary A. Davis, the petitioner.

Witness my hand and the Seal of said Court this 31st day of May, 1944.

(SEAL)
R. A. WILCOX,
Clerk of the Probate Court
Eddy County, New Mexico. 22-4t

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EDDY COUNTY, STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF D. S. MARTIN, Deceased. No. 1025

NOTICE OF HEARING ON FINAL ACCOUNT OF CHARLES R. MARTIN, EXECUTOR.

DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP OF D. S. MARTIN, DECEASED AND THE PERSONS ENTITLED TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF HIS ESTATE.

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, TO: Mrs. Ennard Smith, Irvin Martin, Mrs. Willie Berry, Charles R. Martin, Mrs. Tillie Cleve, Ned Martin, Mrs. Opal Martin Gant, Mrs. Gwinn Dunn, Lake Martin, Jr., Lovie Bell Martin Paulin, and all Unknown Heirs of D. S. Martin, deceased, and all Unknown Persons claiming any lien upon or right, title or interest in or to the Estate of said Decedent, GREETINGS:

Notice is hereby given that Charles R. Martin has filed his Final Account and Report as Executor of the Last Will and Testament of D. S. Martin, deceased, and for his discharge as such; that the Honorable J. T. Hardin, Judge of the Probate Court of Eddy County, New Mexico, has set the 27th day of July, 1944, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A. M., at the Probate Court Room in Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico, as the day, time and place for hearing objections, if any, to said Final Account;

At the said time and place the Probate Court will proceed to determine the heirship of said decedent, the ownership of his estate and the interest of each respective claimant thereto or therein.

Objections to said Final Account and Report, if any, must be filed on or before the time set for hearing.

Neil B. Watson is attorney for the Executor, and his address is Carper Building, Artesia, New Mexico.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Court on this 9th day of June, A. D., 1944.

(SEAL)
R. A. WILCOX,
Clerk of Eddy County, New Mexico, and Ex Officio Clerk of the Probate Court. 24-4t-27

WOOL PURCHASE PROGRAM INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED

Complete instructions on the Commodity Credit Corporation's 1944 wool purchase program have been received in the county ACA office, according to Committee Chairman Roy Forehand.

To share the full benefits of the program, a New Mexico wool grower must sell to a handler who has a contract with the CCC. He may, however, sell the wool either as an individual or as a member of a pool.

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Pix Rhapsody

By Mary Jane

The boys and girls of Paramount's Technicolor musical, "Riding High," which will be shown Sunday through Tuesday at the Ocotillo Theater, are whooping it up out West in a way to bring joy to the hearts of moviegoers. Certainly the audience at the Ocotillo Theater will have a happy time with Dorothy Lamour, Dick Powell, Victor Moore, Gil Lamb, Cass Daley, and Milt Britton and His Band.

Here is a glorified Western, complete with rarin', tarin' action, gorgeous gals, and snappy songs and dances — and all of it in beautiful Technicolor. The laughs are plentiful, entrusted as they are to such first-rate comedians as Victor Moore, Gil Lamb and Cass Daley. If you've ever seen, and heard, Milt Britton and His Band, you'll know that their particular brand of humor is the belly-laugh variety. The lovely Lamour, too, proves to be quite a comedienne and her romantic partner in This Paramount venture, Dick Powell, has some hilarious scenes to his everlasting credit.

The action of the story takes place on Cass Daley's dude ranch in Arizona to which comes Victor Moore, a genial counterfeiter, with a pocketfull of home-made mazauma, and Dottie, an ex-burlesque star, come home to help her Pa in his operation of a silver mine which he owns in partnership with Dick Powell, a mining engineer. Dick has difficulty making headway with Dottie because he was supposed to produce money with which to operate the mine, but was unable to raise it. Moore decides to play Cupid with the aid of his manufactured money. But Sheriff Gil Lamb is on his track and the plot rolls merrily along.

SANTA FE CARLOADINGS

The Santa Fe system carloadings for week ending June 10 were 26,326, compared with 23,008 for same week in 1943. Cars received from connections totaled 11,794, compared with 11,797 for same week in 1943. Total cars moved were 38,120, compared with 34,805 for same week in 1943. Santa Fe handled total of 35,196 cars in the preceding week of this year.

ARTESIA MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS

Artesia, New Mexico

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR MAY, 1944

RECEIPTS	
FUND	AMOUNT
Maintenance	\$10,803.84
Direct Charge	273.92
Interest	142.92
Sinking	371.63
Total Receipts	\$11,592.31
EXPENDITURES	
General Control	\$ 1,116.72
Instructional Service	21,566.12
Operation of Plant	1,004.48
Auxiliary Agencies	1,479.43
Total	\$25,166.75
DIRECT CHARGE	
New Equipment	\$ 1.90
Repairs to Building	5.65
Trauant Officer	75.00
Total	\$82.55
DEBT SERVICE	
Interest	\$ 1,015.00
Sinking	3,000.00
Total	\$ 4,015.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$29,264.30

I certify that the above statement of receipts and expenditures for the month of May, 1944, for the Artesia Municipal Schools, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signed: W. E. KERR, Secretary BOARD OF EDUCATION. 24-1t

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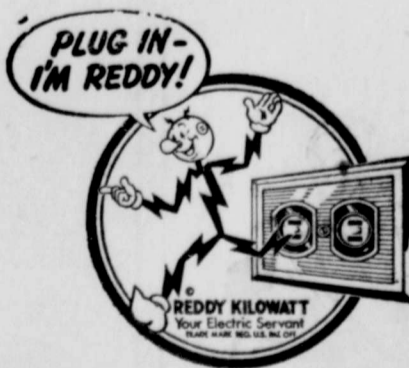
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Uncle Sam has asked all of us to conserve critical resources... this includes transportation which is vital to the war effort. Not only do servicemen need every bit of traveling space available, but by your staying at home this summer, thousands of man hours are saved for essential work.

Re-discover your own home town and the vacation spots in the vicinity. Reddy Kilowatt guarantees that you'll write to your friends, "Having a wonderful time. Wish you were here."



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For him the terrifying grand climax of the war is at hand.

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They will see the grim venture through to the bitter, victorious end.

And if, for your boy, or some boy you know, the price of Victory is death, you can be absolutely certain that he did his part courageously . . . for the cause of Freedom.

For us, too, the terrifying grand climax of the war is at hand.

This supreme, desperate call for American dollars—*16 billions of them*—is to enable our fighting men to carry through the grim, bloody assault to a successful conclusion and Victory.

Not just American dollars—but the dollars in your pocket—in *your* savings account.

You *must* buy War Bonds—now! At least *twice* as much as you bought last time. If you are already buying Bonds on a pay-roll savings plan, buy EXTRA Bonds during this Drive.

Your Government is counting on you. Your boy—and your neighbor's boy—millions of *them*—are counting on you. Just as desperately as you are counting on them in this fateful hour.

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NEWS OF OUR MEN-WOMEN IN UNIFORM

Jack Harper, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Harper, who is stationed with the Navy in the Hawaiian Islands, has been promoted from hospital apprentice to pharmacist's mate third class.

Leon Bert has been advanced from aerographer's mate second class by the Navy to first class. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bert and is stationed in Bermuda.

Val and Don Morgan, twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morgan of Denver, Colo., formerly of Artesia, are now in the service. Val is a seaman second class stationed at the Naval Air Technical Training Center, Memphis, Tenn. His father, when writing to subscribe for The Advocate for both of the boys, gave Val's address at Memphis, and said Don recently completed radio school there, in the Navy also, it is presumed. His address is to be sent along as soon as he has arrived at his new station, his father said. Val, he wrote, was delayed thirty days in starting radio school, as he was in the hospital. The twins' father was superintendent of the Continental Oil Company refinery in Artesia and is serving the company in the same capacity in Denver. He is a past New Mexico department commander of the American Legion and was commanding officer of the 2nd Battalion, New Mexico State Guard, here, with the rank of major, when he was transferred to Denver.

A/C Riley N. Brown has arrived at Corsicana (Tex.) Field from San Antonio (Tex.) Aviation Cadet Center as a member of Class 44-K. Cadet Brown has been assigned for primary flight training to the 301st AAF Flying Training Detachment, one of the many primary flying schools in the Central Flying Training Command. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Brown, Star Route.

Second Lt. Paul B. English, Jr., was among the recent arrivals at the Air Transport Command Ferrying Division's new Pursuit Transition School at the 4th CTU, Brownsville, Tex. The Ferrying Division, command by Brig. Gen. William H. Tunner, has the responsibility for the greater part of all training within the Air Transport Command, in addition to ferrying and transport functions. The pilots, receiving pursuit instructions, are participating in a unique Ferrying Division procedure which undertakes to make its flying personnel the most versatile in the AAF. When the student has successfully completed his training at Brownsville, he will be qualified for the important job of ferrying fighter aircraft to all parts of the world where needed. Lieutenant English, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul B. English of Artesia, entered the Army March 22, 1942. Before going into the service he assisted his father, in business. His father, P. B. English, is a contractor and producer in oil fields of Eddy County.

Laurence Coll, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Coll, reported to El Paso Tuesday for service in the Navy. Lawrence, who has operated a partnership sheet metal shop in Roswell for the last few years, retained his interest in the shop. Mrs. Coll and their 3-year-old daughter expect to remain in Roswell.

Daily precision bombing requires delicate instruments, carefully adjusted, to get planes to their pinpoint targets. The highly important job of overhauling and rebuilding all aircraft instruments belongs to the Accessories Section of an Air Service Command depot in England, where Sgt. James W. Boggs, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Boggs of Artesia, is one of the highly-trained technicians whose job it is to see that those instruments are in perfect working order. He is one of the men recently commended by Lt. General Carl A. Spaatz, commanding general of the United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe, when production at the depot increased by more than 100 per cent. Before entering the Army, Sergeant Boggs was employed by Peoples Mercantile Company in Artesia, as a clerk.

In order to maintain price supports, the WFA is converting a limited number of eggs to animal food, according to the New Mexico Extension Service. In announcing the necessity of the program, WFA emphasized that it would operate only to a limited extent. The temporary conversion of some eggs to animal feed was made necessary by the fact that WFA egg purchases to support producer prices has reached such volume that cold storage space could not be found. Only eggs that would otherwise be lost will be converted into livestock feed.

News Shorts

The OPA reported that New Mexico's quotas for passenger car and truck tires had been cut. The passenger car quota of thirty-six for June is the smallest supply since the beginning of the war, the district OPA said, and compared with forty-eight for May. Users of large truck tires fared slightly better, with a quota of 755 for June, compared with 783 in May. The OPA cautioned drivers and operators, however, that conservation would be necessary, especially in view of a likely increase in tire wear during hot weather.

Conservationist Wayne H. Miles reported that more than 7,100 acres of range land in the Canadian River soil conservation district have been benefited by water spreading systems constructed in cooperation with the district in the last four years.

The outlook for wheat in Eastern New Mexico is decidedly unfavorable, according to a bulletin by the Santa Fe Railway Company. The crop got off to a bad start last fall, due to lack of moisture; growth has been further handicapped by high winds, and unless moisture is received quick-

ly, production will not be more than 25 per cent of normal. Due to heavy abandonment of wheat land, it is expected that the acreage of milo maize and kaffir will be increased between 25 and 30 per cent over that of last year.

A. B. Martinez, assistant State Police chief, urged New Mexico motorists to maintain their automobiles at "legal requirements," reporting that about half of 1,500 cars inspected by State Police recently have been found defective in lights, brakes, or windshields.

New Mexico soldiers fighting the Japanese received thirty-two awards for heroism and distinguished service in May, headquarters of Lt. Gen. Millard F. Harmon, commanding U. S. Army Forces in the South Pacific, announced.

Included in the New Mexico citations was one bronze star medal, six air medals, and twenty-five oak leaf clusters in lieu of additional air medals.

For more than forty years editor of The Roswell Record and one of the state's best known newspapermen, C. E. Mason has retired, The Record management announced E. L. McDonald of St. Joseph, Mo., has temporarily taken over The Record news desk, according to the announcement.

Lick War Stamps and lick the Axis!

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Mothers OATS 1 lb. box 33c	Crackers Salad Wafers 2 lb. box 29c	MATCHES 6 Box Carton 23c	SOAP Crystal White 3 for 13c	EGGS Fresh Local doz. 35c
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ALL-BRAN Kellogg's Lge. Box 19c	BUTTER lb. 47c	RITZ 1 lb. box 23c	Super-Suds blue box 23c	HI-HO 1 lb. box 21c	KOOL-AID 6 for 25c	BABO box 10c	Corn Flakes Kellogg 18 Oz. Pkg. 11c
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BUY EXTRA WAR BONDS Today!

Cottonwood

D. A. Bradley)

rs. Burgess of this and Mr. and Mrs. Tru of near Artesia re- homes Friday, af- week in the north- New Mexico fishing. reported a grand- all the fish they- ing home.

services at Cotton- Sunday were fine in 12:30 o'clock a boun- served from a long- asement. A song ser- in the church in the- s. N. C. Doering of- mer resident of this- and one of the best- church has ever had- church services Sun- and was an honored- mer. The Rev. A. C. Pecos Tex., district- it was also a dinner

nd Patsy Gean Brad- their grandparents, D. A. Bradley, a- to their home in- Thursday.

wind, hail, and rain- the Cottonwood com- day afternoon of- several farmers lost- otton crop. There was- loss in the oats crops,- most ready to harvest.

had their hay cut- ground. Cottonwood- out of bank in some- mon, who was called- Mo., last week be- death of his father,- his home by bus Sun- Mrs. Glenn O'Ban- ren, who accompani- reighton, remained in- a while. Mr. O'Ban- has been in ill health- he, will be under the- cians in Missouri for

ice returned home- y from Temple, Tex.,- called to be with his- Forest Thorp, who un- derious operation at- Hospital. Mrs. Thorp- long nicely and plans- parents on Cotton- as she is able. Her- o have been visiting- parents, while their- at the hospital, will- ir home in Big Spring,- n as their mother is- for them.

ful new country home- Mrs. H. V. Parker has- completed and the- in last week. Mr. and- Horton have moved- arketers lived for sev-

Mrs. Tom Scott, who- e Cottonwood gin the- ve moved to Carlsbad.- orks at a potash mine

wood Community Ex- will have a picnic- erson on the creek. Every- gged to come and bring- is will take the place- ar June meeting.

or Ryerson and small- ony, Tex., who visited- in-law in Lake Arth- returned to their home

Neal, who was bit by- eeks ago and had to- n shots, is through- ts and is feeling fine.

2-year-old son of Mr. alker, who accidently- rat poison last week- ill was brought home- esia Clinic Friday and- ong nicely.

wood Ladies Aid is- une meeting today at- Mrs. Clarence Pear- Mrs. Roy Ingram co-

ld Green and Mrs. hn attended a show- et Thursday night.

FARM MACHINERY FOR WAR VETERANS

The Eddy County Farm Rationing Committee has been asked by the War Food Administration to give preference to returning war veterans on rationed farm implements, C. V. Hemphill, chairman of the State AAA Committee, said.

The preference will be conditional, says WFA, in that the machinery allotted veterans is required to contribute as much to the war food program as it would if sold to another applicant.

Officials have estimated that from 90,000 to 100,000 discharged veterans originally came from farms, and many of them have returned to farming.

BUT DON'T BREATHE IT TO A SOUL

America's housewives will no longer have to ration onions to their families. There are plenty for all purposes and for all who want them, the WFA said.

With supplies reaching the nation's major markets in increasing volume, the WFA is asking people to eat more onions during the period of abundant supply.

Dwain and Linda Howard of Artesia spent last week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Howard, while their parents were in the north part of the state fishing.

Mrs. Bob O'Bannon and son, Everett Dean, went to Carlsbad Monday, accompanied by other music pupils from Artesia for their music lessons.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sartor and daughter, Neva Jo, moved from their Cottonwood teacherage home last week to Clovis, where Mr. Sartor is employed on the Santa Fe Railway.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Parker were transacting business in Roswell last Thursday.

Miss Nettie Hart, who visited her uncle, J. D. Pratt, and family two months, left by train Friday night for her home in Niland, Calif.

Mrs. E. J. McWenig and son, Fred, of Douglas, Ariz., came in last week, for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Pate. They also will visit other relatives and friends in Lake Arthur and Artesia, and her uncle, Dr. L. H. Pate of Carlsbad.

Douthit Asks Farmers to Loan Surplus Labor

The loaning of surplus farm labor to neighbors will help greatly in meeting the great shortage existing in Eddy County and other places, W. L. (Bill) Douthit, emergency farm labor assistant, said this week.

He pointed out that some farmers, having surplus hands at times, zealously hold on to them, even when not needed for a day or two, for fear they will lose them. However, Douthit said, the entire community and the war effort will gain if labor is loaned out whenever possible.

If the local showers continue, the labor shortage will be more acute, Douthit said, as more cotton choppers will be needed.

All farmers having surplus labor, which they are willing to dispense with for a few days, may

AVAILABLE MACHINES MUST CARRY LOAD

With production of large combines and labor — saving haying equipment behind schedule, producers are being urged to make their plans so that the harvest job can be accomplished with the available equipment.

This increased cooperation in Eddy County harvests is essential. More-than-normal use of large combines and the more expensive types of haying equipment will be necessary if production schedules are completed on time.

notify the county agent's office in Carlsbad, or he may be contacted in Artesia on Mondays, Wednesdays, or Fridays at the office of the Artesia Alfalfa Growers Association.

Crusader vs. invader—Buy War Bonds!

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FOR SALE—Excellent stock farm on Hondo River, alfalfa, some orchard, \$35,000. Will consider part payment producing oil royalty. Will also sell livestock and equipment. Good man running place, who will stay. Write owner, P. O. Box 1171, Roswell, N. Mex. 22-10tc-31

FOR SALE—Old, established general merchandise store at Loving, N. Mex. Contact Mrs. W. W. Snyder, owner, Loving. 23-3tc-25

FOR SALE—John Deere pickup hay press on rubber with motor, side delivery rake, both in A-1 condition. Will make \$100 per day, no priority or purchase certificate required. Allen & Jordan Implement Co., Carlsbad, N. M., phone 9001-F11, P. O. Box 392. 23-2tc-24

FOR SALE—Grocery store stock of goods, building with living quarters for lease. Morningside Grocery, on Roswell highway. 23-2tp-24

ATTENTION LIVESTOCK MEN USDA War Board form record sheets for sale by The Artesia Advocate. 16-tfx

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FOR SALE—Three-room house, 1100 block South Roselawn, east side street. Bob Cockburn, phone 729-W. 24-2tp-25

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FOR RENT — Small apartment suitable for couple. O. R. Gable, 902 Washington. 23-tfc

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WANT TO BUY OR TRADE—Want gas refrigerator or will trade electric for gas box. C. C. Westerman, P. O. Box 23, Artesia 22-3tp-24

WANTED—By elderly lady, bedroom with kitchenette, furnished or unfurnished, close in. Emma Collins, phone 509-W. 23-2tp-24

WANTED TO RENT—I am still looking for furnished two or three-bedroom house or apartment IN OR NEAR Artesia. Any information will be appreciated. Capt. Johnson, phone 398-R1. 23-1tx-24-ttc

WANTED—Ladies' hose to mend. Mrs. H. L. Wilkenson, 906 Chisholm, Box 838. 24-3tp-31-tfc

WANTED—Young married woman wants to share her apartment at 512 S. Roselawn. Mary Morgan. 24-1tp

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WANTED TO BUY—One or two showcases. Jensen & Son. 24-1tc

WANTED—Maids. Artesia Hotel. 24-1tc

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LOST — Rod and reel on dike at Lake McMillan. Finder return to Britton Coll, phone 388-R1. 24-2tp-25

LOST—Australian leather billfold. Finder please return to The Advocate office and keep money in purse. James Embrey. 24-1tp

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It's Each Man for Himself on Taxi Ride in Calcutta, Gable Writes

(Cpl. O. R. Gable, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Gable of Artesia, who was an accomplished young photographer when the activities of Tojo and Hitler made it necessary for him to blossom out in GI's, but he is also a descriptive writer, as has been demonstrated several times when his letters to his parents have been published in the "Dere Folks" department. (However, a recent letter to his wife, who is at Fort Worth, which she forwarded to his parents, reads more like a chapter lifted from a book on India, where Corporal Gable is stationed. Here is that interesting letter, somewhat abridged, supplemented by a shorter letter to Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Gable, Sr., which follows the other chronological-ly.)

I have seen and done so much since last I wrote you that I hardly know where to begin to tell you all about it. To take things as they come, though, here it is.

When we arrived in Calcutta, five of us took a taxi to the Red Cross dormitory for service men, and if you've never made a taxi ride through the streets of Calcutta, then you've missed the thrill of a lifetime. Imagine, if you can, a taxi cab driven by a huge bearded Indian, proceeding at what to us ordinarily would be a moderate speed through a street crowded with oxcarts, nicksnags, gharries, dogs, loose cattle, street cars, busses, and other cabs—not to mention the uncounted thousands of pedestrians that overflow Calcutta's streets. Some way, somehow, everybody seems just barely to miss everyone else and it's each man for himself. If, however, you do chance to hit someone, the accepted procedure is to keep right on going. To stop would cause too much of a disturbance.

We were able to make reservations at the Red Cross for beds at one rupee per night. After refreshing ourselves with a shower, we proceeded to the restaurant where, as it happened to be "meatless" Thursday, we dined on a shrimp omelet and for desert, real ice cream.

By way of explanation, here is a little information on Calcutta's "new market." It is probably the largest market in the East and one in which anything under the sun can be purchased. It comprises over 2,000 stalls with goods from every country in the world. Here, my sweet, I spent the entire afternoon.

I used to think the Jews were salesmen, but I'm afraid they'd have to get up mighty early in the morning to be ahead of these Indian merchants. Shopping here is like playing a game. I wished for you so much, because I know how you like to go shopping. The game I spoke of goes this way: First of all you spot an article which you desire to purchase; the merchant invites you in, gives you a chair, and the fun begins. He will then ask you two or three times the amount he expects to get and the game is to see how much you can get him down. It is not uncommon to bicker for an hour to an hour and a half over an article, which costs less than a dollar.

When we first came to India we were cautioned against addressing the natives with any such harsh phrases as, "Hey, you," or "Say, doc!" The correct word, we were told, was, "Sahib." Consequently I got quite a kick out of the fact that on several occasions I heard myself approached by the merchants with a "Hey, Joe! See what I got in my store." They learn fast.

Come on, you are saying, tell what you bought in the new market. Sorry, I shall not tell you. The truth is, had I the rupees, I should buy out the entire market, put same on a ship and send it home to you. I'm mailing you a package tomorrow and I'm hoping that it reaches you in time for your birthday, if not sooner. I was able to find several pairs of silk hose but they wanted upwards from 25 rupees for them and the quality of hose found in the market is a very tottering uncertainty. I bought you a very pretty linen blouse, which seemed to have an unusual appeal to me, but one of the girls at the Red Cross told me that it was by far too small, so I took it back. Now (why did I go and tell you about that? But I'll find your size yet.)

Well, to continue with my story, it was back to Firpa's (an English operated restaurant) for more ice cream and then to the cinema "No Time for Love" was playing its second week at the New Empire. We bought our tickets at the Red Cross and after a delightful picture stood while the music played "God Save the King," and my mind formed the words to the National Anthem, which is one and all the same tune. Did you know that before? I didn't. After the show, "Red" Brown and I made our way back to the Red Cross through the blacked-out city. Nothing of importance took

place on that trip, aside from our stumbling over a dozen or so natives who were sleeping in the streets.

The following morning we started the day off by patronizing one of the Red Cross sponsored "city tours." On this trip I believe I experienced every emotion of which the human anatomy is capable. If you remember I once told you I had never seen any of the beauty of India. I can say that no more. When once you seek out and find these beauties of India they are so "out of this world" that words alone will not suffice for their description. The tour was "comprised of four major points of interest."

We visited first the site of the famous Black Hole of Calcutta. Only a marker of the place now remains, but the historic incident of the Black Hole of Calcutta is familiar to everyone.

The Jain Temple is one of the beauties I spoke of above. I shall not attempt to describe it to you, except to say that it is made of marble and glass and trimmed here and there with gold. In keeping with the custom, we took off our shoes before we entered the temple and found we had arrived just in time to witness a rather weird ceremony heralded by a rhythmic clatter of different pitched bells and beating of drums with the awe inspiring environment, sent chills all through me. The ceremony, for the most part, consisted of the priest revolving a platform of lighted candles before a few little doll-like images, the idols which they worship. Burton met with several rebukes for trying to make a picture inside the temple.

We visited the Nakhoda Masque, the largest Mahomedan masque in Calcutta, and again we took off our shoes. This masque is a magnificent modern specimen of Indo-Saracenic art and its prayer hall is capable of accommodating 10,000 worshippers.

It was with a little reluctance we left the masque for we all knew what our next and last stop was. We were all interested and yet there was that little human element for which there is no exact word that, I suppose, caused us all to half-heartedly wish they would overlook the next stop.

The Hindu sect, of which there are 210 million in India, do not believe in burial. The bodies of their dead are burned. Situated on the banks of the famous Ganges River is a place called the "Burning Ghats," where this ritual is taken care of for all of those who have the 10 rupees, burning fee.

There are a score or so of these ghats and fires in different stages are burning around the clock as Calcutta is the second largest city in the British Empire, second only to London. It is said that in times of famine and flood there are often piles of several hundred bodies awaiting burning.

The very definite procedure follows like this: First the mouth of the dead person is filled with rice and the forehead is greased with butter. The body is placed over a stack of broom straw and tique wood is piled over the body. Then the fire is lighted. This tique wood is long burning and burns with a very hot flame. I shan't go into detail as to the intervening stages, but when the fire at last goes out, only ashes remain. The ashes are then raked into a container and flung into the Holy River Ganges. At this point, the entire family of the deceased, which has been silently waiting all this time, proceed down the banks and bathes in the river, thereby, themselves, becoming pure. Can you renounce your civilized ideas for a minute and follow that trend of thought? By way of finishing, may I say that on the way back to the Red Cross, not one word was spoken between the thirty of us about what we had just seen. The conversation was scant and varied. In that one day I saw enough to leave me with the conviction that almost any wild tales that come out of India may well have a conformation, or at least a basis.

That afternoon I spent again in the new market, where I did a great deal of looking and very little buying. Oh yes, I mailed your package a while ago and they said it would take approximately two months for it to reach you. The perfume, I know you'll not like, but at least it stinks different! I should like to suggest that you don't try to send me anything, as it will take from five to eight months to reach me. That evening was spent in writing this letter—or do you chace to call it a book? This morning we took advantage of the Red Cross sponsored "river tour." We took along a lunch and it was quite like a picnic. The filthy, murky, Hoaghy River (a tributary of the Ganges I spoke of) is far from beautiful, but it is picturesque in a depressing sort of a way, with all the ancient river boats and native fishermen. Oh, yes, I almost forgot to tell you that I got to pilot the boat part of the way.

Taking your package to the postoffice I took my first ride in a rickshaw. I thought it best to arrange the fare before I started and after an argument, the fare was reduced to half the first price asked (which was about right if not still a little high.) When riding in a rickshaw you lean way back in the seat and that helps the coolie balance his load. He never cooie always trot-runs; he never walks. How their bare feet can stand the scorching pavement is more than I can understand. I'm afraid I have already wasted too much paper on things which you in no way find interesting, so I'll bring this letter to a close. If you choose you may send this letter on to Mother and Dad as it is doubtful I'll have the time to write another of such detail. I talked with a lad at the dinner table today, who is going back to the States very shortly. I envy him, of course, but he well deserves to go back, as he has been over here for two and a half years. Until my turn comes take care of Gwyn and yourself for me for I love you dearly. The tropic sun had been relentless and without mercy throughout its entire traverse of the sky, and in departing had left above the earth a ruby-red dome much as the glow of metal after leaving the blasting forge. Down the dusty road from the scene of a hard day's toil trudged three solemn-faced soldiers streaked from the constant trickle of perspiration that had carried away portions of the adhering dust from their faces. Their clothes gave no evidence of having ever been pressed and under the arm-pits and down the back of the shirts were irregular salty smudges. Walking as though with a definite objective in mind, they turned in at the walk leading up to a thatched-roof hut, over the door of which hung a sign, "Stage Door Canteen." Then the child-like look of anticipation dissolved from their faces, as they grouped around a small sign attached to the locked door. The sign read, "No beer will be served today, as we have no ice. Besides, we have no beer."

To the three tired, hot, and thirsty soldiers, this represented a major catastrophe. There was no other beer obtainable within hundreds of miles; there was scarcely a cool drink of water. The three soldiers slouched themselves in broken-down chairs along the veranda and soon were talking and laughing, their disappointment completely forgotten. The object of their attention and the source of their mirth was a steady stream of ants moving in two-way traffic from under the door, along the wall, and up into the grass of the thatched roof. Much comment and even mild excitement were brought about by two small ants making their way laboriously up the wall with a heavy grain, on which a larger ant was riding.

As I watched this scene, a thought struck me and I made a remark first to myself and then to my companion. This remark has been made before and it will be made again and again, but the fact that "it takes very little to amuse an American soldier" is one more, and a very important, reason we will win the war.

The theory of Hitler and Tojo was that the American soldier, brought up in a land of modern convenience and in almost constant indulgence in abundant amusements, would soon fold up in the jungles of the South Pacific, the deserts of North Africa, or on the hills of Italy. The fact that "it takes very little to amuse an American soldier" has exploded that theory and is rapidly blasting away their dreams of world conquest. How is it that American boys, living a harbored life in communities rich with every device to make life easier and all conceivable facilities of entertainment, can so readily readjust themselves to the hardships of jungles, deserts, and ice-bound wastes? I have no ready answer to that question and I must admit there is plenty of griping and complaining. But from stories coming out of the battle areas I do know that no matter how tough the going the American soldier can always

Oil Activity—

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Perry Petroleum Co., Leonard 2, SE SW 33-17-29. Drilling at 2,680 feet; show oil at 2,625-35 and 2,590-2,605 feet; 1,000 feet oil in hole.
Carper Drilling Co., Everts-Grier 2, SW NE 29-16-31. Drilling at 2,340 feet.
Skelly Oil Co., Lynch 3-A, NE NW 22-17-31. Drilling at 2,470 feet.
Dixon & Yates, Brooks 2, NW NE 13-18-29. Total depth 3,472; plugged back to 3,226 feet; shot with 240 quarts; swabbed 12 barrels oil per day; preparing to acidize.
O. H. Randel, State 2, SW SW 19-17-31. Drilling at 1,350 feet.
Danciger Oil & Refining Co., Turner 13-B, SW SW 20-17-30. Drilling at 1,600 feet.
Western Production Co., Keely 13-C, SE NE 25-17-29. Drilling at 2,055 feet.
D. D. Thomas, Johnson 2, SE SW 28-16-31. Drilling at 2,787 feet; hole full water at 2,760 feet.
Southern Union Gas Co., State 1, NE SW 21-17-28. Drilling at 960 feet.
Harvey Yates, Leonard-State 1, SW SW 28-17-29. Drilling at 1,025 feet.
Heacock & Owens, Crosby 1, SW SW 33-19-27. Drilling at 1,650 feet.
Malco Refineries, Inc., Everts 1, NW SW 20-16-31. Total depth 645 feet; waiting on cement.
R. E. McKee et al, Spencer 3, SE NE 3-19-29. Total depth 400 feet; shut down for repairs.
Danciger Oil & Refining Co., Turner 12-B, SW NW 20-17-31. Total depth 2,022 feet; shut in for storage; estimated flow 45 barrels oil per day.
Franklin Petroleum Corp., Canfield 1-B, SE SW 7-18-30. Drilling at 310 feet.

find something to laugh about. The biggest laugh I've had in quite a while came shortly after my arrival at this small and desolate base in India. Browsing through the state register at the Red Cross Club one night, I found under the state of New Mexico only two names, J. Frank Wilson and Darrell D. Moore, both from Artesia. Which goes to prove that it's not only a very funny but also a very small world.

CARDS OF THANKS

We wish to express our most sincere thanks and appreciation to our friends for their many expressions of sympathy and deeds of kindness in the loss of our beloved brother and son.—Mrs. Marietta Burrows and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Ham and family. 24-1tp

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Russell Hill Takes Over Management of the Motor Port

Russell Hill, expert mobile electric system man and mechanic, has taken over the management of the Motor Port, which he will operate under that name. The plans of Elmer E. Hill, the last manager, are indefinite. Hill has been employed at the last few years at the shop of Guy Chevrolet, the last few years at the tune-up and electric shop to the other department of the Motor Port.

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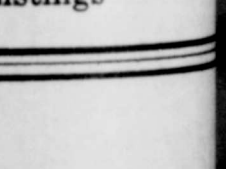
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