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More Girls Compete For Fair Queen

A change in rules for the New Mexico state fair queen contest permits every girl in the state between the ages of 16 and 19 inclusive to compete for the coveted honor. Leon H. Harms, secretary-manager of the state fair announced the new rules to permit wider participation in the queen contest.

Last year only members of 4-H clubs or Future Homemakers of America chapters were eligible to compete for the title of state fair queen.

Harm said each county in New Mexico will be allowed one contestant in the finals of the contest which are held opening day of the fair. All contestants will be guests of the fair for the full nine days, Sept. 26-Oct. 4. Sleeping quarters will be provided in the fair's Youth hall and contestants will have all meals provided in the Youth hall dining room.

Girls entered in the contest will be judged on personality and horsemanship. Because of a continuing shortage of stalls on the fair grounds, girls must make arrangements to use a horse already entered in one of the fair's horse show classes or the rodeo.

Method of selecting a girl to represent each county is left entirely to the county, with the fair insisting only that all girls must be within the age limits and a bona fide resident of the county she represents. Newspapers, radio stations, civic clubs, rodeo associations or any other group may sponsor a county queen. Harms pointed out, however, that a county runoff contest must be held as the state fair will accept only one contestant from each county.

The girl selected as state fair queen will be crowned opening night of the rodeo. The queen and all other contestants will be expected to ride in the state fair parade and participate in the fair and rodeo opening ceremonies.

Information on the queen contest can be secured from Leon H. Harms, Secretary-Manager, New Mexico State Fair, P. O. Box 1693, Albuquerque, N. M.

Hope Baptist Church News

Earl H. Brock, Mission Pastor
Sunday school 10 a. m., each Sunday; preaching 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. first and third Sundays.

Elk Mission: Sunday school 10 a. m. each Sunday; preaching 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. second and fourth Sundays.

We were at Elk last Sunday had a good day. We start our revival at Elk next Sunday, June 21 and continue to June 28. Rev. Morgan, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Artesia will be with us and do the preaching. In that case we will not be in our pulpit at Hope next Sunday. We start our vacation Bible school there June 29 and will run through July 10.

We close a wonderful school at Hope last Friday, had our commencement services Friday night and they

were well attended. Our boys and girls were tops, often they get nervous when there is a crowd, but they really performed for parents and visitors Friday night. In all my experience in promoting Bible schools, some 20 years this school was one of the best we have ever had. The greatest comment of the parents and visitors was "How did you do it in just one week?" Well we give the faculty and the boys and girls all the credit, they just did what we asked them to do, and did it in a good way. We had one of the most splendid groups to work with that we have ever had. And that accounts for any success we might have had. The school started at 8:30 a. m. and continued until 11:30 a. m. Many of the children were heard to remark they wished the school started at 7:30 a. m. instead of 8:30.

Boosts for Better Highway

The little town of Hope west of Artesia is doing drivers a favor by obtaining right-of-way so that the murderous curves on State Highway 83 can be ironed out. One curve just east of Hope is like the intersection of two residential streets. It's a right angle turn on a highway which is traveled at non-residential speeds. The curve is dangerous at 35 miles an hour, and a driver is lucky to escape with his life if he tries to make it at the legal speed limit of 60. People who have been over the road once watch for it, but drivers traveling the road the first time are in for a surprise. Curves like that aren't supposed to exist.—From "West of the Pecos" in the Roswell Record.

The state and the county are both ready to start work on eliminating the curves, just as soon as the right-of-way has been secured. Three easements have yet to be signed. Here's hoping that they will be signed this week.

Dempsey Criticizes 'Foreign Alliances'

Washington, June 18 — As the American people, the Congress and the administration leaders await developments resulting from the Korean truce agreement, the outcome of the "big three" conference in Bermuda and the hope-for firm agreement on the NATO program in Europe, it is my suggestion that all of us make a careful restudy of the farewell address made by President George Washington on Sept. 17, 1796;

Despite the solemn warning sounded by the "Father of Our Country" against permanent "entangling alliances" with foreign nations—which was not based at all upon any isolationist theory—this nation today finds itself enmeshed in a tangled international web woven largely by our own vacillating and uncertain foreign policy. In the light of the critical situation of today we will do well to recall this one statement by President Washington:

"Against the insidious wiles of foreign influence, (I conjure you to be-

lieve me, fellow citizens,) the jealousy of a free people ought to be constantly awake; since history and experience prove that foreign influence is one of the most baneful foes of republican government."

Measure with that yardstick of common sense the fact that Sir Winston Churchill has now persuaded the other prime ministers of the British Commonwealth to bring added pressure on us to agree to the seating of Red China in the United Nations; also that we have been maneuvered into a dubious leadership in the United Nations that now brings down upon us the bulk of Korean criticism for failure to win more satisfactory truce terms at Panmunjon. Consider further that our so-called mutual security program has become so insecure, particularly in Europe, that the House Foreign Affairs committee has voted to hold back half of the 2 billion dollars asked for arms aid to NATO nations until those nations agree on a unified army—an army, incidentally, which is intended primarily to protect those very nations, themselves, against Communist aggression.

As far as the Korean situation is concerned it is quite likely that the truce terms would be far different if we had been fighting as a nation the war in that unfortunate country and not as part of the United Nations organization, so that we could have reached our own decision. True we have provided 95 per cent of the UN troops in Korea and almost that percentage of the money spent to wage the war against the Red invaders. We have lost 22,000 youthful American lives and our total known casualties number nearly 140,000, yet the Korean cry now is "Go home, Americans!" The cost in dollars has exceeded 15 billions.

Several times that many billions have been poured into the coffers of other foreign nations in the belief that we were strengthening our own allies. We must have allies, of course. Even the strongest nation in the world cannot stand alone. But we must have allies who will stay with us on a real mutual security basis. There is now justification for us to question seriously whether there is real mutuality in the relationship of some of them with us and whether they will stay with us in any eventuality.

When the American people recall the Kremlin's avowed policy of "divide and destroy" and "bleed the American economy white" — which we must admit has attained some degree of success up to now—they have every right to demand that their chosen leaders in the executive branch and the Congress, as well, approach critical world problems more realistically than ever before. We are at the crossroads in world affairs. A careful restudy of George Washington's charted course will do us no harm.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Rood, Henry Schmidt and Helen, Katherine, Wilma and Edith Hardin spent Saturday at the beach in Carlsbad. Monday, Helen, Katherine and Wilma started taking swimming lessons in Artesia.



LOOKING AHEAD

BY GEORGE S. BENSON
President—Harding College
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How Goes Niagra?

The five big private electric companies that supply nearly all of the homes, businesses and industries in New York State are doing what the economic planners in this country said couldn't be done. They are proposing to build a giant \$390,000,000 power producing project on the Niagara river using water from three miles above the mighty falls, financing it with their own money! The economic planners, whose goal has been the socialization of the entire U.S. electric power industry, have contended the federal government must build the big power projects because private companies do not have the necessary financial resources.

It is true that no single private company can match the federal government's ability to spend multi-million-dollar amounts collected from the taxpayers. But groups of private companies operating in a single state or region can finance any feasible project. And that is what they are proposing to do at Niagara. Some of the "Public Power" supporters in Congress nevertheless want the government, and not private enterprise, to build and own and operate the proposed new Niagara power plant. The issue, therefore, is a clearcut choice between government and private ownership.

Taxes and Taxes

Government ownership would mean the spending of \$390,000,000, and probably a great deal more, of the taxpayers' money. Government construction costs and operating costs are notoriously high. Usually a project estimated by government people to cost \$100,000,000 actually costs about twice that amount before the U. S. Treasury gets through paying the bills. With the government doing it, the Niagara project likely would cost \$500,000,000—half a billion. And once in operation, it wouldn't be a taxpayer like the private company.

If the private companies are permitted to build it, the hundreds of millions paid by taxpayers will be available for other heavy expenses of government. And when fully completed the Niagara project, if owned by the private enterprise, would pay an estimated \$23,000,000 in new tax money each year!

Private Enterprise

Other private companies recently have combined to finance developments which the "Public Power" proponents said couldn't be done by private enterprise. Five private companies in the Paducah, Ky., area pooled resources to build a giant 500,000 kw steam plant to serve a new atomic arsenal now under construction; and approximately 20 companies in the Ohio Valley joined forces to build a power project to serve an

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"Hangman's Knct"

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Donna Reed

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WEDNESDAY

"Prince of Pirates"

John Derek
Barbara Rush

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OCOTILLO

FRI-SAT

DOUBLE FEATURE PROGRAM

"Savage Mutiny"

Johnny Weismuller
and

"Pack Train"

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SUN. - MON. - TUES.

WEDNESDAY

"SALOME"

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★—————★

THURSDAY

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July 2 & 3

Carlsbad vs

Artesia

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Hope News

Myrtle Cox who is teaching in Winslow, Ariz., is here visiting relatives for the summer.

The City Service Station was broken into Monday night. A flashlight and a pocket knife were taken. Deputies Lusk and Hill investigated.

Mr. and Mrs. Altman returned from El Paso. Ada Belle Trimble, who had an operation performed on her eyes will remain in El Paso for a few weeks longer.

The oil men who have been employed on the wildcat well being drilled west of Hope have left. The rig will be moved to Hobbs. We will miss these folks. They assisted in the Bible school held at the Baptist church last week. The Bible school was a great success being attended by children from nearly every denomination. It is good that we have one church in Hope that takes an interest in children.

Barbara Havens who has been staying with Mrs. Ida Prude left for her home at Pinon Wednesday.

It is reported Millard Tulk has a new well drilled to a depth of 1045 feet with plenty of water.

Those from here who attended the school board meeting at Artesia Tuesday night were Mrs. Lincoln Cox, Mrs. Anderson Young, Lyle Hunter, Geo. O. Teel and Ralph Lea.

Clem Weindorf and family returned home Saturday from Pagosa Springs, Colo., where they enjoyed a week of fishing. The day before they left for home, their daughter, Bonnie became sick with pneumonia. She is now in Artesia General hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bush were shopping in Artesia Monday.

A rain storm passed over the Pecos Valley Monday. Some localities

reported a soaking rain, others just a few drops. The moisture was accompanied by thunder and lightning which cut off electricity for several hours.

Heleen, Katherine and Wilma Hardin attended Bible school in Hope last week.

The Meillard hay barn burned to the ground last Saturday noon. About 77 tons of new hay had just been unloaded. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

Chester Teague passed through Hope Wednesday en route to Artesia.

Robert Williams who is on the police force in Artesia spent Tuesday in Hope visiting his mother, Mrs. Katherine Williams.

Floyd Cole, postmaster at Hope, has announced an increase in post office box rents, effective July 1. The increase is a part of a nationwide program of the postal department and is necessary to meet the increased cost of providing equipment and maintaining service. The new rates are as follows: 45c increased to 65c; 60c increased to 90c; 75c increased to \$1.10.

Charley Barley has been busy the past two weeks hauling store fixtures and household furniture over to Machia for the Brown Mercantile Co. of Artesia.

Sage and Cactus

By Doughbelly Price

I shore am glad that the coronation is over. Everything but the collection and clean up the rubbish.. Long

live the Queen and may all her troubles be little ones.

It looks like there will be a truce in Korea. Will that mean peace or just a lull before the big storm. Sing

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Looking Ahead—

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other huge atomic plant. In both instances, the Public Power advocates

had said the job was "too big for private enterprise."

Niagara is a spectacular challenge to American industrial ingenuity. In 1895 a private company, the Niagara Mohawk Power Corp., pioneered water power development when it installed the Adams station just above the falls. Later other stations were built. These utilized all the water for power permitted under our agreement with Canada. In 1950, a new agreement permitted use of additional water above the falls. Thus the power production can now be raised from 440,000 to 1,500,000 kilowatts.

Savings and Safety

The private companies operating at Niagara over the years have developed, through pilot-plant experimentation, a method of tunneling the water from the river above the falls to generating equipment several miles downstream. The operation will not affect the incomparable scenic beauty of the world famed cataract. But to our millions of long-suffering taxpayers the best thing about the private companies' plan for the Niagara project is that it will save at least \$390,000,000 in tax money! It will do something else, too.

On my desk is a campaign handbook of the Socialist Party. Point No. 1 of the platform reads: "Nationalization of our natural resources beginning with the coal mines and water sites." Also on my desk is the publication of the "Public Ownership League." It dedicates the league to achieving a "public super-power system for the continent, especially the United States and Canada." The Socialist party frankly says that government control of power is an essential first step into a Socialist government. The "Public Ownership League" knows this but doesn't say it. Private companies with imagination and courage can thwart the Socialist Party and its companion, the "Public Ownership League." In working at it, they need the support of an informed citizenry.