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HAROLD DYE, Managing Editor

EMPLOY EX-SERVICE MEN

At least the smallest debt which we can pay to the man who a few years ago gave up home, position, and risked death for us is a chance to make a living. wherever an ex-service man applies for work, he is honest, capable and willing, if such employment is at all available, this man should be given the preference.

WE VENTURE AN OPINION

Practically every man in Hagerman knows the solution to the nation's economic ills, and the exact remedy which will nurse our pocket books back to health. These remedies range from a revolution in which the supposed fifty men who control the finances of America will be killed, to a return to the saloon, the brothel, and the gambling den. So far, we have been one of the minority who have been unable to answer this momentous question. If we knew how to handle the situation, we should immediately undertake to handle it, with the result that future generations would erect a monument to our memory as a statesman.

TO PLANT ABOUT 500 PHEASANTS THIS YEAR

Most of the 500 pheasants to be bought by the state this year have already been planted, State Game Warden Elliott Barker, said Saturday.

The game commission has limited purchases to \$1,500 for the year which means about 500 birds.

Bela Birmingham has already planted 311. These have been turned loose at Artesia, Lovington, on the Rio Hondo, at Las Cruces, Hatch, Bluewater, Virden, Reserve and in the Animas valley. Additional birds are to be planted at Albuquerque, Taos and Chama.

At Lordsburg, the G. P. A. cooperated, purchasing 25 of his own funds.

"The game commission feels that the planting this year plus the numbers planted previously is sufficient to determine whether or not pheasants will breed and increase under New Mexico conditions and that until this is determined no further planting should be made," said Barker. "The pheasant is quite different from any of our native game birds and since not much is known as to its desirability as an addition to quail a little caution is not out of place. In other words, if ring-necked pheasant will do well and is desirable quite enough birds have been planted to get a good start within a very few years. If it is not desirable and proves detrimental to our native species we have already gone far enough and no more should be planted."

Teacher in lumber district — "Johnny, can you tell me how many mills make a cent?" Johnny—"Not a d—d one."

HAGERMAN LADIES RETURN FROM TRIP THROUGH EUROPE

From the land of the adobe to old world cathedrals, thru peaceful peasant villages, to ivy covered castles, where one drifts back thru centuries to a panoramic scene of gayly colored court life has been the experience of two fortunate young ladies this summer, Misses Mayre Losey and Renalee Banta. Following is Miss Losey's version of the trip.

We traveled by motor to Montreal, Canada, via Dallas, Texas, and thence to beautiful and historic Washington, D. C., the city of magnificent distances; avenues of stately trees, its memorials, museums, botanic gardens, river drives and cherry trees that history have made famous. And on thru Baltimore to Philadelphia, "the smoky city," to see Independence Hall National museum. The road led thru the city of skyscrapers, New York, with its Empire State building of eighty-six stories and over twelve hundred feet in height. And its equally famous subway transit system, its distance from city hall to city line measuring over fourteen miles.

Two weeks from New Mexico to Montreal, a distance of 2,000 miles and only one flat tire. Thru the east one can stay at hotel or farm houses along the road, which cater to the tourists. There are no camp grounds. We stored our car in Montreal and the trip to Quebec was made by rail. From Quebec, we sailed on the steamship "Empress Australia." The voyage across took seven days, two days of this being thru the iceberg region of Labrador where the ship traveled very slowly. The icebergs were close enough to be seen easily with the naked eye, and it was also very cold those two days. At times there was a heavy fog, one night the ship lay over for several hours, not daring to try to pierce the denseness.

On board, a democratic atmosphere prevailed. Everyone seemed happy. Each evening was an entertainment. One evening the crew put on a concert, the following evening the passengers followed suit. A formal dance once and a movie another evening. The afternoon were filled with teas and tea dances and mechanical horse races. On Sunday there was a thirty minute church service by the Church of England, remember this is on a Canadian steamship line. All guests on boat were faithful attendants at church.

The first landing was at Cherbourg, France. On to the famous Paris! at last! the not very clean; and too commercialized city, where one may buy "Gowns from Paris" in terms of quantities of American dollars. Sangfroid Paris with its portentous trivialities, is not so appealing to the average American traveler. With the other sightseeing we attended the International Exposition. By motor busses, on which there was a chauffeur and courier, we went to Brussels, Belgium. Since the horrible episode of the World War the country has gone thru a period of reconstruction, and the farming country looks very prosperous.

It rained every day. Wore our coats all the time, it was always cool, and in Holland, our next stop, there was lots of water. At Hague, the world's peace conference city, it was so clean and beautiful, worlds of flowers everywhere, and on a fishing island where we visited, we took particular notice to the peasants in their native dress, and their age-old method of livelihood. As Belgium, they still employ old-fashioned ways, such as mowing hay with scythes, reminds one of Millet's, "The Gleaners." At Doorn, we saw the Kaiser's Estate with its huge woodpile in front.

From Holland to Germany, down the Rhine that poets have immortalized, and visited Coblenz, where the army of occupation was stationed after the war. I shall pay tribute to Germany in that here, we received our greatest courtesies and nicest services on our entire trip. We noticed however, the depression more pronounced in Germany than other places. The large hotels were practically deserted, a desolate air prevailed.

Back to Paris, across the English Channel to London, rain all the time, no fog at this time of year, however. London is clean. No street cars, but subways to travel. There is a feeling of security about London. She appears a great ship plunging thru the tempest with majestic indifference and no matter the course she is bound to reach port safely.

MARKETS

KANSAS CITY, Missouri—Market yesterday—Cattle 4500; calves 1200; slow on native fed steers and yearlings; bids weak to lower; few sales common to medium western steers steady; she stock scarce, steady; bulls steady to strong; vealers firm; heavy killing calves from the stockers and feeders slow, weak; several loads of choice yearlings and light weight steers held around 9.25 to 10.00; common steers 4.75 to 6.00; fed grassers 7.00; load good short fed heifers 7.00; beef cows 3.00 to 3.75; strong weight medium bulls 3.25; ches vealers 3.00 to 3.50.

NEW YORK—On opening decline in cotton promoted by weakness in Liverpool was followed by partial recoveries in cotton yesterday on some trade buying and covering which may have reflected rather a less favorable view of the weather outlook. Futures closed barely steady, 12 to 14 points lower. October 6.78; December 7.00; January 7.09; March 7.28 to 30; May 7.45; July 7.63 to 64; spot quiet; middling 6.85.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for the transportation of pupils residing more than three miles from the school building in the districts in which such pupils reside will be received by the Dexter Board of Education, District No. 8, until Monday, the 28th day of September.

Bids for the following routes will be accepted: Route No. 1, 9.2 miles, oiled road, 30.3 miles country road, total daily mileage, 39.5; route No. 2, oiled road 18 miles, country road, 34.6 miles, total daily mileage, 52.6; route No. 3, oiled road 2 miles, country road 40 miles, total daily mileage, 42 miles.

All persons desiring to submit bids as aforesaid will file them with the Clerk of said Board of Education on or before the date last above mentioned. The Dexter Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all bids submitted.

Signed DEXTER BOARD OF EDUCATION, By J. W. SHARP, Clerk.

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ly. We saw St. Paul's cathedral, the second largest in the world; Westminster Abbey. And in the Tower of London, we saw the crown jewels, among them the largest live diamond in the world, weighing 880 carats. We motored down thru the Shakespeare country, with its roadsides of gay posies, its fields of healthy, luxuriant, oats, barley and wheat. Its hedges of wild roses, bramble blossoms, scarlet poppies with yellow hammers singing wildly everywhere. We viewed the thirty-two colleges at Oxford, took the train to South Hampton and sailed on "Empress France" for Canada.

Back to the states thru the Great Lakes route to Detroit. We spent one day in the "Windy City" of Chicago and one day in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. We drove from Chicago in three and one half days, making a distance of 3,000 miles on the return trip from Montreal and no car trouble.

And so ends the interview; Back to sunny New Mexico, where nature paints, those enviable, glorious multi-hued sunsets, and where there is peace and contentment, because its HOME.

(031586) NOTICE OF PUBLICATION Department of The Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, N. M., August 27, 1931.

NOTICE is hereby given that Robert L. Merritt, of Lake Arthur, New Mexico, who, on August 10th, 1926, made Homestead Entry, No. 031586, for all Sec. 34, Twp. 15-S., Rge. 27-E., N. M. P. Meridian has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, New Mexico, on the 8th day of October, 1931.

Claimant names as witnesses: Tom Derrick, Lee Derrick, James Derrick, Basil Kimbrough, all of Lake Arthur, New Mexico. V. B. MAY, Register.

NEW MEXICO'S TAX VALUES SHOW A DROP

SANTA FE—New Mexico's taxable wealth for 1931 has been definitely set at \$331,776,374 and the net loss in valuation for this year is \$528,694, Chief Tax Commissioner Byron O. Beall said Saturday. Last year's valuation was \$332,305,608.

Using this valuation as a basis the tax commission will determine the tax rate for the state after a conference with the state board of finance early next week. Mr. Beall said the commission would recommend that the levy for this year be five and one-half mills or the same as last year.

Of the total valuation for this year corporate properties supply \$137,475,121 in the following manner: railroads, \$50,530,741; communication lines, \$3,792,741; pipe lines, \$4,515,493; public utilities, \$8,526,815; productive mines, \$1,944,901; non-productive mines, \$1,088,668; banks, \$2,075,762 and oil and gas \$3,440,230.

Commissioner Beall pointed out that but for the commission's work in assessing corporate properties this year, the loss to the tax rolls would have been much greater. An increase of \$4,768,521 was made on these properties. However, owing to the losses in the livestock assessments the net loss is little more than half a million dollars.

PIANO TUNING

C. M. Richards, now well known in Artesia will be here soon after opening of the schools. He has made a substantial reduction in prices for tuning and repairs.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, New Mexico, August 15, 1931.

NOTICE is hereby given that Cass W. Cavender, of Lake Arthur, New Mexico, who, on August 2, 1927, made Homestead Entry No. 034305, for all of Section 25, Township 15-S., Range 23-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, New Mexico, on the 24th day of September, 1931.

Claimant names as witnesses: Will Waldrop, Everett Painter, Harley Gilbert, Wesley Brewton, all of Lake Arthur, New Mexico. V. B. MAY, Register.

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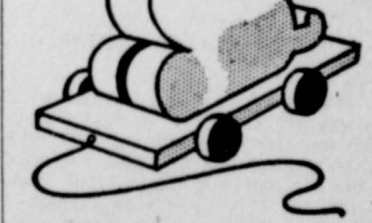


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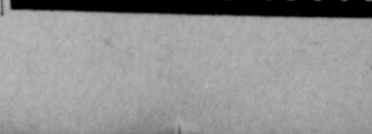
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My Experiences in the World War

BY GENERAL JOHN J. PERSHING

CHAPTER LVII
The first army attacked yesterday and the reduction of the St. Mihiel salient is complete," reads the bulletin of September 13, written by General Pershing.
The troops behaved splendidly. The secretary of war visited two headquarters; returned to the general headquarters with a very happy expression and I went to the town of St. Mihiel today and were warmly greeted by the people. This is the first time since the outbreak of the war that the St. Mihiel salient has been completely cleared of the enemy. The attack of the infantry on the northern face of the St. Mihiel salient started at 5 o'clock. In the morning and before that I went with several staff officers to old Gironville, situated on a commanding height overlooking the battlefield from the south. The secretary of war visited two headquarters and returned to the general headquarters with a very happy expression and I went to the town of St. Mihiel today and were warmly greeted by the people. This is the first time since the outbreak of the war that the St. Mihiel salient has been completely cleared of the enemy.

Weather Gives Advantage.
A drizzling rain and mist prevented us from getting a clear view of the progress of our troops. The progress of our troops was followed by the barrage which preceded them. Notwithstanding a heavy rainfall the night of September 11-12, the weather was an advantage, as the mist screened our advance from the enemy. There was a chill breeze blowing and its direct effect was the sound of firing could be heard from the artillery in our immediate front, although the most intense artillery bombardment on a western face was heard distinctly.

The sky over the battlefield, both day and after dawn, aflame with exploding shells, star signals, burning dumps and villages, presented a scene at once picturesque and terrible.
The exultation in our minds that, at last, after 17 months of effort, an American army was fighting under its own flag was tempered by the realization of the sacrifice of life on both sides and yet we had killed it thus and we must go through. Confidence in our troops dispelled every doubt of ultimate victory.
As we returned from Gironville reports of prisoners were already marching to our stockades in the rear. About 9 o'clock reports came in to army headquarters at Ligny from all portions of the 25 mile front that everything was going well, with losses light.

The Baker returned from his observation point near the battlefield and stated over the success of the day. He had been a witness to the effort of an American army and it was a proud day for him to see that as secretary of war his directing hand had led to such results. He took much pleasure in talking about to all parts of the army and scorned being treated as a guest.
Overcome Entanglements.
Thanks to the thorough preparation beforehand, the wire entanglements were more easily overcome than we had expected.
Trained teams of pioneers and engineers, with bangalore torpedoes, wire cutters and axes, assisted in opening gaps in the masses of wire covering the German positions. The leading troops then carried along rolls of chicken wire, which was thrown across entanglements here and there forming a kind of bridge for the army.

All their offensives the allies opposed by destroying entanglements with artillery fire or by a large number of heavy tanks. We had only a few light tanks, ineffective for such work. The fact that we had smothered the enemy's leading waves deliberately to do their work without loss.
The quick passage through these entanglements by our troops excited no little surprise among the enemy, who sent a large number of officers and noncommissioned officers to St. Mihiel several days before we saw how it had been done. Some of these officers, after his reconnaissance, remarked in all seriousness that the Americans had the advantage over Frechquem because their long legs and large feet.

Troops Overrun Objective.
In making our dispositions for the older divisions, the First, Second and Forty-second, had repositioned on the southern face of the open spaces, to enable them to flank the wooded areas quickly, thus aiding the advance of less experienced units assigned to these areas.
The whole line, pivoting as it did on the Eighty-second on the night of the 11th, advanced resolutely to attack. The entire operation was carried through with dash and precision.
By afternoon the troops had advanced beyond their scheduled objectives and by evening had reached the second day's objective on most of the northern front.
The divisions of the Fourth corps (Lockman) and those on the left (First corps (Liggett)) overcame the hostile garrisons, and quickly overran their positions, carrying the fighting into the open. German resistance on this part of the front was disorganized by the rapidity of our advance and was soon overcome. Although the enemy was expecting an attack, he did not think it would take place so soon and it therefore came as a surprise.
Then the First division, on the right flank of the southern attack, had broken through the hostile forward positions, the squadrons of cavalry attached to the First corps was passed through

The general plan of action of the allied armies, as agreed upon at the conference of commanders in chief July 24, was, to state it simply and briefly, that the offensive should continue, each army driving forward as rapidly as possible. The allied and American operations during the summer had resulted in the reduction of the Chateau Thierry, Amiens and St. Mihiel salients and the great offensive was now under way. Immediately west of the Meuse river the battle line had remained practically unchanged since 1917. It was on this front the American army was to play its great part.

The disposition of the Belgian, British, French and American armies on the wide front between the North sea and Verdun was such that they would naturally converge as they advanced. So long as the enemy could hold his ground on the east of this battle line frontal attacks farther west might drive him back on his successive positions, yet a decision would be long delayed.

Vanks Face Strong Position.
His main line of communication and supply ran through Carignan, Sedan and Metziers. If that should be interrupted before he could withdraw his armies from France and Belgium the communications in the narrow avenue between the Ardennes forest and the Dutch frontier were so limited that he would be unable adequately to supply his forces or to evacuate them before his ruin would be accomplished. As our objective was the Sedan-Carignan railroad, it was evident that the sector assigned to the American army was opposite the most sensitive part of the German front then being attacked.

The danger confronting the enemy made it imperative that he should hold on in front of the American army to the limit of his resources. From the enemy's point of view this was the vital portion of his defense line, because here it was closer to his main artery of supply (Carignan-Sedan-Metziers) than at any other point. He could afford to retire gradually from all fronts except the Meuse-Argonne, where he must hold until the last.

German Strongly Fortified.
The area between the Meuse river and the Argonne forest was ideal for defensive fighting. On the east the heights of the Meuse commanded that river valley and on the west the rugged, high hills of the Argonne forest dominated the valley of the Aire river. In the center the watershed between the Aire and the Meuse rivers commanded both valleys, with the heights of Montfaucou, Cunel, Romagne and of the Bois de Barriour standing out as natural strong points. From these heights observation points completely covered the entire German front.

The terrain over which the attack was to be made formed a defile blocked by three successive barriers, the heights of Montfaucou, then those of Cunel and Romagne, and farther back the ridges of the Bois de Barriour and of the Bois de Bourgoigne. The Meuse river was unfordable; the Aire river fordable only in places. In addition to the heavy forest of the Argonne there were numerous woods with heavy undergrowth which were serious obstacles.

These natural defenses were strengthened by every artificial means imaginable, such as fortified strongpoints, dugouts, successive lines of trenches and an unlimited number of concrete machine gun emplacements. With the advantage of commanding positions the enemy was particularly well located to pour oblique and flanking artillery fire on any assailant attempting to advance within range between the Meuse and the Argonne.

A dense network of wire entanglements covered every position. It was small wonder the enemy had rested four years on this front without being molested. He felt secure in the knowledge that even with few divisions to hold these positions his east and west lines of rail communication in rear would be well protected against the probability of interference.
Hindenburg Position is Objective.
In accordance with the principal

CITY VALUATION IN STATE SHOWS ONLY INCREASE PAST YEAR

SANTA FE—Fifty-seven incorporated cities and towns in New Mexico show taxable wealth of approximately \$88,500,000 out of the state total of \$331,675,280. Rupert Asplund, director of the New Mexico Taxpayers Association, said Saturday.
While the state as a whole showed a reduction of \$628,138 under the 1930 state valuation, 57 cities on which official figures are available show an increase of \$2,375,271 over last year. The \$88,500,000 figure included estimates for Silver City and Jalisco.
Fifteen municipalities have a valuation of more than \$1,000,000 each. The first three are, Albuquerque, \$25,211,928; Santa Fe, \$17,635,989; Roswell, \$7,516,504.

The fact that Santa Fe emerged ahead of Roswell occasioned surprise at the tax offices because of the large amount of non-taxable state and federal property in the capital city. The population of the two cities is virtually the same.
The valuation of the remainder of the first fifteen cities follow: Gallup, \$4,911,030; Clovis, \$3,965,160; Raton, \$3,707,195; East Las Vegas, \$3,516,904; Las Cruces, \$2,781,615; Carlsbad, \$2,770,071; Deming, \$1,867,314; Tucuman, \$1,786,862; Artesia, \$1,488,919; Hobbs, \$1,254,652; Alamogordo, \$1,228,733; Clayton, \$1,226,723; Lordsburg, \$1,092,790.

Silver City school district for 1930 has a valuation of \$2,466,172, but the municipality may have a valuation somewhat less than that amount.
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mission, which remained the same throughout this great offensive, the main attack of the First army was to be launched west of the Meuse river, its right to be covered by the river and by the operations of the French Seventeenth corps on the east of the river, that corps being a part of our army.
Our left was to be supported by a simultaneous attack by the French Fourth army. Our attack to include the Argonne forest, was to be driven with all possible strength in the general direction of Metziers.
The first operation of our army was to have for its objective the Hindenburg position on the front Brielle-sur-Meuse-Romagne-sous-Montfaucou-Grandpre, with a following development in the direction of Buzancy-Metziers in order to force the enemy beyond the Meuse and outflank his positions on the Vouziers-Rethel line from the east.

In conjunction with our advance, which would outflank the enemy's position south of the Aisne, the French Fourth army, by attacking successively the positions between the Aisne and the Sulpes rivers, would be able to occupy the line Vouziers-Rethel. After that it would operate in the direction of the plateau east of the Rethel-Signy-l'Abbaye road.
A liaison attachment under the French Fourth army, was designated to operate along the western edge of the Argonne forest as a connecting link between the French and American armies.

Aim at Tactical Surprise.
Our purpose was to effect a tactical surprise. If possible, overcome the enemy's first and second positions in the area of Montfaucou and (Cote Dame Marie) of his third position before the enemy could bring up strong re-enforcements. It was an ambitious plan and one that would require a rapid advance of ten miles through a densely fortified zone. From an estimate of the enemy's reserves and their location it was realized that we must capture Montfaucou and seize Cote Dame Marie by the end of the second day.
It was thought reasonable to count on the vigor and aggressive spirit of our troops to make up in a measure for their inexperience, but at the same time the fact was not overlooked that lack of technical skill might considerably reduce the chances of complete success against well organized resistance of experienced defenders.
General Petain had already given it as his opinion that we should not be able to get farther than Montfaucou before winter.
(To Be Continued)

COTTONWOOD ITEMS

Mrs. Wayne Norris, Reporter

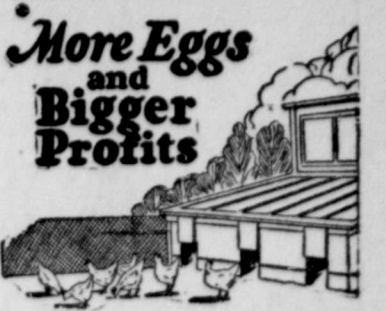
Miss Eloise Brown returned from Ruidoso Friday.
Carl Middleton and Harold Garner have gone to Texas to work.
W. A. Watson left Wednesday for a business trip to the mountains.
Bobbie Kerr and Glenn Simms left for their home last week at Portales.
Miss Alice Norris left Sunday for Alamogordo where she will teach this year.

The Cottonwood schools started Monday and registered a large attendance at the opening.
The singing school that has been held on Cottonwood for the past two weeks ended Friday.
W. N. Waldrip and son, Harold and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Norris went fishing Sunday on the Walnut draw.
Last week E. P. Malone thrashed better than nine thousand pounds of alfalfa seed for the Buel brothers.
Miss Margaret Brown of Abilene, Texas came home Saturday to spend a week with her parents, M. S. Brown and family.
Mrs. Edith Robinson and two sons and mother, Mrs. Krocket of Roswell were guests of Cottonwood friends Sunday.

Miss Mattie and Ola Bee Derrick and their aunt, Mrs. Will Walden and family were guests at the Rambo home Saturday night and Sunday.
Infantry Major (in charge of trap-shooters): "Any of you birds know anything of trap-shooting?"
"Yeh, Major, I'm your boy—" a voice from the rear rank.
A shave tail advanced with uncertain mien and faced the major.
"What do you know of trap-shooting?" he was asked.
"Trap-shooting! Good gracious Major, I thought you said trap-shooting!"

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CUT WHEAT ACREAGE IN HALF, PROPOSAL

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The suggestion that wheat farmers in the area below the 25 inch rainfall line leave half of their winter wheat acreage idle this fall was made Monday by Carl Williams, vice chairman of the federal farm board. The territory to which Williams' suggestion would apply would be part of Kansas, a section of the Dakotas, Wyoming, Montana, New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma and a portion of Colorado.

WHY SO POSITIVE?

I'm happy that old styles are back. That chivalry is a la mode . . . I love to have my hand kissed—so And speak Sir Walter Raleigh's code. I've dusted off the spinning wheel And have it in the living room. There is a family album, too, Which adds distinction to the gloom. But there's one heirloom I despise; And with it I will never tussle, I may wear these Eugenie hats— But I will never wear a bustle! G. H. B. in K. C. Star.

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SOCIAL ITEMS

ENCHILADA SUPPER

On Monday evening Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bowen were hosts to a delightful enchilada supper. Present to enjoy the treat were: Messrs. and Mmes. Dub Andrus, Kenneth Servatius, J. C. Jearn, R. L. Collins, A. L. Nail, Mmes. Herbert Lang and Anna Lang.

BRIDGE PARTY

On Thursday evening, complimentary to their house guest, Mrs. Herbert Lang, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Nail entertained with a bridge party. Delicious sandwiches, iced tea and cake were served to the following: Messrs. and Mmes. K. C. Servatius, J. A. Buford, Mrs. Helen Gilroy, Miss Irene Gilroy, Mrs. Herbert Lang, O. J. Ford, Mrs. Gilroy and Miss Gilroy were high score winners.

DANCING PARTY

Misses Dorothy Sweatt and Elizabeth McKinstry entertained with a dancing party on Friday evening at the Lake Van club house. About fifteen couples tripped the light fantastic until a late hour. Messrs. and Mmes. H. L. McKinstry and Jack Sweatt chaperoned the crowd. Fruit punch was served throughout the evening.

BRIDGE CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Losey were hosts on Thursday evening to the bridge club. Delicious refreshments of caramel pie topped with caramel ice cream, and coffee were served at the close of the games to the following players. Messrs. and Mmes. E. V. Sweatt, Floyd Childress, R. M. Wara, Jack Sweatt, E. E. Lane, Lloyd Harshey, H. L. McKinstry, J. T. West, Misses Mayre Losey, Elizabeth McKinstry and the host and hostess. High score winners were Mrs. J. T. West and Floyd Childress.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

On Sunday evening at six-forty-five, the Collegiate Christian Endeavor of the First Christian Church of Roswell put on a very interesting program at the local church. The leader was Mrs. Logan Hunter and was assisted by Ward Greig and Roger Specker; Misses Thelma McCully and Inez Lancaster. A good crowd from both Roswell and Hagerman was present.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Mrs. James A. Hedges has hosted the Methodist Woman's Missionary Society on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Orville Atwood was the leader and her subject was "Stewardship." Miss Esther James read the scripture lesson and Mrs. Hedges led in prayer. Miss Dorothea Cowan sang a very sweet song. Present for the delicious refreshments served by the hostess were: Mmes. Orville Atwood, James Burke, Harry Cowan, John Campbell, Robert Burrell, C. W. Curry, C. E. Carter, Tom McKinstry, Carl Ridgely, E. Van Arsdale, Ben Jack West, Earl Stine, A. J. MacIntosh, Misses Dorothea Cowan and Esther James.

4-H COOKING CLUB

The cooking club met in the basement of the Methodist church Friday. Officers for the next term were elected. The meetings will be held at the school house and will be on Saturdays. HELEN LATHROP, Reporter.

HOME UNIT NO. 1

Home Unit No. 1 will meet Tuesday, September 8th, with Mrs. Fay McKinstry at the home of Mrs. Tom McKinstry. Miss Borschell will have charge of the lesson and the subject will be: "Recreation and Entertainment in the Home and Community."

Anyone interested in this subject will be welcome. The lesson will begin promptly at 2:00 p. m. Following the lesson there will be a short business meeting and installation of officers for this year.

WATTS LIABILITIES EXCEED HIS ASSETS

Emerson Watts, former New Mexico state treasurer of Roswell, has total liabilities of \$18,168.59, and total assets of \$7,282.29, according to balance sheets compiled at Roswell by Attorney James M. H. Cullender, before whom bankruptcy proceedings are pending when 29 creditors of the former firm of Watts-Harrison Company, investment brokers filed a petition in bankruptcy.

Watts is now facing a charge of embezzlement in connection with the alleged disappearance of certain assets of the defunct firm and is on bond awaiting trial on the charges at the next term of court in Roswell. Attorney Cullender has set September 29 as the first meeting of creditors. Watts is now in El Paso receiving treatment for injuries sustained in an automobile accident near Dexter.

Rastus Jones called up his boss on the telephone and said: "May ah inqulah how Rastus Jones is gettin' along and is you considerin' in' gettin' another boy in his place?"

The boss answered: "Rastus Jones is doing perfectly satisfactory. Who is this talking?" To which Rastus replied: "Well, ah's Rastus; ah's jes' checkin' up on mahself."

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LAKE ARTHUR ITEMS

Miss Ella Ohlenbusch, Reporter

Miss Ola Roberts was a visitor in Hagerman Friday.

Butler Johnson of Portales was a guest of his aunt, Mrs. Ned Hedges over the week end.

Mrs. Frankie Davis and son of Hagerman visited her mother, Mrs. G. R. Hams this week.

Miss Maggie Lane left last Friday for Weed where she will teach school again this year.

Mrs. William Franco who underwent an operation three weeks ago returned to her home Wednesday.

Mrs. R. F. Beasley who has been spending part of the summer on the Ruidoso returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gromo of Artesia spent last Wednesday with Mr. Gromo's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Gromo.

Arthur McLarry who spent several weeks visiting with his brother, Lewis, at Cuba, this state, returned Wednesday.

Misses Alma Bradley and Gerline Flowers left Wednesday for Las Cruces where they will attend the A. & M. College this term.

Rev. M. M. Robinette, pastor of the Baptist church of Elida, preached a very interesting sermon at the Lake Arthur church Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bailly and family motored to Tahoka, Texas where they visited several days with Mrs. Bailly's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Murphy.

Kenneth Irvin of Pampa, Texas visited in the A. V. Flowers home Wednesday. He is a student at the A. & M. College and was en route to the Carlsbad Caverns.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Gatten, nee Minnie Lee Smith, Hubert, Ruby and Corneilia Smith of Tolar, this state, were guests at the home of Miss Alma Bradley Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Graham and son Bill Jack who have spent several days visiting at Albuquerque with Mrs. Graham's sister, returned to their home here Wednesday.

HAMMONDS—PRESTON

The marriage of Miss Rue Hammonds to Mr. Kenneth Preston was a surprise to her many friends of Lake Arthur, who wish her the best of success and happiness in her married life. Mrs. Preston attended the Lake Arthur high school for several years and was on the basketball team as center.

SLUMBER PARTY

Quite a number of girls enjoyed a slumber party at the home of Rev. Slade. The party arose in the early hours of the morning and hiked to a grove of shade trees where a sunrise breakfast was cooked over a campfire. Among those who enjoyed the party were: Misses Margaret and Anna Slade, Wilma Walden, Velma Eddington, Gertrude and Alma Bradley, Pauline Russell, Ella and Amelia Ohlenbusch and Mary Nihart.

FARM HINTS

Make an oilcloth bag to slip over the end of the ironing board that stands on the floor when the board is put away. This will keep it clean.

There are three possible causes for tough pickles. One is a vinegar that is too strong. Another is too much salt in the solution. A third is too much sugar in the solution. Before you start pickling be sure you have reliable directions.

Cottage cheese is delicious in salads. Pile it lightly on lettuce leaves or shredded cabbage. Add a colorful garnish such as diced pickled beet, strips of pimento, chopped green pepper, or sliced raw tomato and French, mayonnaise, or boiled dressing. Or, for a more elaborate salad, mix the cheese with chopped nuts or olives and form into balls or mold in cups. Cottage cheese also combines well with fruits, fresh, canned or stewed, in salads.

Is your boy in his "teens" always hungry? Scientists say it is quite normal for him to crave more food, perhaps, than anyone else in the family. Because of his great activity he requires almost as much energy food as a grown man doing very heavy, active work, and because he is growing very rapidly, he needs almost one and a half times as much food that supplies him with protein and minerals, as a fully grown man. Give him plenty of milk, eggs, fresh fruits and vegetables in addition to the energy foods that are usually present in his diet, such as bread and butter, cereals, potatoes, cake and pastry.

CARLSBAD CAVERN VISITORS

A total of 19,925 people from forty-six states, the District of Columbia, two U. S. possessions and the foreign countries visited the Carlsbad Caverns during the month of August, 1931. This number is approximately 8,000 short of the total visitors during August 1929, the period when a new high record was established.

Comparative data for the month of August during other years follows:

August 1924	643
August 1925	361
August 1926	4,282
August 1927	7,855
August 1928	14,688
August 1929	27,791
August 1930	25,002
August 1931	19,925

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MAN-MADE DROUGHT BLAMED FOR WORST WATERFOWL PLIGHT

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A resumption of wet years will not materially check the downward trend of this continent's wild fowl supply, now at its most alarming level in history, H. L. Betten, member of California's advisory committee on waterfowl sanctuaries and nationally recognized authority on wild life conditions, declares in a statement made public by the American Game Association.

"In the great prairie regions of America and particularly in the wheat belt of Canada unwise and unrelenting reclamation and drainage projects have been extended so rapidly that a perpetual man-made drought now exists on the most important breeding grounds," he claims.

Lines of transportation flung across Canada and the northern tier of states have sprayed millions of settlers over the land, tremendous areas of lakes, sloughs and marshes which served as natural reservoirs for water as well as waterfowl and shorebird nesting grounds.

"Under the direction of private interests and a governmental bureau obsessed with a mania for reclamation, he charges, "hundreds of worthless projects have been foisted on the country, bringing ruin to thousands of settlers. "Congress might well direct an investigation in such channels to determine responsibility for these unwarranted if not criminal developments and to check further useless desecration of invaluable water sources and of wild life resources.

"The crux of this restoration problem lies within Canada and can be reached only thru co-operation with Canadian sportsmen," he believes.

Miss Hanby of Dallas, Texas was a brief visitor in Hagerman over Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Dub Andrus. Mrs. Andrus and Miss Hanby motored to Ruidoso on Sunday, returning early Monday morning.

Pat and Mike were watching a Shriner's parade. "Who are they, Mike?" "Those are Shriners." "What are they?" "They're Masons, you poor fish!" "What the H— do they want now? They're getting \$13.00 a day, ain't they?"

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Rev. M. M. Robinette, pastor of the Baptist church of Elida, preached to a packed house in the local Baptist church Sunday morning. Those who heard his sermon were well pleased and commented favorably upon it. At night, Rev. Robinette preached to the Lake Arthur Baptist church, and was accorded the same favorable reception.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bowen and Junior, returned on Monday from an extended pleasure thru California, including Los Angeles; Santa Monica, Santa Barbara, San Diego. They motored Carlsbad Tuesday afternoon visit overnight with the Hagers. Messenger Want Ads Get Results

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Just a word about my disc roller . . . it is the only one in a radius of many miles, and will put an edge on your discs like new. Bring them in.

And here's other good news for the farmers! Bring in your wheat or corn and have it ground on the finest grist mill in the territory. We'll split profits with you.

Remember that we turn down no hard jobs!

Gordon Holloway