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## Continues To Hold Interest in Oil Field

### Feet of Soft Sand Is Believed to be a New Sand—Oil Stands Over 1900 Feet in Hole—New Well Starts.

well of the New State Oil Co., No. 1, in sec. 4-18-28 continues to hold the attention of the local oil men and geologists. The opinion that the bit has penetrated a new sand and the amount carries significant weight of time. The well has drilled 9 to soft sand, believed to be an entirely new sand from any encountered in the field thus far. More than 1900 feet of oil is standing in the well. Drilling operations have been continued in order to set 5 3/4 inch casing as trouble has been experienced in numerous cases. Drilling will be resumed until the casing is set.

and et al., in the SW of the Sec. 29-18-28, are completing action of their rig. man et al., Royal Duke No. 1, SW 1/4 NE 1/4 of Sec. 29-18-28, is being drilled and cleaned out the well.

es et al., in the SW of the Sec. 9-18-28, are drilling, No. 7, 550 feet west of well drilling at 1900 feet. The sand probably be encountered next to No. 6, 550 feet south of No. 3, in Sec. 32-18-28, still fish- ing.

Caldwell et al., Reiff permit SW 1/4 of Sec. 8-20-28, drilling with is not learned as we go to Illinois No. 1, in the NE 1/4 30-18-28, drilling at 1525 feet. Well-Walker No. 2, 500 feet of well No. 1, in Sec. 28-18-28, at 1400 feet.

Illinois No. 1, Burgess and Good-Crany permit, in Sec. 30-18-28, drilling in boiler flues. Drilling resumed within a few days. Oil Co., on the Francis Tracy in the NE corner of Sec. 34-18-28, drilling on the new hole at 200 feet skidding rig.

iger Oil and Refining Co., are rig this week on their local- NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Sec. 8. were in error in reporting the n of a test on the Wallace Mer- sange in the SW 1/4 of the Sec. 35-18-28. It was stated this location would be within miles of the Illinois block. It has been two miles.

D. K. & W. Oil Co., are drill- ing the Brown well No. 2, at a of 1300 feet. Brown well No. 2, in E 1/4 of the E 1/4 Sec. 15-18-26, ected to be flowing after sev- ys of pumping operations. Illinois interests have just ned two modern bunk house to edately occupied by the drill- A new power plant has also nished. This plant, the first the field will be run by a gas engine and will be capa- pumping 20 wells simultaneou- new tool house is also under ction.

## T. E. HINSHAW WINNER IN HIDDEN NAME LAST WEEK--U MAY BE NEXT

Last week T. E. Hinshaw was the lucky man in the hidden name contest. This week the eighth name on galley No. 7 has been drawn. Look carefully it may be yours.

The winner last week, Mr. Hinshaw, informs us that nearly every person he met on the street informed him that his name was hidden in the ad of E. B. Bullock. This fact indicates in a measure how popular ad reading has become with the readers of the Advocate. Searching for the hidden name provides a great deal of amusement for all members of the family and we hope the interest of the readers will continue.

Please hold in mind also that the person whose name appears must bring the paper containing his or her name before the next publication day on Thursday. If your name appears in an ad this week you will have six days to notify us.

## MINERS HEAD THE LIST WHEN IT COMES TO THE LARGE FAMILY IN U. S.

### Farmers Are Running a Close Second—Men in the Professional Class Lag—Ministers Are Lagging Too.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The popular wheeze about the rich getting richer and the poor getting children describes the situation in the United States today in a general way with the necessary exceptions to prove the rule laid down by a well known song writer.

Coal miners have the most children, with industrial workers generally and those who work with their hands and outdoors, including farmers, ranking close behind.

Bootblacks, for instance, have the largest families next to coal miners, while the bankers, whose shoes they shine, have just half as many children, on the average.

The outstanding exception to the maxim is found among the professional classes, which include many who battle incessantly against the wolf at the door. As a class they have the fewest children, averaging two or three.

These deductions are from a bundle of statistics gathered by the department of commerce, covering "completed" families. The records cover families having many children during the last year, in which father is between the age of 40 and 49, and gives the number of children during the entire married life.

There were 147,209 children born to fathers between the ages of 40 and 44 years last year and 66,764 to those between 45 and 49.

## RAPID STRIDES ARE MADE IN 1924--GREATEST YEAR YET

TODAY, at the beginning of a new year, we pause to review briefly the accomplishments of the past year. Not in a dozen years have the people faced the future in a more optimistic mood and whether the accomplishments of the past have been great or small one must agree that the one worth while thing has been done. Confidence in the future has been restored, an act or deed worthy of every effort expended.

Perhaps you say that the improvements during the past year have been negligible but possibly this results from the additions and improvements becoming a commonplace scene, but to one who saw the community a year ago it would be a different story.

Today there is not a vacant dwelling in Artesia nor any of the surrounding towns, including Lake Arthur, Hope, Dayton and Lakewood so far as we know. Six buildings, four of them new, stand in Artesia today, erected during the year. New buildings and repairs to other buildings represent a total expenditure of more than \$50,000.00. Approximately \$30,000.00 has been pledged to the various enterprises in the town and community building, including the pipe line and refinery. Three quarters of a mile of concrete paving additional was built the past year. 1924 farm products amounting to over one million dollars have been harvested. Visible evidence of the crop values is shown in the local bank statements, now more than seventy-five per cent greater than last year. A year ago there were only one or two drilling wells in the oil field east of the river. Today there are fourteen wells drilling and eight producers besides six assessment wells started during the year.

Artesia is today a larger city than on January 1st, 1924, but the percentage of increase we do not know.

Space does not permit a further elaboration on the improvements and changes made in and around Artesia. If the present program is carried to a conclusion the year 1925 will be the greatest ever known in the history of the valley.

Let's pull together for 1925, it takes team work to build a town or community.

## R. THORNTON FERSON DIES AT HIS HOME IN ARTESIA. ILLNESS BRIEF

### Death Mars Holiday Spirit In An Artesia Home When R. T. Ferson Is Claimed Dec. 27th—Was Well Known Here.

Christmas this year was saddened in Artesia by the death of a well known and beloved resident, Ralph Thornton Ferson, who passed away at his home on the morning of December 26th at 12:30 a. m. While his illness lasted only a short time friends were hopeful of his recovery until a few hours before his demise. He had been troubled with kidney ailments for several years and a light attack of the flu aggravated the disease causing his death.

Mr. Ferson, who was 30 years of age at the time of his demise, was born in Erie, Illinois. In 1904 he came here with his father, Ralph D. Ferson and has resided in Artesia since that date with the exception of a short time spent in California. On the 14th of May, 1919, he was married to Miss Rose Kellogg at Roswell. Mr. and Mrs. Ferson moved into the Ferson home in south Artesia, where they have since resided.

While he had no lodge or church affiliations here, he was connected with the Chamber of Commerce and Rotary club and was known as a town booster. Shortly before the present oil development he acquired some acreage near the Illinois Producers and had been instrumental in getting a well on this acreage. The first well to be brought in on his lease was known as the Royal Duke No. 1, so named in his honor. He was always anxious to see development work go forward, but lived to see only one well completed on the property in which he held an interest.

Funeral services were conducted at the Presbyterian church Monday at 2:30 o'clock by the Rev. F. A. Thorold Eller, priest in charge of the Episcopal church. Interment was made in Woodbine cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Thornton Ferson and two sisters, Mrs. Mae Ferson Stevenson, of Los Angeles, California, and Mrs. Lotta Ferson Minor of Yuma, Arizona.

See the New Oldsmobile at Widney's. See the New Oldsmobile at Widney's.

## FRANK ANDERSON A PIONEER DIES AT HOME OF PEARLY GEORGE

### Lived for a Number of Years in the Mountains West of Here—Was 78 Years of Age—Funeral Services Held Here.

Frank Anderson, one of the older residents of this section died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Pearly George in Artesia, on the 29th of December at 10:50 a. m. The result of his death was due to his infirmities combined with the effects of the flu.

Mr. Anderson, who was 78 years of age at the time of his death, came to New Mexico 21 years ago and settled in the Sacramento mountains west of here. Artesia was his principal trading point and he became well acquainted with the old timers in the community. Arriving at a time when Artesia was yet young, he saw the town grow from a small village to its present size and hauled much of the mountain timber here during the pioneer days.

He was born in Bedford county Virginia, served in the Civil war and later moved to Texas and then to New Mexico. He was a member of the Christian church at the time of his death. Funeral services were conducted at the home of Pearly George Tuesday by Rev. Puckett, of Hope. Interment was made in the local cemetery.

Surviving Mr. Anderson are his wife and five children, namely: Mrs. Frank Anderson, Mrs. Pearly George, of Artesia, DREW Anderson, of Alvis, N. M., Joe Anderson, of Campbell, N. M., Walter Anderson, of Llamo, Texas and Jim Anderson of Arizona.

## NEW CLEANER INSTALLED BY SMITH TAILOR SHOP

A new dry cleaner has been recently installed by the Smith Tailor Shop. The machine, said to be one of the best on the market for thorough cleaning of garments and removing odors, is now in operation at the rear of the shop. The cleaning process is done by the continuous method. This machine is used by many of the larger cleaning establishments. See their announcement in this issue.

See our samples of Engraving—Artesia Advocate.

## LAKEWOOD STORE IS ROBBED 2ND TIME ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Another store robbery occurred at Lakewood on the night of December 30th. The same store, the H. D. Cass Mercantile Co., which was robbed last October again suffered a loss of approximately \$150.00. Entrance was made through the back door of the establishment after part of the panel had been cut out in order to get to the lock. The list of stolen goods include flour, meats, lard, other groceries and dry goods.

Deputy Sheriff M. Stevenson with other officers spent Wednesday and returned this morning to continue investigation of the case. No arrests have been made yet, but the officers believe they have a clue that will lead to the apprehension of the guilty party.

We have a complete line of samples of social stationery—Artesia Advocate.

## INAUGURAL OF HANNETT WILL BE HELD AT THE LA FONDA IN SANTA FE

### Ceremonies Open to the Public—No Charges are Made Except for the Ball Cadets From N. M. M. I. Will be There.

SANTA FE, Dec. 30.—Expecting a crowd fully as big as the more than 350 couples who attended the inaugural ball two years ago, if not bigger, the executive committee in charge of the inauguration of Arthur T. Hannett, which takes place today, has engaged the entire floor of La Fonda hotel.

The ball will be held in the large dining room. The floor is being prepared and a committee in charge of decorations has the scheme of decorations worked out and is ready to begin the actual work of hanging them. The scheme is an elaborate one.

There will be two orchestras at the ball—one from Las Vegas and one from Santa Fe—and the refreshments will consist of two-plate service. Several special "stunts" are planned to add to the festive atmosphere of the occasion, but these are to be surprises.

Col. J. C. Troutman, superintendent of the Military Institute, sent word that he and Maj. H. P. Saunders, commandant, together with a squad of cadets are coming from Roswell. They will form the escort for the new governor.

It is reported that the new governor's neighbors out at Gallup plan to charter a special car to come to the inauguration.

Another plan is to borrow one of Battery A's field pieces to fire the gubernatorial salute, bringing it over from Roswell together with a crew in a motor truck. The salute is 17 guns. In the past this has been fired with an anvil and has taken the better part of a day. One of battery A's "seventy-five" can do it in less than 17 minutes, if it is wished.

It has been decided to have the new governor take his oath of office in the hall of representatives. (The painting and decorating of the hall has just been finished). Mr. Hannett will take the oath at the hour of noon and give his inaugural address at that time.

This, like every other ceremony of the inaugural program, will be open to the public. There will be no invitations for anything and there will be no charge for any event except, of course, the ball.

## Farmer Shot at Hagerman Sat. Robinson Surrenders

### O'Dell Killed by His Renter Preliminary Trial is Held In Roswell Wednesday—Only One Man Is Held In Case.

Fred O'Dell, prominent farmer living near Hagerman, was shot and instantly killed Saturday morning at seven o'clock by Milt Robinson a neighbor.

According to the story as told by a son of Mr. O'Dell his father had gone to the barnyard to do the chores. The boy looking towards the barn saw his father falling to the ground. A man carrying a rifle was seen to be going over the fence and fired another shot as he reached the other side of the fence.

There were no witnesses to the actual shooting. Robinson refuses to talk.

Mr. Robinson immediately surrendered to the local authorities in Hagerman, who notified the sheriff. According to reports reaching here the killing is said to have started over a dispute about land rents. The men are reported to have had trouble previous to the fatal shooting. Milt Robinson was a tenant on the O'Dell farm. Both men are well known here. Mr. O'Dell had visited in Artesia a number of times and was here a few days before he was shot last Saturday.

The preliminary hearing was held in Roswell Wednesday. Dee Robinson, father of the accused man, arrived in Roswell from his home at Lubbock, Texas, bringing with him W. H. Bledsoe, a prominent criminal lawyer of the Panhandle section, who has been retained to assist with the defense. Attorney J. G. Gilbert has been retained to assist with the prosecution.

Attorney L. O. Fullen was secured to assist the state in prosecuting the case against Robinson. Friends and relatives of O'Dell came to Roswell Saturday night and after conferring with Mr. Fullen the announcement was made that Attorney Fullen would assist with the prosecution.

District Attorney Wyatt and officers Peck and Zumalt, assisted by deputy sheriff G. W. Losey, spent the day at Hagerman Monday working on this case. The officers refused to make any statement concerning their findings.

## SELLS GROCERY BUSINESS

C. N. Fleming has disposed of his grocery store located on West Main street to J. H. Long and his son-in-law Joe Morosi. Mr. Long will continue the grocery business in the same stand. Mr. Fleming and wife will go to Carlsbad where they will remain a few days before visiting Texas points.

## NEW TRUCKS FOR OIL FIELD

Gene Rowland has recently returned from Albuquerque where he secured four additional trucks for his truck line. The new trucks include two Nashes and two Whites.

## ANOTHER NEW REAL ESTATE FIRM OPENED UP IN ARTESIA NOW

Artesia has another new real estate firm to begin business this week, the C. V. & D. Agency. An office has been opened up in the building formerly occupied by the Syferd Cafe. The building has been remodeled and a commodious office room provided in the front of the building. The new firm will specialize in handling oil leases, farms and city property. See their announcement in this issue.

## MAIZE HEADS SPROUT IN DUCK'S CRAW—WHAT DO YOU SAY TO THIS

Speaking of ducks eating grain and destroying other farm crops reminds us of a story a duck hunter related a few days ago. He was not looking for any special peculiarity about his favorite fowl, but found one never the less. He had just killed a duck and started to clean it. Cutting into its craw he observed something that at once attracted his attention. He found several sprouted maize seeds which had apparently sprouted in the duck's craw. He further supports his story by the fact that the seed were very tender and contained long shoots not destroyed by any swallowing process the fowl would have gone through to eat the seeds but the tender shoots from the seeds had curled around the other foods in the cavity. Only an operation would have saved the live of the duck the hunter asserted, and he performed the necessary amputation, but after the poor fowl had been sent to "Duck Heaven."

## ARRIVALS AT HARDWICK HOTEL

- Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Randall, Roswell.
- Mrs. S. H. Burt, St Louis, Mo.
- Mrs. Hiland Southworth, Abilene, Kansas
- Louis M. Walker, Jr.
- C. A. Medlery, Los Angeles, Cal.
- L. A. Holeman, Iola, Kansas.
- R. E. Wagnen and wife, city.
- W. H. Etz and wife, Tucson, Ariz.
- M. Stiffler, Denver, Colo.
- Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Blair, Wichita Falls, Texas.
- Tom Daniels, Roswell.
- Wm. Atkinson, Roswell.
- Frank Ross.
- Henry Russell, Roswell.
- J. E. Faught, Roswell.
- W. O. McIntyre, Tulsa, Okla.
- John Legg, Sapulpa, Okla.
- E. A. Libert, Medid, La.
- Tom Daniel, Roswell.
- F. E. Smith, Amarillo, Texas.
- J. P. White, Roswell.
- T. V. Murray, Ft. Worth, Texas.
- J. H. Mayer, Cisco, Texas.
- W. O. Morrow.
- E. Tallery.
- J. Scott
- Miss Joots Anthony, Long Beach, California.
- P. Casabonne, Hope.
- H. S. Febroche, Roswell.
- D. John, Roswell.
- Mrs. F. T. Mulrine, Breckenridge, Texas.
- H. R. Kennedy, Los Angeles, Cal.
- H. F. Gibson, El Dorado, Ark.
- Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Walker, Wichita, Kansas.
- W. J. Armstrong, Cisco, Texas.
- W. O. Mirell, Wichita Falls, Texas.
- Jack Scott.
- C. C. Beem, Colorado, Texas.
- S. C. Bybee, Roswell.
- C. P. Slaughter, Kaufman, Texas.
- A. R. Goodale, Los Angeles, Cal.
- C. A. Green, Roswell.
- J. West, Hagerman.
- W. E. Bonderant, Roswell.
- B. C. Mossman, Roswell.
- O. W. Deming, Denver, Colo.
- Willard Keene, Carlsbad.
- V. Farley, Crosbyton, Texas.
- S. D. Jones, Lubbock, Texas.

## JAMES N. BUJAC IS THE ASST ATTORNEY GEN'L APPOINTED RECENTLY

James N. Bujac, formerly of Carlsbad, but lately of Clovis has been appointed assistant attorney general, according to Attorney General Elect, John Armstrong and will take his office today.

Mr. Bujac has been practicing law in Carlsbad for the past year or more and for the past several months has made his home in Clovis, where he has been attorney for the Federal Reserve Bank in matters connected with the closed First National Bank. He graduated from the law school at Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tenn., in 1923, and has been admitted to the bar in both New Mexico and Tennessee.

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TELEPHONE NO. 7

ONE YEAR TO LIVE

Mary Davis Reed, Hagerstown, was  
awarded second prize of \$25 in the  
contest recently conducted by the Bal-  
timore Evening Sun. She received  
the prize for the following answer to  
the question: "What would you do if  
you had only one more year to live?"

"If I had but one year to live;  
One year to help; one year to give;  
One year to love; one year to bless;  
One year to better things to stress;  
One year to sing; one year to smile;  
To brighten earth a little while;  
One year to sing my Maker's praise;  
One year to fill with work my days;  
One year to strive for a reward,  
When I should stand before my  
Lord.  
I think that I should spend each day,  
In just a very self-same way,  
That I do now. For from afar  
The call may come to cross the bar  
At any time, and I must be  
Prepared to meet eternity.  
So if I have a year to live,  
Or just one day in which to give  
A pleasant smile, a helping hand,  
A mind that tries to understand  
A fellow-creature when in need,  
"Tis one with me—I take no heed;  
But try to live each day He sends,  
To serve, my Gracious Master's  
ends.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

Today the pages in the cycle of  
time will be turned forward closing  
out the old year. The order of the  
day will be new resolutions. Forget-  
ful of the mistakes of the past, many  
will turn over a new leaf so to speak,  
with a resolve to pursue a straighter  
path and to steer around the pitfalls  
of our former experience.

A day of new beginnings, a pause  
and then a plunge forward into the  
murky mists of the future, but with  
a firm resolution to guide us through  
the difficulties we may encounter dur-  
ing the coming year. Some people  
will make resolutions they will find  
difficulty in keeping, but we are told  
that it is more commendable to make  
resolutions, even though we are not  
able to carry them out than never to  
make an attempt. A few short resolu-  
tions, simple in their nature can be  
more easily carried out than the more  
burdensome kind which may be dis-  
continued after a few days. After  
all it is up to the will power of the  
individual and whether success or  
failure crowns your effort, you have  
made a commendable beginning and  
the results of your accomplishments  
may not only give you courage and  
strength but will make this world a  
better place to live. Determined  
steps forward accounts in a large  
measure for our present progress.

BRIGHTER PROSPECTS  
FOR THE FUTURE

At no time within the last decade  
have we faced the present prospects  
of good business according to the  
general opinion of bankers and busi-  
ness men. It is not on the order of  
a war time prosperity, such as we  
have just passed through, but gives  
evidence that it will be enduring,  
at least more so than any period for  
the past several years. Babson the sta-  
tistician, gives an encouraging view  
of the matter, backed up by a  
series of charts showing the financial  
condition of the country for several  
years passed.

The entire United States will be in-  
cluded in the new era and the pros-  
perity will be general according to  
majority of the views held. The  
southwest is of course interested  
primarily in their resources, princi-  
pally agriculture, stock raising and  
oil. It now appears that farm pro-  
ducts will be high another year. The  
price of cotton is largely dependent  
on the acreage, which will be great.  
Prosperity has aided and will aid the  
price, which would have otherwise  
been lower than this year.

THE COST OF LIVING

According to a comprehensive sur-  
vey of the cost of living in the United  
States for November 15, 1924, just  
completed by the National Industrial  
conference board the weighted in-  
crease of all items combined was only  
one-tenth of one per cent between

## NEW MEXICO GAINS \$1,000,000 IN GRAIN VALUES

New Mexico farmers realized  
\$1,000,000 more on their corn, wheat  
and oats this year than in 1923, ac-  
cording to the Sears-Roebuck Agri-  
cultural Foundation, which reports  
that the national increase in grain  
values amount to \$550,000,000. Oats  
alone were responsible for a gain of  
half a million, while wheat brought  
farmers of this state another half a  
million over last year, the report  
states.

While the New Mexico corn crop for  
1924 fell considerably below that of  
the preceding year, the better price  
this year brought the total income to  
approximately what it had been the  
year before. The slight increase in  
the wheat crop this year brought the  
value up to \$2,000,000 as compared  
with \$1,500,000 of 1923. The oat crop  
of this state this year is up to one  
and one-third million bushels as com-  
pared to one million the year before  
with the result that farmers will have  
taken in one and one-half million dol-  
lars on this crop as compared with  
one million the year before.

The yield per acre on corn in New  
Mexico, the report states, dropped to  
thirteen bushels per acre as a result  
of unfavorable weather, and the loss  
per bushel to the farmer was 18 cents  
as compared with 15 the year before.  
The wet days, on the other hand, were  
a great help to the wheat and oats  
production, the former rising to 13.1  
bushels per acre as compared with  
12 the year before, and the latter to  
22.8 from 20 in 1923. The loss per  
bushel of wheat this year was 10 cents  
where a loss of 57 cents was taken  
last year and a 14 cent profit in oats  
for the 19 cent loss of the preceding  
year.

The increased yield per acre of  
small grain and the increased price  
per bushel on all grains has aided  
materially in restoring the farmer to  
a better financial basis, the founda-  
tion report concludes. The higher  
grain prices have resulted in higher  
live stock prices and this brought a  
new vitality to agriculture.

## DESEASES REPORTED FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 20, 1924, BY COUNTIES

Chickenpox—Bernalillo 10, Chaves  
2, Colfax 1, Curry 1, Santa Fe 3, Union  
17, Valencia 4.  
Diphtheria—Colfax 2, De Baca 1,  
Eddy 1.  
Gonorrhea—Chaves 1.  
Influenza—Otero 1.  
Measles—Bernalillo 1, Dona Ana 1,  
Grant 7, Luna 1, McKinley 57.  
Mumps—McKinley 3, Quay 4, Taos  
1.  
Pneumonia—Bernalillo 1, Otero 1,  
Poylomyelitis—Dona Ana 1.  
Rabies (in cow)—Bernalillo 1.  
Scarlet Fever—Bernalillo 5, Hard-  
ing 4, Quay 1, San Miguel 1, Valencia  
1.  
Tuberculosis—Bernalillo 3, Grant 2,  
Lincoln 1, Santa Fe 7.  
Typhoid—Bernalillo 1, Dona Ana 2,  
San Miguel 6.  
Whooping Cough—Curry 1, Eddy 1.

## CROSS-WORD

Cross-word Puzzle Fan: "What  
word with five letters means a kick in  
the pants?"  
Smart Feller: "That's easy.—It is  
F-L-A-S-K!"

See the New Oldsmobile at Widney's.

October 15, and November 15, 1924.  
All of the separate items included in  
the cost of living showed variations in  
this period.

Between July 15, and November 15,  
1924, there was an average increase of  
2.2 per cent in the cost of living. This  
change was occasioned by increases in  
the average cost of food, clothing,  
fuel and sundries, and a decrease in  
the average cost of shelter. The  
average cost of light, which had been  
slightly lower during this period, had  
returned in November to the level of  
July, 1924.

Between July, 1920, when the peak  
of the rise in the cost of living since  
1924 was reached, and November,  
1924 the cost of living decreased 19.2  
per cent.

The increase in the cost of living  
since 1924 was 65.2 per cent.

## COLD WEATHER

Quite remarkable is the story about  
Ambrosia Medina, a rancher of Cow  
Springs, New Mexico, who was found  
frozen to death in his bed. To freeze  
to death under any circumstances is  
unusual in the southwest.

But the fact that Medina was  
frozen in his bed is not a bit more  
remarkable than the fact that his death  
was discovered by a neighbor rancher  
who had come to wish him a Merry  
Christmas.

It takes a warm heart, much loving  
steadfastness, to cause one to get up  
and tramp through a blizzard, possi-  
bly for miles, at seven degrees below  
zero, to wish a friend a merry Christ-  
mas. One finds such hearts among  
humble folk. Of your friends, reader,  
how many would do it?—El Paso  
Herald.

## CHRISTMAS BRINGS SADNESS

Christmas, looked forward to by all  
of the youngsters, frowned on by a  
few elders, yet permeating others  
with a spirit of joy and happiness,  
will bring sadness to a few of the un-  
fortunates. When tragedy, such as  
occurred at Hobert, Oklahoma on  
Christmas eve night is brought to our  
attention, it is made doubly worse by  
the contrasting spirit when we look  
about us. When thirty-two people of  
one community are no more it seems  
a queer Christmas trick, yet this is  
what happened. All members of one  
family were told died in the fire.  
The deserted household of the family  
presented anything but a cheery ap-  
pearance such as one would expect  
to find on Christmas. Children's  
clothing, near the fireplace remain as  
they were left on the fateful night.  
Christmas packages for the family  
remain unopened. The barn yard  
stock, not aware of what had hap-  
pened, looked expectantly for the re-  
turn of their master.

See the New Oldsmobile at Widney's.

## STATE BRIEFS

### POULTRY SHOW WAS SUCCESS

In spite of zero weather continuing  
during the week the Curry County  
Poultry Show held in the Elks audi-  
torium last week was declared a suc-  
cess by large numbers who attended  
the show.

219 birds were on exhibit and all  
the leading breeds were represented.  
Exhibits were on display from many  
communities of Curry county and  
from Portales, New Mexico and Lit-  
tlefield, Texas.

While it is believed the number of  
entries was cut fifty per cent by the  
severely cold wave just preceding  
the show the exhibits were of out-  
standing quality and of much educa-  
tional value to visitors of the show.—  
Clovis News.

### G. H. McCARTY AGED AND DEMENTED, COMMITS SUICIDE

G. H. McCarty, who had been stop-  
ping at the Vover hotel for several  
weeks, committed suicide in a ranch  
house on Barrancas creek, near San  
Jon, last Wednesday evening.

He and a Mrs. Decker came here  
several weeks ago, first registering  
as man and wife and later giving it  
out that they were uncle and niece.  
She states they started out to walk  
to a ranch J. A. Dykes had shown  
them, when the deceased had applied  
to the real estate man for some farms  
to buy. They lost their way and she  
said they spent one night under the  
railway bridge, going to the ranch  
house the next day.

During the second night the man  
living in the house returned from San  
Jon, where he had gone for supplies,  
and when he asked the couple to ad-  
mit him McCarty shot himself in the  
head with a .22 revolver.—Tucumcari  
News.

### CHICAGO FIRM BUYS THE SILVER CITY POWER CO.

SILVER CITY.—Confidence in the  
future of this city was expressed the  
last of the week when Troy, Graham  
and company, of Chicago, closed the  
deal for the plant of the Silver City  
Power company. The deal is one of  
the largest in the city for many  
years and the price paid is reported to  
run into over \$100,000. The deal has  
been pending for some time and the  
final action of the court in closing the  
final details of the sale is expected to  
be finished so that the new owners  
will take over the plant by the first of  
the year. The local plant is one of  
the best of the kind in this section of  
the state and with the new improve-  
ments which it is expected the new  
owners will make, it will be one of the  
finest in the entire state.

### SAN JUAN WOOL GROWERS CONTRACT FOR THE 1925 CLIP AT 40 TO 43 CENTS

AZTEC.—During the first of the  
week most of the wool growers in this  
part of the state contracted the sale  
of the 1925 clip at prices ranging  
from 40 to 43 cents per pound. These  
prices are higher than for the year of  
1924 and indicates that both foreign  
and domestic wool will bring high  
prices during the entire year of 1925.  
It is the belief among most of the  
sheepmen that the prices of lambs for  
the coming year will also be higher  
and will range from 10 to 11 cents  
per pound. Most of the sheepmen are  
now in a prosperous condition and  
sheep raising is rapidly becoming one  
of the big industries of the valley.

### BURGLARS HAVE A BUSY CHRISTMAS IN DEMING

DEMING. — Burglars evidently  
made an effort to have a good Christ-  
mas in this city during the past week  
and several cases of thieving were re-  
ported to the police. Two places on  
Gold avenue were entered by the  
thieves the first being the Electric  
Shoe Shop and the other the Hayes  
grocery. After wrecking the cash  
register in the shoe shop and finding  
only a few pennies, the men entered  
the grocery and made a raid on the  
shelves of the store, taking candy,  
cigars and a liberal quantity of can-  
ned goods. While the police believe  
they have a clue no arrests have been  
made.

We have a complete line of samples  
of social stationery.—Artesia Ad-  
vocate.

## GLIMPSSES OF THE PAST

From the files of the Artesia Advo-  
cate, December 31st, 1910.

E. A. Clayton was in Roswell on  
business Tuesday.

E. E. Aylesworth is the proud  
father of a boy born Wednesday.

Walter and Eugene Bloomfield left  
Wednesday for Galesburg, Illinois to  
visit their grandparents.

C. V. Black left for his home in  
Missouri Tuesday after a few days  
visit with the Shorette family.

Miss Julia Ferguson, of Carlsbad  
spent Christmas in Artesia, the guest  
of Misses Rossie and Bernice Temple.

Thursday night the members of the  
order of the Elks in Artesia gave a  
ten course banquet at the Hardwick  
hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Phillips entertain-  
ed at cards Monday evening in honor  
of their sister, Miss Blanche  
Phillips.

Mrs. W. P. Anderson returned  
Tuesday to Roswell after spending  
the holidays as the guest of the W. M.  
Trailer family.

Rev. J. H. Messer, former pastor of  
the M. E. church at Artesia, and now  
presiding elder of the Albuquerque  
district was in town this week.

Friday afternoon Rev. and Mrs. E.  
E. Mathes kept open house in honor  
of the New Year. Mrs. Mathes was  
assisted in the entertainment by Mrs.  
Erb Gilbert and others.

The Woman's Club met December  
28th at the home of Mrs. Jacobson,  
with Mrs. Cohen as hostess and Mrs.  
Helmg as leader. There were four-  
teen members present and two guests  
Messdames Jacobson of St. Louis and  
Green of Baintown, Illinois.

See the New Oldsmobile at Widney's.

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prosperous new  
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Happy New Year  
The year of 1924 has been a very pros-  
perous and successful year for the farm-  
er and the business man. We hope that  
the year 1925 will prove to be much  
more prosperous than any previous year.  
Our business relations with the public  
during 1924 were very satisfactory and  
it is our aim to serve everybody during  
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# STANDARD STORE NEWS

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### LOCALS

Ruth Russell returned to Abilene Tuesday.

Bertha Mitchell returned Sunday from her school, near Pinon.

Samelson was a business at Carlsbad Tuesday morning.

Gage, Sr., has returned from his visit to her children at...

... was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jones, east of town, Tuesday.

Esther Morgan returned to her school on Monday evening.

Isabel Duffey returned Sunday on a holiday visit to her home in Norman, Oklahoma.

Mackie Cook returned to Artesia, after spending the holidays with her parents in Texas.

Harriet Rose, teacher of one of the grades, is detained at Carlsbad this week by illness.

N. Thies is expected to return from Denver, Colorado, here he spent a vacation during the holidays.

... and Mrs. Murphy Hayhurst, near Dunken, were here last night visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Syferd.

Grace Langston, who has been at Coal Valley, Alabama the past summer is spending the holidays with home folks.

L. D. Paddock, formerly Miss Atteberry returned to El Paso after having spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. J. R. Ry, Sr.

... and Mrs. Ward Cave are the owners of an eight pound girl, that escaped being a Christmas by making her appearance on the 26th inst.

Manda and his friend, Charson, who have been spending the holidays with Gayle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Manda, returned last night to Dodge, City, Kansas.

... at Las Vegas upon the opening of school on account of the big snow section, which prevents many students getting back there.

Bernard Cleve and little son returned from Elk Saturday for a visit to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin. Mr. Cleve is expected to return and accompany his family.

Boans was here from Lamesa, last week visiting home folks. Reports that Lamesa is growing and that business is flourishing. A confectionery stand there doing a big business.

Margaret Tarbet returned from San Diego, California she has been holding a good time with a business firm for the holidays. She expects to return home for some time.

Myrtle Varney, who was a visitor at the home of Mrs. Rice, returned Monday to Empress, Kansas, where she is teaching. Clint Rice accompanied her to but will be back home this week.

Margaret Henderson returned to the State University at Ames, after a holiday visit to her home in the Cottonwood.

The Nila Wingfield, Anna Frances and Ella Brown and William and C. O. Brown, Jr., will be here last night.

McCreedy occupied the pulpit at the Methodist church last Sunday morning, preaching from the text, "I will do all things through God, who strengthens me." Dwight, who is second year at Clarendon College, is a promising future before the ministry. He left Sunday to resume his studies at Clarendon.

Fore and sons will have a sale January 6th, on the Fore in the Cottonwood community, moving to their new store in Vega. Mr. Fore and family lived in the Cottonwood community for a number of years; on the farm for the past six years, and have made many friends, and wishes of a host of friends to wish them to their new home.

Mrs. E. C. Langston returned Sunday visit from their three children, Mrs. Frazier and little son, Tenn., Miss Virginia and Mrs. Langston from Birmingham, Ala. Mrs. Frasier returned last week. Miss Virginia, a dance agent for a lecture last night to resume her work. Grace, who was stenographer for a coal company near Birney, will remain at home for a while with her parents, who are in good health.

Oldsmobile at Widney's.

### LAKE ARTHUR ITEMS

Mrs. Roy Vermillion is visiting in Abilene this week.

Miss Mary Gibany spent the holidays in Roswell with home folks.

Roy Moots, of Loving, N. M. spent Christmas here with home folks.

Tom Clark, of Memphis, Texas, spent Christmas here with his family.

Mrs. Mamie Walton and George of Roswell spent their vacation here with their folks.

Mother Dedges and Burns Newton, of Roswell, spent Christmas here with home folks.

Miss Dorothy Becker, who is a student in Roswell, spent Christmas here with her mother.

Jack Spence and wife of Tularosa, N. M. spent their vacation here with J. R. Spence and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Barton and family, from near El Paso, are visiting the Redman Pate home this week.

E. L. Selby is spending Christmas with his parents in Mississippi. They are both past ninety years old.

N. A. Sturman and wife returned Sunday from Roswell where they have been visiting during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Sides left Sunday overland for Los Angeles, Cal., where they will make their future home.

Scott Calahan, of Los Angeles, California spent Christmas here with his sister, Mrs. R. T. Spence and family.

Miss Esther Thomas, primary teacher in the public school here, spent the holidays with her parents in Hamilton, Texas.

Miss Maggie Lane left Friday for Styles, Texas, where she is teaching school, after having spent her vacation here with her home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hill entertained a number of young folks Friday evening with a party, at their home. Games were played and refreshments served.

Miss Flora Terry was hostess to a crowd of the younger set last Saturday evening, at the home of her parents. After a very pleasant evening delicious refreshments were served.

Mrs. John Hill and family, accompanied by Jane Spence, all of Abilene, spent Christmas here with J. R. Spence and family. John Hill, who is employed in Roswell at present also spent a few days here with the folks.

On Wednesday evening a Christmas program was rendered at the Baptist church, after which Santa Claus arrived, and made all the children happy by distributing presents and a bag of Christmas goodies to each one.

Misses Estelle, Edna and Gladys Johnston and brother Emmet, of Portales visited Mrs. Luella Johnston Thursday. Little Buster Johnston returned home with them for a short visit.

Last Saturday evening, Oeie Marie Spence entertained a few young people in honor of the following out-of-town guests, Misses Jane Spence and Nelle Hill of Abilene, Jack Terry, who is a student in the Oklahoma University, and Scott Calahan, of Los Angeles. Various games were played and stunts enjoyed, after which refreshments were served to about twenty-five guests.

### LAKE ARTHUR MASONS AND O. E. S. HOLD JOINT INSTALLATION DEC. 27

With a large crowd in attendance from Lake Arthur and neighboring towns the Masons and O. E. S. held public installation December 27, with Deputy Grand Master Tom Hall of Roswell officiating for the Masons and Mrs. Tom Hall, wife of Deputy T. M. Hall, officiating for the O. E. S. Other visitors in attendance from Roswell were Mr. and Mrs. Trebe and Mrs. De Grafenried. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Etz were visitors from Phoenix, Arizona. Also Hagerman, Dexter and Artesia were represented.

After the business of installing officers, a turkey dinner was served and a social hour was enjoyed by all present.

### A WORD FROM THE WISE

D is for driver who lets his car run wild;

E is for excuses made when an auto hits a child;

A is for ambulance that gathers up the scraps;

H is for the little hearse, for those who meet the worst.

It all spells death for those who don't stick close to safety first.

—The Exhaust.

### THOSE FLIVVER TRAMPS AGAIN, AND THEIR SIGNS

1. "Danger! High Jolietage."

2. "Four Wheels, No Brakes."

Advocate Want Ads Get Results.

### MEXICAN PRISONERS ASSAULT ROTEN

About noon Tuesday exciting stories spread over town, of Deputy Sheriff Ben Roten's throat being slashed, and various other exciting details given, in a Mexican escape south of town.

Only luck, it seems, kept Roten from being the principal in a fact story as strong as the reports. He had gone to the Wertheim place on the river east of Otis, investigating reports of cotton stealing, and had traced some of the cotton to this place.

He arrested eight Mexicans. Five of them were loaded into a car under charge of two Mexicans. The other three he brought in his roadster. When they reached the stock pens south of town, the three jumped on him, one of them using a knife to the best advantage he could. Roten received several scratches about the throat, and had his clothing cut in several places. The fact that there was a Mexican between Roten and the one who did the cutting probably saved more severe wounds, if not actual murder.

Roten's double action 45 pistol was taken from him, and it is believed that nothing but the fact that the Mexicans did not know how to operate the gun kept them from shooting him.

The car being turned loose, stopped at the side of the road. The three Mexicans made their getaway, and Roten came to Carlsbad to get a gun and an assistant.

The Mexican who did the cutting was found on a ways east of the railroad track about dusk, and with the five others brought in by the Mexicans, is held in jail.—Carlsbad Current.

### WHY HE WENT FASTER

A foreign young man purchased an automobile and was seen driving down the street about 60 miles an hour. A policeman yelled to him to stop, but instead of slowing up he increased his speed. When the officer finally caught up with him he roared:

"Why didn't you stop? Didn't you hear me holler back there?"

"Oh, vas dat you yelled? I thought it vas somebody I run over."

—Argyle Banner.

### THE MELTING POT

WASHINGTON—There has never been any "melting pot" in the United States and there is not likely to be, Charles W. Elliot, president emeritus of Harvard University, states in a letter published in the Boston Post, replying to criticism of his recently expressed opinion that the Jews in the United States had not become assimilated and that even the Irish had not lost their racial identity in this country, at the same time declaring against racial intermarriage.

In his reply designed primarily to answer a statement by State Deputy Edmund J. Brandon of the Massachusetts Knights of Columbus, after Dr. Elliot's speech before a Boston Jewish audience, Dr. Elliot maintains that the interpretation placed upon his words arose primarily from a different interpretation of the word "assimilation." Mr. Brandon expressed the belief that the Irish had become patriotic and loyal American citizens.

Dr. Elliot stated in his letter that no "intelligent person believes or maintains that the Irish people who have immigrated to this country

since the constitution of the United States was adopted have not become interested and patriotic citizens, while maintaining and illustrating their Celtic qualities."

### MEXICAN SHOT BY GAY NEGRO DIES AT HOSPITAL

The man named Wilson who was shot last week by a negro who gave his name as Howell Hughes, died at the Sisters' hospital Tuesday about one o'clock, and a charge of murder will be made against the negro.

The shooting was the result of the negro butting into a conversation between the man killed and another Mexican in front of a Mexican restaurant in the south part of the city. The slayer is held in the county jail.—Carlsbad Argus.

### ENCOURAGING

Motorist: "Yes, I think I can beat the train to the crossing, but I wish you were up in front with me."

Nervous Passenger: "W—w—why?"

Motorist: "The last time I tried it I lost my back seat."

# PUBLIC SALE

## Tuesday, Jan. 6, 1925

## BEGINS AT 9:30 SHARP

On the farm seven and one half miles north and six miles west of Artesia, eight miles west and three miles south of Lake Arthur, 1 mile south of Upper Cottonwood school house

### 64 HEAD OF LIVESTOCK

35 Head of Horses and Mules as Follows:

- 1 Pair Mules 7 Years Old, Wt. 2400 lbs.
- 1 Pair Mules 5 and 6 Years Old, Wt. 2600
- 1 Pair Mules 5 and 7 Years Old, Wt. 2600
- 1 Pair Mules 4 and 5 Years Old, Wt. 2000
- 1 Pair Mules 4 and 5 Years Old, Wt. 2000
- 1 Pair Mules 4 Years Old, Wt. 2000
- 1 Pair Mules 4 Years Old, Wt. 1900
- 1 Sorrel Horse Mule, 2 Years Old
- 1 Bay Horse, 6 Years Old, Wt. 1700
- 1 Pair Black Horses, 8 Years Old, Wt. 2000
- 1 Pair Smooth Mouth Horses, Wt. 2600
- 1 White Horse, 8 Years Old, Wt. 1400
- 1 Smooth Mouth Horse, Wt. 1300
- 1 Smooth Mouth Horse, Wt. 1000
- 1 3-Year Old Saddle Horse, Wt. 1100
- 1 Gray Saddle Horse, 8 Years Old, Wt. 1000
- 1 Roan Saddle Horse, 6 Years Old, Wt. 1000
- 2 Yearling Horse Colts
- 1 Team Roan Horses, Wt. 3000, Well Broken
- 1 Black Horse, 6 Yrs Old, Well Broken, 1100
- 1 Pair Smooth Horse, 8 Years Old, Wt. 1100
- 1 Bay Horse, 6 Years Old, Wt. 1000
- 1 Coming 2 Year Old Horse
- 1 Three Year Old Mare, Wt. 1000

- 29 Head of Cattle
- 1 Six Year Old Jersey Cow, Fresh
- 1 Eight Year Old Jersey, Giving Milk
- 1 Ten Year Old Jersey Giving Milk
- 1 Seven Year Old Jersey Cow, Giving Milk
- 2 2-Year Old Heifers, Giving Milk
- 1 2-Year Old Holstein Heifer, Giving Milk
- 1 2-Year Old Jersey Heifer, Fresh Soon
- 9 Head of Coming Yearling Calves
- 2 Two Year Old Steers
- 2 Yearling Heifers

### FARMING IMPLEMENTS

- 1 Three Section Harrow
- 1 Go Devil
- 1 Steel V

- 1 One Row Drill
- 1 Six Foot Alfalfa Seed Buncher
- 1 P. and O. Riding Plow, 14 Inch
- 1 P. and O. Riding Cotton Lister
- 1 Twelve Foot McCormick Rake
- 1 Ten Foot L. H. C. Rake
- 2 Five Foot John Deere Mowers
- 1 Double Disc P. and O. Tractor Plow
- 1 Emmerson Cultivator, Riding
- 1 P. and O. Riding Cultivator
- 1 Riding Cultivator
- 1 Disc Cultivator
- 1 Studebaker 3/4 in. Hay Wagon, 4 in. Tire
- 1 Shuttler, 3 1/2 inch Hay Wagon
- 1 Studebaker 3/4 inch Hay Wagon
- 1 McCormick Row Binder
- 1 Deering 5 Foot Mower
- 1 Ann Arbor 20 Hay Baler
- 1 Fordson Tractor
- 1 Two Wheel Buck Rake
- 1 Four Wheel Buck Rake
- 1 Harley Davidson Twin Motor Cycle
- 1 Twelve inch Gang Plow with Extra Side Mold Boards
- 1 Disc Harrow
- 1 12 Inch Walking Plow
- 2 Blacksmith Sets
- 1 Two and Half Yard Gravel Box
- 1 Box for Ford Truck
- 1 Land Leveler, 8x16 Feet
- 4 Metal Oil Barrels
- 2 Water Barrels
- 2 Slips
- 1 Set Pipe Dies
- 25 Gallons of Roof Paint
- 2 Single Stocks
- 1 Set New U. S. Standard Wagon Scales, Capacity 20,000 Pounds
- 3 Twenty-two Inch Sweeps
- Eveners, Single Trees, Forks and Hoes
- 1 Power Emery Wheel
- 1 Dinner Bell

- 4 Sets Leather Harness
- 2 Stock Saddles
- Lot of Extra Collars

### MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES

- 13 Stands of Bees and Bee Supplies
- 1 Ton of Corn
- 1 Ton of Maze Heads
- 1700 Pounds of Acala Cotton Seed
- 2600 Pounds Mehane Cotton Seed
- 2 Tons of Baled Hay
- 1 Share of Stock in the 205 Telephone Line

### HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

- 1 Range Stove
- 1 Cook Stove
- 2 Heaters, Hot Blast
- 1 Fairbanks-Morse Power Washer
- 1 1/2 h. p. Fairbanks-Morse Engine
- 3 Kitchen Cabinets
- 1 Oil Cook Stove, 3 Burner
- 1 Oil Heater
- 2 Three Quarter Beds and Springs
- 4 Iron Beds and Springs
- 1 Folding Bed
- 1 Baby Bed
- 3 Dining Tables
- 3 Cook and Wash Tables
- 1 Chiffoneer
- 2 Wash Stands
- 3 Dressers
- 2 Sets of Dining Room Chairs
- 1 Lot of Odd Chairs
- 1 Rocker
- 1 Baby Rocker
- 1 Library Table
- 1 Wash Stand
- Skillets, Ovens and Cooking Utensils
- 1 26-Gallon Wash Kettle
- 1 Lot of Fruit Jars
- 1 160 Egg Incubator
- Other Articles too Numerous to Mention

TERMS: All sums of \$10.00 and under cash. Sums over \$10.00 a credit of six months will be given secured by note bearing 10 per cent interest with approved security. Five per cent discount for cash.

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED BY THE COTTONWOOD WOMAN'S CLUB

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## California Plan of Cooperation

Government Bulletin Shows How Exchanges Became Federated.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Widespread interest in the "California plan" of co-operative marketing makes especially timely Department Bulletin 1237, Organization and Development of a Co-operative Citrus Fruit Marketing Agency, just issued by the United States Department of Agriculture. In 1891, when shipments were a little more than 4,000 cars, there was an apparent overproduction of California citrus fruit. Thirty years later a crop totaling more than 50,000 cars was marketed successfully. Bulletin 1237 describes the growth of the system of co-operative marketing that since 1893 has taken a leading part in the development of the California citrus industry. It outlines, also, the steps by which local associations and district exchanges became federated in the California Fruit Growers' exchange.

### Historical Account.

A brief historical account is presented of the California citrus industry since the introduction of orange trees by the Franciscan monks in 1769. The conditions causing the practical bankruptcy of the industry in the early nineties, and the unfortunate alliance of the exchange with commercial shippers in 1908-04 are other topics discussed in the historical section of the bulletin.

Considerable space is given to a discussion of the organization and operation of the local units that make up the exchange.

"Local co-operative associations are the foundation of the exchange system," it is stated. "The earliest organizations of this kind preceded the incorporation of the exchange by almost three years. They were created by the members of a community who considered their marketing problems as being first of all, local in character."

The organization and functions of the district exchanges and the various departments of the California Fruit Growers' exchange are discussed in detail.

### Other Organizations.

An organization for the purchase of supplies and two by-products companies have been established by the federated associations. These organizations are not subsidiary to the California Fruit Growers' exchange, but are units of the exchange system. The problems leading up to the organization of these companies, and the services they perform for the members of the exchange, make up one section of the bulletin.

Several pages are devoted to a discussion of the economic services of the exchange, and the fundamental principles upon which the organization is based. The appendix contains the original organization and marketing plan adopted in 1893, the by-laws of the exchange and contracts in force between the growers and their associations, the associations and the district exchanges and the district exchanges and the exchange.

Copies of Bulletin 1237 may be had free upon request to the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, as long as the supply lasts.

## Students Witness Mock

### Trial of a Scrub Bull

An audience of about 250 persons recently witnessed the mock trial of a scrub bull at the East Tennessee farmers' convention at Knoxville. In a description of the trial received by the United States Department of Agriculture from Dr. C. A. Hutton, dairy specialist of Tennessee, he says it resulted in much interest in improved live stock. It was held under the auspices of the agricultural club, and two law students of the state university acted as attorneys in the case.

This method of showing the undesirability of inferior breeding stock is proving very popular. The Department of Agriculture has had a large demand for their "Outline of a Scrub Sire Trial," which was prepared for the purpose of aiding persons interested in the work of bettering the nation's live stock. Copies of this publication may be had free on request to the bureau of animal industry at Washington.

## Killing Out Bluegrass

Cultivating alfalfa after the second crop is taken off in order to kill bluegrass will be found the most satisfactory practice. At this time the soil is apt to be dry and it is easier to kill the bluegrass. Cultivation comes at a time when it will be a big help in conserving soil moisture. Some farmers cultivate their alfalfa fields early in the spring, using a disk or a harrow, and follow each cutting by a cultivation. Often this is necessary if the bluegrass is not killed out by the spring cultivation.

## Grow Quality Vegetables

Growing vegetables and growing quality vegetables are two different things. There are some things that make for quality but add little to the cost or the labor. Very rich soil that is sandy and mellow to start with is important, but if the soil is not so good, feeding can remedy that somewhat. Cultivation after every rain to keep the soil moisture from escaping is another point. Rich soil and good culture will give quality.

## Items of Social Interest In and Around Artesia

### DANCING PARTY

Miss Katherine Clarke entertained a number of friends at a dancing party at her home on South Roselawn Monday evening. The young people present were the Misses Nova Reeves, Maybelle Schafer, Ethel Bullock, Ruth Morgan, Velma Smith, Laura Raguse and Maxine Rowan, and Messrs. John Richards, Lloyd Atkeson, Campbell, Clayton Stroup, Harold Stroup, Willis Morgan, Chester Russel, Stanley Blocker and Howard Rogers.

### DAVIS—McLAUGHLIN

An attractive wedding was solemnized at high noon Monday, December 15, at the First Baptist church, when Miss Katherine Davis, daughter of Mrs. Sue Davis, became the bride of Mr. Charley Leroy McLaughlin. Only a few intimate friends of the young couple were present. After a short wedding trip Mr. McLaughlin and his bride will be at home December 20, at 305 East Eighth Avenue.—Topeka (Kansas) Daily Capital.

Katherine Davis is one of the old Artesia girls, having come here with her parents in early childhood. She graduated from our high school, salutatorian of the class of 1919. After her graduation she removed with her mother to Topeka, where she has held a good position in the Santa Fe offices for several years. Old friends here join in best wishes for her happiness and prosperity.

### TURKEY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson, on the Cottonwood, entertained at a big turkey dinner with all the "fixins" at noon last Friday, their guests being Rev. Simmons and family, C. M. Cole and family, Mr. Louis Gage, Miss Jewell Gage and Miss Nelle Horne.

### FORMER ARTESIA RESIDENT WEDS

Mrs. John Ball, formerly of Artesia, but now teaching school at Lordsburg was recently married to George A. Wood, proprietor of the Putnam Dairy of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Wood are at home in Lordsburg.

### TACKY TREE PARTY

Rev. J. D. Terry and wife gave a tacky tree party at their home on the evening of December 23rd in honor of Jack Terry who is home for the holidays. Various games were played after which refreshments were served by Mrs. Paul Terry. There were twelve couples invited.

### INFORMAL DANCE

An informal dance was held at the home of Miss Glenda Gray on Christmas night. The young people present were the Misses "Jack" Hightower, Katherine Clarke, Maxine Rowan, Ethel Bullock, Nila Wingfield, Marjorie Wingfield, Velma Smith, Ruby Moore, and the hostess and Messrs. Willis Morgan, Harold Stroup, Oliver Crozier, Garland Rideout, Lloyd Atkeson, Louis Michelet, Buford Gray, Howard Rogers, Stanley Blocker, and Guy Stevenson.

### YOUNG PEOPLE'S PARTY

Mrs. G. M. Winans gave a party for the young people last Friday evening at Alfadale, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion with Christmas green, red Christmas bells and other devices peculiar to the Christmas season. Progressive Bunco was the principal entertainment, two prizes being given. The first, a large box of candy, was won by Baxter Pollard, and the consolation prize, a mimic Santa Claus, was awarded to Ned Martin. A number of old fashioned games provided much merriment. Delicious refreshments were served in two courses. The young people who enjoyed Mrs. Winans' delightful hospitality were the Misses Virginia Atteberry, Zanaida Mann, Helen Mann, Opal Martin, Leona Allinger, Elizabeth Adams, Lois Hnulik, Katie Cowan, Helen Sage, Ruth Morgan, Arrabelle Rogers, and Frances Nixon, of Topeka, Kansas and Messrs. Fred Cole, Luther Caraway, Jack Terry, Ned Martin, Willis Morgan, Alvin Allinger, Elwood Kaiser, Tom Edward Bullock and Baxter Pollard.

### JACK TERRY SURPRISED

Jack Terry, who has been at home from Oklahoma University, for the holidays, was given a surprise party by his grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. Terry at Atoka, Tuesday evening of last week. In honor of the season there was a Christmas tree with presents and a real Santa Claus to distribute them. There were also delicious refreshments at this very delightful party. Those present were the honor guest and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Terry and children, Paul Terry and family, the Misses Opal and Glenn Martin, Lulu Wilson, Bethel Gene Stagner, Arrabelle Rogers, and Katie Cowan, and Messrs. Ned Martin, Jim Norris, Baxter Pollard, and Marvin McCree.

### CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT

Methodist church with a program by the primary and junior departments of the Sunday school on Christmas eve. After a very delightful entertainment of speeches by the children, music and exercises, Santa Claus appeared through a thicket of evergreen in the choir loft and was met on the platform by little Maxine Brown, who sang him a sweet welcome song. After a hearty Christmas speech he left the presents to be delivered by his trusty henchmen, the young men of E. B. Bullock's class, and disappeared to look after his numerous duties elsewhere. The church was made beautiful

for the Christmas exercises with three handsomely decorated trees on the platform, besides the mass of small trees in the choir loft, which made a picturesque entrance for Santa Claus.

### BRIDGE LUNCHEON

Mrs. Fred Brainard was hostess at a bridge luncheon, which was given at half past one o'clock last Friday afternoon. The luncheon was served in four courses at a beautifully appointed table, adorned with Christmas decorations. A Christmas tree added to the holiday appearance of the home. Mrs. Brainard's guests were Mrs. Reed Brainard and little daughters and Mesdames Austin, Bob Hawkins, Clark, John Dunn, Deyton Reece, Baskin and R. L. Collins.

### CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Will Gray entertained the Gray family at turkey dinner on Christmas day. The company included Mrs. Sarah Gray, Ed Gray, Dave Gray and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Smith, Miss Velma Smith, Frank Thomas and family, and John Lanning and family.

### CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

A Christmas pageant was held at the Baptist church on the night of December 25th. The pageant was probably the most elaborate ever staged at the church. The birth of Christ was shown including the characters of Mary, Joseph and the baby. The cast of characters included besides the three principals of the birth scene, the three wise men, four shepherds and five angels.

The carol choir consisting of eight robed members rendered a number of Christmas songs, assisted by the invisible choir of twelve members. The entire pageant was very appropriate for this occasion and was enjoyed by a large audience. The pageant was staged under the direction of Mrs. James assisted by Miss Lucille at the piano.

### DIXON—STAGNER

The marriage of Prof. Ralph B. Dixon and Miss Bethelgene Stagner took place at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Will Ed Carter, in Carlsbad at four o'clock on Monday afternoon. Rev. Robert S. McKee, pastor of the Presbyterian church officiating. Prof. Dixon and bride left on Tuesday by auto for their home at Phoenix, Arizona.

Prof. Dixon, who was principal of the Artesia high school last year, is teaching in the Phoenix high school this year. Mrs. Dixon was brought up in Artesia, and graduated from the high school last year. She is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Stagner, old settlers, and is a most estimable young lady. The best wishes of many friends, who have known her from childhood, follow her to her new home.

### DANCING PARTY

Miss Catherine Clark entertained with a delightful dance on Christmas Eve. The spacious Clark home was beautifully decorated in the yuletide colors. The guests were the Misses Jack Hightower, Virginia Atteberry, Glenda Gray, Vera Madge Eaton, Ethel Bullock and Maxine Rowan, Messrs. Willis Morgan, Luther Caraway, Oliver Crozier, John Richards, Newman Smith, Guy Stevenson and J. C. Floore, Jr.

### CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Gail Hamilton entertained at Christmas dinner Mr. J. L. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Collins and Warren Collins and family.

### MARRIED

Mr. Ross Myers and Miss Beulah Holland were united in marriage last Sunday at Carlsbad.

### HUNTON—HARELSON

Mr. Harry Hunton and Miss Amy Lee Harelson were united in the bonds of wedlock last Saturday evening. The ceremony was performed at the home of a friend of the bride, Miss Leta Moore, and was performed by the Rev. Mr. Hill of the Christian church. The bridal pair were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Watson, of Artesia. Following the service dainty refreshments were served.

Mr. Hunton, who was a popular pharmacist at the Mann drug store before moving to Roswell, returned to Artesia this week and will take the position of pharmacist with the Palace drug store. They are occupying the Dunagan apartments just vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Watson. Harry's many friends are glad to welcome him and his bride back to Artesia.

### CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Hedgpath, who live three and one-half miles south-east of Artesia gave a big Christmas dinner in honor of Philip Bach of Oklahoma City, son of Mrs. Hedgpath. This is the first time he has eaten Christmas dinner with his mother in eighteen years.

Others who enjoyed the big turkey with all the trimmings were Mrs. Ruby Haines and sons, Dee and Blaine, Mrs. F. V. Moore, Mrs. Threlkeld, Dr. Cook and daughter, Wanda Marie, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Bach and son, James, and Ben Harrison.

**PULLED IN**  
Tried your new auto yet? Yes, had a fine ride. Go fast? Not so fast as the cop. That's where the "fine" came in.

## Dainty Novelties for Women's Wear

Quite new ideas in neckwear are illustrated in the collars and cuffs, vests, chemisettes and guimpes shown among the latest things in accessories from Paris, says a fashion correspondent in the New York Times. Colored frills and plaitings are all the rage, and are to be had in unlimited variety, to be worn with one-piece frocks of wool, crepe and cotton. The flaming note of scarlet is introduced as a border or mere line of red on plaited batiste, crepe de chine or chiffon by the yard, and done in needlework on the collars, round, square or V-shape.

New collars that are meant to serve as a finish and trimming on a plain dress are of net and lace, tucked batiste or embroidered linen, forming a shallow collar in front, a much deeper one at the back. With the plaited neck ruffs of net and lace are cuffs of deep double frills, with a narrow ribbon passed through the middle, to make complete and dainty the long plain sleeve of the new one-piece dresses.

Many of the latest collars, daintily embroidered, all white or in colors, are perfectly round, emphasizing the shape of the new frocks for summer.

The latest styles in veils are beautiful and significant as a note in fashions, for the new veils are large, elaborate and fine, and are of such generous assortment as to warrant their vogue for some time to come. The nets, dotted and plain, are back and are worn with the close hats—the adapted cloche, toque, tricorne and narrow-brim hat. But the veil that adds distinction to the head and to the whole costume is the scarf of lace or net chiffon.

There are the novelty veils, wide bands of chiffon, or silk mesh veils, chiffon "sports" veils, scarf veils and the Italian lace and the chantilly lace veils. They are all intended to be worn in a flattering drapery about the face, on occasion.

The newest necklaces are made of "block" beads. They are cut of rock crystal, amethyst, topaz, rose quartz and other semi-precious stones in lovely colors. The edges of the blocks, which in the most striking necklaces are very large, are beveled, and the beads, which resemble dice, are strung together with alternating disks of finely carved clear crystal.

These crystalline stones make such becoming necklaces that they are having an enthusiastic vogue and are worn with every sort of dressy costume short of formal evening dress.

Really rare and interesting bits of jade carved in symbolic figures, most decorative, make stunning pendants. They are expressed in different shades of jade—the vivid green, pale green, gray green, milky white. Insignia, every animal and oriental characters are the motifs in these interesting ornaments, most of which are used as pendants, clasps, buckles and in many toilet luxuries.

Black pearls are among the treasures offered in necklaces. They are excellent reproductions of the real thing, but are of such size that the camouflaging effect is quite lost. Even the shades of "black" as they are in real pearls are faithfully copied and are very smart, especially with black satin and black and white crepe gowns.

## Lace Evening Gown Is Good for Summer Wear

For the woman who must make every penny count, especially in her expenditures for clothes, there is no more satisfactory purchase than an evening frock of lace for summer.

To all appearances a fragile and delicate affair, a lace dress in reality is a practical selection. It will stand any amount of wear and does not lose its freshness as a tulle frock is so apt to do.

This season one finds the lace evening frock very much among those present. In black it has marked distinction. In pale tones of cream and beige it has an elusive charm, while the dress of lace dyed in a pastel shade is extensively featured by several of the most exclusive designers.

Delightfully youthful are frocks which have an overdress of fine black chantilly lace mounted over a slip of printed chiffon usually with a white ground and floral motifs.

We have a complete line of samples of social stationery—Artesia Advocate.

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Ladies' Silk Hose, Pair  
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These are only a few of our special offerings previous to inventory

## "OUR STORE"

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# Want Ads

A rate of ten cents per line is charged for classified ads for first insertion and five cents per line thereafter. No ad accepted for less than 25c. An average of 6 words or less constitute a line. Charges will be based on this average. Cash must accompany all ads sent by letter, otherwise they will not be inserted.

## FOR SALE

REPRINT MAP of Eddy county field brought up to date, by mail sale at our office. \$1.00 per H. & H. EXCHANGE.

OD milch cow for sale cheap. J. Wilde. 12-24-2tp

R SALE—Deeded land with oil gas right; commercial leases, oil and gas leases. J. R. Hoff, Artesia, N. M. 11-20-tfc

R SALE—Income business prop in Main street. Address Makins SIA, NS, Abilene, Kansas. 12-11-4tc

HON. OPERATORS NOTICE—Have heavy drilling machine, tools etc. Would ship to New Mexico enough contracts can be set to justify the shipment. Ready C. F. Finefield, Wagoner, Okla. 12-18-3tp

R SALE—Nice five room house bath and sleeping porch. Well second house west of City in Quay Ave. Part cash, balance rent. See D. G. DeGeer at Fert's store. 1-1-2tc

R SALE—Cotton and alfalfa in small or large tracts with terms reasonable with cheap rate. E. C. Higgins. 12-24-tf-3i

R SALE—Jersey cow with calf. Meadows. 1-1-4tc

R TRADE—Close-in Roswell property, improved land ad city, or cabin on Ruidoso, for situated Artesia property. See Mason at Bullock's store. 1-1-2tp

R SALE—Good Acala cotton 4 cents pound. F. M. Houghton, 1/4 miles east, one mile south of ia. 1-1-5tp

R SALE—Dodge touring car model in good running order. 1-1-1tp

R SALE—Portable phonograph, tube radio, new, \$25.00. Over-touring car 1922. Good condition, rubber, \$375.00. Apply Standard Store. 1-1-tfc

R SALE or TRADE—Buick six, trade for good Ford. Wm. Att, phone 15. 1-1-tfc

## FOR RENT

RENT—Office room in rear Standard Store. Per month \$25.00. Standard Store. 1-1-tfc

RENT—Five room house. O. Meadows. 1-1-4tc



## With African Witch Doctor Cannot Lose

When a South African native believes that the last thing that occurs to a man is that natural causes have anything to do with his malady. "N'de takatiwe," he cries out in mental anguish. "N'de takatiwe" has been bewitched. Thereupon comes one of two things. He either seeks a quiet place where he may rest and give up the ghost, or else he seeks the services of a witch doctor. The witch doctor does not beseech him to drive out the spirits that he believes the magic of a spiteful enemy to have placed upon his body. writes G. K. Burton in the Continental edition of London Mail. In a payment of a suitable fee the doctor takes up his client's case and examines it. He takes a bar, accepting a brief. While the bar takes down his law books, he searches for precedents and tunes up his sequence, the witch doctor does stranger things, such as the lighting of a bonfire, the lighting of a bonfire and the murmuring of words that are older than the oldest of us. He takes up his client's case and examines it. He takes a bar, accepting a brief. While the bar takes down his law books, he searches for precedents and tunes up his sequence, the witch doctor does stranger things, such as the lighting of a bonfire, the lighting of a bonfire and the murmuring of words that are older than the oldest of us.

HE GETS IT AGAIN Percy—Yes, I judge others by myself, don't you? Peggy—Really! But isn't that rather a low standard of judgment.

Oldsmobile at Widney's.

# AT THE CHURCHES

## BAPTIST CHURCH

We bring you New Year greetings praying that the Lord may bless you in the coming year and make you to be a blessing.

Just a little more than a year ago we arrived in Artesia. I thought then that I had never seen a town or community that had more promising prospects or one that offered better opportunities along all lines of life.

I have in no sense of the word been disappointed but have seen and still see my faith and convictions being brought to realizations, and my prediction is that Artesia's brightest day is just beginning to dawn.

Everything is on the upgrade and is moving in a fine way.

Our church work is taking on new life in every department and we are arranging one of the largest programs we have ever had.

We urge every member to be present next Sunday and start the New Year in the right way by coming to the house of God.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Preaching service at 11:00 a. m. B. Y. P. U. at 6:00 p. m. Praying at 7:00 p. m. Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening at 7:00 p. m.

All strangers cordially invited to come and worship with us.

L. R. SIMMONS, Pastor.

## METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. M. A. Brown superintendent.

Preaching service at 11:00 a. m. Epworth Leagues each meet at 6:00 p. m.

Evening worship at 7:00 p. m. Prayer meeting each Wednesday at 7:00 p. m.

Next Sunday we start on a new year of church attendance. Make the record better than last year. Do your best.

Everyone welcome to all our services. Strangers and visitors given a special invitation to attend our services.

JAMES H. WALKER, Pastor.

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:45, V. L. Gates, superintendent. The men's Bible class is hardly as large as Teaburn's of Long Beach, California but the lessons are just as interesting, come and see for yourself.

The new pastor, Dr. W. Hooper Adams, recently of Jefferson City, Missouri, will occupy the pulpit Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Let's give him a royal welcome, this is his first appearance in Artesia. There will be no preaching service in the evening.

JAMES H. WALKER, Pastor.

## Finds House Built of Mud 200 Years Ago

After weathering the sunshine and storms of perhaps two centuries, a two-story house, built of mud from foundation to roof, has been discovered by a Philadelphia building inspector and condemned.

Close examination of the unique structure, which stands at 322 Buttonwood street, revealed that builders of 200 years ago used the same methods of pouring mud into wooden molds as is used today in the construction of modern concrete buildings.

To the generations of men, women and children that have passed it, the house has stood as a landmark, but not one of noteworthy history. A week ago it was to the passing citizenry only a house on a street, "that's been there for many years."

## Queen Elizabeth's Tree

Over 300 years ago Queen Elizabeth planted a tree at Hingham, England. Later on immigrants established the new town of Hingham in Massachusetts. The tree grew and flourished and eventually died and the town fathers of old Hingham had the tree sawed up and three chairs were made from the lumber. One of the three has been presented to the Old First church of Hingham, Mass., the oldest place of public worship in the American colonies. The church, built in 1681, still stands on its original site. The chairs are the most recent of several remembrances sent to new Hingham from old Hingham, which from 1633 to 1639 furnished many of the earliest settlers of the Massachusetts town. In 1911 Ambassador James Bryce presented the town a stone from the village green of the old town.

## Epitaph Premature

His own epitaph was read by R. Soglietti when he visited a battle ground and military cemetery at Rambovillers, in the Vosges. Soglietti discovered a tombstone, surmounted by a white cross, together with that of his old regiment. Soglietti had fallen on that very battlefield in 1914, severely wounded, but had eventually recovered. He is now in receipt of a pension as being permanently disabled. He has reported the matter to the military authorities, and has requested to be allowed to live a little longer.

## GIRLS.

The way they act shows love is blind, And makes one jealous as Othello; For when they fall in love, you find It's always with the other fellow.



# LOCALS

Lincoln Feather will return to State College Saturday.

Ed Scroggins, of Hope was shopping in Artesia Saturday.

Ben Pior returned Tuesday from a flying trip to Albuquerque.

Miss Velma Smith will return to the State university tomorrow.

Mrs. Ruby Boyd, of Elida is here this week visiting Miss Ethel Olson.

Miss Ethel Bullock returns Friday to her school work at Dalhart, Texas.

Leonard Jernigan was here from Roswell last week visiting home folks.

Newman Smith left Sunday night for Oklahoma City, after a holiday visit at home.

Rev. Aulick, of Albuquerque, is conducting a study course at the Baptist church this week.

Messrs. and Mesdames Joe Anderson and Wallace Anderson motored to Roswell yesterday.

Van Bartlett, of Lake Arthur was a business visitor in town the latter part of last week.

The Misses Nova Reeves and Maybelle Schafer returned Monday from a holiday visit to El Paso.

Burford Chunn was here from Clarendon, Texas, several days last week, visiting Miss Mildred Frisch.

J. H. Shepherd, a former Artesia resident, but now of Roswell, was a business visitor in Artesia Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Gill are the parents of a daughter, that arrived at their home at Atoka Tuesday, the 30th.

Miss Katherine Clarke will leave Sunday night to resume her studies at Mt. Carmel Academy, Wichita, Kansas.

The Misses Vesta Frisch and Vella Spivey will return to State College Sunday, Mr. Frisch driving them over in the car.

Mr. and Mrs. Cash Austin returned home to Clovis Sunday, after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hightower.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Winans and Miss Arabelle Rogers drove to Roswell Sunday and attended services at the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. E. H. Lane, who had been visiting her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Walker, returned Tuesday to her home at Emporia, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Linell, who had been here several weeks visiting relatives, left Tuesday morning by auto for their home at Long Beach, California.

S. A. Lanning returned last Wednesday from a visit to Kansas relatives. He cut short his stay on account of the stormy weather prevailing in Kansas.

Calvin Dunn received an ugly bruise on his foot this week when he accidentally struck it with a sledge hammer. The bruise necessitates the use of crutches.

Dr. Stroup and sons, Clayton, Harold and Howard, Otis Brown, Newman Smith and Lloyd Atkeson made a sightseeing trip to the Carlsbad cavern last Friday.

Miss Josephine O'Malley, who went home to Las Vegas for the holidays by auto, has not been able to return this week on account of a heavy snowfall in that part of the state.

We have a complete line of samples of social stationery—Artesia Advocate.

The Misses Zanaida and Helen Mann entertained at Christmas dinner, their guests being the Misses Virginia Atteberry, Nelle Horne, Zilla Simmons and Lois Simmons.

Mr. Fontaine and family, of Roswell, spent Christmas here, guests of his father-in-law, J. W. Turknutt, and family. The Fontaine family left this week to make their future home in St. Louis.

Clayton Stroup, Harold Stroup, Tom Edward Bullock, Elwood Kaiser, Jack Terry and James Norris leave tomorrow by auto for Oklahoma University, after a ten days visit with home folks.

Henry Hall and Col. Will A. Miller, of Amarillo, Texas made a short stop in Artesia Wednesday, en route to the oil fields. Col. Miller, one of the pioneer oil operators of the panhandle is heavily interested in the field near Amarillo.

Rev. Adams, who has been called to the pastorate of the Presbyterian church, is expected to arrive with his wife today to assume his charge. Rev. Adams, who has been pastor of one of the leading Presbyterian churches at Jefferson City, Mo., was compelled to give up his charge on account of asthma. After accepting the charge here, he came with his wife, to Roswell for a few weeks rest before taking up the work here.

The Misses Esther and Ruth Morgan and Mr. Willis Morgan entertained a number of their friends at a house party several days last week. The company was composed of Roswell young people, some of whom were at home from the State University for the holidays. They were the Misses Madge Shepherd, Lina Claive, Muriel Minor, and Marjorie Minor, and Messrs. Hallam Shepherd, Carl Bird, Minor Huffman, Sam Allison, and William Bicknell.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the many acts of kindness done for us and the sympathy shown us in our bereavement during the illness and death of our beloved husband and brother, Thornton Ferson.

Mrs. Thornton Ferson. Mrs. Mae Ferson Stevenson. Mrs. Lotta Ferson Minor.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our thanks to the good people of Artesia for the many acts of kindness during the illness and death of our father and husband, Frank Anderson. May God's richest blessing rest upon each of you.

Mrs. Frank Anderson. Mrs. Pearly George. Dreyer Anderson. Joe Anderson. Walter Anderson. Jim Anderson.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

M. F. Chaytor to E. E. Perry half int. S. 5 L. 16; 1/4 int. party wall, L. 18, B. 8, Original Carlsbad. Martie Moore to E. E. Perry L. 18, B. 8, Original Carlsbad; W. E. Wathen to R. W. Newbill SSW 6-18-23. A. O. Strother to G. M. Winans NSE 9-18-26. P. F. Brown to A. C. Bindel NWNE 12-22-26 (less 2 1/2 acres.)

C. F. Pardue to J. Duaric, ESE 8-24-28. J. T. Collins to W. R. Atkinson Pt. 50 X 150 of B. 18 Original Artesia. Callie Robert to T. E. Hinshaw L. 8, B. 24— and Triangle Strip, Artesia Roberts Addition. M. L. Highsmith to T. E. Hinshaw L. 2, 4, 6, 10, B. 24, Roberts Addition also S. 8 A. of B. 26 Fairview, L. 2, 4, 6, B. 25 Roberts Addition to Artesia.

E. M. Kearney to Henry Tipton WNE 26-21-26. L. D. Gulick to Ike Exstein N 1/2 30-18-26; L. 7-9-11, B. 11; L. 8-9, B. 15; L. 3-4-5-, B. 19, West Dayton. L. E. Moore to Mrs. Libbie Jesse L. 1-2-, B. 17, Blair Addition to Artesia. L. R. Simmons to L. T. Lewis pt. NW 1/4 9-18-26 west of railroad.

R. B. Armstrong to C. W. Bartlett L. 9-11, B. 12, C & S Addition to Artesia.

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**To Our Friends and CUSTOMERS**

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May we also, at this close of another year, express the appreciation felt by Big Jo Lumber Co. in the part your friendship and patronage have played in our year's business.

You have our best wishes and the promise of our sincere cooperation during the months to come.

**Big Jo Lumber Co.**

Artesia, New Mexico

**LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS**

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, December 4th, 1924.

NOTICE is hereby given that Conrad Hatchett, of Acme, Texas, who, on December 27th, 1919, made Stock Raising Homestead, No. 646680, for All Section 2, Township 17-S., Range 24-East, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed final Proof, to make five year land above described, before S. W. Gilbert, U. S. Commissioner, at Artesia, New Mexico, on the 14th day of January, 1925. Claimant names as witnesses:  
George P. Whithorn, of Artesia, New Mexico.  
George R. Ray, of Roswell, New Mexico.  
Mrs. George R. Ray, of Roswell, New Mexico.  
Samuel G. White, of Artesia, New Mexico.

JAFFA MILLER, Register.

12-11-1-8

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, December 5th, 1924.

NOTICE is hereby given that Connie V. Horner, of Artesia, New Mexico, who on December 6, 1923, made Original Homestead entry, (Stock-raising), No. 051744, for S $\frac{1}{2}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 33; S $\frac{1}{2}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 34; SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 35, Township 19 S., Range 24 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before S. W. Gilbert, U. S. Commissioner, at Artesia, New Mexico, on the 14th day of January, 1925.

Claimant names as witnesses:  
Andrew J. Foster, of Artesia, N. M.  
Jim Foster, of Lakewood, N. M.  
Allen M. Fell, of Roswell, N. M.  
Joseph E. Horner, of Artesia, N. M.

JAFFA MILLER, Register.

12-11-1-8

**ELECTION PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, by virtue of the laws of the State of New Mexico, it is made the duty of the Board of County Commissioners, to proclaim the Elections that are to be held in the respective counties for the purpose of voting for the candidates for the office of Justice of the Peace and Constable in the various precincts of each county, and to give public notice by publication of the same.

THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Eddy County, New Mexico, in public session held at Carlsbad, New Mexico, on the 16th day of December, 1924, having ordered an Election to be held Monday January 12th, 1925, in each Precinct in Eddy County for the purpose of electing one Justice of the Peace and one Constable for the term beginning February 1st, 1925.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, that the said election be held at the following voting precincts in said County as follows to-wit:

Precinct one—Carlsbad; Precinct Two, Malaga; Precinct Three, Hope; Precinct Four, Lakewood; Precinct Five, Loving; Precinct Six, Artesia; Precinct Seven, Dayton; Precinct Eight, Queen; Precinct Nine, Otis; Precinct Ten, Cottonwood.

IT IS THE FURTHER ORDER, that the following named persons are hereby appointed as Judges of Election in the several precincts as hereinbefore set forth, for the Election to be held January 12th, 1925, for the purpose of electing a Justice of the Peace and Constable in each precinct.

Precinct One—Carlsbad:  
R. A. Toffelmire.  
J. I. Penny.  
J. U. Falke.  
Precinct Two—Malaga:  
L. E. James.  
L. A. Skinner.  
Anna E. Williams.  
Precinct Three—Hope:  
Noel L. Johnson.  
W. L. Whitaker.  
L. L. Prude.  
Precinct Four—Lakewood:  
J. W. Dauron.  
Stella M. Webb.  
D. E. Webb.  
Precinct Five—Loving:  
L. W. Arthur.  
T. O. Wyman.  
W. E. Rose.

Precinct Six—Artesia:  
W. C. Doss.  
J. L. Polk.  
J. K. Hastie.  
Precinct Seven—Dayton:  
P. R. Ramuz.  
George Savoie.  
Wm. Kissinger.  
Precinct Eight—Queen:  
Ralph Thayer.  
W. R. Shattuck.  
Sciby Cox.  
Precinct Nine—Otis:  
Enea Grandi.  
C. C. Lewis.  
P. J. McCall.  
Precinct Ten—Cottonwood:  
Nelson C. Doering.  
A. D. Hill.  
E. P. McCormick.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO,  
G. W. SHEPHERD, CLERK.

**NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

Notice is hereby given that on the 15th day of July, 1916 Hart Crouch and Lorena Crouch, husband and wife, executed their joint and several negotiable promissory note in the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty (\$1,750.00) Dollars payable to the order of The State National Bank of Artesia, New Mexico due six months after date bearing interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum from maturity until paid, and that on the 15th day of July, A. D. 1916 and to secure the payment of said note above referred to the said Hart

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS:—The Almighty Father, in his infinite wisdom, has called to his heavenly reward our esteemed-fellow-townsmen and Rotarian Ralph Thornton Ferson, and

WHEREAS:—Ralph Thornton Ferson from his early childhood was reared, schooled, and associated himself with the men and women of the Artesia community, and

WHEREAS:—His activity covered practically the whole of his life in our midst, an active participant in matters concerning the development of the community, and

WHEREAS:—His optimistic view of life, his active interest in the welfare of the community in which he lived, coupled with his kindness of heart and positive character and his youthfulness of spirit, made it a privilege to know him. Therefore be it:

RESOLVED:—That we, members of the Artesia Rotary Club, do record our deep sense of the loss we have sustained, be it further

RESOLVED:—That we extend to his family our heartfelt sympathy, that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the club, and published in the Artesia Advocate, and a copy be sent to the family of our departed member.

WALT MARTIN,  
BERT SMITH,  
J. J. CLARKE, Chairman.

**See the New Oldsmobile at Widney's.**

Crouch and Lorena Crouch executed, acknowledged and delivered their certain mortgage deed conveying unto the said The State National Bank of Artesia, New Mexico, the following described real estate situate in the County of Eddy, State of New Mexico, to-wit:

Lots Two (2), Four (4), Six (6), Eight (8), Ten (10) and Twelve (12) Block Fifteen (15) in the Original Town of Artesia, New Mexico.

Lots Twelve (12), Fourteen (14), Sixteen (16), Eighteen (18) and Twenty (20) in Block Eight (8) in the Original Town of Artesia, New Mexico.

representing all of said above described property at that time to be free from encumbrances except a mortgage for One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) on Lots Twelve (12), Fourteen (14), Sixteen (16), Eighteen (18) and Twenty (20) in Block Eight (8), Original Town of Artesia to Jeanie Mathes and which said mortgage to the State National Bank of Artesia, New Mexico was, on the 19th day of July A. D. 1916 duly filed for record and recorded in the office of the County Clerk of Eddy County, New Mexico in Book 17, at page 437 of the Record of Mortgages of said County and subsequent to the execution of said note and mortgage to-wit: on March 9, 1920 the said The State National Bank of Artesia, New Mexico, duly assigned said note and the mortgage securing same to S. S. Ward of Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico, which said assignment was on the 26th day of March, 1920, filed for record and recorded in Book 19 of Records of Mortgages at page 388 in the office of the County Clerk of Eddy County, New Mexico and whereas default was made in the payment of said note and interest according to its terms and effect and the terms and conditions of said mortgage were wholly breached and the undersigned, as the legal owner and holder of said note and mortgage under and by authority of the Power of Sale contained in said mortgage deed does hereby give notice that in accordance with the terms of said mortgage deed and the Power of Sale therein contained the undersigned will on Saturday the 31st day of January, A. D. 1925 at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon at the front door of The First National Bank of Artesia, New Mexico, offer for sale and sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the real estate in this notice above described the proceeds of said sale and the indebtedness secured by said mortgage deed which, according to the terms of the note and of the said mortgage deed and Power of Sale will amount to Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Six (\$2706.00) Dollars, on the thirty-first day of January, 1925.

Witness my hand this 23rd day of December, A. D. 1924.

S. S. WARD  
1-1-1-22 Artesia, New Mexico

**ELECTION PROCLAMATION**

To qualified voters of the Lake Arthur Drainage District: I, M. W. Evans, chairman of the commissioners of the Lake Arthur Drainage District in accordance with law, fixing the time for the election of commissioners, and by virtue of authority in me vested by law, do hereby proclaim and declare that a special election of one member of the Board of commissioners of the above named Drainage District in Chaves and Eddy Counties of the State of New Mexico, same being held for the purpose of running off a tie between M. W. Evans and I. S. Reeser at a regular election held Dec. 2, 1924. Said election is to be held in the town of Lake Arthur, New Mexico in the office of M. W. Evans on January 13th, 1925 between the hours of 9 A. M. and 6 P. M.

Judges, G. R. Pate, John Lane and Charles Foster, Clerks, Bob Allison and Mrs. Ned Hedges. All qualified electors within the Lake Arthur Drainage District will be entitled to vote and any person residing in Chaves and Eddy Counties, who is an owner of agricultural land within said drainage district will be entitled to vote.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the secretary of the district to affix the seal of the district hereto, this 31st day of December 1924.

M. W. EVANS,  
Chairman.  
C. E. MANN,  
Secretary.

1-1-1-8

**School Notes**

**ORANGE AND BLACK**

Elaine Feemster—Editor  
Dottie Johnson Howard Yeager  
Verne Schnoor Nelle Horne  
Class Reporters

With the beginning of school after the holidays, many good resolutions have been made by some of the pupils. We hope they will be kept better than some of the "six-weeks" resolutions.

Mr. Wells spoke to the student body, Wednesday, December 17. He gave a travel sketch about a trip to South America. The many stories of his life on the ship proved interesting, especially his humorous description of "Sailors Day."

The Artesia High boys' basket ball team was twice defeated by Hope. Although the last score was worse than the first, the boys' teamwork was much improved in the latter game. The scores were: 12-4 and 20-10.

The high school students were surprised and pleased to find Miss Cook at the school ready to start work Monday morning. Her work was lightened so that she may remain with us.

Miss Givens gave the A. H. S. pupils a pleasing Christmas present by dismissing school at 2:30 o'clock the Friday before the holidays. Many of the pupils stayed at the high school until the contest was ended. After the last deposits were made, everyone waited expectantly until the votes were counted. Much to the dismay of some and to the great joy of others, Elaine Feemster and Harry Jernigan, contestants from the sophomore class, were announced winners. About forty five dollars was made on the contest.

The "Christmas Cake and Candy Sale" that was held Wednesday, Dec. 24, was a great success. Twenty two dollars were cleared for the benefit of the annual. The donors should be thanked for their gifts.

Three new pupils enrolled in A. H. S. Monday. They were: Norman Bullock, Tom Lauderdale, and Mary Belle Hudson.

A HIGH SCHOOL WANT AD:  
LOST—A big red heart. Lost somewhere around Boat hill. Finder please return to a well known sophomore girl.

The junior class held a delightful party at the home of Carl Henderson December 19. Bunco proved to be the main sport and everyone did their best to roll three "sixes." The class was told of a pathetic "dying scene" by one of its orators, Hazelle Belle Johnson. Miss Russell, class sponsor, was delightfully surprised with a beautiful gift from the class. Refreshments of sandwiches, wafers and cocoa was served.

Miss Duffy spent the holidays at her home in Norman, Oklahoma.

Miss Cook visited her home in Denton, Texas.

Miss Reeves spent her Christmas holidays in El Paso. While she there she visited in Jaurez. (We don't think she studied commercial work while there.) Her vacation proved interesting for, because of train schedules, she was obliged to take the stage home arriving Monday.

The debating club has decided to change to a literary society. Their first meeting will be held, Tuesday, December 30, at the home of Jack Hightower. All members of the society under the supervision of Mr. Palm expect to accomplish much along the literary line.

**FOUR LITTLE GIRLS BURN TO DEATH IN RANCH HOUSE**

HAXTON, COLO.—Tragedy stalked the home of A. B. Stauffer and his wife, ranchers living six miles from here Sunday night, and while they stood and talked within fifty yards of their home their four small daughters were burned to death in flames resulting from an overheated stove.

The dead:  
Helena, 10; Donna, 8; Maxine, 6; and Fern, 4.

Two other children—a 10 year old boy, and a baby were rescued from the flames.

The family returned from a neighboring farm house about 10:30 o'clock Sunday night. Mr. Stauffer built a rousing fire in the stove, while Mrs. Stauffer tucked the children in for the night.

Mother and father then walked about fifty yards to a new home, which had just been completed, but not yet occupied.

As they stood within, planning and criticizing, they heard the crackle of flames and rushed to a window to see the house where their children lay sleeping, ablaze. The old frame building was a mass of flames and the four girls, who were sleeping in a bed room on the second floor were trapped.

The frantic parents managed to snatch from the grasp of the flames their two other children, who were sleeping on cot on the ground floor.

**HE WON HIS CASE**

"One of our country health officers tells this story:

"Monday evening I appeared before the city council of ——— and argued the necessity of passing the ordinance of compelling examination and inspection of the food handling establishments. It seems that this had been sidetracked for some cause, and I was very much surprised to hear the arguments put out by two members of the council. I think I sent you a copy of the draft that I had made of the ordinance, and had written Colorado Springs and Albuquerque and had patterned the draft from the two places. I told of the necessity of such an ordinance and told of the many people who would come here who would have some disease and engage in either hotel or restaurant work to the detriment of the public.

"One of the councilmen arose and told that the draft was a 'vicious' one; that health seekers would not come here if such an ordinance were in effect, and that he was against it. Another councilman arose and said: 'I am against this for the reason that people that have T. B. come here to get well, and that if we are foolish enough to pass this ordinance, that they will stop coming, and people who are ill are entitled to a living and we want them here, and I want to go on record as fighting this sort of an ordinance as being a false standard and a vicious thing.'

"The mayor asked if I had anything to say. I said: 'this man's exceptions remind me of the story I heard one time about the city of Glasgow in Scotland. The city council was asked to appropriate monies to establish a public bath for the benefit of indigent children who were not able to afford baths in their homes. An expert was there to show the actual benefits from such baths and the healthy children they would have. One old Scotchman arose and said: 'Gentlemen, I am 62 years old. I am six feet two tall, I was 240 pun, an am so gude as any mon in the house, and if ye dinna believe it, cum outside and a'll pruve it ta ya, an a na'er had a bath in ma lafe.' As a sequence to the story the ordinance was passed over the objections and will be in force as soon as publication will take place."

**OUR HEALTH COLUMN**

Dear Dr. Hope: In telling me how to be beautiful you suggested early to bed and early to rise, retiring before ten and arising before seven.

Now I can arrange to retire before ten—but it is rather troublesome to arise before seven, as there are only five members in our family. I don't believe I can get either mother or my sisters to go out and drag in a couple of neighbors to make it seven before whom I can arise each morning.

What shall I do? RUTH.

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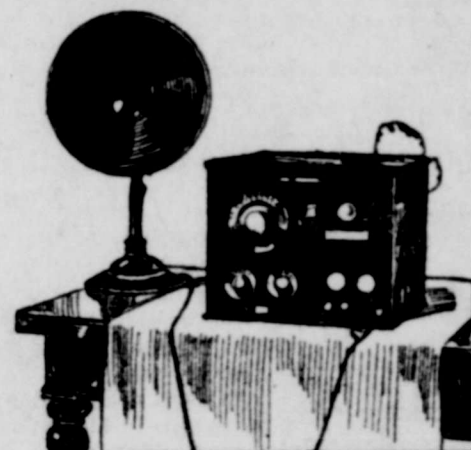
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In this civilization, money is our method of exchange. The man with a better account is a better workman because his mind is free to achieve and enjoy better things.

You know the truth of these statements. Why don't you resolve now to make 1925 a more successful year? This institution is willing and anxious to assist and serve you.

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**NEW MEXICO WEEKLY  
 INDUSTRIAL REVIEW**

Farmington—Mutual Oil Company  
 acquires site for refinery.  
 Gallup—Contract let at \$200,770 for  
 construction of federal-aid highway  
 No. 146 A.

Loving — Citizens and Farmers  
 State banks form \$700,000 merger.  
 Roswell—Intensive oil drilling pro-  
 gram to be under way shortly after  
 January 1.

Reserve—Navajo Oil & Refining  
 Company spuds in well in northeast-  
 ern section of county.  
 Santa Rosa—Auga Negra ranch,  
 comprising 40,000 acres, sells for  
 \$250,000.

Fort Sumner—Fort Sumner Oil  
 Company making preparations for  
 drilling well.  
 Tucumcari—New water system be-  
 ing installed.

Fort Sumner—Fort Sumner Sweet  
 Potato Growers' Association ships  
 carload of potatoes to Wyoming.

Farmington—Survey being made  
 for construction of pipe line from  
 Rattlesnake oil wells to this city.  
 Clovis—New 160-acre subdivision  
 placed on market.

Tucumcari—Mountain States Tele-  
 phone Company lets contract for re-  
 modeling exchange building.

Albuquerque—Santa Fe Railroad  
 Hospital Association to start con-  
 struction of \$275,000 hospital early  
 in 1925.

Fort Bayard—Water supply being  
 increased.  
 Vaughn—Oil well to be drilled near  
 here.

**CAN YOU PARK PROPERLY?**

By Erwin Greer, President Greer  
 College of Automotive Engi-  
 neering, Chicago

Many motorists with years of ex-  
 perience, admit their inability to park  
 a car parallel to the curb in a small  
 space. It is just a knack, and in the  
 following I shall try and describe just  
 how it should be done.

In judging the proper amount of  
 space necessary for your car, come to  
 a complete stop outside of the best  
 available space between cars parked  
 at the curb.

Look and see if you have two or  
 more feet in front and back of your  
 car. If so, drive to a position paral-  
 lel to the car in front of the space.

Taking your steering wheel high  
 with your right hand and extending  
 your left as a signal (the front end  
 of your car will swerve slightly out  
 into traffic) pull the wheel one-fourth  
 turn to the right and reverse your  
 car slowly until it has reached the  
 position where the driver's seat is  
 opposite the rear of the forward car.

Next, straighten the wheels and re-  
 verse slowly until the front of your  
 car just clears the rear of the machine  
 ahead.

Cut the wheel sharply left as far  
 as it will go and reverse slowly,  
 watching behind to avert striking the  
 car in the rear. Sometimes it will  
 be necessary for you to go back and  
 forth until finally parallel with the  
 curb. Soon you will understand the  
 tracking of the wheels, after which the  
 bugbear of parking will have dis-  
 appeared.

The practice of just heading a car  
 into a space, regardless of its size,  
 and leaving it there, forcing traffic  
 to turn out for the rear end, should  
 be stopped.

To get out from a tight place at  
 the curb, reverse your car as far as  
 possible. Turn the wheels sharp left  
 as far as they will go. Extend left  
 hand for signal and start forward  
 slowly. A little jockeying back and  
 forth will bring you out as easily as  
 you got in.

More accidents occur from dashing  
 blindly out from the curb into traf-  
 fic than in any other way. For your  
 own safety look behind and make pos-  
 itive the way is clear before you roll  
 into the clear.

Next week's article: "If an Acci-  
 dent Occurs."

**NEW PRESS BULLETIN  
 ON IRRIGATION ISSUED**

A new press bulletin of interest to  
 the farmer who irrigates has been  
 issued by A. S. Curry of the New Mex-  
 ico College of Agriculture and Me-  
 chanic Arts, showing the results of an  
 experiment recently carried on at the  
 college.

The bulletin states that it is a well  
 known fact that the moisture content  
 of soil is directly connected with crop  
 yields, and therefore the size of head  
 and length of plat to use are of  
 greater importance to the farmer  
 than he usually realizes.

To aid in emphasizing this fact, ex-  
 periments have been run with alfalfa,  
 using four different series of plats.  
 One series was 700 feet in length,  
 another 600, another 400, and the last  
 200 feet in length. In each series  
 there were four plats, one of which re-  
 ceived a four foot head of water, an-  
 other a three foot head, another a two  
 foot head, and the last a one foot  
 head. The time required by the water  
 to traverse the different plats was al-  
 so noted.

After each irrigation soil samples  
 to a depth of six feet were taken as  
 soon as it was possible to get on the  
 land, and the moisture content was  
 determined.

The experiment showed that there  
 is no exact correlation between the  
 size of head used and the percentage  
 of moisture, and a high degree of cor-  
 relation between the length of plats  
 and the time to irrigate them.

It is recommended that larger  
 heads be used wherever possible to  
 insure a saving of time to the user,  
 also because there is less danger of  
 sunscalding the alfalfa as the large  
 heads do not leave the water stand-  
 ing the surface as long as the small  
 heads when the same total number of  
 cubic feet is applied.

Plats of 400 to 500 feet in length  
 are to be preferred over those which  
 are longer or shorter because of the  
 time saved, less danger of sunscalded,  
 and convenience for use.

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 tesia Advocate.

**BUTTERED SIDE DOWN**

"Piggily-Wiggily-All Over the World"  
 (Contributed)

Ring out the old—ring in the new  
 For now the Christmas bills are due  
 And you can bet they're big ones, too  
 Poor old Dad will sure "come thru."

Our Christmas was quite five and  
 ten—how was yours?

Rex Williams says that prohibition  
 cocktails are too much like kissing a  
 pretty girl through a veil.

Woman is the eternal cross word  
 puzzle. She is generally cross and  
 always a puzzle.

Lives of clever crooks remind us  
 When we haven't got a dime,  
 We can skip and leave behind us  
 Bills for stuff we bought on time.

The Bootlegger's Ball which was to  
 have taken place on New Year has  
 been indefinitely postponed owing to  
 the arrest of several members of the  
 refreshment committee.

You never can tell. The Soda  
 Cracker married the Nabisco Wafer  
 because she was so refined. Three  
 months later, she ran away with a  
 Pretzel.

Stop me if you have heard this one  
 —Otis Brown thinks the Epistles were  
 the wives of the Apostles.

Speaking of cross word puzzles!  
 Watch this column for ours next week.  
 We have combed the dictionary for all  
 the cross words we could find. The  
 result will be the most amazing and  
 crosslest puzzle in existence. To the  
 person solving the puzzle perfectly  
 without saying a single cross word,  
 we will award a beautiful oil painting  
 in fourteen colors. Your choice of  
 three subjects—

"Napoleon Crossing the Alps."  
 "Washington Crossing the Dela-  
 ware."  
 "Dave Bryant Crossing the Road."

I do not wish to own a harp  
 Nor yet to have my sins forgiven;  
 But I would like to know if there will  
 be  
 A little parking space in Heaven.

The flapper child says she paid  
 fifty cents to see a movie in Los An-  
 geles called "Sun Down" which con-  
 tained nothing but cows. Omigosh,  
 and her from New Mexico! Three  
 thousand feet of film and nothing but  
 cattle! Boy, page S. S. Ward!

We are running this column in the  
 interest of the people. We hope they  
 will appreciate it.

If it were not for us Holm O. Bur-  
 man would probably have introduced  
 a birth-control bill for jack rabbits.

If you know any nifties—send them  
 in. We are always looking for wise  
 cracks. But they must be at home in  
 the best society. All Rotary jokes  
 therefore barred.

In this column each week will ap-  
 pear the name or names regardless  
 of sex, race, occupation, or previous  
 condition of servitude. Search this  
 column. You may find your name in  
 it. If so bring it in and we will give  
 you your choice of our three valuable  
 prizes. A nickel-plated self-starting  
 tooth brush, a spaghetti watch chain  
 or an aluminum baby spanker.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**

At my home, directly opposite the  
 concrete bridge on the left hand side  
 of the Hope road. I will sell the fol-  
 lowing articles received by me on  
 December twenty-fifth which for var-  
 ious reasons I find it impossible to ap-  
 preciate. Sale begins when ever you  
 like and lasts until all articles are  
 sold. Jello will be served at noon  
 Mrs. Ermentrude Whiffle

List  
 One Blue Bird guest towel, size 2x4.  
 One hair receiver made out of tomato  
 can painted black.  
 One home made desk set.  
 Three pairs crocheted bed room

**BROWN WELL, EDDY  
 COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

East half of Northeast Quarter  
 Section 15-18-26; First water 600  
 feet.

- 0 to 8 feet—soil
- 8 to 22 feet—gravel
- 22 to 32 feet—sand
- 32 to 42 feet—gyp rock
- 42 to 82 feet—rock
- 82 to 271 feet—shale
- 271 to 276 feet—rock
- 276 to 308 feet—shale
- 308 to 338 feet—rock
- 338 to 397 feet—shale
- 397 to 418 feet—rock
- 418 to 436 feet—shale
- 436 to 443 feet—rock
- 443 to 456 feet—shale
- 456 to 555 feet—shale
- 555 to 570 feet—rock
- 570 to 580 feet—shale
- 580 to 660 feet—rock
- 660 to 678 feet—shale
- 678 to 708 feet—rock
- 708 to 717 feet—red shale
- 717 to 729 feet—lime rock
- 729 to 734 feet—white clay
- 734 to 764 feet—sand with some gas
- 764 to 793 feet—limestone
- 793 to 799 feet—red shale
- 799 to 815 feet—limestone
- 815 to 821 feet—red shale
- 821 to 831 feet—limestone
- 831 to 840 feet—gumbo
- 840 to 877 feet—limestone
- 877 to 885 feet—hard rock
- 885 to 890 feet—gumbo
- 890 to 906 feet—rock
- 906 to 911 feet—mud
- 911 to 926 feet—oil sand, oil and gas
- 926 to 931 feet—limestone
- 931 to 950 feet—sand

We have a complete line of samples  
 of social stationery—Artesia Ad-  
 vocate.

- slippers.
- One tatted yoke.
- One imitation cameo pin.
- One tea cozy.
- Two lid lifters.
- One book mark.

One copy each of the following books:  
 Eddie Guest's Poems.  
 How to Make Presents From Wall  
 Paper.

- The Life of W. J. Bryan.
- Ten Nights in a Bar Room.
- The Church in China.
- Bee—Their Cost and Care.
- How to Develop Personality.
- St. Elmo.
- J. E. Robertson, clerk
- W. E. Ragsdale, crier

WANTED—A sober, thoughtful, re-  
 liable, honest, industrious, Christian  
 man with good references to paint  
 barbed wire fences. Paint furnished  
 Dave Runyan.

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For all kinds of heavy hauling  
 Well equipped to handle Star  
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 Oldest Engineering Office in  
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 SURVEYS  
 UP-TO-DATE MAPS  
 Special attention paid to post-  
 ing Federal Permits and Oil  
 Purposes Surveys

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The following candidates have an-  
 nounced their candidacy for office,  
 subject to the action of the election to  
 be held January 12th, 1925:

I hereby announce myself as a can-  
 didate for the office of constable, pre-  
 cinct No. 7, subject to a vote of the  
 people January 12th. Your vote will  
 be appreciated.  
 J. M. JACKSON

FOR SALE—Cotton and alfalfa  
 farms in small or large tracts with  
 water. Terms reasonable with cheap  
 interest rate.  
 E. C. Higgins.  
 12-4-1f-3f

See our samples of Engraving—Ar-  
 tesia Advocate.

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 PROMPT  
 AND  
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**A Tender T-Bone  
 Steak**  
 By WALT FILKIN

There is beauty in an apple, and a yellow orange, too—  
 It's a bit of captured sunshine that's imprisoned there for you,  
 But when Hunger's claws are pullin' like a good old-fashioned rake  
 There is nothin' so invitin' as a tender T-bone steak.

I have eaten fancy salads that I'm sure an artist made,  
 I have tasted dainty portion of fine orange marmalade,  
 But I've never yet encountered any dish a chef could make,  
 When I'm hungry, looked so temptin' as a tender T-bone steak.

Yes, I know there're fancy dishes that a fellow likes to eat,  
 When it's Christmas or Thanksgivin' that are surely quite a treat,  
 But when Appetite's a-knockin' at my sides until they ache,  
 Nothin' soothes my ruffled feelin' like a tender T-bone steak.

Oh, there is no sight that's finer—nothin' looks so good to me,  
 And no king or queen could ever have a greater luxury  
 Than an appetizin' supper—no you don't need pie or cake—  
 With some homemade bread and butter and a tender T-bone steak.

**The City Market**  
 HOME OF CORN FED BEEF  
 Also a Full Line of Groceries  
 Phone 37—FREE DELIVERY—Phone 37

We have contracted for 30,000 pounds of  
**Acala No. 5 Pedigreed Seed**  
 from the well known seed breeder, Mr. F. F.  
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 Orders being taken now at  
**10c the Pound**  
 Place your orders early if you want any as this is all we can get.  
**Artesia Alfalfa Growers Association**

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**Happy  
 New Year**



We wish everybody happiness not only on New Year's day but  
 every day of the year and for years to come.  
 To be happy you must feel right. To feel right, you must  
 live right, and if you get a little out of gear, right yourself with the  
 right medicines.  
 We sell and compound the right kind of medicines—always  
 pure, fresh and full strength.  
 We carry everything a first class drug store should sell.

**COME TO US FOR IT**  
**C. E. Mann Drug Co.**

## CEDAR CHESTS BEST TO STORE WOOLENS

### Ample Protection Afforded Against Moth Injury.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Chests made of the heartwood of red cedar in good condition and thoroughly tight are effective in protecting fabrics from clothes moths. It has been found by the United States Department of Agriculture provided proper precautions are first taken to beat, brush and sun all articles before they are placed in the chest. Experiments with cedar chests from the time of manufacture until they were one year old indicate that chests which are cared for properly will retain indefinitely their value as protectors against moth ravages.

Since it is the odor of red cedar which is effective against moths, it is recommended that in using cedar chests for the protection of fabrics, carpets, furs, and other clothing special care should be taken to prevent undue escape of the aroma from the chests. The chests at all times should remain tightly closed except when clothing is being removed or placed in them, which should take as little time as possible. Aside from their value in killing young clothes moth larvae, cedar chests are so tightly constructed that adult moths or millers cannot gain access to them except when they are open. This is not true of the average trunk in which clothing is stored.

Cedar chests do not kill the adult moth or miller, its eggs, or its worm or larvae stage after the worms have become one-half or full grown. This is not of great importance, however, for if clothing is thoroughly crushed, beaten, or sunned before it is placed in chests, as it should be under any condition of storage, all the larger worms are removed and many of the eggs killed.

The main point to remember is that cedar chests will kill newly hatched and very young larvae before they will cause damage, and if clothing is stored in chests after it has been thoroughly cleaned for storage, with especial attention to the brushing out of all seams, pockets, or folds, and the removal of grease spots and other stains, the chests will act as certain protectors. As it is only the worm or larva stage of the clothes moth that can injure clothing, it is very important that the older worms, which are not so easily killed, be removed by brushing and sunning before the clothing is put in chests.

When clothes moth larvae become half to full grown they have usually fed so much upon a garment that their presence can be easily detected. For this reason, if the careful housewife will so thoroughly clean, brush and sun her articles that she is unable to notice any larvae after a careful inspection of her garment, she may rest assured that it will remain protected against moth ravages if she immediately places it in a good cedar chest.

If clothing is cleaned, brushed, and sunned with great care it will remain unmolesated by moths if tightly rolled with naphthalene and wrapped in two thicknesses of paper. One pound of fresh naphthalene placed in any chest constructed as tightly as are cedar chests will protect clothing just as well as cedar chests.

### Baked Bananas

Baked bananas served with raisin sauce makes a good dessert, suggests the United States Department of Agriculture. Select firm bananas. Remove the skins and split lengthwise. Place in a pan and coat over with corn syrup. Bake until the bananas are soft. Serve hot with a raisin sauce made as follows:

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 tablespoonful butter      | 1 teaspoonful vanilla       |
| 2 tablespoonfuls cornstarch | 2 tablespoonfuls sugar      |
| 1 cupful boiling water      | 1/2 cupful seedless raisins |
|                             | 1/4 teaspoonful salt        |

Mix the cornstarch with a little cold water, blend with other materials, except the vanilla, which should be added just before serving. Cook 15 minutes.

## Farm Hints

- Mow the pastures to kill weeds.
- Now is the time not to forget last year's mistakes.
- A weed pulled in time may save nine times time.
- Plant a rust-resistant variety of beans for fall crop.
- Not more products at any cost but better products at less cost.
- Make sure you have forage enough planted to supply hay for next year.
- If your labor cost is too high, use "iron men"—farm machines—to work for you.
- Some farmers work on well-planned estimates and others on careless guess-timates.
- Unless pastures are improved and made to return larger volumes of feed they will slowly give way to crops.
- Keep the barns clean and free from manure to keep the house fly under control and to get the best returns from the manure on the soil.

## N. M. RESIDENTS FIGHT SPREADING FIRE IN MORA

MORA, N. M.—A disastrous fire early Saturday destroyed nearly all of a block of buildings in the business district and threatened adjacent structures in the center of the town before the spreading flames were put under control by the residents of the town, who labored valiantly with limited equipment to check fire.

The Martinez and Rimbart stores, an adjacent pool hall and the residence of Mrs. Virginia Valdez were entirely razed by the fire, which began some time during the night in the rear of the grocery store building occupied by Martinez and Rimbart. The first alarm of fire was spread through the town at 4:30 o'clock this morning and practically all of the male residents rushed to the scene to render such aid as possible with water lines carried by bucket brigades and the removal of valuables from the burning buildings and those threatened by the flames.

The intense cold weather handicapped the workers and their limited equipment made their efforts of little avail. The residence of Dr. W. G. Smith and Ben Gandert were both saved by cutting away the roof structures which connected the buildings to the section under fire.

Practically all of the business buildings of the town are of adobe and frame construction and closely connected with adjacent structures by roof and wall connections. The section which burned this morning is on the north side of the main street.

Although the fire was checked after several hours' work, the debris was still smoldering at noon Tuesday but with no danger to other buildings.

Roman Olivas, assisting in fighting the fire, was quite seriously injured by falling from a ladder, but aside from this accident no one was hurt.

The loss in buildings and contents is estimated at \$4500 to \$5000.

### M. STEVENSON FOR CONSTABLE

In this issue of the Advocate will be found the announcement of M. Stevenson, candidate for re-election to the office of constable. Mr. Stevenson is at present serving his first term as constable. He has endeavored to enforce the law in an impartial manner, performing his duty regardless of the consequences. He has served as a deputy sheriff for the past eight years and was appointed night watchman for Artesia three years ago, serving in this capacity since that date.

Mr. Stevenson has lived in Artesia for the past twenty years and is well known here. He will appreciate a consideration of his claims to the office.

### DINNER FOR NEWMAN SMITH

Newman Smith was the honor guest at dinner at the home of his sister, Mrs. Otis Brown last Sunday at noon. The "piece de resistance" was wild duck bagged by the honor guest himself. The others present were Gail Hamilton and family, Lloyd Atkeson, Mrs. Sallie Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. Brown. Newman departed that night for Washington, D. C. where he has an appointment to a position in the Geodetic Survey, which is under the bureau of commerce. Special three months training is given by the government for this special work before the appointees are assigned to active duty.

### BANK IS SUED ON LEGAL TECHNICALITY

Santa Fe, N. M.—The Federal Reserve bank of Dallas, Texas, has filed suit in the federal court against D. R. Harkey, Sophie Harkey, Federal Land bank of Wichita, Kan., and First National bank of Artesia, asking judgment for \$8,777.70, interest and attorney's fees, on promissory notes alleged to have been executed by Harkey and the foreclosure of a mortgage alleged to have been given to secure the notes. The Federal Land bank and First National of Artesia were defendants because the plaintiffs allege, on information and belief, they claim some interest in the premises covered by the mortgage. Harkey resides in Eddy county.

I. P. Stephens left Tuesday night for a month's visit to Missouri.

Some changes in the local depot force have taken place in the last few days. Mr. Claude Garrett has taken over the cashier job, and Mr. Everett G. Walton has been transferred from Hagerman to relieve Mr. George Welton, who is taking a sixty day leave of absence.

### BIRTH REPORT FOR DECEMBER

S. E. Ferree, subregister of births and deaths for the Cottonwood, Atoka and Artesia districts reports that the births for December exceeded the deaths by two. There were ten births and eight deaths for the month.

In summing up the yearly report, Register Ferree brings to light some interesting facts. The births for 1924 totaled ninety-six and the deaths thirty-six. The largest number of births were recorded for 1924 than any previous year. There were fifteen more births during 1924 than the preceding year 1923. Figuring from the above ratio it would take only a little over 100 years to have a 100 per cent increase in the native population, without counting the new comers.

**The Advertised Article**

is one in which the merchant himself has implicit faith—else he would not advertise it. You are safe in patronizing the merchants whose ads appear in this paper because their goods are up-to-date and never shopporn.

## LOCAL

Mrs. Andrew Hemphill, who had been visiting her mother, Mrs. M. E. Bullock and brother, E. B. Bullock and family, departed Monday for her home at Ft. Worth, Texas.

R. L. Collins, who has been employed as pharmacist at the Mann drug store, has accepted a similar position, at a substantial advance in salary, with the Corner Drug store in Carlsbad and, with his wife, moved to the county seat this week.

Aubrey Watson resigned his position as pharmacist at the Palace drug store and moves out this week to the Cottonwood, where he will be associated with his father-in-law, Oliver Pearson, in farming. Many good qualities have combined to make "Gob" successful in the drug store and we predict that they will bring his a large measure of success in his new line of work.

### LAKEMOOD ITEMS

Dwight Lee and wife, of Loving spent Christmas with home folks at Lakewood.

John Angell and family spent Christmas with Mrs. Angell's brother in Carlsbad.

Jas. Fanning and family ate Christmas dinner with John Fanning at the Lamb ranch.

Miss Julia Bolt spent a few days last week visiting with Miss Cora Rogers of Artesia.

Dyatt Wood and family went to Lea county to spend Christmas with Mrs. Wood's parents.

Miss Emogene Kaiser is spending her vacation with her brother, A. A. Kaiser, east of the river.

J. D. Millman and son, Emmett came in from their ranch east of the river to spend Christmas with home folks.

Miss Bernice Lee, accompanied her brother Dwight home Christmas and spent the week end at his home in Loving.

Lewis Howell and James Howell and families spent Christmas with the Howell brothers parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Howell near Roswell.

Miss Hollie Cass, who has been assisting Miss Ora Millman, in Mr. Cass' store during his absence returned to Artesia Sunday.

Ralph Shafer and family returned last week from Blackwell, Texas. They report the weather much colder there than in the Pecos Valley.

### J. M. JACKSON FOR CONSTABLE

In last week's issue J. M. Jackson announced for constable precinct No. 7, subject to the action of the vote of the people January 12th. Mr. Jackson, who has been a familiar figure in the Artesia community for a number of years needs no introduction to the voters of this precinct. Mr. Jackson has been a law abiding citizen since his residence here, a prime consideration for an aspirant to this office. He is qualified in every way to fill the office of constable, destined to play an important part in the local affairs since the coming of the oil field. If you don't know Mr. Jackson, just look for a large man with a grin from ear to ear. Very likely you can spot him easy enough and give him the "once over."

He will appreciate a consideration of his claims to the office.

### MISS GIVENS SURPRISED

Few things are so much appreciated by a teacher as expressions of esteem from pupils and past and present and when seven members of the graduating class of 1920 walked into her home and surprised Miss Givens last Tuesday night, words could hardly express her pleasure. The surprise was a complete one and the enjoyment of the evening was as perfect as the surprise as they sat around the fire and talked of their old school days. The class of '20 was the first one graduated after Miss Givens became superintendent and that fact may have especially endeared them to her. Miss Givens had been apprised of their coming and had some dainties to supplement the refreshments brought by the girls of the class. Of the fifteen members a number are away, and only the following seven could be present—Mrs. Bessie Van Winkle, Mrs. Alice Reeser, the Misses Velma Smith, Nila Wingfield and Ruth Morgan and Gayle Manda and Bill Horner.

FOR SALE—Cotton and alfalfa farms in small or large tracts with water. Terms reasonable with cheap interest rate. E. C. Higgins. 12-4-tf-31

See our samples of Engraving—Artesia Advocate.

## TIPTON GIN IN LOWER VALLEY IS DESTROYED BY FIRE LAST WEEK

The most disastrous fire of the year occurred December 23rd about seven o'clock, when the new four-stand gin of Henry Tipton & Son, located south of Carlsbad, was burned, with a loss of approximately \$24,000 with \$7,000 insurance.

Included in the loss is about forty tons of cotton seed, out of a pile of three hundred tons, the fire fighters succeeded in saving the greater amount of the huge pile.

The gin being located outside the fire limits and practically without protection, little help could be secured from Carlsbad, but hundreds of farmers and people from the city were quickly on the ground and directed their efforts to saving the seed, the gin house and contents being beyond saving a few minutes after the fire started.

The fire was the result of an explosion which occurred in the boiler room when the fireman, Sam Campbell, was generating the gas with which to start the fire under the boilers, the force of the explosion throwing oil all over the big gin room and quickly getting beyond control.

The gin used distillate for fuel under the boilers, and it was while generating this that the explosion took place.

Chemicals were sent from the Carlsbad fire department with which to subdue the fire in the seed pile, and the fighters were very successful.

### NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE UNDER FORECLOSURE DECREE

In the District Court, Eddy County, New Mexico.

D. D. AITKEN, Plaintiff,

vs. F. B. COLLINS INVESTMENT CO., OF OKLAHOMA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, THE RECEIVER OF THE F. B. COLLINS INVESTMENT CO., OF OKLAHOMA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, F. B. COLLINS AND NELLIE S. COLLINS, F. G. THOMPSON, L. C. THOMPSON, A. W. WILDE, LAWRENCE WILDE, ET AL'S, Defendants.

No. 3902. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the terms of the Final Decree of Foreclosure and Sale, entered by the District Court of Eddy County, New Mexico, in the above styled and numbered cause and against said defendants in said cause on the Civil Docket of said Court, the undersigned will offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash, at ten o'clock A. M. on Monday, February 16th, 1925 at the front door of the court house in Carlsbad, New Mexico, the following described property, situate, lying and being in Eddy County, New Mexico, to-wit:

The N 1/2 NE 1/4, Sec. 21, Township 17 South, Range 26 East, N. M. P. M., less 6.05 acres more or less, described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the South East corner of the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter thereof, thence North on section line 655 feet; thence in a south-west direction to a point 800 feet west of the said Southeast corner of the South line of the Northeast quarter of said above mentioned Section thence East 800 feet to the place of beginning, containing 74 acres more or less together with all and singular the lands, tenements, hereditaments appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, or the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof.

Notice is further given that the amounts awarded in said decree and to be realized at said sale are as follows: Principal note with interest notes and interest calculated to date of sale, \$4,799.63. Attorneys Fees, \$473.10. Special Master's fee \$25.00, accrued court costs \$18.50; amount expended by plaintiff for bringing abstract to date for purpose of suit, \$25.00. Total \$5,341.23, together with all costs of sale. The terms of the sale are that the purchaser must pay cash at the time the property is struck off to him.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 27th day of December, 1924.

1-1-1-22 BELLE McCORD, Special Master.

### PICNICKERS' REFRAIN

Here's to the chigger,  
The bug that's no bigger  
Than the point of a pin.  
But the point that he raises,  
Sure itches like blazes,  
And that's where the rub comes in.  
—Georgia Highways.

See the New Oldsmobile at Widney's.

### DAMAGED GOODS

Insurance Agent: "Come with me, you can get damages for this." "Good Negress (hit by truck): "Good Lawd, Man, ah don't need no no' damages. What ah needs is repairs."

### SAFETY SLOGAN

Some one suggested this sign as a sign to be erected at railroad crossings: "Better Stop a Minute Than Forever."—Hoosier Motorist.

See the New Oldsmobile at Widney's.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

The following candidates announced their candidacy for subject to the action of the elect held January 12th, 1925:

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of constable, No. 7, subject to the election held January 12th, 1925. My name and influence will be greatly appreciated.

M. STEVENSON



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## Happy New Year

NEW YEAR'S DAY—the day of new beginnings. fresh start. A clean page. A day of standing still to backward over the bumpy road—forward into the banked —a day to gather courage for the plunge onward.

Ours will be a better city in the degree of our ability to retain the clearness of vision and strength of purpose in this brief space of looking about, taking inventory, planning action. The Majestic will be a better Theatre in the degree of our ability to satisfy the needs of our community, reverse this day as no other day in the year.

Our "HAPPY NEW YEAR" to you is more than a wish. It is a prophecy made with confidence bred of 1,924 New Year Days that have gone before.

### RESOLUTIONS:

First—Let's all resolve to live our part of the community life a little better than we lived it last year. We owe that to the community.

Second—Let's all try to conduct our part of the community's business just a little better than we conducted it last year. Isn't that the shortest cut to better business?

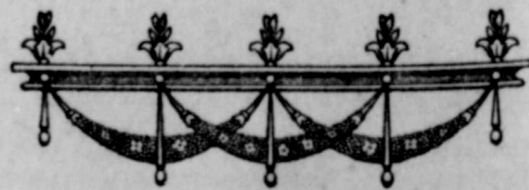
Third—Let's all try to treat each other with just a little more consideration, a little more kindness, a little more humaneness.

Let's not make any more resolutions. If we stick to the three, which are all so easy to stick to, we needn't bother with the usual other ones supposed to make us better individuals. We just can't keep ourselves from becoming better.

## Majestic Theatre

C. W. BARTLETT RAY BARTLETT  
Artesia, N. M.

## A Happy New Year to all our friends and customers



## Mize Variety Store

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