

CUARTO CENTENNIAL OF CORONADO'S ENTRADA 1540-NEW MEXICO-1940

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WELCOME BOY SCOUTS OF AREA NINE TO 1940 "CAMP-O-RAL"

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Second Coronado Entrada To Be Enacted Here Friday

Pearl Smith Is Bound Over in Fatal Shooting Here Friday of Irene Price, Another Negress

Enters Not Guilty Plea Before Judge Ballard Monday to Murder with Penknife—Bond Is Set at \$1,000.

YOUNG ARRAIGNED

Colored Man Pleads Guilty to Shooting Son Same Day—To Higher Court.

Pearl Smith, 30-year-old Negress, was bound over Monday by Judge W. H. Ballard in justice court here to the action of the District Court, charged with murder in the fatal stabbing Friday morning of Irene Price, 35, also colored, and John Young, 47-year-old Negro, was bound over for assault with a deadly weapon in the shooting the same day of his son, Homer Young, 32, with a shotgun.

Judge Ballard set bond in the Smith woman's case at \$1,000 and in Young's case at \$500.

The stabbing was in the north part of Artesia about 7 o'clock Friday morning after the two women had fought with rocks on the ground, according to testimony at a coroner's inquest Friday and in preliminary hearing Monday.

Eleanor Cruz, colored, in front of whose home the fight and fatal stabbing took place.

The story, as related by Mrs. Cruz was that Mrs. Price drove up in front of the Cruz home, which is between the Smith home and a small store operated by Ernest Montoya, a Spanish-American, while Mrs. Cruz was watering her yard.

Irene Price asked her, Mrs. Cruz said, if she had heard Pearl Smith "talking about" Pearl and Irene's husband. Mrs. Cruz testified that she told Mrs. Price she does not interfere in family affairs.

Pearl came along, as though on the way to the store, Mrs. Cruz said, and told Irene, "I want you to lay off me—all that stuff about me and your husband."

Then, Mrs. Cruz testified, Irene jumped out of the car and the two women began fighting. Mrs. Cruz said she did not see a knife, but that she called for help and entered her own home.

A penknife, which was entered in evidence as the weapon used, was found later by Fred Hill, deputy sheriff, he testified. The knife was in a box in the house, he said she told the deputy after she was.

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MRS. BUCK IS THANKFUL TOO

Mrs. Charlie Buck is mighty appreciative too for having earned third prize in The Advocate's subscription campaign, although last week's issue failed to say it. However, it was supposed to have done so, the card of appreciation was written as per her order and then—well, it happened!

Mrs. Dan Watson, winner of first prize, had her own card of appreciation, which was put into type. That of Mrs. Buck was set in type too. But there was a misplaced period in the name of Mrs. Watson, so the proof was duly marked and the line was reset.

In making corrections in the galley, the correct slug at the bottom of Mrs. Buck's card was lifted out and the corrected slug for Mrs. Watson's card was inserted, thus giving credit for both first and third prizes to Mrs. Watson, even though the period in one was misplaced.

But Mrs. Buck was thankful to her many friends who supported her and helped her take third place, and The Advocate is happy to take this means to pass on to those friends of Mrs. Buck her sincere thanks.

Creath, One of First Mayors of Artesia, Is Dead

J. R. Creath of Big Spring, Tex., one of the first mayors of Artesia, died late Tuesday of last week of heart disease at the age of 64 years. He was stricken during the afternoon and was being rushed by ambulance to a Colorado City hospital when death came.

Funeral services were at the First Christian Church in Big Spring last Thursday afternoon and burial was in a cemetery there.

Surviving him are his widow; three daughters, Mrs. Bill Early and Miss Mildred Creath of Big Spring and Mrs. Allen Holley of Broken Arrow, Okla.; two sisters, Mrs. L. R. Mayfield of Temple and Mrs. C. A. Goodman of McAllen, and three grandchildren.

Mr. Creath was born May 15, 1875. He married Miss Mayme Berry Oct. 12, 1904, and to them were born the daughters mentioned as surviving.

He was elected mayor of Artesia in 1907 by a unanimous vote. During his administration Artesia became the first New Mexico town to adopt and enforce a prohibition statute.

Mr. Creath lived in Albuquerque after leaving Artesia and moved from there to Big Spring twenty-six years ago.

SMALL SON OF MR. AND MRS. JOEL LEWIS DIES

Donald Joel Lewis, 3-week-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joel Lewis of Artesia, died suddenly at 6 o'clock Sunday evening.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Assembly of God Church. Burial was in Woodbine Cemetery.

Bishop Schuler to Confirm 250 Here At St. Anthony's

Head of El Paso See Will Visit Artesia Church Monday

The Right Reverend Anthony J. Schuler, S. J., D. D., Bishop of El Paso, will confer confirmation on about 250 persons of the Artesia parish at St. Anthony Catholic Church at 7 o'clock Monday evening, the Rev. Fr. Brendan Weishaar, pastor, announced.

The group to be confirmed will be made up of both Anglos and Spanish-Americans.

Bishop Schuler will hold confirmation at Loving and Malaga next Tuesday, at Hobbs on Wednesday and at Carlsbad Thursday.

Father Weishaar said Bishop Schuler will observe his silver jubilee next September as bishop of the El Paso diocese, which includes South New Mexico and West Texas. He was made bishop of El Paso in September, 1915.

The local pastor said another year the crowded condition of the church expected Monday probably will have been relieved through the building in the near future of a new church at La Loma for the accommodation of Spanish-Americans of the parish. St. Anthony Church then will be used exclusively for Anglo worshippers.

Plans for the new church have been completed and possible sites are being considered at present, the Rev. Fr. Weishaar said.

Fred Brainard Is Head of Softball League for 1940

Officers for the 1940 season of the Artesia Softball League were elected at a meeting at the city hall Tuesday evening, with Fred Brainard, a former big league baseball player, named president.

No definite plans for the season were made at that meeting, other than to call a general meeting of all softball players and those hoping to have teams in the league this season, to be held Friday evening of next week, May 3, at the city hall.

Elected to serve with Brainard were H. G. Watson as vice president and Tom Ragsdale as secretary-treasurer.

No one committed himself at the meeting as to any possible teams in the league, but it is understood several are being considered.

It is hoped that scheduled play will begin by the middle of May.

Oil Operators Win Fight for 100 Per Cent

Corporation Commission Makes Amended Gauge Rule Friday—Goes Into Effect in New Mexico Monday.

Oil producers in New Mexico won their fight Friday for a 100 per cent tank table, whereby pipeline companies must pay for 100 per cent measurement on oil stored for transportation. The amended gauging rule went into effect Monday.

The announcement came from Robert Valdez, state corporation commission chairman, which body recently held a hearing at Santa Fe, at which independent oil operators of the state protested the long-standing rule for a 98 per cent measurement formula on the grounds it was discriminatory and caused the loss of thousands of dollars in annual revenue for them.

Many of the independent operators from Artesia and Southeast New Mexico attended the hearing in protest of the old ruling, which, it was testified, cut into the state's annual income by more than \$500,000.

There were no immediate indications (Continued on last page, col. 5)

Scouts to "Camp-o-Ral"

Boy Scout leaders are busy in Artesia making last-minute preparations for the arrival of hundreds of Boy and Sea Scouts of the Eastern New Mexico area council for the annual "Camp-o-Ral," which will be at Morris Park here Friday through Sunday morning.

The vanguard of the Scouts should arrive early tomorrow morning and by noon Morris Field will be swarming with what is expected to be the largest number of boys and leaders ever to attend such an affair in New Mexico.

Up to today more than 600 boys have been definitely enrolled for the three-day affair and C. K. Eisler and Sam Henry, field executives, said it is expected the actual registration will surpass the 836 boys and leaders in attendance at Roswell last year.

The boys have a busy three days ahead of them, from the time they arrive and set up camp Friday morning until camp is broken up by 11 o'clock Sunday morning.

On tomorrow's program will be something new for the Scouts, participation in an enormous pageant in the evening, the last part of Artesia's observation of the Coronado Cuarto Centennial, into which Mrs. C. E. Robinson, director, has written a part for them.

Very Busiest In Artesia

Busiest woman in Artesia these days is Mrs. C. E. Robinson, who has two man-killing jobs, both thankless, with one of which—the Coronado Cuarto Centennial folk festival and pageant—she is quite busy this week. The other—a meeting here Saturday of next week of the State Music and Speech



MRS. C. E. ROBINSON

Teachers' Association, of which she is president—would be enough for most people without taking on the responsibility of the other.

But somehow Mrs. Robinson manages to keep smiling, as witness the picture above, while she deftly keeps all things moving and 'tends to a thousand and one other things.

Observation of the Coronado Cuarto Centennial in Artesia probably would have died aborning had not Mrs. Robinson decided it was the thing to do and kept at it, with the result that the three-day celebration is taking place. She planned it that way!

She has spent the greater part of her time on the pageant to be presented Friday evening, but she has taken an active interest in many of the other features of the celebration and has worked hard with committees and various groups. The pageant in itself could have been a full-time job for a person with nothing else to do.

And, incidentally, she wrote the pageant; studied up on Coronado and New Mexico history, planned the several scenes, called upon her imagination, wrote it and is producing it. She'll even be out there on the field tomorrow evening in 3 or 4 costumes, so she can direct on the "firing line."

Not content with that, she took time out Sunday afternoon to help present a half hour dramatization of the same pageant story over radio station KLAH at Carlsbad with an Artesia Anglo and Spanish-American cast.

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Big Pageant at Morris Field to Be Preceded By Colorful Street Parade in the Afternoon

Annual "Clean-up Days" in Artesia To Be Next Week

Annual "Clean-up Days" in Artesia will be Friday and Saturday, May 3 and 4, it has been announced by P. V. Morris, city manager.

He asks that all junk, rubbish and the like, which should be disposed of, be gathered at the edges of the alleys next week so the trucks which the city will have on the job may haul it off.

Although the public will be reminded of it again next Thursday in The Advocate—just in case—it is suggested that plans be made now to start gathering up junk and rubbish, rake out the dirty yard corners and tear down those useless and unsightly outbuildings wherever possible, and be ready for the carry-off men Friday morning.

Is Quiet Week In Eddy Fields; No Completions

Only Two New Locations Are Made in County—Two Wildcats in Lea Are of Interest to Oil Men of Area.

Although many wells are progressing nicely in the oil fields of Eddy County, not a completion was reported the last week. However, a number are nearing the completion stage and a number of new producers are expected in the near future.

Only two new locations were made in Eddy County during the week. They were: Grober, Mann et al, Riggs 1, NE NE 7-20-30; Continental & Yates, Brainard 5, NE SW 11-18-29.

Among new locations in Lea County were two wildcats of special interest to oil men all through this locality. They were: Ted Weiner, Saunders, NE NE 20-21-38, nine miles northeast of Eunice and a mile west of the Texas state line; Texas, Elliott 1, SE SW 11-20-34, five miles north of Lea City.

Progress among wildcats and other wells of general interest in Eddy County and the adjacent Maljamar area in Lea County: Aston & Fair, Hudson 3, SW NW 17-17-31.

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Glenn H. Eaton Dies at His Home Here Last Week

Glenn H. Eaton, prominent oil field man, died at his home here at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening of last week of cancer, six days before his sixtieth birthday. He had been ill a number of months and went last August to Hestand Clinic, Houston, Tex., for treatments, but returned home last month.

Funeral services were from McClay Chapel at 2 o'clock last Thursday afternoon by the Rev. Lee P. Phillips, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene. Mrs. Amy Shildneck sang two solos. Burial was in Woodbine Cemetery.

Pallbearers were John Simons, Walter Nugent, Dan Watson, Knox Lapsley, Athol Martin and Clarence Conner.

There survive Mr. Eaton his widow, a sister and brother, Mrs. Luella De Ford and Wesley Eaton of Neodesha, Kan., and two stepchildren, Miss Rocelle Coy, Roswell, and Mrs. William Jacobson, Las Cruces, the children of a former wife.

Glenn H. Eaton was born April 23, 1880, at Neodesha, Kan., a son of Berry and Martha Eaton. He came to Artesia a number of years ago and worked in the oil fields for the Continental Supply Company. He then lived in Oregon a few years and returned to Artesia about five years ago, when he was employed by Berry & Dexter Drilling Company, for whom he worked until his health failed.

He married Miss Helen Yeager June 5, 1937, in Carlsbad. They had no children.

Mr. Eaton was a member of the Christian Church.

Program for Fire Fighters' Confab, Hobbs, Announced

Chief Richards, State Head, Will Preside There May 13-15

Albert Richards, Artesia fire chief and president of the New Mexico State Firemen's Association, has announced the program for the eighteenth annual convention of the organization at Hobbs May 13-15, at which he will preside.

An interesting program has been arranged for the fire fighters during the three-day convention, as well as entertainment.

In the opening session Monday morning, May 13, Lieut. Gov. James M. Murray, Sr., of Hobbs will give the address of welcome.

Among interesting talks and demonstrations scheduled during the three days are: "Liquefied Petroleum Gases," G. L. Stanfield, Hobbs, and O. L. Garreston, traveling representative, Phillips Petroleum Company; "Correct Installation of Liquefied Petroleum Systems," tank company representative; "What Is Fire and What Causes Explosions? Means of Extinguishment and Prevention," G. Y. Kintz, assistant district engineer, U. S. Bureau of Mines, Dallas, Tex.

"Training Evolutions at the Drill Tower," Chief W. A. Westerfield, Albuquerque, and Chief C. A. Ehrich, fire department instructor, Las Vegas; "Salvage Covers," Chief Harry K. Rogers, Western Actuarial Bureau, Chicago, and Chief Ehrich, Las Vegas; "Electrical Installations and Inspections," James A. Conway, New Mexico state electrical engineer, Albuquerque.

"True and False Questions," Chief Rogers, Chicago; "Fire Prevention Inspections," L. Barley, chief engineer, Mountain States Inspection Bureau, Denver, Colo.; "Firemen's Training Program," Chief Ehrich, Las Vegas; address, Richard E. Verner, manager fire prevention department, Western Actuarial Bureau, Chicago; "Shall the Firemen's Training Program Be Continued?" Brice H. Sewell, state supervisor, trade and industrial education, Santa Fe.

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Brilliance Added to Events Tomorrow by Acceptance of Sheriff's Posse to Take Part in Cuarto Centennial.

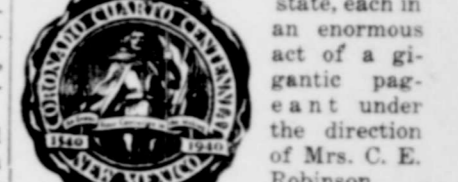
IS OFF TO GOOD START

First Part Goes Well Last Evening—Music and Song Tonight.

The "second entrada" of the coming of Francisco Coronado to what now is New Mexico will be enacted at Morris Field Friday evening.

The first entrada was 400 years ago this year.

But with the re-enactment also will be depicted other steps in the history of the state, each in an enormous act of a gigantic pageant under the direction of Mrs. C. E. Robinson.



More color has been put into Artesia's observation of the Coronado Cuarto Centennial, which began last evening and will be concluded Friday evening with the pageant, by the acceptance of the Eddy County Sheriff's Mounted Posse to take part in the pageant parade on the streets of Artesia Friday afternoon, after Sheriff Howell Gage was invited to bring the group in full regalia.

The three-day affair opened successfully Wednesday evening with a dance, folk song and game festival in the auditorium of Artesia Junior-Senior High School, a program which was enthusiastically received.

An evening of music and song in the auditorium will comprise today's part in the celebration. And the parade and pageant tomorrow in which nearly 2,000 persons will take part, will be a gala finale to the celebration of the 400th anniversary of the entrada of Coronado and the conquistadores in 1540.

Many Weeks of Work

The pageant will be the result of weeks of work by Mrs. Robinson, who, with the help of individuals and committees, has delved into the history and folklore of New Mexico of the last 400 years, boiled it down into four big scenes and written a manuscript complete from the days of Coronado to the present.

The parade will give the people (Continued on last page, col. 4)

CALL 192 FOR CENSUS TAKER

The last chance is just about here to be enumerated under the 1940 general census, as census takers are nearly done in Artesia. Citizens were urged last week to see that they are contacted by a census enumerator, in order that a nearly a perfect count of Artesia can be made, but still many people have not been contacted, nor have they taken the trouble to report that they have not been recorded.

So—and this is urgent—call the Chamber of Commerce office at once, phone 192, if your census has not been taken and report it, giving your name and street address.

The Chamber of Commerce will see to it that a census enumerator will call. No one should hold back. All information gained by the enumerator is absolutely confidential and cannot be used by any department or bureau of the United States other than the Census Bureau, and your identity is lost when the census blanks are mailed in.

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TELEPHONE 7

WHAT WILL WE DO ABOUT IT?

Even though the recent one offered us good money and we took it and will do so again should more come to town...

We will admit there are carnivals and carnivals; that some do less harm than others; that we all enjoy watching people on the rides...

We have never been one to seriously consider the morals—or lack of morals—of a carnival. Nor have we ever condemned an administration for allowing a carnival to come to town...

But the time has come! We go on record against at least one immoral show in that carnival. We did not see it, but we have the word of reputable persons of the nature of it...

However, we never before heard of a carnival, no matter of what class, allowing boys of 16 or 15 years or even younger to attend the "girl shows."

The worst part of it is that those who are against such things do not learn of them, for they do not attend such shows. But if they did, and realized the true nature of such an exhibition...

We did not learn of the "show" until this week. We doubt if any official or officer saw it or realizes what went on. But we will bet that the word got around among the young boys.

So now we are passing the word along to the older boys! From a moral standpoint—not from the standpoint of the money taken out of the community from those who least can afford to lose it—what are we going to do about it?

SPORTSMEN, IT'S UP TO US TO COOPERATE

Elsewhere in this issue is a letter from State Game Warden Barker, who sets forth in concise manner the chief trouble with our fishing in Southeast New Mexico—the American merganser duck.

Barker himself is a sportsman and likes to see other fellows get their money's worth when they pay for fishing and hunting licenses. But he realizes, that although the department is planting ample fish for the needs in this area, the merganser is robbing us.

And he even tells how to help ourselves. He suggests that sportsmen and sportsmen's organizations cooperate fully with the State Game Department "in emphasizing to the chief of the Biological Survey, Ira N. Gabrielson, the need for this work."

Barker does not put it quite this strong, but we do: Let's show Gabrielson under with letters and telegrams. Do it now; you might forget it manana!

AND EVEN WE WERE SURPRISED

Our office eye-fall was somewhat shocked last week over the death of a man of whom she never had heard before.

At that we could hardly blame here for he was Wyxwezizard S. J. Challoughlicizileize, F. R. S. S., F. R. G. S., F. R. C. S. P., PH. D., S. T. D., L. L. T. D., Prince of the Roly House of Ethiopia, Archbishop of the Second Ecclesiastical Diocese of the Ethiopian Reformed Coptic Church of Christ, Ethiopia, East Africa.

ONE OF OUR PET PEEVES

It always burns us up for someone to have a member of the force called to the telephone, other than he who answers it, only to dictate a short classified ad, or to give the facts on a three-line local.

After all, everyone in a newspaper office is supposed to be qualified to handle a simple matter like that. The majority of the times when someone is asked for definitely there is good reason to talk to that person, but you would be surprised the number of times the person calling must speak to a certain individual about an insignificant thing, sometimes using up the time of two or more persons instead of a few seconds of only one.

HE'S QUICK, THAT FELLOW!

When a real "New Mexico rain storm" came up the other night when we were working late and the wind it did blow, we remarked to our machine operator, another former Mid-Westerner, that if we were "back home" we'd be aheadin' fer a cave.

ANOTHER ACCEPTABLE "ISM"

At last we have found another "ism" besides "Americanism" to which we can subscribe: "Tourism."

"The country is bigger than the Democratic party," says a prominent Republican. Yes, but not much bigger.—St. Louis Star-Times.

The year opens with a couple of neglected opportunities in the publishing field. There is no digest of the digest magazines, or column that interprets the interpretative columns—Detroit News.

CHURCHES

ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH 504 North Ninth Street

Priest in charge, Rev. Fr. Brendan Weishaar. Masses: Sundays, 8 a. m. and 9:30 a. m. Study Club every Wednesday evening, 7:30 p. m. Rev. Brendan Weishaar, O.M.C.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Fourth at Grand

Church school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor, 6 p. m. To our visiting friends we extend a most cordial welcome. We are always delighted to have you worship with us.

At our vesper service we emphasize quiet organ music, choral and congregational singing and a brief vesper talk by the pastor. Henry S. Stout, Minister

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Corner Fourth and Chisholm

Sunday Services Sunday school, 10 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Children's church, 7:30 p. m. Mid-week services, Wednesday, 8 p. m. Young people's services, Friday, 8 p. m. Rev. Orel Boteler, Pastor

SAINT PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday services at Saint Paul's are held as follows: Church school every Sunday at 9 a. m. Evensong and sermon, except first Sunday of month, 7:30 p. m. The Holy Communion first Sundays, 8 a. m. Visitors are always welcome at Saint Paul's. The Rev. F. B. Howden, Rector

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:45 o'clock each Sunday morning; classes for every age group. Morning worship at 11 o'clock; special music by the choir. Young people's meeting at 6:30 o'clock Sunday evening. Evening worship, 7 o'clock each Sunday. Visitors and friends of the church are always welcome. New-comers are invited to visit our services and to make our church their church home while in the city. John S. Rice, Pastor

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE "The Church With a Burning Message" Fifth and Quay Streets

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Young people, 6:30 p. m. Evening preaching, 7:30 p. m. Wednesday prayer meeting, 7 p. m. Go to church Sunday. We welcome you. Lee P. Phillips, Pastor

CHURCH OF CHRIST Seventh and Grand

Our spring meeting begins April 21. Cled E. Wallace, widely known evangelist, who has held our meetings for the last two years, will do the preaching again this year. Plan now to attend the meeting. We extend a cordial invitation to all. Services will be at 8 p. m. during the meeting. Time for day services will be announced later.

Regular Services Ladies' Bible study, Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. Mid-week meeting, Wednesday, 8 p. m. Bible school every Sunday, 10 a. m. Preaching every Sunday, 11 a. m. Preaching every Sunday, 8 p. m. Training classes, Sunday, 7:30 p. m. Allen E. Johnson, Minister.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Corner Grand and Roselawn Cooperating in Artesia's "Go-To-Church Program"—"Every Christian in Church"

9:30 a. m.—Sunday school; study, "Micah's Vision of Peace," Micah 4:1-5, 5:2-5a. A text for the world today: "And they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: Nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." Micah 4:3. Will you join us in prayer that this day may speedily come to this world?

10:45 a. m.—Morning worship. One of the outstanding speakers from the Sunday school convention will speak Sunday morning. 7:00 p. m.—Baptist Training Union. 8:00 p. m.—Evening worship; "Three Steps Into Eternity." The Ordinance of Beautiful Christian Baptism will be observed at Wednesday evening service, 7:30 p. m. We wish to extend to all our

Gas Company Beats Advocate in Announcement for Cooking School

C. T. Gaskin, Artesia manager for the New Mexico Eastern Gas Company, said this morning his company will give as a prize a Roper range at a big, free cooking school Thursday through Saturday, May 16-18, sponsored by The Advocate, formal announcement of which was planned for next week.

The cooking school, with Gertrude Burbank, noted cooking authority, as demonstrator, will be at the Octillo Theater each of the three mornings. A number of local business houses will tie in with the school.

The Advocate for many years has sponsored cooking schools, the last one two years ago, when hundreds of women picked up many pointers on how to make cooking easier, as well as more palatable, and how to lessen their household, giving them more leisure time.

Contract for Miss Burbank was



made by The Advocate with Southern Newspaper Features of Dallas. She is a well-known Southern home economist and food authority.

The name for the school will be The Advocate's Happy Kitchen Cooking School, which will include many new cookery secrets, budgeting, short cuts to economy, marketing, proper kitchen equipment, how to plan meals, new recipes and household hints, new and attractive ways to serve foods and in addition, many other phases of home-making will be discussed.

Miss Burbank is a native of Texas. She has spent years in preparation and study of foods and home problems. She will give actual demonstrations at each session of the cooking school and will be glad to answer any question, the "Question Box" being one of the features of the school. The demonstrator is one of the outstanding cooking school lecturers in her profession on the platform today. She has presented her lectures to thousands of housewives and is looking forward with pleasure to her visit to Artesia when she arrives for the Happy Kitchen Cooking School.

friends an invitation to enjoy the Sunday school convention at our church April 19.

S. M. Morgan, Pastor. CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES 613 W. Main

Sunday Service, 11 a. m. Wednesday Service, 7:30 p. m. Sunday School, 10:15 a. m. "Probation After Death" is the subject of the lesson-sermon which will be read in all Societies and Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, April 28.

The Golden Text is: "The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me: Thy mercy, O Lord, endureth forever: forsake not the works of Thine own hands." (Ps. 138:8) Among the citations which comprise the lesson-sermon is the following from the Bible: "Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth." (Col. 3:2)

The lesson-sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook: "When we wait patiently on God and seek Truth righteously, He directs our path."

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH Sixth and Quay "A Lively Church in the Heart of the City"

Bible school with a teacher and class for every member of the family, 9:45 a. m. Worship at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Hear the gospel for this modern day. Visitors and newcomers are always cordially welcome in all of the services. Remember, "A stranger only once." J. Vernon Wheeler, Minister.

LEST WE FORGET LEST WE FORGET LEST WE FORGET

Have you ever put this question to yourself, "Why do I try?" You will be helped if you do so; more- over you will find out a number of things about yourself that you may never have thought about before. You know a mule pulls the plow because he is hitched to it by a man, or someone drives him to pull. You know people who are like this mule; they work because they are made to work. It is not always one person that drives another to do something; sometimes conditions or circumstances drive people to do something. There are other people like you, who try for a reason quite different from those mentioned. Their drive is on the inside, where no one can see it. They alone know that it is there; they themselves cannot see it with the eyes that they use for looking at flowers and reading books. Some call it invisible sight; church people call it faith; but it makes no difference by what name it is called, it is always the same and it causes people to try.

Gonzalez Makes Appeal to People For Aid in Letter

The Rev. Constantino Gonzalez, pastor of the Spanish Methodist Church in Artesia, who has done so much to build up missionary work in the Pecos Valley the last two years, during which time he has built a church each in Carlsbad and Artesia from practically nothing, has bought a new automobile, in order to continue his good work—as he says, "one of his tools"—and has written the following letter, which is self explanatory: "Dear Citizens of Artesia: "The purpose of this letter is to let you know that I did have to change the old car for a new one in order to help me to keep up with the church missionary work here in Artesia.

"I bought the other car new in 1936. Friends and Christians in Texas helped me to pay for it in order to help me with the church missionary work. I know that I have Christian people here in Artesia backing me with the missionary work, as good as there are in Texas, and know that they will help me to pay for this car and keep me using it in the work of the Lord.

"Now my friends, you know that in order to do the church work I have to have a car that will move me around. A preacher needs tools in order to do church work and a minister does not have the car for pleasure but to assist him with the work of the Lord in many ways. "The old used car, that I swapped for this one that I have, was used in the work in Texas, Arizona and here in New Mexico. Because of the car I was able to start the missionary work here and build the church. It was getting out of commission from so much use and repairs on it amounting to \$100 were necessary, so I turned it over and got me this other one that I am sure I will be able to get clear and use in many ways serving the Lord.

"With confidence in you that will help me to pay for it, I am using it in the service of our Master. My income does not permit me to keep up with the payments and if I do not get your support I just will lose it. I owe \$600 on this car. Come and give me a hand and be a partner in this missionary work in your own town. "Yours in the work, Constantino Gonzalez."

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Duke, Mrs. Mary LaBodie and Mrs. Dan Await drove to Pecos Sunday to meet Mrs. Duke's mother, Mrs. H. M. Crow, of Dallas, Tex. Mrs. Crow will visit in the Duke home and with her son, Ivan Crow, for an indefinite time.

The Boy Scouts of America was incorporated under District of Columbia laws on Feb. 8, 1910, and received a federal charter on June 15, 1916.

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WARRANTY DEED—

Walter Craft et ux to Amy Shelton et al, W 1/4 SE 1/4 SE 1/4, E 1/4 SW 1/4 SE 1/4; NE 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec. 12-24-28. R. N. Teel et ux to Andy Teel, NE 1/4 NW 1/4, E 1/2 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 24-18-21.

Thomas E. Hinshaw et ux to R. G. Knoedler, lots 24 and 25, blk. 1, Hinshaw Subdivision Artesia, \$10, etc.

W. H. Merchant et al to Herman Hemler, part NE 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 19-22-27.

J. B. Atkeson et ux to W. W. Byers et al, SW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 13-18-26, \$400.

F. V. Gas Co. to Roy Austin, lot 6, blk. 8, Lowe Addn. Carlsbad. E. B. Bullock et ux to Malco Refineries, part blk. 16, Fairview Artesia.

Callie Donia King to R. H. King, S 1/2 Sec. 23-23-26, \$10, etc. Callie Donia King to Belle McCord, N 1/2 Sec. 23-23-26, \$1, etc. Herman R. Crile, Sr., et ux to Reece Allday, lot 12, blk. 9, C & S Addn. Artesia.

Geo. S. Westfall et ux to Elizabeth H. Blohm, lot 1, blk. 181, Westfall Subdivision.

Floyd T. Gilbert et ux to M. E. Evans, E 1/2 lot 6, blk. A, Moore Subdiv. Carlsbad.

Chas. Rogers et ux to R. M. McDonald, W 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 34-17-26, \$10, etc.

Joe A. Combs et ux to Herman R. Crile, Sr., lots 6, 8, 10 and 12, blk. 9, Clayton & Stegman Addn. Artesia.

B. E. Spencer et ux to Olen F. Featherstone, lot 2, blk. 3, Spencer Addn. Artesia. Alex McGonagill et ux to Ralph Pitt, lot 1, blk. 17, Orig. town Artesia, \$10, etc.

C. E. Hughes et ux to L. A. Knott, S 1/2 SW 1/4 NE 1/4 SW 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 1-22-26, \$10, etc.

Harold W. Brubaker et ux to T. O. Sesson, lots 62, 64 and 66, blk. C, Sunset Hts. Artesia.

H. C. Wade et ux to T. C. Onstott, part lot 14, blk. B, Swigart Subd. Carlsbad.

TAX DEED— State Tax Commission to Mrs. Lillian B. McNeil, lots 5 and 14, blk. 12, Blair Addn. Artesia, \$348.81.

State Tax Commission to Artie McNally, lot 12, blk. 5, Original Artesia, \$150.

State Tax Commission to Dale Thomas, lots 13 and 15, blk. 13; lots 1, 3, 5, 7, blk. 14, Floral Hts. Addn. Artesia, \$270.

State Tax Commission to C. W. Beeman, tracts No. 1035, 1097 Sec.

CENSUS TAKER STUMPED, RED CROSS STEPS IN

When the 1940 census is completed, it will be through the efforts of the American Red Cross—at least in one case.

An enumerator working in Boston found his records threatened when he called upon a blind and deaf man. When it was determined the man could read braille, Miss Edith De Dominicis, a Red Cross worker who studied at Perkins Institute for the Blind, volunteered. She transcribed into braille the 33 essential questions—and the rest was easy.

4; No. 1310 Sec. 11; N 1/2 SW 1/4 SE 1/4 NW 1/4, N 1/2 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 10-24-28; N 1/2 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 10-24-28.

QUIT CLAIM DEED— John Guitart, Jr., et al to J. W. Lewis, Sr., S 1/2 S 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 1-23-28.

James H. Becham, Jr., et ux to Marvin H. Sanders, lots 14 and 16, bl. 12, Forest Hill Addn. Artesia, \$100, etc.

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Game Warden Barker Tells Sportsmen Steps Are Being Taken to Improve Fishing Conditions

Elliott S. Barker, state game warden, has returned courtesy for courtesy in a letter to the editor of *The Advocate* in reply to an editorial which appeared in this newspaper in the issue of April 4, in which the poor fishing conditions in Southeast New Mexico waters were pointed out to the State Game Department.

In his reply to the editorial, Game Warden Barker has pointed out for the benefit of fishermen and other sportsmen the causes for poor fishing in this area, and outlines remedies thereof which the department has planned.

Barker's letter:

"A copy of your paper of April 4 containing an editorial entitled 'Memo to Game Warden Barker' has been received.

"I appreciate the courteous manner in which you bring to our attention reported poor fishing conditions in the Pecos Valley. Again I want to assure you that the Game Department is doing everything that it can to improve fishing conditions there. There has been, since about the middle of March, some very good bass fishing in the Pecos River between Six Mile Dam below Carlsbad and the state line. We are hopeful that fishing conditions will improve some in other parts of the valley this season. The poor fishing reported cannot be due to lack of plantings, although we will endeavor to have more fish planted from the Dexter hatchery this year than before.

"We are confident that the two major factors affecting fishing conditions in the Pecos Valley are the rough fish situation, particularly carp and gar, and the depletions that occur each winter by the American merganser (fish duck).

"As to the rough fish control work, you will be glad to learn that the Game Department is working out plans whereby carp may be taken from those waters and utilized to advantage for trout food at our hatcheries. In fact, we have been carrying on some effective experiments during the past winter and have used many tons of carp in this way.

"This simply means that when our refrigeration facilities are completed and we are in a position to take care of carp the year around for trout food at the hatcheries that we will probably be able to use anywhere from 75 to 100 tons of carp each year and pay for their taking out of the fish food allotment, which we have been using in the past for the purchase of other food products. In short, we hope to make the rough fish work self supporting in this manner and it is contemplated that we will be able to do a great deal more rough fish work than has been possible in the past.

"However, we feel very strongly that the American merganser is doing more damage to our game fish and influencing fishing conditions more than any other single factor. As you know, the American merganser is not protected by state law but it is protected by the federal law and regulations administered by the U. S. Biological Survey.

"Recent studies at Alamogordo Lake made by the Biological Survey, where nine mergansers were taken and the stomach contents sent to the Denver Food Habits Laboratory for analysis, showed that 100 per cent of the mergansers' food was game fish and seven mergansers' stomachs contained a total of 43 game fish, including bass, catfish, crappie and green sunfish, while two of the mergansers' stomachs were empty.

"In spite of the several studies that have been made of the mer-

ganser food habits, all of which show 50 per cent or more of their food to consist of game fish, our department has been unsuccessful to date to get any effective permits for the killing of mergansers to relieve the tremendous damage that they are doing. We are renewing our efforts to get permits that will authorize the cooperation of sportsmen in killing off the surplus mergansers this coming winter and hope that we will be able to get the job done.

"I fear, however, that we will not be able to get the desired permits unless a great many individual sportsmen and sportsmen's organizations cooperate fully with us in emphasizing to the chief of the Biological Survey, Ira N. Gabrielson, the need for this work.

"Again thanking you for your interest and courtesy in this matter, I am

Yours very truly,
Elliott S. Barker,
State Game Warden"

WHAT'S WHAT —in— NEW MEXICO

News Briefs of the "Sunshine State," Gleaned from Many Sources

A coyote that unexpectedly jumped up between the lines of hunters at a Portales Springs rabbit drive gave several hunters some extra sport. The coyote ran down the line, while a half dozen of the hunters emptied their guns, loaded with light shot. One of the hunters who was not shooting at the animal stated that there was no question as to when the shots hit, as the wolf would ring his tail. Hunters credited with making the kill were John Dickson, Jerry and Jim Stokes and A. G. Ross.

The University of Missouri's annual "Journalism Week" banquet will be sponsored this year by the New Mexico State Tourist Bureau, Director Joseph A. Bursey announced. The director said the invitation from the university's journalism school came as a result of the bureau's recent advertising campaign in national magazines, which brought the school's high praise. The state's contribution to the affair, which will be known as the New Mexico Coronado Cuarto Centennial banquet, will consist chiefly of exhibit material—Navajo and Chimayo blankets, pottery, chili, jewelry, posters and part of the menu. Bursey said the bureau would work through chamber of commerce and New Mexico alumni of the Missouri University to obtain food, favors and exhibits for the banquet.

Federal officials plan to have the Department of Agriculture surplus food stamp plan in operation at Albuquerque and in Bernalillo County within a month. Its extension to other counties in the state is planned later. The date for operations there was set after preliminary conferences with wholesale and retail grocers upon receipt of authorization. Conclusion of the county and city, in the program. The plan, now in operation in about 55 communities, provides for free distribution of surplus commodities to needy in a ratio of half their regular food purchases.

Three operators are at work in

the office of Secretary of State Jessie Gonzales, listing New Mexico's registered voters on automatic tabulating machines. The lists will be furnished state and county chairmen of the major political parties, as required by law.

Albert K. Mitchell, who was standard bearer for the Republicans in the last state election, won't be a candidate for governor this year. "And," said Mitchell, "that is final." Told there was discussion of him as a national delegate, Mitchell said he was not seeking a place, but would not refuse if it were offered.

Johnnie Foster of the Hollene community near Clovis has a prize White Leghorn hen that specializes in giant eggs. At least she recently laid one almost large enough for the entire family's breakfast. The egg measures 7 1/2 in circumference and 9 1-8 inches in length. The "hen fruit" weighed one-half pound.

Hunters for the Biological Survey killed 546 predatory animals in New Mexico in March, it was announced. The list included 486 coyotes, 53 bobcats and seven mountain lions.

The Agriculture Department estimated the winter wheat crop at 425,215,000 bushels on the basis of April 1 conditions. The yield of winter wheat per seeded acre, indicated April 1, was estimated at 9.5 bushels, compared with 12.2 bushels last year, and the 1929-38 ten-year average of 12.0 bushels. Winter wheat production in New Mexico is 4,136,000 bushels.

State Highway Engineer Burton Dwyre reported "rapid progress" on construction of the new Railroad Canyon route for U. S. 85 north of Raton. The new route, replacing historic Raton Pass, is under contract to Cook and Ransome of Colorado. Dwyre expressed belief it would equal the pass in scenic beauty but be much easier for persons unaccustomed to mountain driving. Dwyre, back from an inspection trip, also expressed satisfaction with progress on widening of 85 north of Las Vegas.

Attorney General Filo Sedillo held there was no provision against any qualified elector signing the nominating petition of more than one person seeking the same party nomination. The law simply provides that such petitions must be signed by qualified voters who are members of the same party as the person seeking office.

Lieut. Gov. James Murray confirmed current statehouse reports that he would not be a candidate for re-nomination this year. Asked if he would seek the position again he said merely "No" and did not comment further on his plans.

Thieves who took twenty gallons of gasoline at Albuquerque will find they took the wrong kind if

NEW MEXICO CATTLE SHIPMENTS IN MARCH

New Mexico's March cattle shipments were 23,601 head, against 13,704 in February, the cattle sanitary board reported. The March figure, however, was 7,975 head under a year ago.

The shipments, by districts. Raton 82, Las Vegas 156, Clayton 1-375, Tucumcari 536, Alamogordo 950, Roswell 4,458, Farmington 743, Deming 229, Albuquerque 1-242, Santa Fe 69, Las Cruces 1-236, Carlsbad 2,193, Lovington 723, Clovis 5,157, Socorro 896, East Vaughn 1,262, Hachita 1,219, Silver City 52, Solano 51, Hobbs 712, Datil 114 and El Paso, Tex., 146.

NEW MEXICO FARMS GAINING IN VALUE

A survey released by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics showed the value of farm real estate in New Mexico increased 1 per cent, from 83 to 84 per cent of the base period, during the year ended March 1.

The national index was 85, compared with 84 in 1939 and 100 in 1912-14. The low point during the last decade was in 1933 when the national average was 27 per cent of the base period.

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they try to use it in an automobile. Sheriff's officers were told the gasoline was taken from a company plant. They added that it was high-test airplane gasoline, not suited for automobiles, and probably would burn the valves if used in a car.

Postmaster A. F. Martinez of Santa Fe announced he was initiating a movement for issuance of a special stamp commemorating the Coronado Cuarto Centennial. He urged everyone interested to write members of the state's congressional delegation and the post office department, backing the issue, preferably of a 3-cent denomination.

Convicted by a federal jury of violating the white slave act, John S. Mays of Hobbs is under sentence of five years in prison, plus a \$5,000 fine. Mays, indicted on a charge of taking three women from Hobbs to Texas for immoral purposes "too lewd to be described" in the indictment, received a bitter verbal castigation from Judge Colin Neblett, who said he wished the law permitted a heavier punishment.

Except at spots of particular danger, the Highway Department from now on will place stout posts at 60-foot intervals on curves. State Highway Engineer Burton Dwyre said the department's plan to discontinue guard rails on most curves had been approved by the Federal Roads Administration. Experience has proven the guard rails to be of doubtful safety value, he said.

Claude E. Wood, head of the state land office grazing department, reported that the Hidalgo County Democratic central committee had named him as county chairman, succeeding former State Senator Lee Brown Atwood, who resigned.

Cottonwood Items (Ora Buck)

The Cottonwood Woman's Club will meet at the home of Mrs. E. B. Green on Cotton Thursday, May 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Terry and daughter, Tommie, were among those from here in Carlsbad Saturday on business.

Mrs. Jim Elliott and daughter, Jewell, returned last week from points in Arizona from a vacation and visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Marble were business visitors in Artesia Saturday. While there they purchased a new car.

Tebby Ray Buck was out of school last week because of an attack of appendicitis, but is much better and was able to return to school Monday.

A nice sized crowd attended the chicken pie supper given by the Ladies' Aid at the Cottonwood gym. About \$61 was cleared on the supper. This will go to fix Cottonwood church.

Kersey and Jesse I. Funk received word Saturday that their father was quite ill. Mr. and Mrs. Kersey Funk and children left immediately for Fort Worth, Tex.

Mrs. D. C. Hobbs of Malaga, mother of Mrs. John Buck of here, is quite ill of pneumonia and is in a hospital at Carlsbad. Mr. and Mrs. Buck went Saturday and again Monday to Carlsbad to see her.

R. L. Webb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reubon Webb who lives on the Bob O'Bannon farm, was taken to a Carlsbad hospital Friday, where he underwent an operation for the removal of his appendix. He was reported as recovering satisfactorily.

Harold Krentz, son of Mrs. Emma Krentz, a teacher in Cottonwood School, suffered an attack of appendicitis last week. He was taken to a Carlsbad doctor, but was able to return home without an operation.

Miss Martha Warley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Warley of this place, entered a hospital at Carlsbad Friday, where she underwent a serious operation. She was reported as recovering satisfactorily. Mrs. Warley spent a few days with her daughter at the hospital.

Omer D. Phillips, a resident of Roswell the last three years, died at his home April 16. Death came after an illness of about ten days. Mr. Phillips, with his wife and son, moved to Lake Arthur from Tennessee in May, 1937, where they made their home before going to Roswell. He was born at Sardis, Tenn., Aug. 15, 1903. He was a member of the Methodist Church and active in its work. Besides his wife he is survived by

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Current honey-buns sure do take th' dough!

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Jake says it's sure astonishing how friend wife's housekeepin' pick up if th' menfolks manage t' lose a few nickles 'n' dime 'round th' house now an' then.

Do you honestly 'spose these here roses without ary thorn smell as sweet?

Funny how blind other parents are t' the shortcomings of their kids!

If you can live with yourself you're mighty apt t' be able t' live with most anybody else.

Red hail has occurred in various regions of the earth. It is caused by a fine dust in the atmosphere, blown up from red soil, and frozen into the hailstones.

one son, John F., aged 12 years. He is also survived by two brothers and three sisters, all of Sardis, Tenn. The body was accompanied by his wife and son to Sardis, where burial was made.

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State Music and Speech Festival Is To Convene In Artesia May 4

A New Mexico state music and speech festival sponsored by the Music and Speech Teachers' Association will convene here for an all-day session Saturday, May 4, with Artesia Junior-Senior High School as headquarters.

The entire day will be devoted to presentation of students of music and speech from all parts of the state brought here by the music and speech teachers.

The morning session will open at 9 o'clock with the main event beginning at 9:30 o'clock. The speech department will meet in the high school auditorium under the direction of Mrs. L. Parker of Dexter. The music department, including piano, violin and voice, will assemble at the Methodist Church auditorium with Mrs. Jack Jackson of Lovington in charge of the voice department, M. M. Cracion of Roswell in charge of the violin department and Mrs. T. J. Kelly of Carrijoza in charge of the piano department. The scales will be in charge of Mrs. I. L. Spratt of Artesia.

A number of students of Mrs. C. E. Robinson of Artesia, president of the Music and Speech Teachers' Association, will perform. They are Reese Booker, Joyce Traylor, Thelma Gage, Velma Springer, C. B. Strebeck, John Bessie, Carol Hensley, Louise Folkner, Leon Wood, Dickie Shoemaker, Vee Ann Mitchell, Mary Frances O'Bannon, Marianne Solt, Heldrith Barker, Tommy Brian, Geneva Van Winkle and Maxine Baxter, all of Artesia; and Mary Lee Austin, Bobbie Reynolds, Antonette Snyder, Merrill Smith, Dorothy Mae Brown, Jimmie Wilcox, Gertrude Farrar, Billie Kindell and Dickie Graves, all of Carlsbad, and Marylyn Goddard, Lilly Ruth Craig, Jackie McAuliffe, Dorothy Ann Ludlow, Mary Alice Bumgardner and Lucille Young, all of Hope.

Those from Mrs. Spratt's piano class to be contestants will be Misses Mary Baird, Charlene Martin, Betty Flint and Helen Watson.

Critics from State College in Las Cruces have been selected to judge the contestants. To judge in the voice division will be Carl Jacobs, professor of music, former instructor of music in Bethany College, Linsberg, Kans., who did graduate work with Graham Reed at Chicago Musical College. In the piano division, Miss Eris Brooks, instructor of music at State College, who has been in her present position since 1937, will judge. Miss Mary Hammes, instructor of violins, will judge in the violin division. She studied in the University of Chicago and received her M. A. and Ph. D. degrees from the University of Wisconsin.

As judge in the speech division, W. Earl Beem, professor of English, will act. Mr. Beem has held his present position since 1935 and is director of the Coronado Theater. He received his education from the University of Illinois and University of Wisconsin.

Highlight of the festival will be a big program held in the auditorium at 7:30 o'clock in the evening, at which time various teachers will present their pupils and other outstanding pupils of the day in a musical and speech program.

At 1 o'clock a tabulation will be at the high school and at 2:30 o'clock the teachers will meet to elect new officers and make plans for the coming year.

RUMMY CLUB MEETS FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Members and guests of the Rummy Club were entertained at the home of Mrs. Clarence Connor Friday.

The afternoon was enjoyed playing games of rummy, with the high score prize going to Mrs. A. M. Archer and consolation prize to Mrs. Gene Roberts.

Light refreshments were served to Mrs. Archer, Roberts and Virgil Millsap, club guests, and Mrs. J. W. Jones, Craig Cornett, F. E. Painter and W. S. Hogsett.

CLUB BEGINS STUDY ON "STAR OF THE EAST"

A study on "The Star of the East" was begun by the Past Matron's Club at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. A. B. Coll Monday afternoon.

The club also is studying "Robert's Rules of Order." The business meeting was presided over by the president, Mrs. Coll. After the program a social hour was enjoyed and the hostess served a refreshment course.

Present were Mrs. Jeff Hightower, P. V. Morris, Paul A. Otts, J. C. Floore, Sr., Lee Glascock, Maude Ployhar and Calvin Dunn.

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THURSDAY (TODAY)

Presbyterian Women's Association, Mrs. Raymond Bartlett, hostess, membership tea, 2:30 p. m.

Young Woman's Guild of the Christian Church, Mrs. J. W. Thomas, hostess, 2:30 p. m.

Young Matron's Circle of the Methodist Church, Mrs. William Bullock, hostess, 2:30 p. m.

Thursday Supper Bridge Club, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Watson, hosts, 7:30 p. m.

Chatterbox Bridge Club, Mrs. C. C. Dannenbaum, hostess, 2 p. m.

Order of Eastern Star, at Masonic hall, 7:30 p. m.

FRIDAY

Delt-a-dek Bridge Club, Mrs. Ralph Barr, hostess, 1 o'clock luncheon.

H20 Bridge Club, Mrs. A. L. Bert, hostess, 2:30 p. m.

Miracles Bridge Club, Mrs. A. P. Mahone, hostess, 2 p. m.

Viernes Bridge Club, Mrs. S. A. Lanning, hostess, 1 o'clock luncheon.

Rummy Club, Mrs. W. S. Hogsett, hostess, 2 p. m.

WEDNESDAY

Artesia Woman's Club, last meeting of club year, installation of officers, clubhouse, covered dish luncheon.

Scatterbrain Club, swimming party at Oasis at 2:30 p. m. and picnic supper, husbands invited.

Artwood Pirates Bridge Club, Mrs. Harry Fletcher, hostess, 2 p. m.

THURSDAY (NEXT WEEK)

Baptist Woman's Missionary Society, at church, 2:30 p. m.

Methodist Society of Christian Service, all circles, at church, 2:30 p. m.

Presbyterian Woman's Association, Catholic Women's Altar Society, at church, 2:30 p. m.

DORCAS CLASS SPENDS TUESDAY AT OILFIELD

Members of the Dorcas Sunday School Class of the Baptist Church enjoyed the day at Oilfield Tuesday at the home of Mrs. O. C. Rogers, with Mrs. John Simons and Mrs. C. S. Powell co-hostesses.

The devotionals were led by Mrs. Walter Johnson, Mrs. Joe Luce and Mrs. T. E. Brown, after which a covered dish luncheon was served at the noon hour. A social hour was enjoyed in the afternoon, at which time gifts were exchanged by "mystery friends."

Enjoying the occasion were Mrs. Mmes. Johnson, Luce, Brown, B. J. Perkins, Harry McKinney, J. S. Mills, F. O. Aston, N. H. Cabot, V. D. Bolton, Dell Walters, Charles Ransberger, Walter Newton and Dale Gleghorn and the hostesses.

SUNSHINE CLASS MEETS AT CHURCH TUESDAY

The Sunshine Class of the Methodist Church met at the church Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Elmer Perry and Mrs. J. T. Henry co-hostesses.

A study on "Understanding Ourselves" was led by Mrs. Landis Feather, after which a social hour was enjoyed with Mrs. Pat Gormley in charge of the games. The hostesses served a tasty salad course to Mrs. Feather, Gormley, C. Ratliffe, C. R. Baldwin, Reed Brainard, C. D. Knight, Roger Durand, G. C. Kinder, Calvin Dunn, Tom Ragsdale, J. H. Walker, Cooper Blunt and George Frisch and Miss Katherine Filbert and the Rev. John S. Rice.

CLUB ENTERTAINED BY MRS. WILLIAMS

The Hi-Lo Luncheon Club was entertained at the home of Mrs. George Williams Tuesday afternoon.

After enjoying a 1 o'clock luncheon, the guests played rounds of contract with the high score prize going to Mrs. Adrain Fletcher, second high to Mrs. Thelbert French and consolation prize to Mrs. J. A. Clayton, Jr. The club presented Mrs. Jack Armstrong a lovely gift.

Present were Mrs. Marshall Rowley and Mrs. Margaret Ellis, club guests, and Mrs. Fletcher, French, Clayton, Armstrong, Harold Dunn, Leon Clayton, Fritz Crawford, Garland Rideout, John Williams and Roy Langston and the hostess, Mrs. Williams.

Miss Evelyn Jensen of Monterey, Calif., came last Thursday evening to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Jensen. She expects to remain until about May 5.

As Legion Auxiliary Leaders Meet in State



Three Legion Auxiliary leaders of New Mexico and the entire United States are shown above. They are, center, Mrs. William Corwith, of New York, national president of the Auxiliary; right,

Mrs. Ben Pior of Artesia, department president; and left, Mrs. W. P. Martin, president of the Clovis Auxiliary unit. Legionnaires and Auxiliary members of the state gathered at the Hotel Clovis last

Thursday night to honor Mrs. Corwith, who was in Clovis paying her official respects to the department of New Mexico.

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT AT BRIDGE CLUB MEET

All members were present when Mrs. J. M. Story entertained the First Afternoon Bridge Club at her home Tuesday afternoon.

Rounds of contract were enjoyed at quartet tables with Mrs. James Nellis holding the high score at the close of the games.

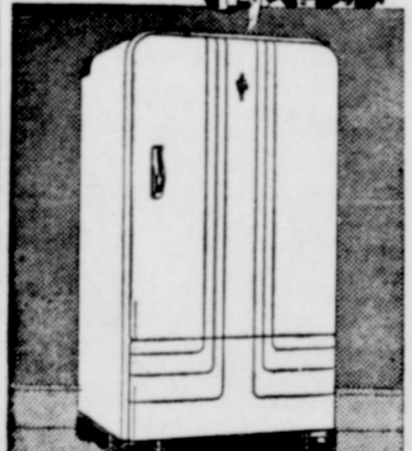
This being the last meeting of the club year, plans were made for a class party, at which time the "lows" will entertain the "highs."

Present were Mrs. Mmes. Nellis, A. G. Glasser, A. B. Coll, J. J. Clarke, Sr., J. Hise Myers, Beecher Rowan, Jeff Hightower, J. W. Berry, G. U. McCrary, Arba Green, H. A. Hamill and Maude Ployhar.

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Mrs. Allie Biggs Is Initiated Into Rebekah Lodge

The initiation of Mrs. Alice Biggs of Oilfield into Sunrise Rebekah Lodge No. 9 of Artesia was held at the lodge hall Monday evening with a team from Samaritan Rebekah Lodge No. 14 of Roswell putting on the degree work.

The team consisted of Mrs. W. A. McCloud, Nora Davis, Julia Brewer, M. A. McCracken, N. I. Berry and John Summerville, assisted by Mrs. I. E. Thompson and Mrs. Emery Hurtt.

About forty members of the Artesia lodge were present and light refreshments were served after the initiation ceremony. Others from Roswell present were Mrs. Lela Morriss, Ruby Phillips, Jessie Pundergross, Agnes Person, Mary

LEGION SOCIETY HAS LUNCHEON AT HOTEL

The Eight and Forty, honor society of the American Legion Auxiliary, enjoyed a 1 o'clock luncheon served at the Artesia Hotel Tuesday.

Beautiful red and white snapdragons were used in the center of the dining table and after the luncheon the meeting adjourned to the home of Mrs. Albert Richards, where a social hour was enjoyed.

The hostess served punch and cleverly shaped sandwiches at the close of the afternoon.

Present were Mrs. James Mich- el, Ede Harshey, P. V. Morris, Ben Pior and Irvin Martin and the hostess, Mrs. Richards.

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GRADUATE NURSES FORM ORGANIZATION

Graduate nurses of Artesia organized Tuesday afternoon at Memorial Hospital into a group, the purposes of which will be social, as well as to aid in indigent cases by providing incidentals.

Mrs. Dale Thomas was elected president, Mrs. J. W. Johns, superintendent of the hospital, vice president, and Mrs. Wainright Miller, secretary-treasurer. Other members: Mrs. M. A. Corbin, Mrs. Joe Nunn, Mrs. G. Long, Mrs. Opal Hall, Mrs. G. C. Kinder, Mrs. Raymond Bartlett, Mrs. D. M. Montgomery, Miss Dorothy Shoup and Miss Catherine Filbert.

The nurses, who as yet have not named their organization, will meet the last Tuesday of each month. They will assist at the hospital Sunday, May 12, when "National Hospital Day" will be observed at Artesia Memorial Hospital with open house, at which demonstrations will be given. There will be a musical program and tea will be served.

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"The Coronado Cuarto Centennial" was the topic discussed by Captain Charles Ward of New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, when he was guest speaker at a Junior Woman's Club tea Wednesday afternoon. Other guests of the club on this occasion were Mrs. Ward and members of the Senior Woman's Club.

In his speech, Captain Ward gave the actual history of the discovery of this part of the country and told about the twenty or more cities in New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma and Arizona which are putting on a "C" or "E" parade this year.

Mrs. J. Vernon Wheeler rendered a vocal number, "Carmena," by Wilson, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Vergine Gates. A chorus from the Artesia High School Spanish class sang two Spanish numbers, "Go Gondrina" and "Carmena." Miss Katherine Logan presided. The musical program concluded with a two-piano number, "Malaguena," by Lecocq, played by Mrs. Gates and Mrs. Vergine. Tea and refreshments were served from a lace laid table with spring table. Mrs. C. O. Dannenbaum and Mrs. Don Hudgens, table tresses, presided at the tea service.

PINOCHLE CLUB AT THE KIDDY HOME

The Pinochle Club met Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Kidd.

A supper was served at 6:30 o'clock, after which games of pinochle were enjoyed, with Mrs. Frank Smith and Earl Ployhar holding the high score at the close of the games.

Present were Mrs. W. B. Burks, a substituting guest, and Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Ployhar, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. William Linell and M. G. Schulze and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Kidd.

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After a business meeting of the Literary Division Mrs. Louis Blackburn gave a pleasing book review on "Kitty Foyle," by Christopher Morley.

An entertaining musical hour was enjoyed by members of the Music Department, with Mrs. Howard Whitson in charge of the program on "The American Composers." The program featured Mrs. M. C. Ross, piano solo, "Scherzo," by Max Griffe, Mrs. Vergine Gates; "The White Peacock," by Rufus Griffe, Mrs. J. Vernon Wheeler; vocal solo, "Song of the Open Road" by Frank LaForte, Mrs. L. L. Spratt; vocal solo, "Punchinello," by Victor Herbert, Mrs. M. C. Ross; two violin solos, "Fairytale" and "Indian Smoke," by Cecil Burchell, Mrs. Ann Miller; two-piano number, "The Jesters," by Paul Beecher, Mrs. Vergine Gates and Mrs. L. R. Gerhardt.

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Unemployment Benefits Are Near Two Million Mark

Unemployment benefits paid to eligible New Mexico unemployed workers are nearing the two million dollar mark.

The unemployment compensation commission of New Mexico announced that benefits paid since December, 1938, mounted to \$1,563,930.15 with payments for March of \$118,748.29.

The report of the commission, composed of Roy L. Cook, chairman-executive director, H. W. Kane and H. C. Neuffer, showed that payments since Jan. 1, 1940, totaled \$329,203.98, January and February payments having been \$100,327.69 and \$110,128, respectively.

The March report showed 13,613 checks had been mailed during the month, making a total of 36,558 checks mailed to claimants since the first of the year. In January, 10,729 checks were mailed, and in February, 12,216 checks were mailed.

The average check for March was \$8.72. In March, 1939, 16,457 checks for \$160,483.34 were mailed. A total of \$5,875.50 in 632 benefit checks was distributed in Eddy County. The average check was \$8.98.

During March, initial claims reached a new low of 1,424, the fewest filed in any month since taking of claims for compensation was started. Continued claims, however, totaled 14,278.

Active covered employers totaled 4,280, almost double the March, 1939, coverage of 2,163.

SENATOR CHAVEZ IS BACK FROM MEXICO

Senator Dennis Chavez of New Mexico, after a brief absence from Washington, returned from Mexico City by plane Sunday morning. He said he found Mexico City normal and full of American tourists, including many New Mexicans. He described his pleasure in seeing the American flag carried with the Mexican flag at the head of a parade which took place there in the capital last week, supposedly in protest against American interference with the disappropriation of the oil properties. The senator said that he had interviews with President Cardena, officials from the Mexican Ministry of Foreign Affairs on the Coronado Cuarto Centennial, and with Ambassador Daniels and other officials of the American Embassy.

"The Peep-O'-Day-Boys" were Irish insurgents, about 1784, who visited the houses of their antagonists, in search of arms, at dawn.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF EDDY COUNTY, STATE OF NEW MEXICO.

S. W. GILBERT, PLAINTIFF, VS. W. T. SHANNON, IF LIVING AND IF DEAD, ALL OF THE HEIRS OF THE SAID W. T.

KNOWN MEMBERS OF THE NEW MEXICO REFINING ASSOCIATION - CO-OPERATIVE, AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF, GREETING:

You, and each of you, are hereby notified that the plaintiff, Grady Head, has filed a civil suit against John Boyd, Trustee of New Mexico Refining Association Co-operative, impleaded with the following named defendants against whom substituted service of process is hereby sought to be obtained, to-wit: S. M. Foster, All Unknown Members of the New Mexico Refining Association Co-operative and all unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to the plaintiff; said cause is pending in the District Court of Eddy County, New Mexico, where in the said Grady Head is plaintiff and you, the said above named defendants, and other, are defendants, and numbered 7167 upon the civil docket of said court.

The general objects of said action are as follows: The plaintiff seeks to quiet his title in and to the following described real estate located in Eddy County, New Mexico, to-wit: All of Blocks Two (2) and three (3) in East Main Addition to the town (now city) of Artesia, New Mexico, according to the official plat of said Addition on file in the office of the County Clerk of said County;

and to have title thereto established in him against any and all adverse claim or claims of the defendants and each of them; and that the defendants, and each of them, be forever barred and estopped from having or claiming any lien upon or any right, title or interest in or to said premises adverse to the plaintiff.

G. L. Reese, Sr., is attorney for the plaintiff and his post office address is Roswell, New Mexico.

You, the above named defendants against whom substituted service of process is hereby sought, are hereby notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before the 25th day of May, 1940, judgment will be rendered against you, and each of you, in said cause by default.

WITNESS my hand and seal of office on this the 3rd day of April, 1940.

Ethel M. Highsmith, Clerk of the District Court. 15-4t-18

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

ROY LANGSTON, Plaintiff,

HERBERT D. CONKLIN, if living, if dead, his unknown heirs; J. A. BRUCE, sometimes known as JOHN A. BRUCE, if living, if dead, his unknown heirs, and all of the unknown heirs of Charles M. Davis, deceased, and all unknown claimants of interest, Defendants.

No. 7166

NOTICE OF SUIT PENDING. STATE OF NEW MEXICO, TO: Herbert D. Conklin, impleaded with the following named defendants against whom substituted service is hereby sought to be obtained, to-wit: J. A. Bruce, sometimes known as John A. Bruce, if living, if dead, his unknown heirs, and all of the unknown heirs of Charles M. Davis, deceased, and all unknown claimants of interest in the lands described, adverse to plaintiff.

GREETING: YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A SUIT has been filed and commenced against you and each of you in the District Court of Eddy County, State of New Mexico, by Roy Langston, plaintiff, and that you and each of you are defendants, said suit being Cause No. 1766 on the Civil Docket of said Court; the nature and object of said suit is for the purpose of quieting title in fee simple in the plaintiff against all claims by the defendants and each of them to the lands described in the complaint filed herein, to-wit:

Lots 11, 13 and 15, Block 2, Forest Hill Addition to the Town (now City) of Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico, same being a part of the NW-1/4NW-1/4 Section 17, Township 17 South, Range 26 East, N. M.P.M. THEREFORE, YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT you must appear or plead herein on or before the 1st

day of June, 1940, or you will be adjudged in default and plaintiff will proceed to obtain the relief prayed for in his complaint.

Hurd, Crile & Carpenter are the attorneys for the plaintiff and their Post-Office Address is Roswell, New Mexico.

Given under my hand and seal of said court this 3rd day of April, 1940.

Ethel M. Highsmith, Clerk of the District Court. 15-4t-18

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF HAYDEN A. LOWERY, Deceased. No. 959

NOTICE OF HEARING PROOF OF WILL

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given: that an instrument purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Hayden A. Lowery, Deceased, has been filed for probate in the Probate Court of Eddy County, State of New Mexico, together with a petition of Marjory P. Lowery that said instrument be admitted to probate as the Last Will and Testament of said decedent and that letters of administration with the will annexed be issued to Vancil F. Lowery and J. W. Bradshaw of Artesia, New Mexico; and that, by order of said Court, the first day of May, 1940, at the hour of ten o'clock A. M. at the Court Room of the Probate Court in Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico, is the day, time and place set for hearing proof of said Last Will and Testament and for hearing of the petition of Marjory P. Lowery for letters of administration with the will annexed to be issued to Vancil F. Lowery and J. W. Bradshaw of Artesia, New Mexico.

Therefore, any person or persons wishing to enter objections to the probate of said Last Will and Testament or to said petition of said Marjory P. Lowery are hereby notified to file their objections in the office of the County Clerk of Eddy County, New Mexico, on or before the date set for hearing.

Dated at Carlsbad, New Mexico, this 3rd day of April, A. D., 1940. (SEAL) Mrs. R. A. Wilcox, County Clerk. By Dotte C. Craft, Deputy. 14-4t-17

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CATHERINE LANGTRY, DECEASED No. 928

NOTICE OF HEARING OF FINAL ACCOUNT AND REPORT ANCILLARY ADMINISTRATOR

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: Hilary Langtry, Warren Langtry and Joseph A. Langtry, all of the known heirs of said Catherine Langtry, deceased; and all of the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said Catherine Langtry, deceased; and all unknown persons claiming any lien upon or right, title, interest or claim in or to the estate of said decedent and to whom it may concern:

Notice is hereby given that S. W. Gilbert, Ancillary Administrator of the estate of Catherine Langtry, deceased, has filed his final account and report as such administrator with the County Clerk of Eddy County, New Mexico; and that the Probate Judge of said County, has fixed the 30th day of April, 1940, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the office of said Probate Judge in the City of Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico, as the time and place for the hearing of objections, if any, to said final account and report and the distributions of the assets of said estate; and that said Probate Court will at said time and place proceed to examine and inquire into said account and report and distribution of the assets of said estate; and if found to be correct, will approve said final account and report and will discharge said administrator and order his bondsman relieved of all further liabilities on his administrator's bond, and will also proceed to determine the heirship of said decedent and the ownership of her estate, of the

interest of each respective claimant thereto and therein and the person or persons entitled to the distribution thereof as provided by law; that anyone who has objections to said account and report shall file same with the County Clerk of Eddy County, New Mexico on or before said date of final hearing.

G. U. McCrary, whose post-office address is Artesia, New Mexico, is attorney for the estate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the County Clerk of Eddy County, New Mexico, this 28th day of March, 1940. (SEAL)

Mrs. R. A. Wilcox, County Clerk. Dotte C. Craft, Deputy. 14-4t-17

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF EDDY COUNTY, STATE OF NEW MEXICO.

H. A. DENTON, PLAINTIFF.

EDWARD KEITHLEY AND MINNIE KEITHLEY, IF LIVING, AND IF DEAD, ALL OF THE HEIRS OF THE SAID EDWARD KEITHLEY AND MINNIE KEITHLEY, IF LIVING AND IF DEAD, ALL OF THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE SAID EDWARD KEITHLEY AND MINNIE KEITHLEY; T. E. ALLEN, IF LIVING, AND IF DEAD, ALL OF THE HEIRS OF THE SAID T. E. ALLEN, IF LIVING, AND IF DEAD, ALL OF THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE SAID T. E. ALLEN; J. R. REAGAN, IF LIVING, AND IF DEAD, ALL OF THE HEIRS OF THE SAID J. R. REAGAN, IF LIVING, AND IF DEAD, ALL OF THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE SAID J. R. REAGAN; AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS CLAIMING ANY LIEN, RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN AND TO Block 3 Fairview Addition to the town (now city) of Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico, adverse to PLAINTIFF, DEFENDANTS.

No. 7179

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: All of the above named Defendants. . . . GREETINGS: You and each of you are hereby notified that a suit has been filed and is now pending in the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of New Mexico, within and for the County of Eddy, same being Cause No. 7179, on the Civil Docket of said Court, entitled H. A. Denton, Plaintiff, vs. Edward Keithley and Minnie Keithley, et als, Defendants.

That the general objects of this action are to quiet and set at rest the title of plaintiff in and to the following described real estate, situate, lying and being in the County of Eddy and State of New Mexico, to-wit: All of Block 3 Fairview Addition to the town (now City) of Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico; and to debar and estop you and each of you from having or claiming any right, title, interest, lien or other interest in and to or upon said real estate and premises adverse to plaintiff.

You and each of you are further notified that you and any of you failing to appear or answer in the above entitled and numbered cause on or before the 5th day of June, 1940, a decree of default will be rendered against you and each of you, and if any of you fail to appear and answer as aforesaid in said cause the allegations in said plaintiff's complaint filed in said cause will be taken as confessed by you and the relief prayed for in plaintiff's Complaint will be granted by the Court.

G. U. McCrary of Artesia, New

Mexico is attorney for plaintiff in the above entitled and numbered cause.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court, at Carlsbad, New Mexico, this 16th day of April, 1940. (SEAL)

Ethel M. Highsmith, Clerk of the District Court. 16-4t-19

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

to Minerva Weems impleaded with the following named defendants against whom substituted service is hereby sought to be obtained, to-wit: the said Minerva Weems, if living, if deceased, the unknown heirs of Minerva Weems, deceased; Rhoda O. Weems, if living, if deceased, the unknown heirs of Rhoda O. Weems, deceased; the unknown heirs of David P. Weems, Deceased; David L. Weems, if living, if deceased, the unknown heirs of David L. Weems, Deceased; James Mac Probst, if living, if deceased, the unknown heirs of James Mac Probst, Deceased; Mrs. David L. Weems, Deceased; Mrs. James Mac Probst, also known as Julia Weems, if living, if deceased, the unknown heirs of Mrs. David L. Weems, Deceased; Mrs. James Mac Probst, also known as Sacca A. Probst, if living, if deceased, the unknown heirs of Mrs. James Mac Probst, Deceased; and all unknown claimants, claiming any right, lien or interest in or to the premises involved herein adverse to Plaintiff, GREETINGS:

You and each of you are hereby notified that the Roswell Auto Company, a corporation, has filed suit against you in the District Court of Eddy County, New Mexico, in Cause No. 7170 on the Civil Docket for the purpose of quieting title in fee simple in said Plaintiff to the following described real estate in Eddy County, New Mexico, to-wit: Lot 6, Block 22, Original town of Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico, as is more fully described in plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Eddy County, New Mexico, Plaintiff alleging that it is the owner in fee simple of said real estate, and that any claim, right or interest you, or any of you, may have in said property is inferior to its title.

Wherefore, you, and each of you, must appear and plead in said cause on or before May 29, 1940, or you will be in default, and Plaintiff will proceed to secure the relief sought by its Complaint, and you, and each of you, will thereafter forever be barred and estopped from claiming or asserting any right, title or interest in or to said real estate.

Lake J. Frazier and Leland M. Quantius, whose address is 115 South Roselawn, Artesia, New Mexico, are attorneys for Plaintiff. Witness my hand and seal at Carlsbad, New Mexico, April 8th, 1940. (SEAL) Ethel M. Highsmith, District Clerk. 15-4t-18

Ethel M. Highsmith, District Clerk. 15-4t-18

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Consult your banker about your financial condition and problems as you would your doctor about your physical condition. Lay all your cards on the table and it is likely that you will be well served and benefitted in each instance. A general check-up ever so often, physically and financially, is a good thing and may protect you from some rough going later on.

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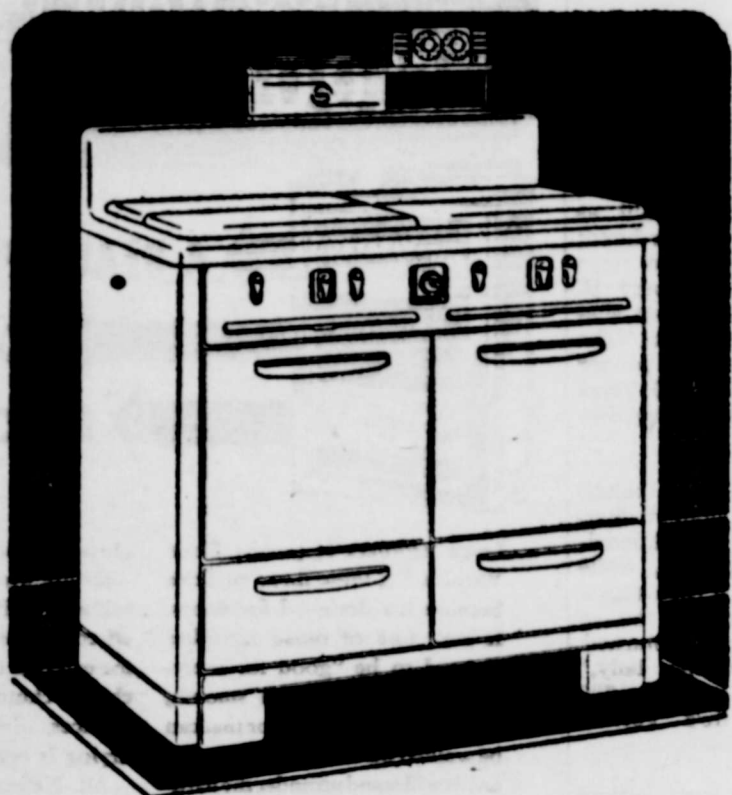
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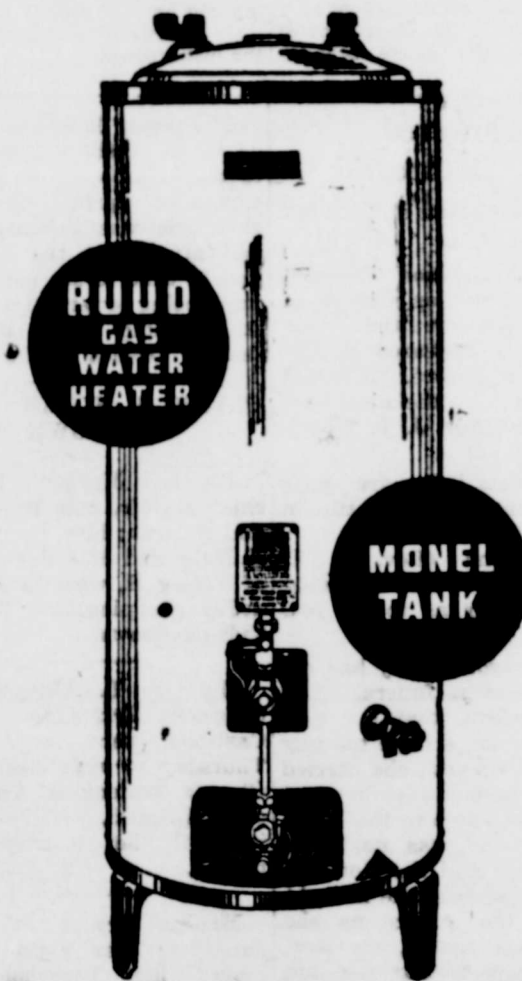


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Little Known Facts and Sidelights on Oil Industry

Mobile Curbs—Chicago's \$205,000,000 super-highway program may cost about \$25,000,000 less if a new mobile curb is used throughout the system. Using the curb will cut down the amount of land and the number of buildings which must be condemned for the right of way, and will give a 100-foot wide pavement the same traffic capacity as a 160-foot pavement of conventional design. At the push of a button the curbs will rise from the ground or drop flush with the roadway. The 100-foot pavement which will be divided into ten lanes, will have the curbs so arranged in the morning rush hour that eight lanes will be provided in the direction of the heavy flow of traffic, two for the light flow. For the evening rush hour the proportion will be reversed. During the rest of the day five lanes will run each way.

Sweet-Running Paper—For many years a dream—now, at last, a reality, is the paper mill in East Texas which daily is rolling out 400 miles of newsprint made from Southern pine. Southwestern papers used the print for all the day's editions, recently reporting it to be "sweet-running." The new paper went through without a wet break, fed evenly, reproduced pictures clearly, and took tension well.

To increase the production of domestic wood pulp, researchers two decades ago began experimenting with Southern pine. Recently, newsprint paper from red pine was produced for the first time by students at a forestry college in New York State.

Three-quarters of the annual American consumption of 3,500,000 tons is imported—67 per cent from Canada and eight per cent from the Scandinavian countries and Germany.

Shades of Dobbin—In Landis Township, New Jersey, the horse-and-buggy era has officially passed with the repeal of a 35-year-old ordinance which provided payment to residents of \$1 a wheel for those who equipped their buggies with tires at least four inches wide.

The law was an inducement to replace narrow iron wheels which rutted the gravel roads of 1904. The arrival of the automobile caused the residents of the township to forget the old ordinance with the exception of one driver. He kept on buggy-riding through the years and collected \$140.

Paging Coffee Cranks—"Cook with ice," Texas ice men say, "and get better coffee." Interested in finding new uses for their product they claim that coffee made with melted ice has a better bouquet and flavor than the tap water type. Ditto for soups and vegetables. Manufactured ice contains less minerals than city water, it seems, and is free from chlorine.

Asphalt Railroad Beds—Rail engineers are testing the practicability of using asphalt road bed construction for railroads. Points to be determined are whether such construction will reduce railroad track maintenance costs, provide better track drainage and keep coal slack and cinders out of the track ballast.

Riding Encyclopedias—Forty interpreters, Rome's hand-somest bus employees, speaking as many as seven languages each, have been "graduated" by the largest bus company in the city. They will ride on Rome's buses interpreting and answering the questions of visiting tourists. The 40 men passed a written examination on Rome's archaeological background, points of tourist interest and a thorough knowledge of train departures and arrivals. Each graduate wears an emblem on his uniform of an Italian flag crossed with an American, French, German, English, Spanish, Arabic or Polish flag indicative of languages he speaks.

Prediction—One of the curious forerunners of the internal combustion engine was a French model which ran "by inflammation of spirit of tar," as benzene was known in 1809.

Sir George Cayley, news commentator of the day, hazarded a guess that a much cheaper engine of this sort might be produced "by gas-light apparatus, and by firing the inflammable air generated with a portion of common air under a piston."

Conservative—On a visit to Oil Creek, Pa., soon after the completion of the Drake discovery well, the Scotch chemist, James Young, inventor of a process for distilling paraffin oil from coal, remarked: "I dinna think it will amount to much."

That's Showing 'Em!—They have to be shown in Missouri and it took a couple of dry test wells to do it. Although the wells were a "bust," the visiting prospectors who took the failure of their enterprise without complaints or requests for subsidies to continue drilling, most certainly were not.

When the news appeared in The

Unionville (Mo.) Republican, the editor made the following comment:

"These men asked odds of nobody. They came on their own initiative, looked the field over and made their guess. They used their own money, and won the respect and confidence of our people."

Extension Is Made On Loans of 1938 Cotton Till 1940

O'Cheskey Also Announces Interpretations on Long Staple

In announcing that the maturity of loans on 1938 crop cotton has been extended one year, to July 31, 1941, Fred L. O'Cheskey, chairman of the state conservation committee, disclosed also that interpretations relative to the way long staple cotton will be handled under the 1940 program have been received from N. E. Dodd, director of the western region of the AAA.

In regard to the maturity of loans on 1938 crop cotton, O'Cheskey said that up to March 26, 1940, repayments of \$81,923,000 had been made on 1,777,000 bales of 1938 crop cotton, leaving a balance of \$127,838,000 on 2,705,000 bales of 1938 loan cotton.

It was also announced by O'Cheskey that after July 31, 1940, no request for the release of loan cotton to any person other than the producer will be accepted by the Commodity Credit Corporation, unless the request is submitted to the corporation, or its agent, on a standard form to be printed and provided by the corporation, within fifteen days after it has been executed by the producer.

"Officials of the corporation have pointed out," said O'Cheskey, "that by deferring this necessary use of a standard release form until after July 31, there would be no interference with the release of cotton requested on other forms executed and presented prior to that date, which is the maturity date in effect heretofore when release forms were executed by producers."

Information on the way long staple cotton will be handled under the 1940 program, supplied in response to numerous inquiries from cotton farmers, is set forth in the following telegram:

"In cases where a pure strain of SXP is planted, the entire production is ginned on roller gins and substantially all of cotton is classified by federally licensed classifier as cotton having a staple of 1 1/2 inches or more, such acreage will not be considered as acreage planted to cotton for purpose of ACP and parity payments. Therefore, where entire crop is handled as long staple and properly ginned, producer will not be disqualified for payments if a small percentage of bales fall slightly below one and one-half inches."

These interpretations are being published for the purpose of clearing up numerous questions from producers as to what effect the planting of long staple cotton will have in regard to 1940 conservation and parity payments. It is expected detailed instructions as to the handling of long staple cotton will be released shortly by the western region office, O'Cheskey said.

New Books Placed In Public Library Since April First

Mrs. Nellie Hartell, librarian of Artesia Public Library, has announced the addition of twenty books to the shelves since the first of April. The list includes the "1940 World Almanac," ten books by Hill and nine miscellaneous books.

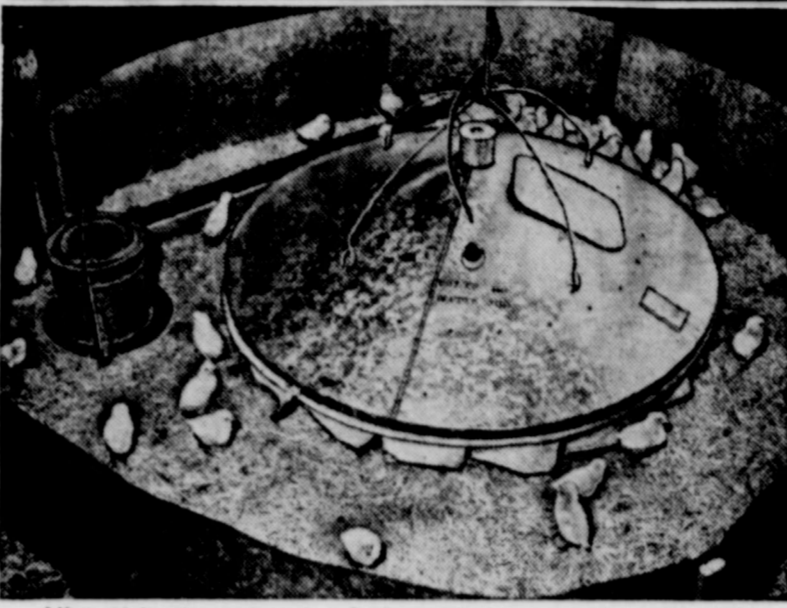
The books by Hill: "Blue Ruin," "Christmas Bride," "Girl from Montana," "Honor Girl," "Job's Niece," "Man of the Desert," "Lady Bird," "Red Signal," "Silver Wings," "Strange Proposal."

Other books: "How Green Was My Valley," Richard Llewellyn; "Caddie Woodlawn," Brink; "South Wind," Douglas; "Nerve Control, and How to Gain It," H. Addington Bruce; "Frontier Doctor," Cole; "Maiden Voyage," Kathleen Norris; "Man in Lower Ten," Mary Roberts Rinehart; "West Wind Drift," George Barr McCutcheon; "Quill's Window," George Barr McCutcheon; "Lovers' Puzzle," Faith Baldwin.

Mrs. Kate Presley and son, W. C., and Bill Koon were in Lubbock Friday on business.

The carp is one of the oldest fish known. A description of it was printed in 1496.

Chicks Are Safely and Cheaply "Mothered" by Electric Brooder



Allow at least seven square inches of hover space for each chick.

By IRA MILLER
Farm Electrification Bureau

PRACTICALLY every farm, regardless of size, has some poultry. Whether he raises little or much, or hatches his own chicks or buys them from a commercial hatchery, the general farmer as well as the poultryman must keep the baby chicks in some kind of a hover for an average of six to eight weeks.

Of course, the hen is the natural hover. But profitable farming demands more efficient brooding methods and, hence, numerous substitute hovers have been developed including those heated by coal, oil, wood, gas, steam and hot water. Because it has more advantages and yields results more nearly identical with Nature, the electric brooder is generally preferred wherever high-line power is available.

There are several reasons why the electric brooder is preferable to other types: Little time is required to install and adjust; fire hazard is practically eliminated; temperature is automatically and accurately controlled; less labor and attention is required; mortality is usually lower; overall cost is usually less; fuel need not be stored or paid for in advance; and it may be used under a wide variety of conditions.

Another important advantage of a well-built electric hover is that it does not heat the entire brooder

house as do those using other fuels. This fact promotes vigorous exercise among the chicks, causing them to develop faster, feather earlier and better, and to grow strong and sturdy. It also helps prevent cannibalism, toe picking and other brooder vices.

When selecting an electric brooder, the following points should be considered: Size and type; wattage, type and control of heating element; and insulation, construction and ventilation. Depending upon these factors, electric brooders vary in price from about \$6.00 to \$90.00, with the average hover type selling around \$40.00. In the final analysis, it usually is cheaper to buy a more expensive unit as, because of its superior construction and insulation, it will give better results, last longer and have lower operating costs.

The amount of electricity required by an electric brooder depends upon several factors: Outside temperature; construction of brooder house; brooder temperature; type, construction and insulation of brooder; number of chicks; and management. However, the power used in a six-week brooding period during March, April and May varies from 0.5 to 1.5 kw-hr. per chick. At the three-cent rate, this gives a brooding cost of from 1.5 to 4.5 cents per chick, with the average approaching the lower figure.

Full information on electric brooding can be obtained by writing your state college or university, or from the manufacturers.

WORLD NEWS —in— BRIEF FORM

From Near and Far, Some Timely, Some of Human Interest

They didn't even docket this dastardly case at Brookline, Mass. An 8-year-old boy telephoned police and asked that a policeman be sent to his home at once. The officers wanted to know what for. "Ma has taken my shoes because I didn't do my home work and I want the policeman to make her give them back so I can go out with the gang." Just then another voice came on the wire: "Never mind, officer. I'll be the patrolman in this case."

At Newburyport, Mass., former Mayor Andrew J. "Bossy" Gillis put up a jail as security for a friend who is appealing a \$100 fine. The friend, Burnley S. Thurlow, 29, was fined for alleged violation of a state law regulating moving of buildings through the streets. When Thurlow appealed, Gillis put up the old county jail, which he owns, as security.

"I'm ready to leave now," a man in the Olympia, Wash., jail informed the officer in charge. Inasmuch as this is usually the case, the jailer passed it. As the protests became louder he conducted an investigation in the interests of peace and quiet. Patrolman James Heath, it developed, had been in a hurry to get home for lunch and had failed to inform his successor the census taker was making a business call.

An Indian asked Dominic Verneti, trading post operator at Koyukuk Station, Alaska, for "a spark plug for a baby bottle, please." Verneti scratched his head. Then his glance chanced upon a rubber nipple. That was it.

At Salt Lake City a man who said he was an ordained minister quoted Bible passages in defending himself against a charge of blocking pedestrian traffic by attracting a crowd to his street corner preaching. Then he pleaded, quoting Jeremiah 26:14: "But as for me, behold, I am in your hand; do with me as is good and right in your eyes." Judge Albert H. Ellett imposed a \$10 fine, but suspended it with the comment: "The Bible undoubtedly was the proper law for the Israelites 2,000 years ago, but I don't believe it applies in this case."

With trembling hands a bandit pressed a revolver against Mrs. Edith Graff, wife of a Philadelphia drug store proprietor, while a companion looted the cash register. "I wish you wouldn't be so nervous," Mrs. Graff remarked. "He's got a right to be, lady," said the confederate, stuffing \$30 into his pockets. "He's getting married next week."

At Macon, Ga., a man parked his car in a storage garage for the night and left for his hotel. A little later he reappeared at the garage. "I left something in my car," he said, mopping his brow. Sure enough, he had. His 6-year-old daughter was fast asleep in the back seat.

A rural school teacher was brought into court at Morganton, N. C., on a charge of paddling a 13-year-old pupil. Judge W. Gordon Boger dismissed the charge

with this comment: "If I had gone to court when I was in school every time I was paddled, I would have lost so much time from my schooling that I wouldn't be out of high school yet."

John Freauf of Yakima, Wash., was having a hardtime convincing his 12-year-old son it was bedtime. He had just won the argument, he told the state patrol, when a car crashed through the wall of the boy's room and landed on his bed. The boy, just entering the room, was unhurt.

An old biddy at Dumont, Ia., successfully tried a variation on the "making two blades of grass grow where one grew before" theme. One of the eggs in an electric incubator operated by Mrs. M. V. Schuler hatched two lively and perfectly formed chicks.

At Louisville, Ky., Census Supervisor W. O. Hall told this one: A lady telephoned him that she had not given her right age to an enumerator. "I have been taking off a couple of years for so long that I was beginning to believe it myself. I told her (census taker) that I was 43 when I am really 45," Hall quoted the caller.

Leon Smith, 65-year-old North Carolina farmer swung into Superior Court on crutches to complain against the driver involved in an accident in which Smith broke his leg and fractured his skull. But his crutches slipped on the courthouse stairway—and he fell and broke an arm.

For five years something happened to Kansas University track captains—they got spiked or pulled a muscle or something and had to

BOARD CANNOT ALTER COUNTY SCHOOL BUDGETS

The state board of education cannot alter county school budgets after they have been set up, an attorney general's opinion held recently.

The opinion, written by Assistant Attorney General Fred Federic, ruled that only the state comptroller, with the approval of the chief tax commissioner and the attorney general, can make such changes.

In another opinion, Attorney General Filo Sedillo held that the chairman of municipal boards of education and union high school boards should be bonded for \$3,000.

One of the best known groups of stars in the heavens is the Pleiades, which is frequently called, erroneously, the "Little Dipper."

drop out. This year the team elected co-captains, hoping to break the jinx. But it was no good. Co-captain Bob Stoland was declared ineligible and Co-captain Ray Harris suffered an ankle injury.

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Woman's Flowered Hat Is Decoration On Friend's Casket

The Rev. J. Vernon Wheeler, pastor of the Christian Church of Artesia, vouches for this item, which originally appeared in The Marion (Kan.) Record, to which it was furnished by the local pastor's father, the Rev. J. T. Wheeler of Marion:

The spring hats ladies are wearing are proving very versatile in the variety of their uses.

From a friend (Rev. J. T. Wheeler) we get the following story, vouchered for as to its real happening:

It seems the young lady had occasion to attend a funeral at a home and thinking that her new \$25 flower hat was a little too gay to wear at the funeral, she carried a small black turban with her and put it on as she came to the house where the funeral was held. As she went in she laid the flowered hat down on a table in the hall. At the close of the service as she walked past the casket, she saw, to her amazement, that her hat was lying on the casket among the flowers. Not wanting to be seen taking flowers from the casket, she went on past and intended to speak to the undertaker or attendant and ask him to get it. However, the room was crowded and she was sort of pushed along as the people went out and she had no opportunity to speak to anyone. Soon she saw the casket carried out with her hat still among the flowers.

The young lady had not intended to go to the cemetery but had to do so in order to retrieve her expensive spring bonnet. However, she was delayed by traffic and arrived at the cemetery lot just in time to see her spring creation being lowered into the grave, still nestling among the bouquets sent by friends of the deceased.

FLYING H FOLKS IN TOWN SATURDAY

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Joy and children; Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Joy and children; Mrs. Loyd Curtis and children and Mrs. Joe E. Rust, all of Flying H, were in Artesia Saturday shopping and enjoying the Tidwell Shows.

Mrs. A. L. Allinger and her daughter, Mrs. James Stagner, of Carlsbad were in Artesia last Thursday to visit Mrs. Owen McClay, a patient at Artesia Memorial Hospital, who has been critically ill, but is very much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Byers and daughter, Miss Yetta Belle, have moved their household furniture from Breckenridge, Tex., their former home for about twenty years, to the Hamilton residence at 201 Grand. Miss Byers, an accountant, is associated with her father at the Brewer Drilling Company office.

Mrs. Nola Mae Phillips returned to her work at the Artesia Hotel Friday, after being confined at her home last week from a sore foot.

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(Continued from last week)

The great Spanish conqueror, Hernando Cortes, sailed from Cuba in 1519, with twelve vessels and more than five hundred men. He landed on the Gulf coast of Mexico and founded the city of Vera Cruz. From there he pushed on inland and in November entered Tenochtitlan—Mexico City—and made a prisoner of the Mexican Emperor Montezuma II. The Aztecs rallied to the attempt to expel the white men from their country but, after suffering severe military reverses, Cortes succeeded in capturing Mexico City in 1521. He promptly set to work to reconstruct the ruins and from then on the Spaniards sought to extend their dominance north and south along and from the mountainous backbone of the American continent. The Spaniards preferred the high altitudes because there was greater possibility of finding mineral wealth and, at the same time, they avoided the tropical diseases prevalent in the lowlands.

A brilliant and daring soldier, Cortes lacked the balance essential to a civil administrator and repeated complaints were made against his rule. When military governors and "audiencias" failed to govern New Spain with any degree of success, the first viceroy, Antonio de Mendoza, was appointed in 1535. He exercised wise leadership and did much to assure the permanent welfare of the country.

One year after Mendoza had assumed the viceroyalty, Cabeza de Vaca or Alvar Nunez and three companions arrived in San Miguel de Culiacan, after eight years of wandering. They had made the first transcontinental journey by white men, having landed near Tampa Bay, Florida, with the unsuccessful colonizing expedition of Panfilo de Narvaez. One of these four survivors was a negro slave named Estavanico. These men brought back tales of encountering immense herds of buffalo and gold of the rich Seven Cities of Cibola and the precious metals and turquoise to be found there. The identity of Cibola with the Pueblo towns of Zuni in New Mexico is not clearly established by the evidence. Whether Cabeza de Vaca ever actually entered what is now the present territory of New Mexico is a mooted question. Bancroft believes that he did not. This historian, however, credits De Vaca with being the first white man to approach close enough to New Mexico to learn of its resources. For this reason, his remarkable journey may be considered the beginning of the annals of New Mexico.

At this date the Spaniards entertained some weird ideas with regard to the geography of the earth's surface. They believed the mainland of North America to be a great southeastern projection of the mainland of Asia which Columbus had discovered on his voyage westward in search of the Indies. In addition, it was their quaint misconception of cosmography that there existed a mysterious body of water somewhere to the north known as the Straits of Anian through which it would be possible to proceed to the Indies. It was the search for this fabulous strait and the legendary hoards of precious metals that accounts for most of the persistent northward explorations of the Spaniards.

Spanish Explorations and Missions
It was to investigate the country north of Culiacan and inaugurate a more intelligent policy of dealing with the Indians that Viceroy Mendoza, in 1539, dispatched Friar Marcos de Niza, with another friar named Onorato, from San Miguel, accompanied by the negro Estavanico as a guide. The party reached the Zuni pueblos, in what is now western New Mexico, by following the route from the southwest up the Gila River valleys. They found an aboriginal people much further advanced toward civilization than any north of Anahuac in the region of Central America. The Spaniards called them Pueblo Indians because they lived in communities or towns consisting of rectangular buildings of stone called "adobes."

Although these preliminary explorations did much to acquaint the Spaniards with the character of the country to the north and its people, the actual discovery of New Mexico is attributed to General Francisco Vasquez de Coronado who arrived at the Zuni towns between July 7 to 10, 1540. The general followed the route up the San Pedro River to the east of that traversed by Father Marcos and, with his well-equipped expedition with a military strength of 270 soldiers, soon conquered the Zuni towns in the province of Cibola. The conquistadores then continued their march to the present site of Santa Fe and from there journeyed, in 1541, as far east as the central portion of what is now the state of Kansas, to the myth-

ical city of Quivira, near the present metropolis of Great Bend, where he expected to obtain a vast store of treasure. On the return trip in 1542, Coronado followed fairly closely the Cimarron cut-off route of the Santa Fe Trail. It is possible also that Coronado's horses may have originated the immense droves of wild mustangs that later ranged the western plains.

Periodic explorations continued, although it was more than half a century before another grand military expedition of conquest penetrated the mysterious region to the north. Interest in these activities was fanned into a flame by Cabeza de Vaca's publication, in 1542, of a book describing his epoch-making journey and the Indian aborigines he encountered along the route. It was to convert these people to the Christian faith that the Franciscan friar, Augustin Rodriguez, organized an expedition in the summer of 1581. He began his journey at San Bartolome, travelled by way of the Rio Conchos to the junction with the Rio Grande River, which he followed to a junction with the El Camino Real at El Paso, thence turned north over this historic route through Socorro to Albuquerque where he went west to the Indian pueblos. A year later, Antonio de Espejo led an expedition over the same route to rescue the friars of the Rodriguez party who had remained in New Mexico without protection after the return of their military escort to Spain. The name of New Mexico seems to have been applied first, in 1582, to the Indian pueblos in the Rio Grande valley.

(Continued next week)

Final Conservation Program Sign-up Date to Be May 1

G. R. Howard, chairman of the Eddy County agricultural committee, this morning again called attention to the fact the final closing date on which farmers and ranchers in the county can sign requests to participate in the 1940 agricultural conservation program will be Wednesday, May 1. The farm plan and estimate sheet for all farms must be on file in the county office on or before that date, he said.

Under the provisions of this program, a rancher can earn payments for such things as deferred grazing, construction of tanks, building spreader dams and dikes, contour furrowing, drilling wells, developing springs and seeps, and others.

A range building allowance is set up on each ranching unit, based on the acreage and range carrying capacity. A rancher can earn the full amount of this allowance by following approved practices of range building.

Howard urged all stockmen who have private range to see their county committeemen before May 1 for full details of the program.

Julius Caesar, after his conquest of Egypt, brought the first giraffe to Rome, where it aroused great curiosity. It was the first one to reach the European continent alive.



The local vocational agriculture department was visited last week by Frank E. Wimberly, state supervisor of vocational education, and everything was reported in excellent condition.

Part of the summer program of the vocational ag department will be to conduct a cow testing association. Farmers may test their milk and cream for butterfat content to determine the profitability of each cow in the herd.

The boys in both the agriculture classes are studying gardening and vegetable production at present, but expect to complete that unit this week. They plan to spend about the last two weeks of school doing shop work and making a study of farm motors and engines.

Pix Rhapsody

By Mary Jane

In the future O. Z. Whitehead will be known in Hollywood as the actor who achieved the impossible.

O. Z., as Whitehead prefers to be known, had only ability and appearance to recommend him for the part of Al Joad in Darryl F. Zanuck's production of "The Grapes of Wrath." John Steinbeck's widely-heralded best-seller, which 20th Century-Fox will present at the Ocotillo Theatre on May 4-6.

Tall and gangly, O. Z. looks as though he had spent all of his life sitting on the corral fence of a Texas ranch, but in no other way does his life resemble that of the rough and ready Joad youngster. O. Z.'s Harvard background is miles removed from Al's environment and his father's income as one of New York's leading bankers precluded the possibility of O. Z.'s ever feeling the poverty that beset the Joads. In addition to all this, O. Z. didn't know the brake from the clutch on an automobile and Associate Producer Nunnally Johnson's script called for Al to help Tom Joad, who is played by Henry Fonda, drive the family jalopy.

Nevertheless, young Whitehead was determined to have the part of Al Joad. Armed with fine notices from New York drama critics and high praise from Katharine Hepburn, he marched on John Ford, and in a very short time succeeded in convincing the director that he was the actor for this part.

Other players prominently featured in "The Grapes of Wrath" are Jane Darwell as Ma Joad, John Carradine as Casey, the preacher, Charley Grapewin as Grampa, Russell Simpson as Pa Joad, Dorris Bowdon as Rosasharn, John Quallen as Muley, Eddie Quillan as Connie and Zeffie Tilbury as Grandma.

Governor Dickinson of Michigan once used a penny post card to send instructions to his office while he was out of town.

WATCH REPAIRS
Ed. Stone

Fluctuations of Water Levels In Wells Explained by Minton

(This is the fifteenth of a series of articles on the Artesian basin, prepared for the Roswell Dispatch by E. G. Minton, Jr., Artesian well supervisor. As subsequent articles by Mr. Minton appear, they will be reprinted in the earliest possible issues of The Advocate.)

Considerable data has been collected and is regularly furnished by the U. S. Geological Survey and the state engineer's office. The data obtained has come from periodically taken forms or has been obtained from:

A. Comparison of measurements of water levels in 99 wells made by Fiedler in 1925-27 with measurements in the same wells made in 1937, 1938, 1939 and 1940 by Morgan. B. Periodic observations on the water levels in seven representative wells in the Rio Felix area from 1935 to 1938 by the Artesian well supervisor and the Pecos Valley Artesian conservancy district. C. Periodic observation during the last half of 1937 and still continued on about 45 wells scattered over the area from north of Roswell to Seven Rivers by the Artesian well supervisor. D. Records of seven continuous water stage recorders installed over various wells in the area of shallow ground water development.

Changes in Water Levels From '25
Many of the wells measured by Fiedler in 1926 and 1927 have been abandoned and filled. Others could not be measured and some could not be definitely located. Out of the 204 measured by Fiedler, 112 wells which could be measured were definitely located. The depth to water was measured in 99 wells of the 112, and the remaining 13 wells were found to be dry by

Morgan, showing that the water level of the zone of saturation had decreased to below the bottom of the well. Nearly all of the wells measured by Morgan showed a decline in water level from Fiedler's period of measurement, and the decline ranged from one foot to over 20 feet.

The decline in water level has been the greatest along the west edge of the basin and especially in townships 13 and 14 south, and in township 12 south. Since 1927, the water table has declined in the Roswell area from 2 to 10 feet depending on the locality. This decline means an actual lowering which does not recover during seasonal fluctuations, but denotes the increased use of water from the valley fill and is not recharged with sufficient water to stabilize the water surface.

In townships 10 and 11 south, there has been a drop of from 10 to 15 feet, and this condition exists to the Rio Felix area, where there is a decline in water level of from 15 to 20 feet from 1927 in an area west and south of the town of Hagerman. In Eddy County there has been a decline noted of from 10 feet on an average to a decline of 15 feet in some areas from north of Artesia to Dayton.

Seasonal Fluctuation in Wells
With a few exceptions all of the shallow ground water wells in which periodic measurements were made show seasonal fluctuations in response to pumping from wells for irrigation. The fluctuation is of two types, as noted by Morgan. A gradual drop through the spring and summer and a gradual rise through the fall and winter. A sharp drop in March and April, a marked rise in May and June, another sharp drop in the latter part of June, July and August, and a

sharp rise in September and October which continues at a decreased rate through the high period of the year. Those fluctuations are dependent of course upon the time and amount of pumping by the well users. In addition, variations may be caused by local precipitation in the area, and will cause the lessening of use of water causing the wells to stop in decline for short periods.

Pumping from confined aquifers may cause fluctuations in the water levels in wells some distance from the pumped well, due to the water being under an Artesian pressure. The rapid and marked effect over a big area is noted when water is withdrawn from storage. However, in area where the water is under water table conditions, the response is

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