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Investigation of Pecos Is Started

Field Party

Find Facts About the Amounts of Water in Valley, Inflow, Consumption, Use, Quality, Flood Control Question.

TO BE \$400,000

Complete Program Will Be About Two Years, Official Says Here.

First step in connection with the river joint investigation of National Resources Planning Board, a \$400,000 project, is to construct a field party trip, whose purpose is not to construct things, but to find facts about the amounts of water in the Pecos Valley, its consumptive use, its flood control question.

A party made only a brief stop at an hour Tuesday night and rest at the Artesia before going to Lake McMillan and reservoir for investigation.

Although there was no meeting with the representatives of the party, members explained to citizens contacted the nature of the work being done.

B. M. Woods of Berkeley, regional chairman of the National Resources Planning Board, a member of the consulting party and investigating the purpose of the present trip is to lay down all the facts of which it is hoped to contact between Texas and New Mexico to prevent lawsuits.

The present field trip of four days which began at Las Vegas this morning, is being made by the board of the National Resources Planning Board and representatives of the two states and Army Engineers, Geological Survey, Soil Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Reclamation and Inter-river Commission.

Woods said that after the completion of the four-day field trip in Texas, the party will go to Carlsbad, where there will be an executive session Friday to set procedure plans for the investigation, which will take two years at an expenditure of \$400,000.

Woods said Col. F. C. Beeson, Army Engineers, with headquarters at Galveston, Tex., also is in the field with a field party.

Barlan H. Barrows of Chicago, chairman of the consulting party for the National Resources Planning Board, summed up the purpose of the trip as affording an opportunity for all concerned on the investigation to become familiar with the basic problems involved and to meet those who are concerned in the solution of the problems in the various localities throughout the drainage basin.

There are many increasingly serious problems connected with the Pecos River basin which have prompted this investigation. Dr. Barrows said, problems connected with the salinity of irrigation water supplies, floods and erosion, and the silting of channels and reservoirs, and the importance of the differences that have existed for many years between the uses and control of Pecos waters. The interests and demands of many agencies of the federal government, as well as of the states and local interests, are involved.

Barrows said as the basis of solution of these problems, factual data of a fundamental character is needed — facts which definitely establish the potential water supply of the past and present uses and the requirements for it, with respect to the quality of ground and surface waters and sources and trends of salinity, damage, erosion and siltation. The objective of the Pecos River investigation is to develop factual information, which may serve primarily as the basis for the negotiation of a treaty between the States of New Mexico and Texas which will be continued on last page, Col. 2)

Annual Meeting Valley Baptists To Be in Artesia

The annual meeting of the Pecos Valley Baptist Association is to be held at the First Baptist Church in Artesia next Tuesday and Wednesday, with the Rev. A. L. Goodwin, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Carlsbad, serving as moderator. He will call the first session together at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Dr. McKinley Norman of the First Baptist Church of Roswell will set the goal for the whole meeting in his annual sermon at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning. The program will consist of reports on the year's work with inspirational and devotional messages being the features of the program at each session.

The Rev. H. P. Staag, corresponding secretary of the Baptist General Convention of New Mexico, will appear on the program. Other visitors from over the state will be: George F. Elam, veteran Training Union worker; Miss Eva R. Enlow, director of young people's and women's activities for the state; E. A. Herron, Sunday school worker, and H. C. Reavis, for many years active in the work of New Mexico Baptists.

A large delegation from each of the eleven churches making up this district is expected. The messengers are to be guests of the First Baptist Church of Artesia and dinner will be served by the ladies of the church at noon and a supper at 5:30 o'clock Tuesday. Entertainment for the night will be held in the homes of various members of the church and a lunch will be served by the ladies again the second day. Adjournment is expected at 11 o'clock on the second day.

New Oil Test Well Near Hagerman Spudded Sunday

Chaves County and the Hagerman district is to have a new oil well test, according to the Oil News, a paper devoted to the oil development of the state. This well will be located five miles west of the one recently drilled northwest of Lake Arthur. The Oil News says:

Elmer J. Fisher, widely known New Mexico oil man, will drill a new Chaves County wildcat, about 15 miles northwest of Artesia. The well will be on the Hagerman Dome, in SW NW sec. 8-15-25E.

The well was to be spudded in on Sunday, Aug. 8 and will drill to oil or 1,500 feet.

Location was on geology by O. A. Lazzazola, Albuquerque geologist, who formerly was with the Doheny interests in Mexico a number of years.

Pearson Brothers, well known Southeastern New Mexico drilling firm, has the contract. They will use rotary equipment to the lime horizon, estimated at around 1,200 feet, and then will standardize and drill in with cable tools.

Baptist Missionary Conducts Service Among the Spanish

The Rev. J. B. Parker, Baptist missionary to the Spanish-speaking people of New Mexico, has been in Artesia for several days conducting services for the Spanish Baptist Church. In the mornings he has been conducting a vacation Bible school for the Spanish children at the Spanish Baptist Church.

He reports splendid attendance at both day and night sessions and a happy spirit pervading the people on the outlook of their work.

The Rev. Mr. Parker will be a visitor at the First Baptist Church Sunday, when he will have an opportunity to tell of the mission work in the entire state.

Highway Letting Act Saving Money
A single act of the 1939 New Mexico legislature has saved the state \$700,000 so far in less than six months, Burton G. Dwyre, state highway engineer, estimated.

Former Hagerman Boy Contracts Tularemia

Robert Ridgley, son of Carl Ridgley is very ill at the home of his parents in Portales from tularemia, "rabbit fever," contracted while visiting in Hagerman last week. A special serum has been ordered and it is hoped that this will bring relief. He was skinning rabbits and because of a scratch on his hand the disease was transmitted.

Legion's Activities Of Last Year Told By Post Adjutant

Samelson Makes Report at Meeting in Artesia—Direct Relief of \$69.28

The many phases of activities in which the American Legion participates were brought out at the August meeting of Clarence Kepple post in the hut Monday evening, when Oscar Samelson, adjutant, reported on the things in which the post had a hand the last year.

His report was in the form of a letter to state headquarters. Direct relief to former service men and their families out of post funds amounted to \$69.28, which did not include special donations from time to time out of especially raised purses, Samelson said.

Cooperation with the schools and school children in furthering the Legion's program of Americanism was shown in the adjutant's report of study of the constitution under Legion sponsorship, study of the American flag through the distribution of 1,000 folders on the flag code and the sponsorship of public speaking in the schools.

Boys work, as well as the sponsorship of a Boy Scout troop, was stressed by Samelson, who told of the post "adopting" the troop during the last year.

Business houses in Artesia not having flags for display on holiday and special occasions were solicited during the year in order that all might have flags. And Samelson said the response was complete.

Participation in military funerals, the placing of headstones on the graves of war dead and the erection of a bulletin board on the front of the First National Bank Building were all listed, as was the purchase of a membership certificate for the Coronado Cuarto Centennial celebration next year.

The sponsorship of a luncheon meeting at the Artesia Hotel for E. C. Smith, department commander, and other phases of Legion activities were named.

The post adopted a resolution asking the state game commission to provide better fishing in Eddy and Chaves County waters by better stocking the fishing waters and by striving to have the conservation district maintain an adequate level of water in Lake McMillan. The resolution was similar to ones adopted last week by the Chamber of Commerce and the Lions Club.

S. A. Lanning, Jr., post commander, added the name of M. G. Schulze to the Boy Scout committee which he appointed a month ago.

It was decided to again have joint meetings the third Monday of each month the coming year with the American Legion Auxiliary, as was done throughout the last Legion year until warm weather. The first such meeting is to be Monday, Sept. 8, when the post's entertainment committee is to provide a program.

Programs at such affairs are to be provided on alternate months by the Legion and Auxiliary, it was agreed.

State Lamb Crop Forecast Larger
New Mexico's 1939 lamb crop was forecast by Fred Daniels, agricultural statistician, as larger than that of last year although the crop for the thirteen Western producing states as a whole promised to be 3 per cent under 1938 figures.

Geo. R. Lange Victim of Fatal Auto Accident

Buried at Hagerman on Tuesday With Largest Funeral Here in Years—Entire Community Is Saddened By Death.

All Hagerman was shocked and saddened late Saturday by news of the death of Lieutenant George R. Lange, near Albuquerque. Lieutenant Lange was driving alone when his car collided with another driven by a woman with a small child.

The exact details of the accident may never be known. All the principals are dead. Lieutenant Lange was rushed to the Veterans' Hospital, near Albuquerque, but he died about the time he arrived there. The driver of the other car was killed instantly and the baby died Sunday.

The body of Lieutenant Lange was brought to Hagerman and laid to rest Tuesday in the Hagerman Cemetery with Masonic ceremonies after funeral services were held at the home of his father, L. M. Lange, east of Hagerman. The funeral was the most largely attended of any held in Hagerman in recent years. Nearly 100 cars followed the body to the cemetery.

The Rev. Arthur Shaw preached a moving funeral sermon and Bert Ballard of Roswell was master of ceremonies at the grave. Cass G. Mason was in charge of the funeral and the pallbearers were: E. S. Bowen, Jim Michelet, Spurgeon Wiggins, R. W. Conner and Wayne Graham. The music was rendered by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cumpsten, Mrs. W. E. Utterback and Mrs. Ida B. Knoll.

Floral tributes were most profuse and beautiful. Representatives from different CCC camps and from the regular army were in attendance. The business houses of Hagerman closed without any announcement or concerted plan, but all were closed. Thus did Hagerman honor one of its best loved sons.

George Raymond Lange was born at Hagerman, October 11, 1918, and died Aug. 5, 1939, age 30 years, 9 months, 35 days. He was married July 17, 1930 to Zelma Ringwald of Tatum, N. Mex. To this union were born three children, two of whom survive: George Breton, age 5 years and Janice Ruth, age 13 months. He is also survived by his wife, his father, L. M. Lange, a brother, Richard Lange and two sisters, Nell Lange and Mrs. Evelyn Collier. His infant son preceded him in death 7 years and 3 months. His mother died two years ago. He joined the Hagerman Methodist Church at the age of 19 years.

He was a Mason, First Lieutenant in Chemical Warfare Service, Reserve, graduated from Hagerman High School in 1927, attended Texas Tech at Lubbock and New Mexico Normal University at Las Vegas.

John D. Garner and his mother, Mrs. L. W. Garner are in Texas this week visiting relatives in Dallas. With them are Mrs. James McKinstry and daughter, Peggy, who are spending most of their time with relatives at Greenville.

SAFETY RULES ARE URGED FOR STUDENTS
New Mexico parents have been urged by J. T. Reece, director of the state board of education's transportation division, to begin instructing children to observe safety rules before the opening of school Sept. 5.

The director suggested the following safety rules: For pupils in city schools — To cross streets at corners, obey traffic signals, choose the safest route to school, and always use it, and not play in the streets and cooperate with school safety patrols.

For pupils in rural schools transported by bus — Obey the driver "cheerfully and promptly," use caution in crossing highways after leaving the bus, always passing in front of the bus at the driver's signal; walk facing oncoming traffic if walking along a highway and never get on or off a bus while it is in motion.

Mrs. Chester Anderson of Muleshoe, Tex., is visiting this week with her sister, Miss Wilma Walden.

Blackburn Resigns Young Demo Post

Louis C. Blackburn, former news editor of the Current-Argus and now editor of an Artesia weekly, today (Aug. 4) announced his resignation as chairman of the Carlsbad Young Democrats.

Blackburn stated that since he is now a resident of Artesia his position should be filled by a Carlsbad member of the organization, "preferably someone who doesn't hold another political job."—Carlsbad Current-Argus.

Production Steps Up in Eddy Fields As Ten Wells Flow

All Are Brought in During the Last Week—Three New Locations

Production stepped ahead in the Eddy County oil fields the last week, when ten wells were completed, all as producers. They are: Magnolia, Bridges 37, NE SW 14-17-34; total depth 4,642 feet; flowed 85 barrels of oil in five hours.

Phillips, Santa Fe 31, SE NW 26-17-35; total depth 4,566 feet; flowed 23 barrels per hour.

Magnolia, Marshall 4, NE NW 34-21-37; total depth 3,743 feet; flowed 70 barrels in two hours.

Texas & Pacific, State 18-A, SW NE 11-22-36; total depth 3,890 feet; flowed 65 barrels per hour.

Repollo, State 4-D, NE SE 12-22-36; total depth 3,750 feet; flowed 890 barrels per day.

Osage Drilling Co., Christmas 1, NE SE 17-22-37; total depth 3,707 feet; flowed 55 barrels in 12 hours.

Shell, Whitten 2, NE NE 33-23-36; total depth 3,635 feet; flowed 225 barrels per day.

C. B. King, Harrison 2, NE NW 20-24-37; total depth 3,600 feet; flowed 5 barrels oil per hour.

Continental, Jack 2, NE SE 29-24-37; total depth 3,570 feet; flowed 37 barrels in 14 hours.

Phillips, Woolworth 8, NW NE 33-24-37; total depth 3,565 feet; flowed 208 barrels in six hours.

Three wells were located in Eddy County during the week, while eleven locations were made in Lea County. Those in Eddy: Aston & Fair, Hudson 2, SW NE 18-17-31; R. W. Fair, Brainard 1, NW NE 10-18-29; S. P. Yates, Brainard 1, SW SW 3-18-29.

Some Folks Do Lots of Walking In Single Day

The average housewife, in the course of a year, walks a distance equal to that between Boston and San Francisco, or about eight miles a day, a recent survey discloses.

The cop on the beat walks 14 miles a day. A normally-active boy covers about 15 miles a day. And the hospital interne scurries up and down corridors to the extent of 18 miles daily.

These figures were reported to the twenty-eighth convention of the National Association of Chiropractors by Dr. Joseph Lelyveld of Boston, director of research of the organization.

Dr. Lelyveld, using an instrument which counts the steps of an individual, has been checking distances walked by Boston, New York and Chicago business men, housewives, salesmen, dancers and those in other walks of life.

The research director handed the palm to the farmer as greatest walker, however. Behind the plow, he estimated a farmer covered more than 25 miles a day. Mailmen follow with 22 miles a day.

An average woman shopper wanders eight miles a day through the stores, but steps up her mileage to 11 under the pressure of Christmas buying.

He estimated salesmen covered 75 miles a week, stenographers 43 miles, and a business man, every 3 or 4 weeks, equalled the distance between New York and Boston.

Rules for School Bus Drivers Are Listed by Board

The state board of education is ready to guarantee that New Mexico rural school pupils will be transported to and from school by bus drivers as capable as the board can hire.

For the first time, under the direction of the board's new transportation division, school bus drivers are to be submitted to rigid examinations.

This year a school bus driver must meet these standards: He must be physically and mentally fit, able to pass a thorough annual physical examination.

He must be at least 21 years old. And if he is more than 60 he must pass semi-annual physical examinations.

He must pass written, oral and practical driving tests. He must have driven at least two years or 10,000 miles without personal blame for a major accident and have had experience driving vehicles larger than a passenger automobile.

He must submit character references which will be available to the public at the division of transportation office. He must be "capable of getting along with a group of youngsters" and be neat and clean in appearance.

Big Dedication Celebration to Be at Artesia

Gov. Miles Will Be the Principal Speaker in Evening, Presenting Projects to Mayor at Morris Field.

FARMERS' MEET AT 2
Huge Barbecue at 5:30 to Be One of High Spots of Activities.

Plans are nearing completion for the big dedication-celebration-barbecue in Artesia next Wednesday, when the merchants of the city under the sponsorship of the Chamber of Commerce and the Central Valley Farm & Livestock Association join forces to give the people of the Pecos Valley the greatest event ever attempted here.

The afternoon portion of the program will be under the auspices of the farm group and in the evening the new public buildings, swimming pool and Morris Field will be dedicated by Governor John E. Miles at exercises in the fine new stadium which was named a few weeks ago by public acclaim for P. V. Morris, city manager, through whose efforts many of the civic improvements were made better than had been anticipated.

Morris will be honored on the program. The dedication exercises, which will begin at Morris Field at 7 o'clock, will include presentation to the governor of the WPA and PWA projects by Harold Mondell, district supervisor for the Works Progress Administration.

Gov. Miles, in turn, will turn the projects over to Hollis G. Watson, mayor of Artesia, who will accept them in the name of the community.

During the evening program, Senator Dennis Chavez and Representative J. J. Dempsey are scheduled for short talks.

The principal speakers on the afternoon farmers' program, which will begin at 2 o'clock in Central Park, will be Frank Holland, president of the Breeder-Feeder Association of Texas, who will speak on "The Breeder-Feeder Movement," and an official of the National Cotton Council.

The council has accepted an invitation for one of its higher officials to come, but it had not been determined up to this morning who the speaker would be. However, he will be a man who understands the cotton farmer's problems of today, the committee has been assured.

Holland, one of the best informed men on his subject, will have a message of interest both to livestock producer and the feeder. The breeder-feeder movement is being accepted in a large measure by farmers in the feeding areas throughout the Southwest.

Senator Carl A. Hatch and George R. Quesenberry, director of extension, New Mexico State College, have been invited to appear on the afternoon program and some prominent farmer or farmers of the Pecos Valley will be heard. S. A. Lanning, Jr., of the Central Valley Farm & Livestock Association will preside.

A public address system has been procured for use both at the farmers' meeting in Central Park in the afternoon and at the dedication exercises at Morris Field in the evening.

One of the big events of the day will be a free barbecue, to be served in Central Park at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon, possible through the joint efforts of committees of the Central Valley Farm & Livestock Association and the Chamber of Commerce.

Several serving lines are planned in order to facilitate the serving of barbecue to the large crowd which is expected, for which hundreds of pounds of beef have been contracted.

The Weather

| | Rain | Max. | Min. |
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| Thurs. Aug. 3 | 0 | 92 | 68 |
| Fri. Aug. 4 | .05 | 84 | 64 |
| Sat. Aug. 5 | 0 | 85 | 65 |
| Sun. Aug. 6 | 0 | 91 | 63 |
| Mon. Aug. 7 | 0 | 91 | 63 |
| Tues. Aug. 8 | 0 | 83 | 63 |
| Wed. Aug. 9 | 0 | 85 | 56 |
| Average week | 0 | 87 | 63 |

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Now that Congress has adjourned and the fact that some Democrats joined with the Republicans to throw a few monkey wrenches into the Roosevelt program, we have the 1940 campaign fairly launched. The first propaganda material on presidential candidates came through the mails this week. Garner, Ritchie and McNutt are first on the Democratic side with Taft, Vandenberg and Dewey leading for the Republicans. Let's keep calm. There will be more half-truths and plain lies scattered over the U. S. A. in the next few months than we have known in many years. Propaganda has been developed into a science and can make black seem almost white. Keep calm and reserve your decision.

The Messenger cannot refrain from one political suggestion: Do not change horses until someone comes along with a better one.

It's Not Advertising

There's really no surer way to get stuck than buying advertising in so-called programs, yearbooks, cook books and similar publications of unknown circulation. If you want to make a donation, make a donation, but don't be fooled into thinking it is advertising.

When the National Small Business Men's Association met in Pittsburgh, some ambitious soul thought an official souvenir program should be published. Some \$21,000 worth of space was sold at \$1,000 a page to such friendly people as Atlantic Refining, Kraft-Phoenix, Greyhound, Westinghouse, Baby Ruth and others.

The convention wasn't so hot. Only 250 people registered for the meeting; so each had nearly \$100 worth of advertising to gaze at.

And that little program wasn't any worse than some similar things put through, on a smaller scale, in nearly every small city in the country every year. Advertising is something you do to make money. When you know you're just stuck for a donation, it isn't advertising.—The Pocketbook.

Polly Cumpston is visiting Anabelle Tulk at the Tulk ranch on Caprock.

Miss Mayre Losey spent Sunday in Portales visiting friends.

Typewriters for rent—The Messenger.

COTTON QUERY

The National Cotton Council has sent us a poem, "Cotton Query," which would be timely for any issue in this cotton country, but which

There's a Cabin in the Cotton, But No Cotton in the Cabin; Aunt Jemima's gettin' supper In a dress of acetate; Uncle Peter in a polo shirt And pants of rayon yarn. Wears a tie of purple silk-spun While he's milking in the barn; Sara Manth's peelin' taters in Her brand new celanese; Arabella in her bemburg 's on the doorstep shellin' peas; Baby Ned and little Eva, Crawlin' round the cabin floor, Have on little lastex rompers from the 5 and 10-cent store; Oh! the Cabin's in the Cotton still, Just like in verse and song. But with no Cotton in the Cabin, will It be there very long?

THE CHURCHES

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Rev. Harold Morris, pastor. 9:45 a. m., Sunday school. Oscar Kiper, superintendent. 10:45 a. m., morning service. 7 p. m., N. Y. P. S., Miss Ruby Rroades, president. 8 p. m., evening service. Evangelistic message. 8 p. m., Wednesday, mid-week prayer service.

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Arthur Shaw, pastor. 10 a. m., Church school. Howard Menefee, superintendent. 11 a. m., divine worship. 7 p. m., Epworth League, Miss Dean Condit, president. 8 p. m., Evening service. 7:30 p. m., Wednesday, Mid-week service. 8 p. m., Thursday, choir rehearsal.

"The church with a full program that touches life" invites the public to attend its services and join its fellowship.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

C. A. Strickland, pastor. Feno Bramblett, superintendent. Sunday school, 10 a. m. Morning message, 11 a. m. Evening service, 7 p. m. Young people's service, Thursday evening at 8 p. m. Prayer meeting, Tuesday, 8 p. m. Come and you will find a hearty welcome.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

During the absence of the pastor, the Rev. Harry Cox, who is on vacation there will be no evening services at the Presbyterian Church. The morning service next Sunday will be under the direction of the choir.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. R. E. Harrison, pastor. F. W. Sadler, superintendent. Mrs. O. J. Ford, associate superintendent. R. M. Middleton, Baptist Training Union Director. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Morning worship service 11 a. m. Baptist Training Union 7:30 p. m. Evening worship service 8:30 p. m.

Teachers and officers meeting, 7:30 p. m. Wednesday. Prayer service, 8:15 p. m. Wednesday. Choir practice, 9 p. m. Wednesday. Woman's Missionary Societies, both circles, 2:30 p. m., Monday. Brotherhood meeting, 7:30 p. m., Monday. Royal Ambassadors, 7:30 p. m., Monday, Junior and Intermediate boys.

Gas Royalties For State During June Come to \$130,036

Oil and gas royalties brought a total of \$130,036.08 to New Mexico institutions during June, Frank Worden, state land commissioner, announced Friday.

Largest slice of the revenue went to the common school fund, which received \$95,646.81. The rest of the royalties were distributed as follows:

Deaf and Dumb School and School for the Blind, each \$11,879.39; University of New Mexico \$1,424.43. State College \$2,815.91, state penitentiary \$3,232.91, Military Institute \$2,817.05, Miners' Hospital \$181 and the charitable, penal and reform fund \$159.49, divided among the penitentiary, miners' hospital and state industrial school.

Largest share of the gas and oil royalties came from the Eunice field, which contributed \$48,200.47. Second was the Monument field with \$29,484.14, followed by the Vacuum area, \$21,599.47, and the Hobbs field, \$15,195. All other areas paid less than \$6,000.



Everybody Likes Chicken

By RUTH J. COOPER, Consulting Home Economist Breeder-Feeder Association

Poultry knows no season. Regardless of time or weather some class of poultry is available. The broilers weighing from 1 to 2 1/2 pounds are on the market by March or April and then follow the fryers weighing from 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 pounds. After these come the fowls to be baked or stewed which are available all year round.

So far as weights are concerned there is an overlapping of the fryers and the older birds but age is easily determined by feeling the breast bone. If it is pliable, the bird is young.

Young birds may be broiled or fried but older birds need slow, and more often than not, moist heat. All poultry is more tender if killed the day before cooking. Barbecue sauce: 2 cups tomato catsup, 1/2 cup mild vinegar, 1/2 cup Worcestershire sauce, 1/2 cup A-1 sauce, 2 tablespoons onion juice, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon red pepper, 1 1/2 cups butter.

Combine ingredients and bring to the boiling point. Baste broiling meat with the sauce. Barbecued chicken: Use broilers and split in half. Place on heated racks about 3 or more inches from the flame. Sear until white, baste with the sauce and turn; continue basting with the sauce until done and delicately browned.

Fricassee chicken: Fricasseeing is the use of moist heat for the less tender fowls as braising is the method used for beef and the less tender cuts of meat. The methods are the same. The chicken is cut into the desired pieces for serving, salted and rolled in flour. It is then browned in a small quantity of fat, in other words, fried. About 1/2 cup of liquid—tomato juice, milk or water—is poured over the chicken and pan tightly covered. Chicken is allowed to cook slowly until tender, liquid replaced as needed. This is cooked either on top of stove or in oven (350 degrees F.)

When done, gravy is made from drippings in pan and served with the chicken. Generally rice and at least one vegetable are served with this dish. Chicken pot pie: 4-pound fowl, water, 1/2 cup celery leaves, 1 onion, 4 whole cloves, bay leaf, 4 hard-cooked eggs, pastry, milk. Cover fowl with water, add seasonings and simmer until meat falls from the bones. Allow fowl to cool in the stock. Remove, cut into small pieces. Line casserole with pastry and cut remaining dough into strips. Place a layer of chicken on bottom of pastry lined casserole, then a few slices of egg, sprinkle with salt and pepper and dot with butter; cover with three strips of pastry and then repeat—chicken, egg, seasonings. Strip top of pie with pastry. Add the strained chicken broth to cover the last layer of chicken and bake in a hot oven until done. Remove from the oven and add rich milk or cream to cover and return to oven about 5 minutes, until top is a delicate brown.

Chicken croquettes: 2 cups cooked chicken, 3/4 cup thick white sauce, 1/2 teaspoon salt, seasonings, 2 hard-cooked eggs, egg and crumbs.

Dice the chicken, add white sauce, salt and other seasonings to taste, diced hard-cooked eggs and mix well. Shape into croquettes, roll in crumbs, dip in beaten egg diluted with a little water and roll in crumbs again. Fry in deep hot fat (385 degrees F.) about 2 minutes or until a golden brown in color. Serve hot.

Centennial Fund Cut Is Restored

A \$75,000 cut to the quarter-million-dollar appropriation for federal participation in the Coronado Cuarto Centennial observance was restored by the Senate Friday.

The Senate appropriations committee restored the cut at the request of Senator Dennis Chavez of New Mexico and the Senate acted on the committee's recommendation. The House trimmed the appropriation to \$175,000 in the third deficiency supply bill and has yet to act on the Senate amendment.

New Mexico and other Southwestern states expect to use the federal appropriation and state funds in 1940 to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the American explorations of Francisco Vasquez de Coronado.

Fiestas and other celebrations will feature the conquistadore theme in New Mexico and a monument marking Coronado's trek into Arizona, will be erected in that state.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NOTES

At the morning service the pulpit will be filled by Dalton Keeth. Sunday school at the usual hour and no evening service in the absence of the pastor, the Rev. Harry Cox.

Hagerman MESSENGER 10 Years Ago

Lake Van at Dexter was to be stocked with bass. All rough fish were to be poisoned before the bass were added.

Mrs. C. G. How, who had been the proprietor of the Merchants Cafe, closed the place after operating for five months.

It was clean-up day at the cemetery. Each person who took part was asked to clean off his own lot and that of someone who had moved away.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cowan and daughters, Mabel and Dorothea had just returned from a wonderful vacation tour in Kansas and Iowa.

The A. E. Watford family moved to Mrs. J. C. Hughes' house on Friday and the Rev. and Mrs. Bryan Hall had moved into the parsonage.

New Mexico Motor Vehicle Department had collected \$734,000 for the year—an increase of 40 per cent over the preceding year.

From Santa Fe came an order to make all oiled roads 20 feet wide with a foot of surfacing on each shoulder, making a total of 22 feet.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sweatt entertained at dinner bridge. Present were Messrs. and Meses. Kenneth Servatius, R. L. Collins, Dub Andrus, Alma Nail, W. A. Losey, Harold Miller and Miss Bernice Sweatt and John Mann.

Five Years Ago

Cotton yield in the whole United States was estimated at 9,195,000 bales, the lowest since 1896. Market jumped \$2 per bale.

The Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Hedges and Robert Cumpston attended the Presbyterian General Assembly held in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mayor West was pushing the work on curbing and culverts along Main Street, giving the town a cityified look.

The American Legion Auxiliary sent as delegates to the convention at Ruidoso, Mr. and Mrs. John Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Michele and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Harshey.

Pastors of the different churches were: Baptist, W. C. Garrett; Methodist, J. W. Slade; Presbyterian, J. A. Hedges; Nazarene, E. L. Askins.

Meditations

Of Your Country Cousin

What looks like blooming tulips to Ferdinand may look like a red rag to Ferdinand's brother.

Some that cast their bread upon the water are mighty particular to use a good rod and reel and a highest linen line!

You'd be surprised how many gals that can hike ten miles in the mountains when there ain't a boy in sight just can't walk three blocks if there's a good car an' a likely driver this side of the horizon!

Remember how much you could tell about a feller by just lookin' at the right front axle of his buggy? Might not be a bad idea 't give the tires of your daughter's boy friend a "once-over."

An apple tree and a willow stood side by side. The apple tree boasted of its great load of ripening fruit, but a big wind arose and uprooted the apple tree. The willow bent its limber back and waved its empty arms in the gale and when it was over it still stood—a comfort and shade to all who passed.

If you're really wantin' to find out somethin', keep your eyes and ears open—an' your mouth shut!

P. E. Stoes of Buffalo Valley Ranch is back from a two-week trip to Mexico City. He reports perfect roads and a most enjoyable trip. The thing that seemed most impressed on his memory was the cheapness of all commodities. This was due largely to the amount of Mexican money the U. S. silver dollar will buy. He was accompanied by his brother and the brother's wife, who are spending the summer at Las Cruces.

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WHAT'S WHAT In NEW MEXICO

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

New Mexico county treasurers sent \$1,906,411 to the state treasury during the last fiscal year, or about \$100,000 less than remittances for the 1937-38 fiscal year. State Auditor E. D. Trujillo said the largest sum came from Bernalillo County, with \$127,209, compared with \$151,251 the year before. Lea County dropped from \$181,946 to \$106,733.

State gasoline tax collections in July totaled \$430,892, compared with \$398,989 for the same month in 1938, the State Revenue Bureau announced.

Joe Samor is suing the city of Las Cruces for \$14,180 as damages received while working out a city fine. Samora received a broken thigh when a gravel pit caved in on him. He contended that he is permanently disabled, because the break has failed to heal.

For months the volunteer fire laddies of Mosquero wanted for a chance to try out their shiny new truck at a blaze. Came an alarm and all hands answered. One after another they took turns on the crank handle. They wound and they wound. But someone had filched the gasoline. Meanwhile the old Drake farmhouse burned to ashes.

An armadillo—a shell-backed creature that has rated a top place on a cowboy menu in Texas—was captured by H. C. Scott on his farm at Dora last week, the first reported in that section. Scott caught the animal in a field. The armadillo is indigenous to South America, but roams the Central Texas lowlands. It is nocturnal in habit and feeds on insects, worms and roots.

New Mexico's 45 chapters of Future Farmers of America are having their annual convention at Tes Ritos this week. About 300 delegates were expected.

Death made an unwelcome visit to a Navajo healing ceremonial last week and the dance ended quickly as terrified Indians fled from the presence of the "chindi"—evil spirits. Navajo Mike, 55, a relative of the principal patient for whom the healing squaw dance was being staged at Pinehaven, 40 miles south of Gallup, was killed when he was thrown from a horse. The "chindi," said the medicine men to a large crowd, had made Mike's horse throw him and cause his death. A few minutes after the accident, Navajos were hurrying homeward in every direction.

The New Mexico Public Welfare Department spent \$86,321.73 in July on payments for old age assistance, aid to dependent children and to the needy blind. Mrs. Jennie Kirby, director, announced the breakdown as follows: Old age payments of \$46,297.41 to 3,908 recipients; \$36,887.45 to 4,989 dependent children; \$3,136.87 to 207 needy blind.

With oil and gas lease income again leading the way, state land office revenue in July totaled \$219,764, an increase of \$11,046 over July, 1938. Oil and gas lease royalties accounted for \$124,376 of the July total and oil and gas lease rentals were \$72,745. Land purchase contracts fell off sharply to \$2,337, as against \$4,821 a year ago. Potash lease receipts gained a little, accounting for \$2,254 last month.

A barn was demolished, several houses were unroofed and trees were uprooted when a freak "twister" raged through a mile-square area north of Las Cruces last week for 15 minutes. Nearly an inch of rain followed.

At the present time California is "about the worst place" for New Mexico agricultural workers to go to make a living, J. C. Mitchell, director of the New Mexico state employment service, warned He added that his statement was backed by the fact that unemployed agricultural workers who have migrated to California have increased the number of unemployed farm workers there to more than 5,000, according to information received from Washington.

Reduction of New Mexico's general fund deficit from \$265,815—as it stood at the end of the fiscal year, June 30—to \$26,687, was announced by State Auditor E. D. Trujillo. The red-linked figure was trimmed by issuance of \$200,000 in casual certificates of indebtedness and application of delinquent taxes.

Under advisement by the State Supreme Court last week was a recommendation by the New Mexico Bar Association that Albert Morgan, Hobbs attorney, be disbarred for "unprofessional conduct." Morgan did not appear at

Scores Socialized Medicine at Lions Lunch Wednesday

Dr. Miller Tells Artesia Why It Is Opposed by Medical Association

Socialized medicine as proposed today in some quarters was attacked Wednesday noon at the weekly Lions Club meeting by Dr. Wainwright Miller, not because the medical profession is so much opposed to the theory, but because it is afraid of rushing into it.

In his talk Dr. Miller told why the American Medical Association opposes socialized medicine. The cost, he said, would be excessive, possibly 850 million dollars a year, which would expand in subsequent years.

Then it would jeopardize the right of the individual to select his doctor and would regiment medicine.

A fourth point, Dr. Miller said, is that socialized medicine would tend to create a lack of time for individual attention of patients, for it has been observed that where the practice is followed people come in for attention for any minor ills.

And, the speaker gave as the fifth point of opposition, the American Medical Association is afraid the practice would become a "political football."

There are at present several state plans, Dr. Miller said, out of which a good one eventually will evolve.

The speaker advanced insurance as a substitute for socialized medicine, a procedure whereby the individual can select his own doctor when needed. Persons in the lower salary brackets could be taken care of through insurance and the indigent still would be cared for by the state, as today.

A. Glasser, Edsel Lowery and J. A. Clayton, Jr., were welcomed into the club as new members.

Joe Cass Johnston, who is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Mason, at the Mineral Wells apartments, missed his footing and fell into the swimming pool Tuesday at the deepest part. What might have been a serious tragedy was changed into near-comedy when Gladys Mitchell, who was standing near, pulled him out quickly when he came to the surface after a good ducking. Joe Cass will have a good story to tell his pals in El Paso when he returns. Gladys can count one good deed well done for that day.

the hearing of the recommendation which charged that he had failed to account for clients' fees after failing to perform services for which he was paid.

An August daily oil allowable of 111,000 barrels, 5,100 less than the July figure, was set last week by the state oil conservation commission. The allowable represents 108,000 for domestic and 3,000 barrels for export purposes.

E. C. Smith, New Mexico department commander of the American Legion, said more than 700 reservations have been made for the state Legion convention in Lordsburg beginning today. Smith predicted the largest meeting in the history of the New Mexico department. The 57 active posts in the state, he said, will be represented by 210 delegates and Legionnaires from Douglas, Tucson and Phoenix, Ariz., and El Paso, Tex., are expected. The department's annual banquet will be Friday. R. J. Untreiner, agent in charge of the El Paso Federal Bureau of Investigation office, will make the principal address.

New Mexico's multi-million-dollar tourist industry hit a new peak during July, Tourist Bureau Director Joe Bursey said. A 24-hour traffic count July 23 showed 7,000 out-of-state automobiles entering the state, more than 800 above the figure for the corresponding period last year, and more than 1,000 above the figure for June this year. The Anthony station on U. S. Highway 80 had the highest figure with 1,105.

The tax division of the State Bureau of Revenue reported last week more than 1,000 New Mexico business concerns had registered under the tax law. Revenue Commissioner J. O. Gallegos said the registration included oil, telephone, telegraph and mining companies. "There is no doubt about the successful administration of the law," he said. The law, by the recent legislature, imposes a 2 per cent tax on material bought out of state for use and storage in New Mexico.

Lightning claimed a victim in New Mexico Aug. 1 with the death of Luce Rodriguez, 23, worker at the Santa Rita mines. His body was found atop a mine dump when shifts were changed. Rodriguez resided at Mimbres. And the same day, Elmo McMillen, Jr., 25, was burned seriously when struck by lightning, but doctors expressed belief the prominent Grant County ranchman would recover.

T. D. Devenport and Clay have as guests this week Mrs. Bill Devenport and Dean of Sweetwater, Ted Martin of Oklahoma City and Marie Boatler of Big Spring.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

GENERAL LAND OFFICE Las Cruces, New Mexico, July 3, 1939.

NOTICE is hereby given that Jane Bohannon of Lake N. Mex., who, on May 29, made homestead application 049980, for E 1/2 SE 1/4, Section 15, Township 15 S., Range 26 E., M. P. Meridian, has filed a declaration of intention to make 3 years to establish claim to the land described, before Joan S. United States Commissioner, Roswell, N. Mex., on the 21st of September, 1939. Claimant names as witnesses Mrs. Dorothy Downs, Frank Lenax, Junie Mullenax, John ens, all of Lake Arthur, N. M. PAUL A. ROACH, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

STATE LAND SALE CHAVES COUNTY

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER PUBLIC LANDS

Santa Fe, New Mexico

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of the act of Congress approved July 1910, the laws of the State of New Mexico and the regulations of the State Land Office, the Commissioner of Public Lands will offer at public sale to the highest and best bid 10:00 o'clock A. M., on October 20th, 1939, at the front of the Court House in the County of Roswell, county seat of Chaves County, New Mexico, following described tracts of land to-wit:

SALE NO. 2677

TRACT NO. 1 N 1/2 S 1/4, SW 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec 13; N 1/2 SE 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 14; Township 15 S., Range 30 East, N. M. P. Meridian, containing 320.00 acres, more or less.

TRACT NO. 2 SE 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 19; SW 1/4, W 1/2 SE 1/4, Section 19; NE 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 30; NE 1/4, NE 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 16 South, Range 30 East; and SE 1/4, Section 17 South, Range 30 East, containing 480.00 acres, more or less.

No bid will be accepted on lands described in Tract No. 1 for less than Five and No dollars (\$5.00) and successful bidder will be required to pay 5 per cent of the amount of his bid, the time of sale ten per cent of the amount of his bid, the time of the improvements and the balance of the amount of the offer on Tract No. 1 will be payable in thirty (30) equal installments, with interest deferred payments at the rate of four per cent (4%) per annum payable annually in advance.

No bid will be accepted on Tract No. 2 for less than Three No/100 dollars (\$3.00) and successful bidder will be required to pay at the time of sale five per cent (5%) of the amount of his bid, the value of the improvements and the costs of sale. The balance of the price offered will be payable in thirty years, interest on said balance payable annually in advance at the rate of four per cent (4%) per annum in accordance with the terms of the contract entered into by successful bidders form of which is furnished on request.

All minerals on the said lands are reserved to the State and Commissioner reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated at Santa Fe, New Mexico, this 24th day of July, 1939. FRANK WORDEN, Commissioner of Public Lands.

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GENERAL LAND OFFICE Las Cruces, New Mexico, July 1939.

NOTICE is hereby given that Jodie P. Betteerton, of Box Wink, Texas, who, on September 24, 1934, made homestead application No. 047358 and No. 049696 for W 1/4, NE 1/4, N 1/2 SE 1/4, SE 1/4 Section 23 S., Range 25 N. M. P. Meridian, has filed a declaration of intention to make 3 years to establish claim to the land described, before Joan S. United States Commissioner, Roswell, N. Mex., on the 7th of September, 1939. Claimant names as witnesses Mrs. O. B. Fanning, of Wink, Texas; Marlin Sartin, of Hagerman, N. Mex.; Charles D. Douthett, N. M. P. Meridian, Roswell, N. M. PAUL A. ROACH, Register.

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Little Known Facts and Delights on Oil Industry

Oil reserves are still untapped and awaiting development. If present pools are extended, industrial chemists estimate that drilling methods used today create others which can be tapped this enormous reserve, believed.

Scientists see a growing need for petroleum derivatives in the world on May 29. They predict new processes will be developed.

Twenty per cent of the world's oil is further utilized to crude oils to bring even greater efficiency in the present uses of fuels and lubricants.

Motorists who like to find the "traffico" will find the "traffico" primarily to cut hilltop roads, it estimates going up one side and getting a clear view of at 1,000 feet down the other.

According to the inventor, it's with prisms which are ground to specific curvatures so that the normal line of vision is bent downward and he sees down on the other side of the hill.

Other new and interesting device is a small radio and apparatus which can be used to any traffic light pole broadcasts traffic directions.

Light—Manufacturing industrial event of the manufacture of fluorescent lamps, regarded as the greatest development in illumination since Thomas A. Edison invented the electric light in 1879.

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Detention Dam to Prevent Flood Is Sought for Hondo

State Engineer Recommends Construction to Army Engineers

T. M. McClure, state engineer, recommended last week the construction of a detention dam on Rocky Arroyo (not the arroyo south of Artesia of the same name) and a diversion dam on the Hondo channel to avoid a repetition of the disastrous 1937 floods at Roswell, which extended below the Artesia locality into Texas.

McClure's report, submitted to army engineers for approval, was based on a detailed survey of stream run-off and storm intensity and frequency.

The retention and diversion dams, he said, either would retard the Hondo's flood waters in Rocky Arroyo or divert them into the old Hondo reservoir, to be released at a normal rate through Roswell "without needless damage to homes and property."

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LOCALS

Mrs. Parker Woodul of Portales is visiting this week with Miss Mayre Losey.

Mrs. Arthur Lawing and Bertha Mae attended the show in Artesia Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Walton and family of Carlsbad spent Sunday with Mrs. Sarah Walton.

Mrs. Bob Burns left Saturday for McCombs, Tex., where she will visit her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Langenegger and two children, Edith and Cecil of Burns, Kan., visited this week with the John Langenegger family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Davis of Lockney, Tex., visited this week with Mrs. Davis' parents, the Rev. and Mrs. Strickland.

Mrs. Homer Collum of Los Angeles, Calif., arrived Monday night to attend the funeral of her brother, Lieut. George Lange.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bush and their son, Donald Bush of Kansas City were dinner guests at the Cauhabe home in Roswell Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sweatt and children are on a trip through Northern New Mexico and Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Velmor Fletcher and Helen, who have been living in Clovis, have returned to Hagerman to make their home.

Mrs. Franklin Johnson and son, Joe Cass, are visiting at the Mason house this week. They are former residents of Hagerman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Yeager announce the arrival of a baby boy, born Sunday evening in Roswell. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

Don Bush of Kansas City returned to that place Saturday after a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bush at Hagerman and other relatives at Artesia.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Price and family of Capitan, N. Mex., arrived Tuesday for a visit with relatives and friends. They were accompanied back by Charlotte Jo Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Seaborn Price, who is visiting in Capitan.

The beauty parlor is now located in the office formerly occupied by Mrs. McKinstry. It is in a more convenient location, is fitted up with some new furniture so that there is no good reason why the whole feminine population cannot be served better than ever before.

Dexter News

The Presbyterian Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Klem Krukenmier Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Krukenmier and Mrs. Louie Heick as joint hostesses. Mrs. W. C. Sterrett had charge of the lesson and Mrs. Raymond Durand presided over the business and gave the Scripture, "The Life of Joseph." Those present were Mmes. L. Martin, Henrietta Durand, George Sterrett, W. C. Sterrett, Frank Wortman, Norma Gene Wortman, O. B. Berry, Mary Thompson, Raymond Durand, Harry Porter and the hostesses.

Mrs. Eddie Lewis, nee Vesta Stephens was visiting home folks Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Pryllis Marshall, state representative of the 4-H Clubs, will sing over KOB Wednesday at 5 o'clock.

Mrs. Clyde Lively has been ill for more than a week. The Livelys had planned to go to the San Francisco Fair, but have been delayed by Mrs. Lively's illness.

The district singing convention will meet in Dexter Sunday with an all-day singing with noon lunch on the grounds. Everyone is cordially invited and urged to bring a basket and help eat and sing.

Miss Rose Kirk and Miss Nannie Kirk, sisters of Mr. Kirk of the Dexter Laundry, are here visiting from Whitewright, Tex.

Invitations are out for a shower honoring Mrs. Jack Hubbard. Mrs. L. Martin and Mrs. O. B. Berry are the hostesses. The party will be held at Lake Van club house.

Frank Crain, a former resident of Dexter, is here visiting Harry Carver and old time friends. Mr. Crain is representative of the West Texas Children's Home at Abilene.

Mrs. Tom Hubbard and small son and daughter from Hurley, N. Mex., came home with Miss Rose Hubbard Sunday. Rose has been visiting in Hurley since she finished her summer course at the University in Albuquerque.

Miss Jean McNeil, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob McNeil, is recovering nicely from her tonsil operation. Cecil Johnson also had his tonsils removed Tuesday. His mother, Mrs. T. J. Johnson of Roswell is helping to take care of him this week.

Miss Elizabeth Rutledge entertained Tuesday night with a going away party for her cousin and house guest, Miss Pauline Adams of Arkansas.

Rip Coleman and wife are visiting home folks after a honeymoon spent in Oklahoma.

Wednesday night the young people of the Methodist Church gathered at the home of Maxine Sharp for a delightful party. About 18 or 20 guests spent a happy evening. This group will go to Artesia Friday night to attend a swimming party. Artesia is entertaining the district young people organization of the Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. McCaskey have returned from El Paso. They brought their son and daughter back with them for a visit.

Bessie Lee visited the John Roger family in Albuquerque last week.

Kenneth Lee came home Monday from an extended visit in Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stone and family of Odessa, Tex., are here visiting Mr. Stone's mother and brothers.

Mrs. Leo Halliburton of Hobbs and Mrs. Alex McCogill of Artesia, who were called here by the sickness of their mother, Mrs. Julia Cazier, have returned to their homes. Mrs. Cazier fell and broke her arm, but is recovering nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Price of Floydada, Tex., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Bailey and family.

Mrs. Curtis Sharp has for her house guests, her sister, Miss Evelyn Floyd, her brother, George Floyd, another sister, Miss Minnie Floyd and her niece, Mrs. John Lovett, all of Kenna, Tenn. Mrs. Sharp will take her guests to the Caverns and the mountains and to places of interest while they are in Dexter.

N. C. Ribble of the Pioneer Machinery Company of Albuquerque was in Dexter Monday. He and George Wilcox went to Vaughn Tuesday.

Monday was the 78th birthday of Mrs. Henrietta Durand. A group of friends gathered at the home of Mrs. Belle Hurst and then went together to Mother Durand's home. Mrs. Mehlop took a beautiful birthday cake. Mrs. Marshall made ice cream and Mrs. Hurst sandwiches and Mrs. Raymond Durand salad. "Happy Birthday to You," was sung as they

Junior College Is to Step Up to Three-Year Standing in Autumn

Eastern New Mexico Junior College at Portales, which it was reported last week still ranks as the third largest institution of learning in the state, is to change to a three-year status.

The school soon will have a new gymnasium, for it is on the approved list of New Mexico PWA projects, D. W. MacKay, president, announced.

Dean Floyd D. Golden, registrar, in reporting the school's enrollment figures, which class it as third in the state, said that with enrollment figures soaring to 611 during the last semester, 25 local counties were represented.

A year after the school was established in 1934, the registration became the third highest among colleges in the state—exceeded only by the University of New Mexico and State College at Las Cruces.

By 1936 approximately 400 students from 19 counties in New Mexico were in attendance. Several out-of-state students were registered.

Two years later, the enrollment jumped to 500 with 20 counties represented.

Apportionment of the leading counties for the spring semester of 1939 is: Roosevelt, 194; Curry, 114; Quay, 58; Lea, 50; Chavez, 45.

Further statistics show that five per cent more boys than girls are going to the college.

Details of the change of the college to a three-year school status will be sent school superintendents through the state, MacKay announced.

MacKay said the addition of another year to the curriculum school would not affect the cooperative relationship between the school and other colleges in the state.

The proposed gymnasium, to be built during the ensuing year, will have a classroom in physical education, dressing accommodations for boys and girls and a little theater stage.

It is planned to install a swimming pool soon after the building is constructed.

With the heaviest increase in Texas, daily production of crude oil in the United States rose 251,581 barrels to 3,836,753 in the week ended July 29, the Oil and Gas Journal said. East Texas production was up 74,658 to 447,654; for Texas as a whole the increase was 288,263 to 1,631,588; the Rocky Mountain area was up 4,020 to 86,000; New Mexico was unchanged at 115,940.

WORLD NEWS BRIEF FORM

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

A Pittsburgh police trial board recommended dismissal of Patrolman Peter J. McCullough after hearing testimony that he failed to walk his eight-hour beat every hour on a day when the mercury rose into the mid 80's. McCullough, the biggest man on the force, weighs 332 pounds.

Matrimony was all in the day's work for William Richard Baugh, 28, Bloomington, Ind., truck helper. He and 18-year-old Mary Bohall stood on the back end of a truck while Otis Crismore, freight clerk and part-time justice of the peace performed the ceremony—in one minute. Baugh kissed his bride and went back to work. She went home.

Government men tore up Mrs. Byra Noye's backyard hedge in Denver. It was marijuana, the narcotic weed. "I don't believe she knew what it was," said John Marsh, federal narcotic agent. "She was cultivating it only because it improved the appearance of her backyard fence."

"Come quick," said a housewife, phoning a repairman at Chester, Pa. "Gas is leaking from my refrigerator and the house smells awful." The repairman found nothing wrong with the refrigerator—but he chased a skunk out of the cellar.

Jack Conomos of Blairsville, Pa., and the housewife who doesn't like her own cooking have something in common. Conomos has been mixing sodas and fountain drinks for 25 years but says he never tasted a drink mixed with carbonated water. "I never thought I would like it," he said. "I prefer milk drinks, plain water and coffee."

At Ogden, Utah, burglars who stole what they thought was a drum of gasoline from a flour mill must have wept over their sin. The drum contained tear gas.

Business showed an upturn at Beaver City, Neb., when a CCC camp brought nearly 200 husky young soil erosion workers to town—but not entirely as expected. One beauty shop operator said that in one week 25 enrollees dropped in to have their curls waved.

A branch of the S. P. E. B. S. Q. S. A. has been organized in Chicago—as was expected for a long time. The S. P. E., etc., is strictly a stag organization and J. M. Hedges, newly elected president, said it would specialize in such classics as "Sweet Adeline." The full name of the group: Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America.

On account of the large number of tourists entering the United States from Mexico this year, additional customs inspectors were employed at international boundary bridges.

A 77-year-old widow, Mrs. Margaret Vink, patched the hole in her screen door at Emigrant, Mont., because: While getting her breakfast she discovered two rattlesnakes behind a cookie tin on

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EDWARD ARNOLD
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ON PECOS STAGE—FRIDAY—SATURDAY
CASH PRIZES

her kitchen floor. Attack with a broom caused the 3-foot, 9-rattle reptiles to whirl only the harder. With a piece of stovewood she stunned the snakes. Then she swept them outside and wielded her axe. Into the now roaring fire went the reptiles' heads, for Widow Vink was thoroughly aroused. By that time, she said, her appetite had disappeared, and she "thumped" for two hours.

The burglar who robbed a store at Pittsburgh was no dummy—even if he did pose as one. Police and the owner hunted through the store for an hour and were about to give up their search when they spotted him—"hiding" in a window display. Police said he still had in his hand \$58 taken from a cash register.

The "absent minded professor" is no myth at Blacksburg, Va. They tell this one on a Virginia Tech faculty member: He drove his automobile to a nearby town, forgot he had it, and came home on the train. Realizing he would have to go back for his car, he returned to the railroad station—and bought a round-trip ticket.

Mrs. Marvin Tollett of Santa Fe arrived Saturday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Burk. Miss Hannah Jane Burk plans to accompany her home the last of this week.

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IN SOCIETY

B. Y. P. U. SOCIAL

An ice cream social sponsored by the B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist Church was held on Thursday, Aug. 3 on the lawn of the W. H. Keeth home. The social was for all ages, but one would never have known from the playing of the games that any there could be classed as old. There were 35 or 40 present.

FRANK MCCARTHY TO YOUNG DEMO MEET

Frank McCarthy, one of Chaves County's legislators, left Sunday for Pittsburgh, Pa., to attend the national meeting of Young Democrats, which is being held in that city this week. He will be a member of the executive committee and because of this place will wield an important influence on the actions of the whole convention.

The honor of representing the state is in good hands and New Mexico Democrats can rest assured that their interests will be well looked after. The convention lasts all week and Mr. McCarthy will not return until about the middle of next week.

METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY WEDNESDAY

The Methodist Missionary Society met in the undercroft Wednesday with the president, Mrs. Harvey Bailey, in charge. The study work, "The Radiant Heart," was finished at this meeting. Mrs. Tom McKinstry presented the 6th chapter, Mrs. C. W. Curry the 7th and Mrs. Flora West the 8th.

After the book was finished, the president, Mrs. Bailey, conducted a business meeting with Mrs. Gehman in charge of devotionals. Final arrangements were made for the fried chicken supper to be held on the lawn of the church Saturday night. It was decided to ask that the zone meeting be postponed until after the series of meetings to be held in September.

Those present were: Mrs. Eliza Floto, Mrs. Earl Stine, Mrs. Lester Hinrichsen, Mrs. Sarah Walton, Mrs. Flora West, Mrs. J. F. Campbell, Mrs. Arthur Shaw, Mrs. C. W. Curry, Mrs. Tom McKinstry, Mrs. Bert Bailey, Mrs. E. A. Paddock, Mrs. B. F. Gehman and Nancy Shaw.

FAMILY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. John Langenegger entertained Sunday with a delightful dinner in honor of their guests from Kansas. Relatives and friends present were Mr. and Mrs. Wendall Sterrett, Louise and Charles of East Grand Plains, Mrs. Lula Heick and Philip and Louie Heick, Bessie Mae and J. W. Langenegger of Burns, Kan., and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. John Langenegger.

Mrs. J. C. Hearn and daughter, of Phoenix, Ariz., are visiting the family of J. T. West.

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Our Own Corner

There have been four deaths in the Hagerman vicinity in the last four months. All have been sudden, three of them resulting from accidents. The auto-train collision caused one. One was by drowning. The other was the death this week in an auto accident. The record is good, as far as the general health of the community is concerned. The modern mode of life, with its speed and fast highways lends more risk of injury than did the dangers of pioneer days.

The cotton crop is still coming strong with scattered reports of blights that cause a little anxiety. Cotton is king in the Pecos Valley. The stranger is forced to wonder if the same mistake has been made here which was so widely heralded about the South as a whole when the cotton market failed a few years ago. Variety of crops was the cry and the increased interest in cattle feeding and other crops here is in line with the sentiment so widely expressed about the cotton states and followed out in part by them.

The reduction in relief, caused by the reduction of appropriations by Congress, will cut off a large number who have been on relief for eighteen months or more. This will give a test to the claim that many are on relief because they prefer this form of living to the normal one of earning their own way. It will cause many hardships and will, no doubt, call for some local help to tide over the time before these people can get regular work. In thirty days they will be eligible to get back on the relief rolls.

Everybody tells us that cotton picking time is the busy time and big business time in Hagerman. Only three weeks until that time is due and we wait with interest the uplift cotton picking time is due to bring.

The news item in today's Messenger about Robert Ridgley brought up a discussion of tularemia which is a disease contracted from rabbits. We are told on what we think is competent authority, that this trouble affects rabbits in parts of the Pecos Valley and is contracted by coming in contact with the raw flesh or skin of the rabbit. If there is a scratch or sore on your hand you will do well to keep away from rabbits.

When the flesh is cooked the danger is past. Eating a rabbit will not bring the disease but the touching of raw human flesh and raw rabbit flesh is the means of infection—very much like blood poisoning. Since this case originated in Hagerman, it will be well to handle our rabbits with care.

Mrs. Joe Bingham and son are reported to be quite ill with typhoid fever at St. Mary's Hospital in Roswell.

Mrs. Wendall Sterrett and Louise and Charles of East Grand Plains are visiting this week with relatives.

Messenger Want Ads Get Results

In the financing of the investigation the National Resources Planning Board is contributing \$100,000, made available through a PWA allotment, the U. S. Geological Survey has allocated \$60,000, which will be matched by state contributions, \$30,000 each for New Mexico and Texas, the Department of Agriculture is contributing \$80,000 and the Bureau of Reclamation has allocated \$38,000 to be used on the work of the Geological Survey. The Flood Control Survey of the War Department, which is financed through the regular Congressional appropriations for such surveys, is estimated to cost \$80,000.

Besides Dr. Barrows and Dr. Woods, the members of the consulting board for the investigation are R. J. Tipton, water consultant, National Resources Planning Board, Denver, and Earl O. Mills, regional counselor, National Resources Planning Board, St. Louis. Harlowe M. Stafford, counselor, region 7, National Resources Planning Board, is engineer in charge of the investigation, and Fred C. Sobeys is associate engineer in charge.

Excess Cotton to Carry Penalty of Three Cents Pound

If Sold from 1939 Crop and Staple Is Under 1 1/2 inches

Cotton, when the staple is less than 1 1/2 inches in length, will be subject to a penalty of 3 cents a pound if sold from the 1939 crop in excess of the producer's marketing quota, it was announced recently by Fred L. O'Chesky, Carlsbad, member of the state conservation committee, in charge of the cotton phase of the program.

The penalty does not apply to cotton with a staple length of 1 1/2 inches or more, O'Chesky pointed out. However, cotton of 1 1/2 inches or more in length is not grown on a commercial scale in New Mexico. Cotton marketed in 1938 in excess of a farm's marketing quota, is subject to a 2-cent penalty, O'Chesky said. The penalty rate for 1939 according to provisions of the law has been raised to 3 cents. The penalty on any excess cotton produced in 1938 that was not sold and is being carried over into 1939 will be subject to the same rate that was applicable in 1938, if the cotton is sold in 1939—2 cents per pound. The penalty does not apply to cotton carried over from the previous season which would not have been subject to penalty had it been disposed of during the 1938 marketing year.

Cotton producers who have penalty cotton from either 1938 or 1939 should discuss this matter of penalty rates with their county committee, O'Chesky said. The county ACA office in cotton counties has at least one county committeeman who is thoroughly familiar with the marketing quotas and regulations. In addition to this, the major cotton producing counties in New Mexico, such as Eddy, Dona Ana, Chaves and Roosevelt, have cotton assistants who spend their entire time in work connected with the regulations, as well as the procedure for executing the necessary official forms.

THERE'S A LIMIT

Mrs. Fred Deal of Albuquerque didn't get very angry when some large boys persisted in stealing fruit from her pear tree.

It was after they pelted her with her own pears that she called police.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Campbell and daughter returned from Abilene, Tex., Saturday night. They were visiting relatives.

It will cost \$17,500,000 to relocate a railroad whose tracks will be flooded by the new Shasta Dam in California.

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Big Dedication—

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tral Park from 1:30 to 2 o'clock, just prior to the farmers' program, and again from 5 to 5:15 o'clock there, preceding the barbecue. It will again play in Morris Field from 6:45 to 7 o'clock, just preceding the dedication exercises.

Visitors to Artesia will have two lines of diversion during the interval after the farmers' meeting and before the barbecue. One is open house at the new hospital, city hall and gymnasium-library unit of the Artesia High School plant and a tour of the city, viewing Morris Field, the new swimming pool and new street, sidewalk and curb projects.

The other will be a free water carnival at the swimming pool at 4:45 o'clock, sponsored by L. C. Reynolds, manager, and N. M. Baird. The carnival will include forty-five minutes of races, fancy diving and water sports.

Oil Activity—

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Farmer & Tallmadge, Hubbell 1-B, SW sec. 4-18-25, 5 miles south-west of Artesia.

Total depth 1,050 feet; lime; will probably abandon.

Franklin Petroleum Co., Coppedge 1, NW sec. 5-18-30.

Total depth 3,090 feet; testing 5 1/2-inch casing.

Franklin, Ballard 2-A, NW SE section 1-18-29.

Drilling at 2,695 feet.

Franklin, Ballard 1-B, NE NE section 1-18-29.

Drilling at 2,480 feet.

R. W. Fair, State 1-B, NW NW section 36-17-29.

Total depth 2,750 feet; shut down for orders.

Franklin, Yates 2, NE NW sec. 6-18-30.

Drilling at 1,815 feet.

Grayburg, State 1, SE SE sec. 36-17-29.

Location.

Jones & Yates, Bassett & Birney, et al 1, SE SW sec. 2-18-29.

Total depth 393 feet, 8-inch casing cemented.

H. W. Martin, Gates 1, SW section 15-18-30.

Total depth 3,245 feet; swabbing and flowing 50 barrels per day.

Edward S. McAuliffe, Coates 1, SE NE section 3-18-23, Hope.

Drilling at 850 feet.

Me-Tex Supply, Stroup and Yates, Ballard 1-B, NW NW section 8-18-29.

Shut down for repairs at 2,666 feet.

B. N. Nolan, Abbie 1es 1, SE SE sec. 27-16-29.

Drilling at 1,500 feet.

Plains Production Co., Swearingen 1, NE sec. 14-18-31.

Total depth 4,330 feet; plugged back to 3,480 feet; shut in for test.

Premier, Beeson 2-F, SW SW sec. 31-17-30.

Total depth 2,790 feet; flowed 130 barrels oil in 24 hours, natural, before shot; testing.

Republic Production Co., Robinson 3-B, SE SE sec. 35-17-29.

Drilling at 2,724 feet.

Plains Production Co., Miller 1, NE SE sec. 18-19-32.

Total depth 4,000 feet; shut down for orders with 3,300 feet of sulphur water in hole.

Rhoads Drilling Co., Swearingen 2, NE sec. 14-18-31.

Total depth 3,535 feet; swabbing; no test.

Red Lake, Reid 1, NE NE section 20-17-28.

Total depth 1,935 feet; flowing 90 barrels oil per day, natural.

Sallee & Yates, Ballard 1-B, NW NW sec. 1-18-29.

Drilling at 280 feet.

Sanders Bros., Travis 1, NE NE sec. 17-18-29.

Drilling at 1,900 feet.

Sanders Bros., Murdock 1, NW SW sec. 4-18-29.

Shut down for repairs at 2,030 feet.

Fred Turner, Cave-Nickson 1, NE NE sec. 30-18-26.

Total depth 1,501 feet; sulphur water at 1,105 feet; gas gauged 1,275,000 cubic feet; sulphur gas.

Trojan Oil Co., Grant 1, NE sec. 33-20-25.

Drilling below 1,400 feet.

Underwood & Sanders, Langford 1, SW section 9-18-29.

Total depth 2,565 feet; plugged back to 2,495 feet; well shut in.

Underwood & Sanders, Guy 1, NW NW section 10-18-29.

Total depth 2,561 feet; shot with 150 quarts nitro from 2,523-61 feet; reported flowing 35 barrels of oil per hour, with tools in hole.

Underwood & Sanders, Langford 2, SE SW sec. 9-18-29.

Drilling at 2,450 feet.

Underwood & Sanders, Miller 2, NW NW sec. 4-18-29.

Drilling at 2,300 feet.

Underwood & Sanders, Miller 3, SW NW sec. 4-18-29.

Drilling at 2,600 feet.

Underwood & Sanders, Guy 2, NE NE sec. 9-18-29.

Drilling at 1,450 feet.

R. R. Woolley, Woolley 1-B, SW SE sec. 31-17-30.

Drilling at 2,630 feet.

Martin Yates, Saunders 1, NE section 12-18-29.

Total depth 3,200 feet; plugged back to 2,860 feet; swabbing 50 barrels per day.

Gordon Cone, Langford 1, NW SW 9-18-29.

Drilling at 830 feet.

Carper, Keohane & Saunders, Miller 1, NW NE 5-18-29.

Drilling at 920 feet.

Franklin, Masteller 1, NW NE 7-18-30.

Location.

Brainard & Guy, Guy 1, NW NW 10-18-29.

Total depth 371 feet; 8-inch casing cemented.

Flynn, Welch & Yates, Gissler 10-A, NW SE 14-17-30.

Drilling at 810 feet.

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