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CLARIDGE HERE JANUARY NINTH

Secretary H. C. Stewart of the Pecos Agricultural Experiment Association, has received a letter from R. R. Claridge, agricultural agent of the Texas & Pacific Railway, stating that he would positively be in Pecos to deliver a lecture before the organization on the 9th of January—a week from tomorrow. This announcement will be received with pleasure by those who have been anticipating Mr. Claridge's visit, and who were recently disappointed by his failure to reach Pecos. A large attendance is expected to turn out.

Every farmer and stock-raiser should take advantage of this opportunity to hear a man who is daily coming into contact with other farmers and stock-raisers of the state. Mr. Claridge is familiar with the problems of almost every portion of the state, and with the methods being used by each of these sections. His visit at this time will be most opportune. The meeting will be called at 3 o'clock, p. m.

No meeting of the association will be held tomorrow, it having been voted to miss the two Saturdays of the holiday season. Another important meeting, however, will be held early in the month—probably the 16th—in conjunction with the Pecos Commercial Club. At this meeting it is expected that two men from out of town will speak, and it will be endeavored at that time to bring the propaganda for dairying in the Pecos country to a successful close.

HAS GONE TO WORK MOVING DIRT.

Wednesday E. W. Clayton, with his crew, went out to J. N. Levin's Crystal Water Farm, where he has a contract of moving a large amount of dirt for Mr. Levin, who is having a great deal of improvements made on the place.

They will build a bridge and other work. There is one sure thing when the work is finished have been done right the only way Mr. Clay

HAVE REACHED THE SIX HUNDRED BALES MARK

Messrs. Couch & Glover, our ginners, report that they have reached the 600 mark in ginning this year's cotton, and expect to have at least 50 more bales to gin.

This exceeds the last year's output by nearly 200 bales at present, as they only ginned 408 bales last season.

CATTLE SHIPMENTS—IN AND OUT.

Monday Hez Kountz, one of our county's most hustling men, shipped in over the Texas Pacific 14 head of choice full-blooded Hereford yearling bulls, which he had purchased from parties at Odessa.

They were a fine bunch and will add greatly to the value of his already good herd of cattle. Hez believes in getting the best.

Tuesday the Pecos Valley Southern brought in a train of calves, consisting of 22 carloads, which had been loaded at Toyahvale, and were transferred to the Santa Fe, which carried them on to Amarillo.

The calves were raised by the McCutcheons and were sold to Marcus Snyder, who resold them to J. H. Howry. They certainly were a nice bunch.

THE CITY WELL IS FINISHED

Messrs. McAdams & Grogan have finished the city well from which the tower-tank is to be filled. It is a ten-inch well, 300 feet deep and flows 500 gallons per minute. There were twenty-seven feet of perforated pipe dropped in after the well was dug and then the outside pipe drawn up to that depth, which is believed is a great thing to help the flow. It is undoubtedly the best well in the city.

Their contract called for a flow of 500 gallons per minute, which would hold out with a pump attached and run 12 hours without losing out. Wednesday they pumped with a six-inch centrifugal pump for that length and did so for twelve hours and the flow was measured to be 500 gallons per minute for the entire time and no show of failing.

REPORT OF THE GRAND JURY

Pecos, Tex., Dec. 30, 1914.

Honorable S. J. Isaacks, Judge of the Seventieth Judicial District. We, your grand jury, having completed our labors, beg leave to adjourn.

We have diligently inquired into all violations of the law where same have come under our investigation, and we have presented sixty-four felonies and six misdemeanor indictments. We have remained in session an unusual length of time, but found it necessary to do so on account of the intricate work necessary to the investigation.

We recommend: First—That prompt attention be given to stop the great waste of water from our artesian wells and that the proper authorities enforce the law in regard to same.

Second—We find that there is promiscuous use of air-guns and "nigger-shooters" by the boys of our county and we ask that our peace officers suppress this practice.

Third—We find that there is a practice among certain of our merchants of using and exhibiting a pushing board which is really a violation of the law and we urge our peace officers to stop this practice and recommend that the future grand jury indict all parties including in this species of gaming in the future.

Fourth—We recommend that an inspector be appointed for artesian wells.

ALBERT SISK, Foreman.

BARBER SHOP CHANGES HANDS.

Walter F. Stephens has purchased the Joe Breedlove barber shop and tool possession Monday. He will have Messrs. John Baker and Albert Sisk as assistants and will be in the shop.

They will be in the shop for the past twelve years in the Pecos Valley, and is a man of good character and will make us a good citizen and business man. They come from Grandfalls.

Mr. Stephens and family have moved into the Gallagher house in the western part of our city, and he times joins in wishing them a hearty welcome among us.

NEW ARRIVALS IN REEVES COUNTY.

Thursday morning B. G. Miller went out on the Pecos Valley South ern train with his emigrant car of stock, machinery and household goods and will locate near Saragosa. His car was delayed all along the line or he would have been here considerable sooner.

His wife and children arrived and went out on the Wednesday morning train. They are from Wichita Falls and we are glad to join the citizens of the county in extending to them a hearty welcome.

CHRISTMAS TREES AND PROGRAMS.

The Christmas entertainments started off on Wednesday evening when the Presbyterian Sunday school enjoyed a tree and a delightful program.

Thursday (Christmas Eve), the Baptist, Christian and Methodist Sunday schools each had short programs, trees and of course Santa Claus was in evidence.

At all the places the trees were delightfully decorated with many beautiful presents and other nice things. We are unable to give a detailed account of each service, as we could be in but one place, so do not give any one particular write-up.

WERE HERE FOR THE WEDDING AND CHRISTMAS

Mrs. Irvin Sprague of Artesia, N. M., Margaret Wagner from Denton, Misses Mary and Vera Heath of Snyder and Farris Heath of Lake- wood, N. M., were here to attend the wedding of their sister, Miss Mary Eloise, and also to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Heath. All have returned to their homes.

WEDDINGS.

WILLIAMS-WAGNER.

Mr. Jesse B. Williams and Miss Mary Eloise Wagner were married at the home of the bride's parents, Christmas Eve, at 6:30 o'clock by Homer L. Magee. The wedding was not a "great surprise" to their friends. However, it occurred un-announced, and before many had heard the news, the young people were keeping house "under their own vine and fig tree."

Mr. and Mrs. Williams are so well known that an introduction is unnecessary. The groom is a faithful, trusted employe of the B. G. Smith grocery. The bride, a daughter of Mrs. C. L. Heath, is a graduate of our local high school and has been teaching for the two years past. She is one of our best young ladies and Mr. Williams is to be congratulated on securing such a charming woman for his life's companion.

The Times and the entire community extend best wishes for a happy married life.

GOODE-MAULDING.

Mr. J. M. Goode and Miss Nelly Maulding of Barstow were married at the Methodist parsonage on last Thursday evening, Dec. 24, Rev. Fred Little officiating.

The Times joins the many friends of the young folks in wishing them much joy.

GREEN-WOOD.

A very pretty informal home wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Woods on Third street, at 8:30 Tuesday evening, Dec. 29, 1914, Rev. Fred Little officiating.

The contracting parties, Mr. Oram Hampton-Green and Miss Mary Henry Elizabeth Woods, are well known and highly esteemed young people of Pecos.

The bride was appropriately gowned in white and carried a beautiful bouquet of white carnations. Dainty refreshments were served to the company which consisted of relatives of the immediate families.

They will reside in the home already prepared for the bride by Mr. Green in the western part of the city.

The Times joins with their many friends in wishing them joy, happiness, long life and prosperity.

KING-WALDON.

Mr. J. I. King and Miss Ludie Waldon were happily married at Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Moore's residence, the bride's home, last Sunday, Dec. 27, 1914, at 3:30 p. m., Rev. J. B. Cole officiating.

The happy couple left immediately on train No. 6, going to M. M. Leeman's, in Loving county. Mr. Leeman met them at Pyote and took them to his home, where they will spend their honeymoon.

The people of Pecos join the Times in wishing the happy groom and bride much joy and happiness.

COLLINGS-GIPSON.

On Thursday morning, Dec. 31, 1914, at 9:30, in the parlors of the Methodist church in Fort Stockton, occurred the marriage of Mr. Earl Collings of Pecos and Miss Gladys Gipson of Fort Stockton, Rev. Howell, pastor of the church, officiating.

The groom is the son of Mr. & Mrs. E. L. Collings of our city, has grown up to young manhood among us and is one of our best young men.

The bride is one of Fort Stockton's popular, accomplished young ladies and is fully qualified to make a home attractive and pleasant.

The bride and groom arrived in Pecos about 2 p. m. that afternoon and are cozily located in the home already prepared for the bride.

They are receiving the hearty congratulations and best wishes for a long, happy, prosperous life from their scores of friends, in which the Times joins.

HEFNER-PAYNE.

At the residence of John Cowan, brother-in-law of the bride, Mr. Robert Hefner and Miss Alfa Payne were married Thursday night, Dec. 26. These young people were practically raised in Pecos and are well known to our people. Mr. Hefner is a son of Judge and Mrs. Hefner, and is a well known and respected citizen. He is a graduate of the law and is now practicing in the law office of the late Judge Duncan. All wish them every success in their business and domestic life. Rev. J. B.

PLAN FIVE-DAY CONVENTION

Washington, Dec. 26.—Prohibitionists will hold a five days' congress in Atlantic City beginning July 6, next, at which the Sheppard-Hobson joint resolution pending in congress for submission to the states of a constitutional amendment providing for national prohibition will be considered. This was announced here today by the Anti-Saloon League of America by which the congress has been called and under whose auspices it will be held.

Thousands of delegates are expected to attend and special trains from each state are to be run. The particular time for holding the meeting was selected because it is hoped to impress the thousands of visitors usually at Atlantic City with the strength and enthusiasm of the sentiment back of the slogan "Nationwide Prohibition by 1920." A feature of the congress will be a "four-ring circus," in constant operation, where prominent speakers will address the convention and delegates.

UNDERWOOD BOOSTS \$18,000,000 PROJECT.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Representative Underwood conferred with President Wilson today over the development of the Mussul shoals project in the Tennessee river, which Underwood is anxious to have taken up in congress. It calls for expenditures of \$18,000,000, but Underwood contended the government could recover that by leasing water power rights.

Underwood told the President that adoption of the Mussul shoals project would mean cheap power for the manufacture of cotton fabric.

HOUSE PARTY

Sunday afternoon quite a large party of young people took the west bound Texas and Pacific train to Boracho, where they were met by automobiles and carried to the ranch home of Mr. Ryans, where a delicious dinner was served, after which they sought the amusement and in gay form were waded over to the home of John Ryans. Once there a round of cheerful pleasure was the continued order. Many other neighbors and friends were on hand and the great house was a scene of joy and good will. Far into the night the old and young alike refused sleep to enjoy real life on the western range.

The crowd going from Pecos were the Misses Marion and Jane Looby, Wilfred Hatch, Grace Cole, and Messrs. Charles Hefner and Fred Cole. Mrs. Woody Browning chaperoned the crowd and contributed much to the general good time for the young folks. All express their highest regard for their hosts and hope to hear always of their good fortune.

RESERVE BOARD RULES ON REAL ESTATE LOANS

Washington, Dec. 31.—To limit the loans which national banks may make on real estate, regulations adopted by the federal reserve board were discussed in a notification sent Wednesday night to the national banks by the controller of the currency Williams.

"The maximum amount of loans which a national bank may make on real estate under the terms of section 24 of the federal reserve act shall be limited to an amount not in excess of one-third its time deposits during the preceding calendar year; provided, however, that if one-third of such time deposits as of the date of making the loan, or one-third of the average time deposits for the preceding calendar year shall have amounted to less than one-fourth of the capital and surplus of the bank as of the date of the loan, then in that event the bank shall have authority to make loans upon real estate under the terms of the act to the extent of one-fourth of the bank's capital and surplus as of the date of making the loan."

Make up your mind that you will have your share of the business this year—and place an ad in the Times.

TWO YEARS

Austin, Dec. 26.—Below is given a summary of the appropriations asked by the various state departments and educational and eleemosynary institutions for the next two fiscal years as compiled from estimates to the comptroller's department by the heads of the departments and institutions. They were summarized today.

These figures will be given to the chairmen of the finance committees of the house and senate when the Thirty-fourth legislature convenes next month. The amounts total \$15,879,868, an increase of \$2,897,343 over appropriations for the past two fiscal years. They follow, the estimate for the first fiscal year being given first:

Executive office, including mansion and grounds, \$28,886, \$24,886; department of state, \$27,550, \$27,350; public buildings and grounds, \$42,500, \$42,500; department of insurance and banking, \$170,376, \$170,376; library and historical commission, \$34,018, \$39,518; state tax board, \$5,397, \$4,822; state purchasing agent, \$7,030, \$6,730; public printing, \$45,650, \$45,650; bureau of labor statistics, \$13,722, \$13,621; state inspector of masonry public buildings and works, \$9,600, \$9,600; adjutant general's department, \$94,000, \$74,030; state board of health, \$58,200, \$58,200; state tuberculosis colony, \$74,050, \$91,400; livestock sanitary commission, \$63,300, \$63,300; state mining board, \$5,100, \$5,100; pure food commission, \$34,530, \$34,530; attorney general's department, \$63,880, \$63,880; department of education, \$43,760, \$43,760; treasury department, \$13,230, \$13,230; comptroller's department, \$75,375, \$74,300; general land office, \$72,050, \$72,050; railroad commission, \$52,780, \$52,780; department of agriculture, \$115,614, \$115,614; University of Texas, \$713,780, \$847,980; Agricultural and Mechanical College, \$836,000, \$874,690; Texas Agricultural Experiment Station \$101,000, \$101,000; College of Industrial Arts, \$355,430, \$281,619; Sam Houston Normal Institute, \$118,650, \$129,650; North Texas State Normal, \$157,500, \$146,000; South Texas State Normal, \$122,750, \$124,750; West Texas State Normal College, \$85,171, \$59,123; supreme court \$24,560, \$24,560; court of criminal appeals \$31,960, \$31,526; court of civil appeals, first district, \$15,590, \$15,320; court of civil appeals, second district, \$1,346, \$1,150; third district, \$14,780, \$14,380; fourth district, \$14,730, \$14,730; fifth district, \$14,930, \$14,930; sixth district, \$15,030, \$15,030; seventh district, \$14,805, \$14,805; eighth district, \$15,720, \$15,330; judiciary totals, \$1,312, \$1,312; State Orphans' Home, \$152,975, \$68,775; Confederate Womens Home, \$40,290, \$20,140; Blind Asylum, \$296,200, \$295,900; Deaf and Dumb Asylum, \$246,320, \$246,530; state epileptic colony \$221,470, \$133,110; state lunatic asylum, \$499,294, \$369,294; Southwestern Insane Asylum, \$345,340, \$307,540; North Texas Hospital for the Insane, \$319,000, \$336,000; Deaf, Dumb and Blind Asylum (colored) \$73,740, \$19,740; pension department, \$6,700, \$6,700; state institu-

...\$78,000; state levee and drainage board, \$26,000, \$26,000; interest on public debt, \$129,691, \$129,691; refund liquor dealers (local option and unexcise sections 7 and 16, chapter 17, acts special session, Thirty-first legislature), \$20,000; penitentiary commission (to pay back debts), \$426,182; board of water examiners, \$40,500, \$39,500; industrial accident board, \$25,000, \$25,000. Totals, \$8,341,677, \$7,838,191.

INDIANA ELECTION FRAUDS.

Indianapolis, Dec. 27.—When the federal grand jury reconvenes here Dec. 29, election frauds in Terre Haute, it is said, will again be taken up. When the grand jury recessed last Wednesday it returned a partial report in which more than 125 men, including Mayor Donn M. Roberts and the majority of the members of his official family were indicted.

The real story of the alleged conspiracy to corrupt the election is merely hinted in the indictment, it is said, the federal authorities indicating that they will not expose their hand until the trial is called. Frank C. Dailey, United States district attorney for Indiana, who is in personal charge of the grand jury investigation, states that immunity has been offered to none.

Mayor Roberts is a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor in 1916 and has been the democratic leader in Terre Haute only a short time, having risen rapidly in politics.

RUSSIA DRY INDEED.

Manchester, Dec. 15.—Writing of the popularity of the teetotal movement in Russia, an Englishman in Moscow says in a letter to a Manchester firm which he represents there:

"At the present moment, it is impossible for anybody in Russia, whether rich or poor, to obtain in any place whatever anything in the form of alcohol, unless at a druggists' with a doctor's prescription. All the government vodka shops have been closed since the beginning of the war, and now all manner of wine shops are closed. Even restaurants and hotels are forbidden to sell alcoholic drinks. The strange thing about it all is that nobody is grumbling and everybody is pleased. It is acclaimed on all sides only the Russian peasant does not know what to do with his money.

"The change that teetotalism has produced in the Russian village, often so remote from the outside world is wonderful. Children, for instance, are being clothed in a way never dreamt of before, warmly and generously.

"Government vodka shops, at least, are closed forever in Russia. That much has been decided on now, owing to the pressure of public opinion. Their business is dissolved. As a substitute, it is proposed to establish a government monopoly of sugar, in order that the poor may have a cheap supply. Heretofore, it has been out of their reach."

Ragged wounds are painful and cause much annoyance. If not kept clean they fester and become running sores. BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT is an antiseptic, healing remedy for such cases. Apply it at night before going to bed and cover with a cotton cloth bandage. It heals in a few days. Price 25c, 50c and \$1 per bottle. Sold by Pecos Drug Co. (Adv)

YEAR'S RAILROAD BUILDING TOTALS OVER 437 MILES

Austin, Dec. 26.—According to the annual report of the railroad commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, there are 105 railroads in the state classified as common carriers and which make reports to the commission. It is shown that during the period covered by the report there has been an increase in mileage of main lines and branches of 283.73 miles and an increase of 151.99 miles in yard tracks and siding mileage, making a total increase of 437.72 miles. This makes the total mileage of the Texas lines 15,569.30 miles of main lines and branch lines and 4,322.70 sidings and yard track.

During the year 46.25 miles of new line was constructed. The Greenville Northwestern railway built 11.48 miles; Riviera Beach & Western, 9.70 miles; San Antonio, Fredericksburg & Northern railway 23.07 miles. The old lines increased their mileage 364.37 miles; the principal increases being the Pecos & Northern Texas railway 117.67; San Antonio, Uvalde & Gulf, 33.30; Houston & Texas Central, 42.38; and Quanah, Acme & Pacific .080. There are 89.40 miles of line operated under lease.

The total liabilities of the 105 railroads reporting to the commission is \$585,216,911; of which \$128,879,676 is outstanding capital stock, \$357,240,050 in bonds, \$5,911,198 equipment trust obligations and \$93,181,987 current and other obligations. The general average liability per mile is \$37,582, which are changes from the preceding year as follows: Capital stock, decrease, \$133; bonds, decrease, \$264; other indebtedness, decrease, \$95.

Gross earnings from operation of all lines for the year amounted to \$109,313,369, of which \$33,768,617 is passenger and \$74,979,809 freight earnings and \$564,943 miscellaneous earnings from operation. The operating expenses aggregated \$90,063,392. As compared with the previous year, gross earnings increased \$7,147,005 or 6.1 per cent; operating expenses decreased \$10 or 1.02 per cent.

With the present year, that for this year there was an increase per mile of road in average mileage of 474.66 miles with an increase in freight train earnings of \$634.55, in passenger earnings of \$412.96, in gross earnings of \$660, in operating expenses of \$232.43; and in income from operation of \$428.60. The gross corporate income of the railroads amounted to \$20,746,874, while it is shown that the total deductions from corporate income are \$28,891,471, thus disclosing net corporate loss of \$8,144,597. Of the disposition of the net corporate income, \$1,584,400 was for dividends declared and \$1,112,484 for additions and betterments charged to income. The deficit on June 30, 1913, was \$10,400,742, while on June 30, 1914, it is \$26,108,600.

The assessed valuation of the Texas railroads, including rolling stock and intangible assets (as given at \$239,410,249, against \$144,035,318 for 1913. The average per mile for 1914 is \$21,842, while for 1913 it was \$22,598. The aggregate number of tons of commercial freight for the 1914 period was 54,307,310 as compared with 57,241,520 for 1913. The principal commodities transported, aggregating over 60 per cent of the entire tonnage hauled, were for the year ending June 30, 1914, as follows: Lumber, 14,831 per cent; coal and lignite, 12,551; grain, 5,517; cotton, 4,234; crude petroleum, 3,589; fruit vegetables and melons, 5.81; livestock, 3,914; stone and sand, 7,108; brick, cement and lime, 4,009 per cent.

The total number of officers and employes of all Texas roads reporting is shown to be 66,061, which is a decrease of 3,198 as compared with the previous year. The total number of persons killed by the railroads in Texas was 364 and of injured 10,157, which is an increase of 146 in killed and 3,128 injured over the previous year. The total number of locomotives in service is 2,039, a decrease of 35; cars in passenger service, 1,432, increase of 38 cars; cars in freight service, 40,391; increase of 1,171; cars in company service 3727, increase of 60; total coaches and cars of all kinds, 54,550, increase of 69. The total free travel for the 1914 period is given at 155,433,162 or 11.60 per cent of entire travel, while for the

previous year the total was 159,448 travel. The total paid travel was 1,184,773,589 miles, while for the previous year it was 1,228,550,297. The average number of passengers per train is 47 and the average number of tons of freight per train is 255.02. The number of passengers carried earning revenue was 23,556,628 and the average distance carried 50.29 miles and the passenger revenue is \$28,524,189. The number of tons of freight carried of earnings revenue is 54,463,364 and the revenue therefrom is given at \$72,620,647.

Under the law, express companies are also required to make annual reports to the railroad commission. There are four companies doing business in the state—the Adams Express Company, American Express Company, the United States and the Wells Fargo & Co.'s express.

The Adams Express Company operates over 708.80 miles of railroad lines in Texas on which it paid to the railroad companies \$112,149.70. It reports revenue from operation, entire line, \$33,613,441, operating expenses, entire line, \$34,375,084.77, which includes amounts paid to carriers for express privileges, taxes, \$203,742.58, making net deficit, entire line, \$966,385.48.

The American Express Company operates over 287 miles of railroad lines in Texas, for the use of which it pays \$445,438.21 to the railroad companies. Revenue from operation, state of Texas, \$580,047.04, and operating expenses \$879,716.

The United States Express Company operates on 1,250.01 miles of Texas railroads for facilities on which it paid \$122,561.16. It reports operating revenue for Texas, \$241,950.47, operating expenses, \$322,554.96, taxes \$3,479.40, making a deficit from operation for the year in Texas of \$76,110.45.

Wells Fargo & Company operates on 11,094.31 miles of railroad lines in Texas, on which it paid \$1,686,044.85. The gross operating revenue in Texas was \$3,597,564; operating expenses, \$3,436,333.05, which includes amount paid to carriers and taxes \$69,938.26, making a net operating revenue for the state of Texas for the year ending June 30, 1914, \$17,293.66.

Wharf and dock companies are also required to report to the railroad commission. There are five operating in the state. They are:

Galveston Wharf Company, operates its docks at Galveston; operating revenue, \$1,136,246.26; expenses and taxes, \$756,354, operating revenue for 1914, \$6,891.41; other income \$93,652.70, while the net income amounted to leaving a net income for 1914 of \$140,884.60.

Port Arthur Canal and Dock Co., operates and owns docks and wharves at Port Arthur, Texas; operating revenues, \$42,624.10; operating expenses and taxes, \$53,202.43; making a net operating deficit of \$10,578.33; other income amounted to \$663.29, while deductions from income amounted to \$50,000, leaving a net deficit for the year of \$59,915.04.

Santa Fe Dock and Channel Co., operates its own docks and wharves at Port Bolivar, Texas; operating revenues, \$13,534.34; operating expenses and taxes, \$27,267.39; operating deficit \$13,833.05; deductions from income amounting to \$48,034.40, making a net deficit for the year of \$61,857.45.

Southern Pacific Terminal, operates and owns docks and wharves at Galveston; operating revenue \$367,970.94; operating expenses and taxes, \$183,289.43; making net operating revenue, \$184,681.51; other income amounted to \$1,158.53, while deductions from income amounted to \$127,070.38, leaving surplus for the year of \$58,769.46.

Texas City Transportation Company, operates and owns docks and wharves at Texas City; operating revenues, \$119,152.25; operating expenses and taxes, \$138,859.67, making a net operating deficit \$17,707; other income amounted to \$1,378, while deductions from income amounted to \$158,142.83, resulting in a net deficit of \$174,471.95 for the year.

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SHORT ORDERS Tom's all When You IONE 52.

HALF MILLION NW SOLDIERS FOR THE CAUSE Petrograd, Dec. 27.—Half a million Calmucks, nomadic pastoral race which has always been free from obligation to furnish any soldiers for the Russian army, have just been added to the Russian forces. A deputation from the Calmucks recently arrived in Petrograd with a request that they be allowed to serve in the ranks during the present war, and offering to supply 500,000 mounted troops if necessary. "Our tribes have volunteered practically en masse," declared the leader of the deputation. The emperor's regiments then a military organization and privileges similar to those enjoyed by the Cossacks. The Calmucks are horsemen and their horses are among the finest in the world, close resembling the true Arab breeds. The number of Calmuck subjects in Russia is given as about 5,000,000. They are Mohammedans. In acknowledgment of the Russian emperor's granting of their petition the deputation announced that it was empowered to deliver to the imperial treasury gift of \$200,000 in money and 150 horses.

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ADVALES SOUTHWEST

in the Bureau of Animal Industry).

No single factor in agricultural production on the average is of greater importance than good horse or mule power. This power can usually be furnished cheaply by the production of animals in that particular locality than by purchasing them from remote localities. In home production there is also the added advantage of possessing animals that are thoroughly acclimatized. Therefore if you are the owner of a mare do not fail to breed her to a good stallion or a good

If the mare is of light type, breed her to a good stallion of one of the light breeds; and if of a draft type, breed her to a draft stallion. The progeny of a light mare bred to a light stallion or of a draft mare to a draft stallion is usually a nondescript that is not fitted to any particular field and will not command the price of either a high class light or a high class draft horse. By the light type is meant horses of the standardbred, Thoroughbred, American Saddle, and similar breeds; by the draft type is meant horses of the Percheron, Belgian, Shire, Clydesdale, and similar breeds. In breeding to a jack, mares of almost any kind may be used if sound, the best mules, as a rule, being produced from the mares with the most weight and finish. The production of inferior animals of any kind is seldom profitable.

The destruction of horses in the countries now at war is enormous, and when peace is declared and for many years thereafter there will no doubt be a great demand for horses for agricultural and other work. The farmer who has surplus horses at that time will be in a position to obtain good prices. Keep your best mares to work on the farm and raise colts at the same time. You will thus be in position not only to raise horses for your work but also to take advantage of the home and foreign markets.

Many brood mares are overworked, while many others are kept too closely confined. The mare may be safely worked to within two weeks of foaling if good care is used to see that she is not overworked or injured in some other way. It is not unusual for mares which have been worked to the date of foaling to foal successfully. It is safer, however, to diminish the work gradually so that during the last few weeks only the lightest kind of work is done.

If pasture is available, the mare may be turned out about two weeks before foaling. If pasture is not available, she should be given a good roomy box stall. There need be no radical change in the feed, except that the ration of the mare should be lightened shortly before foaling and made more laxative. For this purpose an addition of bran and a decrease of other grain feeds is very satisfactory.

When the mare is again put to work the foal may either be left in the stable or allowed to follow. If left in the stable, it will be necessary to return the mare in the middle of the forenoon and likewise in the afternoon for the colt to suck. Never allow the foal to suck when the mare is very warm, for the milk at that time is quite apt to cause digestive disorders in the colt. The foal should be allowed access to the dam's grain in order that it may learn to eat as soon as possible. The foal may be weaned at 6 months of age, and if it has previously been eating grain, no great setback will occur.

The mare can usually be bred with greater certainty of success on the ninth day after foaling than at any subsequent date. As exercise is of prime importance for the proper development of young animals, the foal should have pasture or a paddock in which to exercise. Access to a barn or shed should be provided as a protection against storms.

The feed of the foal may be similar to that which the mare was receiving before the foal was weaned. The weaned foal should have 2 or 3 pounds of grain per day and what hay it will eat. A grain mixture consisting of two parts of ground oats, two parts of corn meal, and one part of wheat bran, by weight, may be fed. If oats and bran are not available a mixture consisting of seven parts corn meal and one part cottonseed meal may be substituted. All of the leguminous hay, if of good quality, such as alfalfa, clover, and cowpea hay, are good for the foal. As the foal becomes

older a more liberal grain ration should be provided. A yearling foal, to grow properly, will need 4 or 5 pounds of grain per day in addition to what hay will be eaten.

The selection of a ration for horses and mules depends largely upon the kinds of feed available, the prices of the same and the amount and character of the work. For a 1,000 or 1,100 pound horse at moderate work a daily ration of from 10 to 12 pounds of grain and from 12 to 14 pounds of hay should be ample. At light work the grain ration should be less, and at particularly heavy work the amount of grain should be increased. For a horse at moderate work weighing from 1,000 to 1,100 pounds the following rations will be found satisfactory. These rations are to be divided into three feeds. Nearly one-half of the roughage should be fed at night and the remainder divided between the morning and noon feeds. The grain may be divided into three equal portions, to be fed morning, noon, and night.

10 pounds oats.
14 pounds mixed hay (Bermuda, lespedeza, etc).

10 pounds shelled corn or meal or 12 1-2 pounds ear corn or corn-and-cob meal.
14 pounds cowpea hay.

8 pounds shelled corn or corn meal or 10 pounds ear corn or corn-and-cob meal.
1 pound cottonseed meal.
10 pounds alfalfa hay.
2 quarts molasses.

8 pounds shelled corn or 10 pounds ear corn or corn-and-cob meal.
1 1-2 pounds cottonseed meal.
14 pounds mixed hay (Bermuda, lespedeza, etc.)

6 pounds shelled corn or corn meal or 7 1-2 pounds ear corn or corn-and-cob meal.
2 pounds gluten.
1 1-2 pounds cottonseed meal.
6 pounds cowpea hay.
10 pounds corn stover.

The above rations are offered as suggestions and will have to be altered to suit conditions. If an animal is not doing well and is thin in flesh add more grain.

It may be found desirable to feed ear corn instead of shelled corn or corn meal. The ear corn, if desirable, may be ground and fed as corn-and-cob meal. One hundred pounds of ear corn or corn-and-cob meal is equivalent to about 80 pounds of shelled corn or corn meal.

For horses at light work the grain in the above rations should be reduced and the roughage increased in amount.

For wintering horses which have little, if any, work to do the foregoing rations may be used, with the grain reduced one-half or three-fourths, or the grain may be entirely eliminated if the hay is of good quality and the horses are easy keepers.

Salt should be provided so that the horse may have access to it daily.

Horses should not be fed or watered when they are hot. If they come in very hungry it allows him to eat hay hour before he is given. If he takes the sharp appetite on hay he will eat it better. In horses should be watered morning, in the middle of forenoon, before and after their dinner, and before and after their evening meal.

If possible, after the horses have finished their evening feed, they should be turned out in a lot where they can roll and get water at will during the night. This applies especially during hot weather.

As pointed out previously, the selection of a ration and the general care of horses depends quite largely on local conditions, and if the reader will get in touch with the county demonstration agent the latter may be of considerable assistance in advising the best methods of handling the stock. In case there is not an agent in your county, write to your state agricultural experiment station for information regarding the most economical rations to be fed in your locality.

The following Farmers' Bulletins may be obtained free of charge by writing to the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.: No. 170, Principles of Horse Feeding; No. 619, Breeds of Draft Horses.

MUCH INTERESTED.

"When the British attacked Washington in 1813 all the congressmen had to leave the city. Of course they came back later."

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RAPE AS FORAGE IN COTTON BELT

Rape is a succulent, nutritious plant, closely related to kale, collards and cabbage, and requires essentially the same conditions of culture as these crops. The plants grow to a height of one and a half to four feet, depending on conditions of soil and climate. The best forage varieties do not bloom the same season they are planted. It is the most important plant of the cabbage family to use as feed for hogs, sheep, cows and chickens, and for this purpose should be much more commonly grown. Practically only one variety is grown in the United States, namely, the Dwarf Essex. The seed is quite cheap, usually retailing at about 10 cents per pound.

Rape is a cold-season crop, and in the South should, therefore, be planted in the fall or in very early spring. The crop is not injured by ordinary winters in the South, but of course the growth is slow in cold weather. In the fall it is best seeded from August 15 to October. Later seeding is scarcely advisable, except near the Gulf coast in Florida, where it may be sown up to December 15. In the spring it should be seeded just as early as danger of freezes is past; that is, at about the same date oats are sown. The earlier seedings nearly always give the largest yields, as growth is checked when very warm weather occurs. In summer the plant becomes much less palatable. Fall seeding is best, but early spring sowing is often successful. Spring seeding is never advisable in Florida or near the Gulf coast.

Rape succeeds best in rich loam soils, but profitable crops are grown on sandy and on clayey soils. An abundant moisture supply is necessary to produce large yields. Good preparation of the seed bed is advisable. Barnyard manure is the best fertilizer. In the absence of this, 400 to 600 pounds per acre of a complete commercial fertilizer may be used.

When rape is planted in wide rows it should be given three or four cultivations during its early growth. After cutting the first crop a second growth is often obtained, especially if the stubble is cultivated.

Rape may be sown in cultivated rows, in narrow drill rows, or broadcast. If planted in rows, these should ordinarily be 24 to 30 inches apart. In rows 28 inches wide, which is the best average width, 2 pounds of seed per acre are sufficient.

If drilled with a grain drill 4 pounds of seed per acre are required. When broadcasted 5 or 6 pound per acre should be used.

Rape may be successfully grown with certain other crops. Thus, it may be sown in early spring on oats, wheat, or rye, and usually a good stand is secured after the grain crop is cut. It may also be sown mixed with clover, to be used as pasture, or between the rows in some winterkilled crop for late fall use.

The best depth to sow the seed is one-half inch.

Rape is most commonly used as a

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or sheep? Cat- t destroy con- ling especially

where the rape is broadcasted. In broad rows the injury by trampling is less, as animals usually walk between the rows. Many animals do not like rape at first, but must acquire a taste for it before they will eat it readily. Salt should be supplied liberally, as this will tend to prevent the purging which rape often produces.

In pasturing cattle on rape care must be taken to prevent bloating. They should not be turned into a rape pasture when it is wet with dew or rain or when the cattle are very hungry. If a supply of hay or straw is kept convenient, cattle will instinctively turn to this when they begin to bloat. Where animals can pass readily from rape pasture to grass pasture, cases of bloating are very infrequent. On the whole, it is best to avoid danger and not pasture cattle on pure rape. There is no danger of bloating with hogs. Rape may also be cut and stall fed. If fed to dairy cows, it should be just after milking as otherwise it may taint the milk.

Rape is also an excellent feed for all kinds of poultry.

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Mrs. X. relates that while in London she inquired in a shop if they had any fresh eggs. "Yes, mum, plenty," said the clerk; "them with a hen on 'em are fresh." "I don't see any with a hen on them," said Mrs. X., looking around for a nest. "The letter 'hen' mum, not the bird. 'Hen' stands for 'noo-laid' mum."—Boston Transcript.

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WAR BULLETINS

it is said in Hamburg that some damage was done. It is evident, however, that the heavy fog prevented the British from carrying out fully their plans.

TUESDAY.

Russian announcements of defeats of the Germans are disputed today by the Berlin war office which states that the attacks of the invading armies in Poland have made progress and that strong Russian assaults have been repulsed. No mention is made, however, of the situation in Galicia, where the Russians are described as having inflicted a severe defeat on the Austro-German forces.

The Petrograd war office states the Germans who have been pressing forward in Poland have been repulsed with heavy losses. In Galicia the Austrians are reported to have suffered a complete reversal and to be retreating hastily.

Their defeat apparently breaks up the maneuvers aiming at a combined Austro-German attack on the southern forces of the Russians, which if successful might have imperiled the Russian left wing. Berlin, however, views the situation in the east with optimism, intimating that important developments in Poland may be expected soon.

The French campaign for repossession of its lost province of Alsace, one of the first objectives of the armies of the allies after the outbreak of the war, apparently is making progress. The unofficial reports Monday night that the allies were shelling Muelhausen are supplemented today by the statement of the bureau that Steinbach, upper Alsace, has been invested.

Recent developments have given the United States a more direct interest politically in the European situation. Washington has sent to the British government a note voicing its objection to the holding up and searching of American vessels.

PANAMA-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION.

Before the beginning of the European conflict there were forty-two foreign nations and forty-three states and territories participating in the exposition. There have been no withdrawals, and Japan, the Netherlands and Argentina have asked for additional space.

The pavilions represented in the course of construction are Turkey, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, Germany (being by industries and citizens with some governmental aid), Russia, Great Britain and Germany never have been counted in the list of 42 official participants, although Great Britain and Germany will have extensive exhibits.

Five neutral European nations have pavilions nearing completion. They are: The Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Sweden and Norway.

Three months before the opening day exhibits have arrived from England, Cuba, China, Japan, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Belgium, Argentina, the Philippines, Hawaii and the Netherlands. Costly exhibits are pouring in from all parts of the world. The Jason of the United States navy is en route with exhibits from several European countries in the war zone.

The exposition is 97 per cent completed and will be 100 per cent completed on the opening day of February 20, 1915. It will be the first exposition of color and is the most beautiful ever built.

At this time the weekly attendance averages more than 60,000. The largest day was November 8, when all pre-exposition records were shattered with a total of 37,109.

More than 300 national and international congresses and conventions have voted to meet in San Francisco in 1915.

The warship pageant will proceed through the canal to the exposition as originally planned, with President Woodrow Wilson and Admiral George Dewey at the head.

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A. J. Smith and wife, Snyder. C. F. Fax, Milwaukee. Friday, Dec. 25—P. G. Lane, Barstow. J. M. McCracken, El Paso. Ernest Shafee and wife, Carlsbad. Saul Frank, El Paso. R. W. Dean, Dallas. W. F. Cummins, El Paso. Callie N. Simpson, Jasper, Tenn. J. C. Payne and wife, Clifton. Dee Clark, Stung Turner, ranch.

Saturday, Dec. 26—E. H. Jones, W. ranch. S. R. Ikard, Fred Snyder, ranch. J. F. Mace Sierra Blanco. Mrs. Dr. Helm, Malaga. E. P. Amonet, El Paso. Bob Lewis, ranch. C. R. Troxell, Toyah. J. N. Levin, ranch.

Sunday, Dec. 27—Mrs. Kate Farnham, J. M. Iard, W. W. Turney, El Paso. S. H. Grigsby, Fort Worth. Sol Mayer, Toyahvale. E. M. Langford and wife, Midland.

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Monday, Dec. 28—Jno. H. Howry, Nova Visa. J. O. King, Monahans. W. L. Kingston, ranch. Lee D. Kingston, ranch. J. H. Huddleston, Dallas. Dr. and Mrs. McCormick, Fort Worth.

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Wednesday, Dec. 30—F. Van Sickle, Big Springs. L. J. Dimmitt, Georgetown. Saul Frank, El Paso. Samuel Koen, New York. Frank Young and wife, Roswell. A. V. Smith, Dallas. Mrs. Ora Bujac, Big Springs. W. E. Reeder, Prote.

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We take this occasion to extend the compliments of the New Year to our friends and patrons. It is an old greeting, but no less cordial because of its ancient introduction. It is a well known and accepted fact that the Pecos Times has been the leading medium through which Reeves County, as well as others in many parts of the United States, has been the trusted publication for all news, both legal and social. The Times has a larger circulation now than it has ever had before. It is our ambition to extend through this year our circulation in other fields and enlarge our acquaintance. It is also included in our new year's resolutions that we first advocate reciprocity. Trade at home with your home merchants and in turn let your home business people give their patronage to the paper that gives them all the local news free of cost to them.

Let us not only hope that the new year will not only bring new business, but that the present may be built up and that all will be more prosperous and made to enjoy life better by renewing your subscription to the Pecos Times. We have contracted to give our patrons a monthly serial during this new year which will make the paper a sixteen page paper one time in every four weeks. The stories will be of the best that is published.

EDITOR.

AN EXPECTED CHANGE.

West Texas has, during the past months, experienced some of the wettest weather that this part of the country has any knowledge of.

But now, since Christmas has come and gone, and old Santa has made his annual trip on schedule time, we shall expect it to be a little more dry in the near future than in the recent past.

CIRCULARS VS. CIRCULATION

We have already published one editorial on this subject, but in the light of an opinion expressed by a prominent merchant it seems worth while to reprint the comparative figures.

We merely set down the comparisons—the answers are self-evident. To reach 50,000 people, using a list mainly made up from the telephone book or some similar source, and sending out the cheapest circulars, under one-cent postage, would cost a minimum of \$1,000.

If one-half of these people responded (and 10 per cent is a charitable estimate) the returns would bring in 25,000 people.

To take a space equaling a half page in the three Fort Worth newspapers would cost approximately \$150, and would reach 75,000 people. And if only three people in each hundred responded, the returns would be greater than if fifty people out of every hundred responded to his circular.

Bringing the argument down to still finer point—it costs at least 12.50 to send out 1,000 postal cards. The same space in a newspaper would cost less.

Which is obviously the better investment—circulars or circulation?—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

HIS GUESS.

"You promised that you would give me my answer this evening," she said. "Are you ready to do so?" "Yes," she replied, "but I want you to promise me something first."

"What is it?" "I want you to promise me solemnly that you will not do anything rash—that you will not, when I have given you my answer, go down yourself or take bichloride of mercury."

"Oh, then, you have decided to say yes, have you?"—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

Old Cold, Cough, Sore Throat, Whooping Cough, Bronchitis, Asthma, Hay Fever, Eczema, Scabies, Ringworm, etc. Cured by the wonderful, old reliable Dr. Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil. It relieves pain and heals at the same time. 25c. 50c. \$1.00

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S RESOLUTION WORTH WHILE.

At I will start the New Year of 1915 by getting all my groceries and feed from the grocery, where they treat me right, and save money.

Thankful—I want to thank each and every one of my friends and customers for their liberal patronage during the past year. I have at all times given full value for your money, and ask you to be as old reliable 84 when you want the best goods for the least money, with best prices to all for 1915.

O. J. GREEN GROCERY.

We greet you and wish you all the good things the New Year promises. We appreciate the loyalty of our friends during the past year. Our interest in seeing this country grow and develop, and we are willing at all times to render every assistance at this end. We will appreciate your business during the New Year and with our facilities we think it will be to your interest at all times to let us fill your wants. If you care for quality, our goods will always please you.

With best wishes we are,
PECOS MERCANTILE COMPANY.

TO OUR PATRONS AND FRIENDS:

As this is the first of the New Year 1915, I desire to thank the many citizens of this community for their liberal patronage during the past year and will furnish one and all with even better meats, if possible, during 1915. Wishing you one and all a happy, Prosperous New Year.

ED. OTTO.

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS:

On this the beginning of the New Year, we wish to thank you all for your kind patronage. What a measure of success we have attained in the years we have been in Pecos we attribute to the kind patronage of the people of Pecos and vicinity. We wish you a very happy and prosperous New Year.
MILLER'S SECOND HAND STORE.

WE FEEL GRATEFUL.

It is with great pleasure that we take this method of extending thanks to the many who have traded with us during 1914, and trust that you will remember us in your wants during 1915. We heartily wish you one and all the compliments of the season. Gratefully yours,
BRADY-CAMP JEWELRY CO.

MANY THANKS TO ALL.

We wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year and thank you for the liberal patronage during 1914, and solicit your further business relations.

BOZEMAN DRUG STORE.

PATRONAGE APPRECIATED.

Your patronage the past year has been appreciated by us, and by having it, has made it a prosperous year for us. May your property increase the coming year, and we ask a continuance of your trade. Wishing you a Happy New Year, we are,
Yours truly,
T. E. BROWN, The Furniture Man.

NEW YEAR GREETING.

The management of the Music Hall Picture Show wishes to thank the people of Pecos and surrounding country for the liberal patronage extended in the past, and assure you one and all that it is highly appreciated, and promises in the future as in the past to always maintain the very best service that good business will justify. Wishing you one and all a Happy and Prosperous New Year, I am, yours for the best picture show in the West.
G. B. LANDRUM, Manager.

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS:

It is again the close of another year's business and we are very grateful for our many customers and friends for the splendid patronage extended to us, and we will endeavor more the coming year to please one and all. A Happy New Year.
W. T. READMERCANTILE CO.

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS:

It is with deep, sincere gratitude that we wish a Happy New Year to one and all of our customers and thank you for the liberal patronage given us during the past year; also to those who have not traded with us, and trust that we have merited your trade, so that you may continue same during the coming year.
JNO. LILLEY, The Grocerman.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

While we are thankful to one and all for their generous patronage and the friendship shown us in the past year, wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year, hoping that you had a Merry Christmas.
PREWITT & WADLEY.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Allie Whittenberg of Marfa spent Christmas with relatives and friends in the city and left for her home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Rankins and son returned to their home in Midland last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Langford and Master Charley Gibbs, who has been spending Christmas week in Midland with relatives and friends, returned to their home near Saragosa last Sunday, stopping over in Pecos one night and attended church with the Baptists.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Cowan with their family paid the city of Barstow a visit last Friday, Christmas day, going over on train No. 6.

Miss Sara Card and brother of Hermosa were Pecos visitors Christmas day, remained over night and attended the moving picture show and witnessed the second edition of the 'Trey o' Hearts.'

Some of the "young Americas" in Pecos always supports a broad smile when some certain girls visit the city.

Mrs. Minnie Buckles visited her sister and daughter in Fort Worth during Christmas and returned to her home in Pecos yesterday. She reports as having had an enjoyable time while on her visit.

Miss Lois McDermott, from Fort Worth, visited her parents in Pecos during the holidays and left yesterday for her home.

Roy McDermott, from the W ranch, visited his parents in Pecos during Christmas week.

J. A. Ezell of Angeles was among the numerous visitors in the hub city Tuesday.

Jim Bowlin of the V.H. ranch was a visitor in Pecos Sunday.

Ira Lane was over from Kermit Monday on a business trip.

Messrs. T. V. and Ed. Hollebeke were down from their Orla ranch the first of the week shaking hands with their many friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Cowan were in this week spending the week visiting with relatives and numerous friends.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Moran and children returned the first of the week from their Christmas visit with relatives and friends at Toyah and out on the ranch.

Isa Barlow and family were in Pecos Monday for a short while on their way home to Balmorhea, after a short visit in El Paso.

Charlie Oates was in Pecos Thursday morning while on his return to Saragosa after a short stay in El Paso.

Judge Howell Johnson, one of Fort Stockton's most popular citizens, came over to Pecos Wednesday on a business trip, and was warmly greeted by his hosts of friends. He reports that everything is moving along slowly but smoothly in his city.

T. J. Stevens from Grand falls the forepart of the week visiting with his family.

The following are up from Balmorhea this week, either here or "courting": George Edgell, I. Vagnon, S. R. Ikar, E. Backus, J. A. Brad, H. Lavelle, Vincent McGarvey, Raymond McGarvey, E. D. Balcom.

Among the Saragosates who have been in Pecos for various causes the past week we noticed: N. T. Reed, L. H. Bullard, H. H. Robbins.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Chandler were in Pecos a short time the forepart of the week while on their way home, after a short honeymoon visit in El Paso.

Messrs. A. J. Carpenter, Chas. Hicks, K. C. Tucker, Dan Stewart, C. R. Troxell, Ponder S. Carter, C. W. Frost, B. P. Van Horn, A. B. Burchard of Toyah were among the many visitors in Pecos during the past week.

J. N. Levin was up from Crystal Water the latter part of last week shaking hands with his many Pecos friends.

John B. Howard, one of Pecos' leading attorneys, went to Dallas the forepart of the week on important business.

Dee Clark and Stug Turner were Pecos visitors from the Y ranch last week Friday.

Albert Kyle returned to his ranch Wednesday, up near Mont Clair after a short stay in Pecos with his brother Sid Kyle and family.

Sol Mayer of Toyahvale was a Pecos visitor the forepart of the week.

Messrs. W. L. Kingston and Lee D. Kingston were here Monday and were warmly greeted by their scores of Pecos friends. They report that things over in their section of the Davis mountains are in good shape.

Messrs. E. H. Jones, H. E. Chipman, and J. L. Gross Jr., were in Pecos visiting with friends a short time during the past week.

W. M. Lyons left Monday on a special business trip to Chicago. He expects to return in a couple of weeks.

Mrs. C. J. Magee left Wednesday on her return trip to Chicago, after visiting here for a week or ten days.

T. T. Garrard, our new district attorney, is here for a few days' visit, from Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. David S. Butler returned to Saragosa Monday after a few days' visit with relatives and friends.

W. D. Hudson went out to Toyahvale Tuesday to assist in loading and shipping the train load of calves.

L. W. Anderson and Miss Colon Prewitt have returned from their Christmas trip to Dallas, Temple and Houston. Mrs. Anderson will remain for a short visit. Miss Colon returned so as to be here to attend school Monday.

Tatum Moore returned to his home at the ranch near Brogado Tuesday, after a visit here in Pecos with his wife and baby.

Mrs. J. D. Wilkins of Eldorado, Illinois, is here visiting her brother, J. T. Hubbs and family. This is the first time that Mrs. Wilkins has been in seven years.

Miss Artie Day was home from the Simmons College at Abilene to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. W. Day, and other relatives and many friends. She will return to school Saturday.

Miss Rosa Thomason left Thursday on her return trip home at San Antonio. She will visit Mr. and Mrs. E. W. McKenzie at El Paso for a few days before proceeding on her journey.

Dr. Moore and John Lilley autoed over to Pyote Thursday afternoon.

Messrs. B. F. and Rob Prunty left last Saturday on a business trip to Decatur, returning home yesterday.

Mrs. Seth Lewis and daughter, Miss Ruth, with her new doll, went out to the E. V. Bowles ranch this morning for a few days' visit.

E. V. Bowles was in yesterday from his ranch on a business trip.

Elmer Jones of the W ranch was called to El Paso Wednesday night by telegram to attend his sister, Mrs. H. M. Medley, who is dangerously ill with smallpox.

Messrs. W. H. Stewart, T. M. Delaney of Balmorhea and Ed. Eicheberry of Saragosa, who have been in attendance on the grand jury, returned home this morning on the P. V. S.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Collie entertained at 6 o'clock dinner New Year's eve. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Hardgraves, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Davis; Miss Paulette Davis and Master Bob Hardgraves.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I have purchased the barber shop recently operated by ohn Brocat, located in the Pecos Drug Company building, next door to the Commercial Club, and in assuming the management of same, wish to say to the citizens of Pecos and vicinity that I am not a new one, having spent the past twelve years in the business, ten of which have been spent in the Pecos Valley. And I promise the patrons co-operation, promptness and efficiency, and ask a liberal share of your patronage.
1-2 WALTER F. STEPHEN.

"I wish," said Freddie, plaintively, "I wish I was Billy Smith."

"Why, Freddie!" said his astonished mother. "Billy Smith has none of the nice things you have. He doesn't get any pocket money, and he isn't as big as you, and he's not nearly so strong. His father never buys him presents, or—"

"I know all about that, mama," said Freddie, "but—"

"And think what nice books you have. And you never have to go out in the cold and wet to carry papers, and—"

"I know," grumbled Freddie, annoyed by his mother's strange lack of understanding. "But Billy kin wiggle his ears."

Some want to increase the army, some want to build a bigger navy, but what we need is more ground plowed up and planted. I have the seed. B. G. Smith. 1-2

HOME MADE CANDY AND PROPER WAY TO MAKE IT

Home made candy, if made right, is so satisfactory, is made so easily and is so much cheaper than the bought varieties that there is no reason why any girl with a little time to spare cannot make delicious candy. The most delicate part of it is the boiling of the syrup—one degree too much or too little will spoil the whole batch. As the making of candy is affected by the atmosphere, to make it the most successfully it should be done on a clear day. A thermometer is used by professionals and is placed in liquid as soon as sugar is dissolved and allowed to rest on the side of the dish. This is an advantage to the amateur who has recipes where the degrees necessary are given but for general purposes after a little experience, to following directions will prove sufficient:

Take three pounds of sugar and one pint of water and place them over the fire in a perfectly clean porcelain-lined or graniteware dish as syrup readily absorbs the flavor of anything previously cooked in a dish. Stir the ingredients until dissolved and the mixture begins to boil; after the boiling begins, do not stir, as the syrup will be liable to grain. When it threads when dropped from a spoon if a thermometer were used it would register 220 degrees.

After the syrup "threads," the next degree in cooking is the "soft ball," when the thermometer registers 240 degrees. If one is not used this stage may be determined by dropping a little from a spoon into cold water and rolling in the fingers. The "hard ball" may be determined in the same way and the thermometer will indicate 252 degrees.

Thermometers will mark 260 degrees when the "crack" degrees is reached. This is determined by testing as before, and when pressed between the thumb and finger if it cracks but after a moment or so returns to a hard ball it is cooked enough.

The last degree is the "hard crack." When the syrup is boiled enough and tested it will be found to be very brittle and will not stick to the teeth. At this stage the thermometer will indicate 290 degrees.

When making taffy grease the dish around the top on the inside with butter and the molasses will not boil any higher than the buttered section. In making candy much care is required to prevent scorching and an asbestos plate should be placed under the kettle when nearly done.

Fondant is the foundation for most of the best candies, and is frequently called "cream," as it is the basis of cream candies. Cream of tartar used in it will prevent it from graining. For a small amount use two cups of sugar, one cup of water and a pinch of cream of tartar on the end of a spoon. In making fondant the syrup is removed from the stove just before it can be rolled into a "hard ball." Let it partly cool, and when it becomes creamy knead with the hands. It may be colored and flavored to suit.

For chocolate creams, a teaspoonful is rolled in the hands until it is smooth and well shaped, then dipped into melted chocolate and laid on a piece of manila paper to dry.

Fondant may be made without cooking by using the whites of a couple of eggs with an equal amount of water; beat and make into a stiff paste by the addition of confectioner's sugar. Flavor as desired and mold as with the cooked fondant.

In making chocolate creams the shapes should not be coated with chocolate for several hours, as it will be much smoother if a slight crust has been allowed to form on the foundation.—Christian Science Monitor.

LATE BUT EARLY.

An American, provided with letters of introduction, went on a visit to London. After he had been received, his host said to him:

"You know our customs are a little different from yours. We dine late—at 7 o'clock in the evening."

"Late!" exclaimed the American.

"Why, that's nothing. We in America don't dine until the next day."

We will continue to handle OUR SPECIALTIES: La France Flour, Chase & Sanborn's and Forbes Quality Coffees, during 1915. Also a full line of DELMONTE-CAN GOODS. VICKERS & COLLINGS. 1-2

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS:

We trust you have enjoyed a Merry Christmas, and wish you all a Happy New Year. While war with all of its horrors, has laid waste the countries of Europe, we should be thankful that our fair land is blessed with peace, happiness and plenty. We wish to express our appreciation of your past patronage and support, as we have endeavored to please you, and hope by a strict adherence to business principles to merit your co-operation and good will, and will use our best efforts to assist you in reducing the high cost of living, by offering you a larger and more select stock of fancy groceries and ranch supplies at reasonable prices.
VICKERS & COLLINGS.

1915 GREETINGS.

We sincerely wish that all our friends and customers will enjoy prosperity and good health during the coming New Year to the fullest extent.

We have tried to give our customers every consideration consistent with safe banking, and will endeavor to give them better treatment during the coming year. Those contemplating changing their banking connection, or looking for a safe place to leave their idle funds, we offer you the service of a Guaranty Fund Bank.
PECOS VALLEY STATE BANK.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

I wish to thank one and all for their liberal patronage during the past, for it is because of your liberal trade that I am able to run my market, and that I can furnish you with the best that can be had.

C. E. BUCHHOLZ.

MANY THANKS TO ALL.

We desire to thank our many customers for their liberal patronage during the past year and trust that our methods have been such to warrant a continuance of your trade during the coming year, and heartily extend to you the compliments of the season. Yours thankfully,
B. G. SMITH, Grocer.

TO OUR PATRONS AND FRIENDS:

My wish is that each succeeding day of the New Year may bring to you richer gifts of Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

Thanking you for your kindness and patronage in the years that are past, I am,
Cordially yours,
C. L. HEATH, The Insurance Man.

GREETINGS FOR NINETEEN FIFTEEN.

Thanking all our patrons for their patronage for the past and wishing you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

CITY PHARMACY.

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS:

We wish to thank you for your patronage for past year, and trust we will be favored with a continuance of the same in the year to come, and wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year.
ZIMMER HARDWARE CO.

BEST WISHES FOR 1915.

The El Paso Store wishes you a Happy New Year and wish to thank you for your past favors and solicit your future business for 1915.
EL PASO STORE.

NEW YEAR GREETINGS.

Best wishes to one and all for a Happy and Prosperous New Year. May your wealth and happiness be many times multiplied.
THE PECOS STUDIO.

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS:

The Pecos City Bakery extends hearty New Year's greetings to its many patrons and friends, and tenders its feelings of gratitude for the past year's prosperous business. We aim to improve our standard of excellence in the manufacture of bread, cakes and candy, and will appreciate continued patronage for which we promise efficient service.
PECOS CITY BAKERY.

COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON.

At this season of the year we should all be grateful for the goodness which we have enjoyed, so, in keeping with the Christmas spirit we desire to thank one and all who in any way have favored us, and wish them a Happy New Year.
PECOS DRY GOODS CO.

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS.

To Our Patrons and Friends:
We take this opportunity of thanking you for your past favors, wishing all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

TOM'S PLACE.

Evangelism to Belgian Refugees

of open air
the Belgian ref-
Mr. S. Levermore
Open Air mission.

France	15,000
Italy	5,000
Belgium	18,000
Total for Europe \$110,000	
South America	\$12,000
Africa	25,000
Eastern Asia	22,500
Southern Asia	53,000
Mexico	3,000
Total for other lands \$115,500	
Grand total	\$225,500

With regard to the purpose of this fund the general committee recorded itself as follows: "No part of the war relief fund will be used for the regular work of the board. It stands alone to meet a crisis—to save from the emergency of disaster people and churches whose servants we are in the gospel of our compassionate Lord."

SYRIANS IN AMERICA.

Thirty years ago there were less than 200 Syrians in America; now there are over 150,000. Most of them are either Roman Catholic or Greek Orthodox; there are a few Protestants and Mohammedans. The Syrian comes to America with the idea of making money, then going back to Syria, but about 50 per cent of them like this country and make it their permanent homes. The Syrians are a good and thrifty class of people, but like every other people they are in need of the living Christ before they make ideal citizens. The Protestant churches are making but a small effort to restore to them the true and living religion of Jesus Christ.

LORD ROBERTS ON MISSIONS.

At the present time, when the whole nation has mourned the death of Lord Roberts, it is worth recalling a letter that he privately addressed to army officers in conjunction with two other distinguished generals, on the subject of missions. "You will most certainly come into contact with the representatives of various Christian missionary societies," said this communication, "whose special work it is to show to non-Christian peoples the love of Christ whom we profess to serve. We commend these missionaries to you as a body of men and women who are working helpfully with the government, and contributing to the elevation of the people in a way impossible to official action. Some object to Christian missions in ignorance of their real value. We would suggest that you will use all opportunities of making yourself personally acquainted with the work they are doing, and the character of the converts. Most missions will bear looking into, and we are convinced that if you will do this you will never afterwards condemn or belittle them."

INDIA AND THE WAR.

India has four factors entering into war difficulties. First, government has begun to withhold portions of the grants made for educational purposes. The whole school system is gun to suffer, and is threatened with larger perplexity from withdrawal or lessening of government grants. Second, the price of rice is marked and the tendency is still upward. Third, the loss of exchange is very considerable; immediately after the war broke out it ran as high as 16 per cent. Fourth, the local resources are necessarily cramped. So large is the volume of mission work in India, and so considerable the factors of local finance that financial dislocation promises the utmost confusion unless special relief is afforded.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The first Swedish Baptist church in America was organized sixty-two years ago, with only six members. There are now 353 Swedish Baptist churches, with a Sunday school in each. There are 27,849 members. There are said to be a million and a half Swedes in this country. Honduras has 46,250 square miles and a population of only 745,000. It is said there are 90,000 uncivilized or semi-civilized Indians there. The vast majority can neither read nor write.

A colporter tells a story of a little girl who wanted a Bible, but had no money to purchase one. When asked if she could not find some way of earning money, she said: "Yes, I'll sell mamma's beer bottles; there's a barrel of them in the coalhouse."

Dr. Walling Clark, for 25 years a Methodist missionary in Italy,

the people in Italy are flocking to the churches everywhere, both Protestant and Roman Catholic. Even men of high social and government positions are turning their attention to spiritual things, driven by this experience of bloody slaughter which comes home to millions of families to length and breadth of Europe. A wave of religious faith is sweeping over all the people. After the war is ended, I believe that one result of the conflict will be the moral and spiritual transformation of the entire continent."

The week of January 3-10, 1915, has been set apart as a season of prayer and self-denial by the Southern Methodists and also by the Northern Presbyterians. The Methodists the calling for evangelistic reinforcements and the Presbyterians hope to free the foreign mission board from the incubus of a deficit of \$137,895.

South America is almost prostrated. Self-support and government subventions have been so suddenly threatened with arrest that Christian schools are in danger, and the carrying on of the missions on anything like the scale on which they move in normal times is most difficult. Rates of interest have become very high, exchange is troublesome and expensive and prices have advanced almost out of reason.

China, both governmentally and commercially is greatly embarrassed. Much of the noble work of the church in that great republic is cut off from local resources which were being most admirably gathered in. Prices have risen and exchange is high. Korea, the most distressed mission field of all Eastern Asia, suffers from the same causes as China. Increase of rates of exchange, stagnation of business, rise in prices—all this at a time when the tide of religious interest returns to a signally high level.

INTERNATIONAL-PANAMA-CALIFORNIA EXPOSITION

Balboa Park, a tract of 1400 acres, borders the business center of San Diego.

Here is being built an international exposition which will break all records as to period of operation. It will open Jan. 1, 1915, and not close until year-end, Dec. 31, 1915. The equable climate of San Diego makes possible an out-of-door show lasting 365 consecutive days—for here January indeed is like June, and June is perfect.

The area covered by the exposition is 618 acres. The general exhibit and main buildings occupy 100 acres, and the amusement features 25 acres, while 250 acres are devoted to the landscape gardens and park.

You cross Puente del Cabrillo, 135 feet high and 900 feet long—which bridges deep canyon, and enter a walled of the fifteenth century, its architecture reminding one of the Alhambra, the old Mexican cathedrals, and the still older edifices of the Moors—all blended into what may be termed as Spanish Colonial style. Towers and minarets, white walls and red-tiled roofs, through a gay but well-ordered garden of plants, shrubs, palms and flowers.

Cool walks invite a in the whirl of sight-seeing. The fence four miles the grounds; it is tive flowering vines, rough the entrance, ornate state buildings attract attention with its cathedral-like architecture.

Opposite is a Roman building, which houses exhibits of ethnology and archaeology from the Smithsonian Institute at Washington. Eight other buildings, each an exact replica of some historic palace of Spain or Spanish America, with rounded arches and connecting colonades, are to be found on the tree-lined Prado. These main exposition edifices are devoted to home economy, arts and crafts, science and education, foreign arts, botany, commerce and industry, varied industries and food products.

The New Mexico state building is especially interesting, it being a faithful reproduction of the great adobe mission of the Indian pueblo of Acoma, the "sky city," built in 1699, modified, of course, to suit modern needs.

Robert Burns' cottage is reproduced on a large scale, with material and thatching brought over seas from Bonnie Scotland.

Many foreign countries are represented by special exhibits in the main buildings. France, Italy, Austria-Hungary, Russia, Germany, Japan and Brazil are included in this list.

All the exhibits of manufactures and industries are "in the making," rather than the finished product only. In this respect the San Diego exposition stands by itself. For ex-

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Surveys Nos. 47, 55, 61, 63, in Block 4.
Nos. 43, 45, and three-fourths of 47, in Block 5.
The surveys in these blocks are situated from 5 to 8 miles from Pecos City, in the arid belt of the Pecos River Country and will be sold as a whole or in quarter sections.
Also surveys Nos. 13 and 49, in Block 6, and Survey Nos. 13 and 15 in Block 7.
Also surveys Nos. 31 and 35, fronting on the Pecos River in Block 1, and Nos. 11 and 15, adjacent thereto, in Block 2, in the vicinity of Riverton, on the Pecos River Railroad.
Also surveys Nos. 1, 3, 5, and 19, fronting on the Pecos River, in Block 8, in the extreme northern portion of Pecos County, and partly in Reeves County.
Also 16 surveys in Block 10; 16 surveys in Block 11, and 3 surveys in Block 12; none of these river lands.
No local agents for these lands, which are handled direct by the Agent and Attorney in Fact for the owner, Thomas R. White, Jr., of New Jersey.

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Malaria, enriches the blood, and builds up the system. A true tonic. For adults and children. 50c

New Year ..Greeting



The spirit of the season prompts us to express our appreciation of all favors shown us and to wish you in return all the joys of a bright, happy and prosperous New Year.



Pecos Mercantile Co.
Furniture Department.

\$2.50 Skirt Sale

Greatest skirt sale in history of Pecos—values are thrown to the four winds

Skirts worth up to \$12.50--and think of it--your choice of the entire table for

\$2.50

Seventy-five skirts to select from

THIS SALE IS FOR CASH ONLY

Pecos Mercantile Co.

SOCIAL EVENTS.

MISS FRAME GIVES CANDY PULL.

On Monday night, Dec. 28, Miss Thelma Frame gave the girls of the "bunch" a candy pull.

Delicious candy was made and enjoyed, but the nut fudge came to grief, as the pup got it all.

Other amusements of the evening were dancing and forty-two. Those present were Stella Weyer, Warren and Nancy Collings, Rosa Thomason, Gladys Prewit, the Dorothys—Somes and Warn, Lillian O'Connor and Bernice Richburg.

MISS THOMASON ENTERTAINS.

Miss Rosa Thomason entertained the young set at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Ward on the evening of Dec. 29. A tongue dance was one of the amusements, and each dance was ten minutes. This gave a good opportunity for the young people to get "mixed up."

The refreshments were ice cream and cake. Those enjoying the evening were Misses Winifred Hatch, Dorothy Warn, Dorothy Somes, Thelma Frame, Marion Looby, Warren and Nannie Mae Collings, Mildred Obitz, Colon Prewitt, Stella Weyer, Lillian O'Connor, Gladys Prewit, Messrs. Jep Miles, Willie Hudson, David Tudor, Robert Middleton, Marion Ezell, Roy Wilcox, Gaurmon Nesbitt, Charles Hefner, J. C. Wilson, Louis Roberson, Tommie Levy, Frank Jeanes, Fred Cole, Earl Easterbrook.

A DELIGHTFUL BALL.

Miss Vida Drummond entertained a number of her friends with a delightful ball Saturday evening from 8 to 11:30 o'clock. Those present were Misses Beatrice Wilcock, Cora Hodge, Ethell Simmons, Myrtle Grogan, Nellie Wilcock, Edna Prewit, Allie Brumlow, Mary Wilcock, Edna Mae Otto, Mabel Nold, Sadie Nold, Lillian Otto and Martha Nold; Mrs. F. G. Pomeroy, Mrs. L. Thomas, Mrs. Lee Windham, Mrs. Poitevint, Mrs. Will Prewit; Messrs. Ben Palmer, Sidney Rynearson, Haldane McChesney, Luther Thomas, Clyde Sim-

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mons, Jake Poiterint, Tom Simmons, Vernon Majors, Joe Grows, Hugh Turner, Joe Langham, Robt. Ezell, Willie Miller, McCan, John Brumlow, Sib Honeycut, Jim Bowlin, Max Otto, Troy Hicks, Emille Otto, Hugh Bunch, Jack Davis, Hilton Brown, Rufus Wright, Milton Wadley, Frank Langham, Bill Poiterint, Rich Doll and Charlie Hicks; Frank Ellis of Toyah.

Delicious refreshments were served. All present reported a good time. There were a number of others present but we failed to get their names.

MAKES \$55,000 CATTLE DEAL.

Fort Stockton, Dec. 29.—For \$55,000 Hare & Sachse have sold to Armstrong & Byrd, of Hutchinson county, their entire crop of coming three year old steers, 1060 head being sold for April delivery. The deal is the largest made in Pecos county this year.

Hare & Sachse also have sold their entire calf crop to C. C. Sanders, of Big Lake, and the calves already have been shipped from Ft. Stockton.

Ben Boydston, who took six cars of cows and steers to Fort Worth from the McKenzie 8-0 ranch, has returned. They were shipped over the Orient.

Rains and cold weather are seriously interfering with the getting out of Easter lambs. Local sheepmen are eager to get out a good lot of lambs this year, but are fearing trouble. Sheep are being fed silage and grazed on alfalfa meadows to prevent loss of lambs.

Judge Odom has been shipping a fine lot of cattle from his ranch to Fort Worth.

That Pecos county will have the earliest and best spring in years from a cowman's standpoint is the general opinion of all the old timers.

BAD COLD QUICKLY BROKEN UP.

Mrs. Martha Wilcox, Gowanda, N. Y., writes: "I first used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy about eight years ago. At that time I had a hard cold and coughed most of the time. It proved to be just what I needed. It broke up the cold in a few days, and the cough entirely disappeared. I have told many of my friends of the good I received through using this medicine, and all who have used it speak of it in the highest terms. Obtainable anywhere. All dealers. (Advt.)"

TOOK A HAND IN THE TURKEY SHOOT.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Rankins and son from Midland, spent Christmas with their friends, Judge John B. and Mrs. Howard of Pecos City.

Mr. Rankins joined the Christmas turkey shoot and succeeded in carrying off the blue ribbon, covering himself with glory and winning all the honors by killing three first birds, which were killed, after which he withdrew from the sport, as he stated that "he had all the game he wanted."

Pecos has some good marksmen, but they wanted to show courtesy toward their distinguished visitors.

NOTICE OF BANKRUPT SALE.

Notice is hereby given to all parties concerned, and to the public generally, that on the 16th day of January, A. D., 1915 between the hours of 10 o'clock in the forenoon and 4 o'clock in the afternoon, at the store house formerly occupied by Harry Gordon, in the town of Pecos, Reeves County, Texas, I, F. P. Richburg, trustee of the estate of Harry Gordon, bankrupt, will proceed to sell to the highest bidder, at public outcry, the entire stock of goods, wares and merchandise and fixtures belonging to the said bankrupt estate, including everything belonging to said estate, which has come into my possession as such trustee, which property consists principally of the stock of goods above mentioned.

Witness my hand this 30th day of December, A. D. 1914.

F. P. RICHBURG, Trustee.

NOTICE OF SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING.

Meeting of the shareholders of the Pecos Valley State Bank of Pecos, Texas, for the transaction of such business as may be brought before it will be held at its banking house on the 4th day of January, 1915.

W. H. BROWNING, JR., Cashier.

A good remedy for a bad cough is BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP. It heals the lungs and quiets irritation. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1 per bottle. Sold by Pecos Drug Co. (Advt.)

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THE CHURCHES.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

On Sunday morning at the usual preaching hour there will be a special service at which we hope every member of the church will be present. Some elders and deacons, and a preacher for the coming year are to be selected. In support of the past year's work, each given out. There will be a short talk by the minister and possibly some others. Let every member be present.

The preaching service at night and Bible school and C. E. at their respective hours.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public.

Homer F. ...

PREBYTIAN

There will be talk at the Presbyterian.

Sunday school 10 o'clock in the forenoon and 4 o'clock in the afternoon, at the Old Testament.

Preaching both morning at the usual hour.

The subjects will be with the occasion—the beginning of the new year.

The public is very cordially invited to all of the services. A year's greeting and warm welcome to all. Our only aim is to do you all the good that we can.

Asher A. Davis, Pastor.

METHODIST.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Regular services 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Subject for morning, "Facing the New Year." At night, "The Song of the Mountain Climber."

BAPTIST.

Last Sunday's services had the blessedness of the Holy Spirit's presence. Everyone in attendance was made to feel that the Lord was in our midst.

The Sunday school was well attended and the review of the lessons was good.

Next we came to the New Year. How gladly we ought to enter upon the new year's work. Our very trials as well as our joys ought to prepare us for better work.

Sunday morning the pastor will speak on Resolutions for the New Year. We look for an enlarged work next year. The past year although full of trials was in some ways the very best the church has ever enjoyed. The pastor's heart is gladdened by signs of a general revival among us. We enter the new

year in the hope of doing more and better work. We invite the people of Pecos to worship with us.

KERMIT HAPPENINGS.

We are having a great deal of rain and cold weather during the present month.

Mr. and Mrs. Dillon, who have been visiting the family of W. A. Priest, left for their home near San Antonio, accompanied by Daddy Priest, who will spend the winter in that section of the country.

Bud Estes spent several days in Kermit the past week.

W. A. Priest sold a bunch of fine calves this week.

The school has suspended for the days and Miss Mattie is enjoying much needed rest.

Chas. Campbell and H. B. Lovett the hobble list this week.

A number of young folk over to A. H. Nicles' and look of his hospitality.

These days are now on hand, as have passed out and others on way to the dog country.

Judge Baird and family spent Christmas with Mr. Estes, old-time friends.

Dr. Lain, the hustling insurance agent of the San Antonio Life Insurance Company, left today for Pecos and other parts of the country.

The Christmas tree brought out quite a large number of persons. The tree was nicely decorated and old Santa brought something for all.

Quite a crowd gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Jackson Christmas day, in response to an invitation to take dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson had everything in order and everyone well pleased. Some too full for utterance.

Christmas passed off quietly with no casualties, except broken hearts, which the future will heal.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

SARAGOSA SAYIN

Saragosa, Tex., Dec. 24.—R. B. Bearden and daughter Macie is here visiting E. R. Cox and family.

Dee Davis and E. B. Conger returned from El Paso last Saturday where they had been purchasing some cattle.

Thistle Grove No. 1381 Woodmen Circle at their meeting held last Saturday night, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Past guardian, Mrs. Taylor Conger; guardian, Mrs. Emmett Cox; adviser, Mrs. Ed. Eichelberry; clerk, E. R. Cox; banker, P. A. Harbert; attendant, Mrs. Sam Crenshaw; chaplain, S. H. Crenshaw; inner sentinel, Mrs. Charlie Donoho; outer sentinel, C. J. Donoho; managers, R. T. Conger, Ed. Eichelberry, and Mrs. Hal Crenshaw; physician, Dr. J. H. Wolverton.

Rev. Hull, a Presbyterian minister from Van Horn, filled Rev. W. L. Downing's regular appointment here last Sunday.

Mrs. Ikens and daughter, Dorothy Fay, left last Friday for Mineral Wells for a two weeks visit with relatives. Mr. Ikens accompanied them to Pecos.

Winnie Shepard went to Pecos Friday to spend Christmas.

Mrs. David S. Butler was visiting relatives in Pecos last week.

Miss Paulette Davis of Pecos is here visiting her aunt, Mrs. Minnie Pipkin.

Mrs. E. M. Langford and son Charlie left Tuesday for Midland to spend Christmas holidays with relatives and friends.

Taylor Conger went to Fort Stockton Tuesday to meet his daughter Eric who is attending Belton College and is coming home to spend Christmas with her parents.

Floyd Crenshaw came in Wednesday for a few weeks visit with friends and relatives.

(Note.—Received too late for publication last week.—Ed.)

THE GIST OF IT.

"Last December I had a very severe cold and was nearly down sick in bed. I bought two bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it was only a very few days until I was completely restored to health," writes O. J. Metcalf, Weatherby, Mo. If you would know the value of this remedy, ask any one who has used it. Obtainable everywhere. All dealers. (Advt.)"