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THE ALFALFA FESTIVAL

Two Days of Festivity at Artesia, Fairest City of the Valley--Winners of Prizes and Races.

The first annual Alfalfa Festival of Artesia was held Friday and Saturday of last week and was all that we had hoped it to be. The heavy rains of the previous week had put everything in fine condition and the weather was all that any one could desire. The mud had dried up and the roads were free from dust and the vegetation was fresh and green, characteristic of the Pecos Valley.

The exercises were opened by music furnished by the Artesia Cornet Band and the boys certainly did themselves and the city proud by the excellent music furnished during the entire two days. We had good music and plenty of it and was appreciated not only by the citizens but also by the visitors.

Editor J. D. Whelan, of the Advocate, delivered the address of welcome in his pleasing manner and made those from abroad feel that we did appreciate their presence. Mr. Whelan was followed by Mr. Will Robinson, editor of the Register-Tribune, who delivered such an able and interesting address that we almost forgave his being a resident of Roswell. Mr. Robinson is an entertaining speaker and probably never had a more appreciative audience than the one before him last Friday.

At high noon dinner was called and such a dinner is seldom served to hungry mortals as that to which townsmen and visitors were bidden the first day of our Festival. There was no end of barbecue and the variety of good things brought in by the ladies of the city were the surprise as well as the delight of the diners.

The first exercise after dinner was the Tournament races. There were several entries and the contest was an interesting one. C. E. Mann won first honors and Tom Logan second. The first prize was a \$15 pair of spurs.

There were three entries in the ladies riding contest. The prize, a \$25 saddle, was won by Miss Ella Hyatt.

The bronco riding contest was the most exciting number of the program. One of the riders after proving himself an excellent rider, became rather careless and was thrown from the horse and his foot caught in the stirrup and the horse started to drag him along the ground. The man present surrounded and overpowered the horse and released the rider. The prize, a \$50 saddle, was won by James Brown.

An account of the ball game is given elsewhere.

At night there was a dance in one room of the Logan & Dyer building and a moving picture show in the other. Both were well attended.

The forenoon of the second day was devoted to various contests, the first of which was the sack race. The prize, \$5, was awarded to Barney Hall.

Eller and Rhoe won the three egg race the prize being \$5.

Meeting Eastern Star.

Mrs. John Bolton, Grand Worthy Matron of the order of the Eastern Star for the Territory of New Mexico, paid her annual visit to Artesia Chapter No. 18 this week and met with the lodge Tuesday night.

She reports the order in excellent condition and at the meeting delivered a most impressive address, which was highly appreciated by those present.

Dr. and Mrs. Dunaway were initiated into the mysteries of the order after which refreshments were served.

The members of the local order speak in highest terms of the worth of Mrs. Bolton and her ability to fill her present position.

PENASCO DAM MEETING

Enthusiastic Meeting Held Monday--A Number of Delegates Present--Another Meeting to be Held.

Delegates from different towns met in the Artesia Club room Monday evening of this week for the purpose of considering ways and means of securing a storage dam for irrigating purposes on the Penasco river near Hope.

E. B. Kemp acted as chairman and E. C. Keinath served as scribe. The meeting was an interesting one and those in attendance were enthusiastic in their determination to put forth every effort to secure the dam.

Various committees were appointed and other such business transacted as the situation seemed to demand. Another meeting will be held in the near future at which time more definite action will be taken.

Those present were: Messrs. Mitchell and Justice of Lakewood, Messrs. Johnson, Culpeper and King of Dayton, Messrs. Whitaker, Wade and Riley of Hope, Messrs. Hamilton, Riggsdale, Gage, Kemp, Whelan, and Keinath of Artesia.

They also won the wheel barrow race, prize \$5.

I. D. Miller won the 100 yard dash, prize, \$5.

After noon the crowd assembled at the race track east of town where the test of speed was to take place. It was here that we obtained some idea of the attendance. The whole section seemed covered with vehicles, horseback riders and people on foot.

The gentleman's driving race was won by E. A. Clayton's horse with the one owned by Gayle Talbot a close second. The prize was a \$50 set of harness.

The saddle horse race was won by Charles F. Davis, grize, \$50.

The running race was won by a horse owned by Mr. Bass, prize, \$50.

Everybody seemed to have a good time and the people of Artesia feel that they made a good start in a series of entertainments that is hoped will be improved every succeeding year.

No More Credit.

After July 1 I will do a strictly cash business, extending credit to no one. R. L. Speck 424*

NO ORIGINAL REPORTS

McMahon Refuses to Testify Unless Original Reports are Produced in Bureau Investigation.

FROM SANTA FE NEW MEXICO.

F. M. McMahon, former secretary of the Colorado Title and Trust Company, at Colorado Springs, who was the expert who investigated the accounts of the Territorial penitentiary under the Bursum administration for seven years under and by direction of ex-Governor Herbert J. Hagerman, reached the city last evening and registered at the Palace. Mr. McMahon came on private business.

As soon as Traveling Auditor Charles V. Safford, referee in the suit of H. O. Bursum against the Territory of New Mexico pending in the Third Judicial District Court for the county of Socorro, heard of Mr. McMahon's arrival, he called on the latter and requested him to appear before the referee in the pending suit for and on behalf of the Territory, that his testimony might be taken in the case in reference to the correctness of his report as expert in the investigation.

Mr. McMahon flatly declined to give his testimony voluntarily. Whereupon referee Safford issued a subpoena citing Mr. McMahon to appear before him forthwith as such witness. This was turned over to Sheriff Charles Closson of this county at 11 o'clock this morning.

Shortly before noon Sheriff Closson succeeded in locating Mr. McMahon and served a subpoena on him. Accordingly, although evidently somewhat reluctantly the expert reported at the office of Traveling Auditor Charles V. Safford at 1:30 and the taking of his testimony was commenced. However, it developed that the original report to the Governor of the Territory prepared and made by this expert has disappeared from the official files of the executive office and had been taken away by the ex-Governor. The expert declined to testify from memory or from any data or papers, except this original document which evidently reposes now safely within the precincts of the Hagerman home. How the ex-Governor came to take with him an official document belonging to the Territory naturally the expert could not explain or if he knew he would not.

Mr. McMahon was shown a carbon copy of his report as secretary of the Colorado Title and Trust Company to Governor Hagerman wherein something over twelve thousand dollars were alleged to be due the penitentiary by Mr. Bursum. The expert declined to make any statement regarding figures and raised technical objections to every question asked.

"I believe I signed three official reports and unless any one of those signed reports are submitted to me I must refuse to attempt to identify supposed extracts or copies from said signed reports," he said.

Mr. Safford inquired if the expert had any reason to believe that the carbon copy was not correct.

Mr. McMahon paused before answering and finally stated that he

Dr. H. Cavanaugh, oculist, of Dallas, Texas, arrived in town Tuesday and is located at the Gibson. He comes well recommended as skilled in treating all troubles of the eye and in the fitting of proper spectacles.

Now that the Alfalfa Festival is over let everyone get out and boost for Artesia. Send the local papers together with lots of literature "back yonder." You may be the means of bringing some one out on a prospecting trip.

You will make no mistake by attending the revival meetings at the Christian church.

Baptismal services were conducted at the Christian church Monday at 4 p. m.

MEETING POSTPONED

County Commissioners Will Meet on July 8th Instead of July 1 to Hear Complaints.

The Board of County Commissioners will meet to hear complaints on assessments on Monday July 8, instead of the first Monday in July as heretofore stated.

All persons wishing a hearing on what they consider excess of taxation, are requested to appear before the Board at this meeting.

J. W. Turknott, Com. No. 2.

Base Ball Games.

Artesia lost the first game to Roswell through errors to the tune of 4 to 0 and took the last by a score of 8 to 2.

In the first game Mize was on the slab for Artesia and pitched a winning game; had 12 strikeouts and 6 assists to his credit and allowing but 4 hits and lost it through very poor field work. Gallegos worked for Roswell and pitched good ball, having 13 strikeouts and 1 assist to his credit, and allowing 3 hits. Roswell gave him fine support.

In the second game, Osburn was on the slab for Artesia, and also did fine work; had 7 strikeouts, 1 put out and 5 assists, and allowing only 5 hits. The boys all played ball like real ball players and won the game with a walkover. Roswell had two pitchers, Reeves and Gallegos. Artesia batting Reeves out of the box in the second inning.

would not reply in either affirmative or negative until he had ample time to make a comparison.

Mr. McMahon is no longer connected with the Colorado Title and Trust Company. He is now engaged in business by himself.

The expert's services and report were paid for out of Territorial funds. They cost about \$1,250. This sum was taken out of the convicts' earning fund.

The papers are official documents belonging to the executive office and could they have been procured today much light and much information of public benefit would have been obtained in the matter.

It is believed that McMahon will be held here until he testifies.

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CORNER STONE LAID

Exercises at the New Christian Church Yesterday Under Auspices of the Masonic Lodge.

Under a dispensation of Grand Master Bell of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas, with Mr. W. E. Saunders as acting Grand Master, the corner stone of the new Christian church was laid yesterday afternoon by Brazos Union Lodge No. 129, A. F. & A. M. there being appropriated Masonic and religious exercises.

The corner stone, which was supplied by C. L. Higler, is a handsome block of Texas granite beautifully polished and carved. On the face of the stone appears the following: "First Christian Church, 1907, J. A. Challenger, Pastor Building committee, J. A. Myers, Chairman; J. J. Ray, Secretary; W. T. James, S. B. Wilson, G. P. Bittle, Treasurer." On one end of the stone: "L. S. Green, Architect; H. T. Lewis, Builder."

There was a large assemblage present including members of the various churches of the city. The exercises opened with a hymn by choir, after which prayer was offered by the pastor, Rev. Challenger.

The list of articles placed in the cornerstone included a copy of the New Testament, church and Sunday school rolls since organization, pictures of Rev. Challenger and of the old church building, cards of Pastor Challenger and wife and of Evangelist White, copies of the Eagle and Pilot, copy of Mrs. White's Bible drill book, minutes of the first meeting of the building committee, Jan. 13, 1907, and roster of Brazos Union Lodge No. 129.—Eagle, Bryan, Texas.

Decorations.

The business portion of the town was profusely decorated and many of the buildings showed that much trouble and some expense had been expended in the decorating. We shall not go into detail but many cases were worthy of special mention and no description could do them justice.

The gospel meetings, conducted by Evangelist Jackson and wife are progressing nicely. Audiences and interest still growing.

Mrs. S. W. Jackson has recovered from her illness and will again take charge of the chorus at the revival meetings.

The "Greatest Show on Earth" arrived Wednesday afternoon with about as punk a band as ever struck the burg. It reminded one of the first week's experience of the Artesia band with apologies to the home boys. If this is an index to the volume, excuse us.

Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the firm of Sweptston & Orr has this first day of June been dissolved by mutual consent. J. E. Sweptston of the firm continuing the business and John A. Orr retiring. J. E. Sweptston collects all accounts outstanding and assumes all obligations due by the said firm.

J. E. Sweptston, John A. Orr.

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THE articles on popular Myths, lately appearing in the Roswell Register-Tribune, are interesting and instructive, and written as they are in the purest English they are a delight to the student of rhetoric. At first we were inclined to blame Will himself for the above named articles but of late there is a peculiar fragrance hovering over them, such as that of rare old brandy, and that reminds us strongly of Jim Mullins. But is it possible that he whose mind is generally engaged in thinking grand and noble thoughts, whose wit, like a brilliant, scintillating diamond, holds the multitudes spell bound, is it possible that he would descend to the plane of an ordinary newspaper writer? Well, well, such is life in the far, far west among the alfalfa fields and artesian wells.

THE Santa Fe railroad has issued a neat pamphlet for distribution at the Jamestown Exposition concerning the irrigated lands of the Southwest, a copy of which is at hand. In speaking of that portion which refers to the Pecos Valley, Mr. Meyers writes this office as follows: "You will note that this section (Pecos Valley) of the country has been well represented in this general folder showing that our people are still at work doing what we can to aid the southwest section of this territory which is already the 'Garden Spot' of New Mexico and has every evidence of a permanent and satisfactory growth, far beyond our expectations."

JIM MULLINS edited the Register-Tribune last week and among other things shot it into Artesia on the county seat question. Jim is a very forgetful cuss and among other things that he fails to remember is that all of the booze our friend Johnson laded out to him in Santa Fe was bought by Artesia money. And say Jim, do you know that stuff you are copying from 'Myths of Greece and Rome' is covered by a copyright? The author of the fore mentioned book was a magnificent writer and there is no doubt but that if you copy from him long enough you will have quite a reputation; but don't you think it's a bit risky?

THE particular brand of mental aberration indulged in by Mason's Puckett, is indeed amusing. Now that there is talk of a morning paper being started in Roswell with a good news service, George proceeds to inform them that the cost of running such a paper is something awful. The facts of the case are that if the republicans put in a daily they will run a paper that will make the Record's little \$30 per week service look like boiled jelly and naturally Mason's Puckett is opposed to it.

THE Roswell Record reluctantly admits that the democratic party has been the source of all good to the Pecos Valley except to turn it over to the Lord or annex it to the State of Texas. We vaguely understood that the aforesaid party leaders had given little to the dear people except groans and high taxes, however we are young in the Territory and are open to convict.

ion. Please sight us with competent testimony.

THAT fellow Ayres of the Kenna Record, is quite a character, or at least his paper is. We could stand his running part of the locals upside down and when he run a column rule on the outside of the page we said nothing, but the article reproduced below is beyond forgiveness.

"The town of Snyder Okla though only a new town, has been twice visited day destructive cyclones, nearly destroyed by fire twice, and was recently visited by a severe hale storm that did great damag to the crops and town."

THE newspaper situation of Roswell last week was unique to say the least. Mason, the proprietor of the rantankerous democratic Record, is an avowed republican, same brand however as is the editor of the Morning Journal and the late lamented, while behind the editorial pencil of the Register-Tribune sat Squareddealer Honorable Jim Mullins erst while boon companion of Attorney Johnson, he of skiddoo fame. Politics are rather free and easy in Roswell.

THE Associated Press dispatches indicate that the land convention now in session at Denver is a political scheme to help the large land owners and incidentally give President Roosevelt's administration a solar plexus swat. Colorado seems to be trying to run the convention, although the call for the meeting stted that it would be a gathering of delegates from every western state and territory.—Argus.

THE Western Liberal, of Lordsburg, came out last week with a fine one column editorial on the saloon question. It ran all of one column and part of another. The editor of the NEWS read nearly all of one and was near the bottom of the page when some large type in an adjoining column caught his eye. It read "Harper's Whiskey." We did not finish the editorial.

If we are to believe the papers of the surrounding country, it is up to the proprietor of this paper to grow a full set of chin whiskers and a bald head and then settle down and take things easy. He has been repeatedly assured that the pie was not all crust, but from our own personal observation we think he has not yet reached the fruit.

THE socialist party of Ohio, at the state convention in Columbus recently, adopted resolutions extended sympathy to Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone, accused of complicity in the assassination of former Governor Steenberg of Idaho, and denouncing President Roosevelt and Secretary Taft.—Las Vegas Optic.

THE Record suggests that "Bro. Newkirk and Col. Frost" be more specific when they accuse that paper of lying. Not at all necessary. Editor George, your reputation is thoroughly and widely established along this line and a

hint is all sufficient.

THE Roswell Record in its issue of last Saturday, stated that Osborn pitched Friday's game. Mize was in the box for Artesia and Osborn was not put in until Saturday. This is one day's difference and this is going some for the Record.

FROM Roswell comes the report that the sack cloth and ashes that were put on there by some people have disappeared. The sack cloth is worn out and the ashes have blown away. So runs the world away.—New Mexican.

It is reported that seed of the Canadian thistle has been sent into the Valley in alfalfa seed that came from Colorado. Our farmers will do well to guard against this weed which spreads so rapidly and is so injurious to crops.

It is reported, and seemingly upon good authority, that a two cent rate will go into effect upon all roads July 1. Just think of making a trip to Roswell and return for \$1.60, instead of \$3.05, the present rate.

We did not have a fair show last week owing to the short time allotted for preparation and the nearness to the glorious Fourth. Just keep your eye on us when the Alfalfa Festival is on tap next year.

ALL our visitors and their names are legion were pleased with our Festival. Come again next year and we will make you forget all your present troubles and past iniquities.

THE statement that President Roosevelt discovered the ten commandments, sounds like sarcasm. Yet there are many politicians who would be benefited by a similar discovery.—Las Vegas Optic.

THE Appeal to reason of Girard Kansas has vociferously shouted the praises of Moyer, Haywood Pettibone, et al. Like those of the Morning Journal, their idols are somewhat crumbled.

THE blue grass patch of Old Kentucky will have to yield the colors to Artesia so far as fast horses are concerned. It is a naughty pastime and yet nearly every one enjoys a horse race.

A MAN was held up at Texico last week and relieved of \$1750 in cash and \$2,000 in notes. Served him right, what business has a capitalist walking about the streets of Texico?

WILLARD is trying to float a gold excitement. No good. Better stick to your "best farming country on earth" and future railroad metropolis.

WHEN the Roswell boys learn to play ball our home team will give them another trial.

VERY few people from either Roswell or Carlsbad attended the Alfalfa Festival.

WHEN it comes to celebrations, count Artesia in the front ranks.

Flow in Town Well.

There has been considerable delay in the drilling of the new town well during the past week and this morning it was down only 860 feet. As yet only about a two inch flow has been obtained, but it is expected that the big flow will be struck in the next few score of feet.—Dexter Telescope.

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NEWS NOTES

Some people do not enjoy bronco busting even as spectators.

Henry F. Christian of the Eddy County Abstract Co. at Carlsbad, attended the Alfalfa Festival here last week.

The glass for the big window in the Inman building arrived this week. One corner was broken off.

Bro. Whelan was on the sick list the fore part of this week, due mainly to his being on his feet so much during the Festival. We are glad to report that he is feeling much better at present.

J. F. Lockney and son left yesterday for a vacation in the Guadalupe mountains. E. J. White will have charge of the business during his absence.

Protracted meeting still continues at the Christian church. The attendance is good and the interest unabated.

Faris Heath was on the sick list Monday and Laurence Lockney took his place in the News office.

Dr. Ross made the suggestion Tuesday that the bankers and the printers get together and form a base ball club to play the business men. The idea is a good one and we are in favor of it. Just imagine Bro. Whelan sliding home feet foremost and shouting, 'Erin go, brangh.'

An 'Alfalfa Festival' is being held at Artesia Friday and Saturday, June 21 and 22. From what we hear Artesia is a pushing town and has the goods to back it up.—Portales Times.

A rate of one fare, \$1.30 for the round trip, will be in force during the celebration at Carlsbad. See notice elsewhere in this paper.

L. Haight of Lake Arthur was in town last Saturday attending the Festival and having a good time in general. He was considerably surprised that Artesia could get up the entertainment that it did, as he had not been here for some time and did not know of the progress we were making.

Bro Woods, of the Progress, was a pleasant caller at the News office last Saturday, and from what we could see of him during the day, he was enjoying himself immensely. What surprised us was that he did not get here in time for the barbecue.

Doc Wade of Hope was in Artesia during the Festival making arrangements for the big celebration to be held at that place on the Fourth.

Will Robinson spent part of last Saturday as a welcome caller at the News office. Way back last fall when the News was not sure it would run from one week to another, the present editor used to think of Will as a sort of a demi-god on stilts, but since 'familiarity breeds contempt' and we have gotten better acquainted with him, we have decided that he is just an ordinary mortal with a little more common sense than is usual.

Prof. Stringer's magnificent electrical display left Sunday evening for Carlsbad where they will show until after the Celebration. The professor struck a streak of hard luck in Artesia, but promised to return again soon and show us some good pictures. His entertainment was really above the average in that the pictures were clear and sharply defined and that the 'flicker' was conspicuous by its absence.

The reason that the decoration remained on the News office so

long after the others had disappeared, was not that the editor was lazy or sick, but we felt so good over the success of the Festival that we could not bear to take off our glad rags so soon.

F. J. Short, of Greenfield, Iowa came down on the excursion last week and will remain several days. It will be remembered that he is one of the gentlemen who purchased the Hamilton-Richey farm east of town, and is putting in a large acreage of alfalfa. Monday, Mr Short went to Hope, where he remained for a day or two.

It Rains in New Mexico

Nearly two and one-half inches of rain has fallen at Portales this week up to Thursday morning. It was a very fine rain and came in three sections. Sunday afternoon and night we had a slow steady rain, which showed 0.85 inches in the rain gauge at six o'clock Monday morning. It also rained Monday and Monday night, which recorded 1.10 inches more. Again it rained Wednesday night, recording 0.48 making a total of 2.43 inches.

The ground is now thoroughly soaked and the growing crops are in the finest condition imaginable. In Portales the ground was fairly flooded and the toads and frogs enjoyed a wonderful level croaking in the pools.—Portales Times.

No Cause for Alarm.

People who have noticed the apparent increase in height of the east bank of the river and the later rising of the sun morning after morning will be pleased to learn that it is due only to the rapid growth of a watermelon that Dr. Meeks is preparing for exhibition at the Irrigation Celebration. Really there is no cause for alarm.

Needed in Artesia.

Artesia needs an ice plant. We are having to pay too much for our ice on account of the heavy freight rates. With lower prices many more people would be enabled to use ice and the increased sales would render the plant profitable. Again, with a plant in the town we would probably receive our ice with more regularity and not have to depend on the uncertainty of local freight service.

Artesia needs a grove. All who attended the exercises of last week will re-echo the sentiment. A suitable tract of land should be secured and the trees set out. In a few years we would have a place where we could meet with our friends or hold public meetings without frying, boiling, baking or stewing in the meantime. By all means, let us have a public grove.

Artesia needs an opera house but we can do without that until our other needs are attended to. Artesia needs a steam laundry, one at which family washings can be done at a moderate cost. The women of Artesia would certainly welcome such an institution and we know a few men who would encourage the enterprise to the extent of their ability and influence. We need the steam laundry and need it badly. Speed the day when the wash day is banished from the home.

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Six-room house and 3 lots for \$2000; \$500 cash, balance in one, two and three years. L. W. Martin. 39tf

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I'm prepared to do all kinds of hauling. When in need of such work, phone No. 24. When not busy, I will found in front of Porter & Beckhams. tf
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Houses to Rent.

We have several good houses to rent. Swebston & Orr.

A Bargain.

For sale—1 five room house, 1 four room house and three lots, close in, all for \$2,500. L. W. Martin

For Sale

at a bargain, a small tract of land near town. See L. W. Martin. 35tf

\$2500 buys 3 lots and two houses close in, renting for \$50 per month 39tf
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Wanted: To trade a fine quarter section of desert land for a small stock of goods. Inquire at the News office. 35tf

See Lee Turknett's new ad and be sure to try a case of soda pop, only seventy-five cents per case. 14
Try an ad in the News if you would attract attention and secure results.

LIFE INSURANCE

L. W. MARTIN
First National Bank Building
Artesia, New Mexico

Try a case of soda pop two dozen bottles for 75c. Lee Turknett.
A good second hand Wheelock piano for sale. \$100 down or \$125 on easy payments. To be seen at Mrs. Jacobson's. Inquire or phone Mrs. McCrary. 35tf

A new piano of the best brand for sale or will trade for horse and buggy or light wagon.
Bernard Pos,
Roswell, N. M. 35tf

Paint your fence posts, culverts, etc., with Anti Optine, the greatest wood preserver known. Prevents decay and adds 6 years to the life of timber. See KEMP LUMBER CO. agents.

For bargains in city property, see L. W. Martin. 39tf

Assessment Work.

All kinds of assessment work, plowing, ditching, fencing, etc., at reasonable prices. Write 36tf
J. H. Naylor,
Artesia, N. M.

Old papers for sale at this office 5 cents a bundle.

Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell, N. M., June 24, 1907.
Notice is hereby given that George R. Colkins of Artesia, N. M., has filed notice of his intention to make final commutation proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead entry No. 7961 made May 7, 1906, for the SW 1/4 of Sec. 28, and SW 1/4 of Sec. 29, T. 18 N., R. 24 E., and that said proof will be made before the Register or Receiver, at Roswell, New Mexico, on July 8, 1907.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land:
Wm. P. Colkins, of Artesia, N. M.; George Whitford, of Hope, N. M.; J. C. Gage, of Artesia, N. M.;
Howard Leland, Register.

Notice for Publication.

Desert Land—Final Proof
United States Land office,
Roswell, N. M., July 18, 1907.
Notice is hereby given that George H. Stipp, of Huntington, Ill., assignee of Chas. J. Frank, assignee of Amy L. Stahfeld, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 175, for the NE 1/4 Sec. 22, and NW 1/4 Sec. 23, T. 18 N., R. 25 E., before the Register or Receiver, at Roswell, N. M., on Friday, the 30th day of August 1907. He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:
Robert M. Ross, A. Green Caraway, Wm. F. Brown, Felix Z. Stauford, all of Artesia, N. M.;
Howard Leland Register.

Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell, N. M., June 18, 1907.
Notice is hereby given that Henry Crockett, of Hope, N. M., has filed notice of his intention to make final five year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead entry No. 296 made July 10, 1901, for the SW 1/4 Sec. 12, E. 7 S., R. 29 E., and that said proof will be made before the Register or Receiver, at Roswell, N. M., on August 9, 1907.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land:
John P. Shaw, Henry W. Crockett, Tom S. Crockett, Ed. W. Smith, all of Hope, N. M.;
Howard Leland Register.

Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell, N. M., June 19, 1907.
Notice is hereby given that Frank Teague of Knowles, N. M., has filed notice of his intention to make final five year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 402 made September 4, 1906, for the SW 1/4 Section 21, T. 18 N., R. 28 E., and that said proof will be made before Jesse S. Reeves, U. S. Court Commissioner at Knowles, N. M., on August 2, 1907.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land:
E. Robinson, H. V. Wright, J. W. Quinn, R. F. Love, all of Knowles, N. M.;
Howard Leland Register.

160 acres of patented land, 9 miles west of Artesia for \$1600. L. W. Martin. 39tf

Wanted—An elderly lady for company. Call on or write, Mrs. R. P. Kishbaugh, Artesia, N. M.

See Lee Turknett before buying your yard fence. He handles a good line of iron fence.

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For Sale—A number of good hogs Mrs. R. P. Kishbaugh, Artesia, N. M. 39tf

For Rent—One good ipano. Apply to J. E. Swebston, office in rear of Bank of Artesia. 37tf

Attention.

Good Oklahoma property to trade for Artesia property. See L. W. Martin. tf

Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the firm of Swebston & Orr has this first day of June been dissolved by mutual consent. J. E. Swebston of the firm continuing the business and John A. Orr retiring. J. E. Swebston collects all accounts outstanding and assumes all obligations due by the said firm.
J. E. Swebston,
John A. Orr. 39tf

Notice.

The Board of County Commissioners will meet the first Monday in July, next, and this will be the last meeting of the Board at which any complaints or objections concerning the rendition of the taxes for the year 1907, can be considered. Therefore, if there be any objections to same or any complaints to make thereto, they must be made at this July meeting.
J. W. Turknett,
4073 Commissioner Dist. No. 2.

ACCIDENT INSURANCE

L. W. MARTIN
First National Bank Building
Artesia, New Mexico

\$300 cash, balance on easy payments, buys a good 3-room house, two lots, fenced and cross fenced, water and sheds for horses and cows. L. W. Martin 39tf

BONDS — BURGLARY INSURANCE

L. W. MARTIN
First National Bank Building
Artesia, New Mexico

Irrigation on Big Scale.

Santa Fe, N. M., June 20.—The Cimaron Valley Land Co. has filed incorporation papers. It is capitalized at \$1,000,000, and the headquarters are at Cimaron, Colfax county. The incorporators and directors are: Hilton M. Letts, Charles Springer, Fredrick Whitney and George E. Remley, of Cimaron, and Arthur H. Officer, of Raton. The company will construct its main reservoir near the junction of Moreno creek and the Cieneguilla river near Cimaron. The main canal will be twenty miles long and will run along the divide of the Cimaron and Rayado rivers to the uplands south of the Rayado.

The El Paso Guano and Fertilizer Company also filed incorporation papers, the capital being \$10,000, and the headquarters at Carlsbad, Eddy county. Also the Rio Grande Boom Co. with headquarters at Albuquerque, and capitalized at \$20,000. The directors and incorporators are: W. P. Johnson, A. B. McGaffey, W. S. Strickler, and W. S. Hopewell, of Albuquerque.

The Pecos Bridge.

There is not much that is new to report this week concerning the construction of the new wagon bridge across the Pecos river opposite this point. E. E. Board, of Nevada, Mo., who will have charge of the building of the bridge is still on the ground superintending the preliminary work and is still awaiting the arrival of his tools to enable him to start a crew of men on the active work of construction. The receipt of the tools is daily expected.—Dexter Telescope

When to Irrigate.

The successful cultivator must know how and when to apply water to his crops. Moisture to the roots is absolutely necessary to plant life, but if it is applied in too large quantities and allowed to stagnate either above or below the surface, it becomes absolutely harmful, and many crops are seriously injured by such excessive irrigation. The only safe method is to cultivate as soon after each irrigation as the land is dry enough then give another cultivation two or three weeks later, and continually examine the ground about one foot from the surface. So long as the soil at this depth is sufficiently moist to roll up in your hand into a ball, very few crops need irrigation.—Farm & Orchard

Dissolution Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the firm of Porter & Beckham has this 17th day of May 1907 been dissolved by mutual consent, J. H. Beckham, Jr., of the firm continuing the business and J. F. Porter retiring. J. H. Beckham, Jr., collects all accounts due the said firm, and assumes all outstanding obligations due by the said firm.
J. F. Porter,
3714 J. H. Beckham, Jr.

Alfalfa Festival June 21 and 22. Come.

For Sale—One good 4 year old horse, broke to work and ride; two 3 year old heifers, good stock; will be giving milk in November. 160 acres dry land will sell or trade for town lots or wagon and team. E. S. Haggart 3022*
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JOHN B. ENFIELD, A. Cash

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BEGINING JULY 1, I WILL SELL ALL LADIES AND GENTS OXFORDS AND SLIPPERS AT **ABSOLUTE COST**. THEY MUST GO TO MAKE ROOM FOR NEW GOODS. ALSO ALL SUMMER LAWNES WILL BE SOLD REGARDLESS OF COST. LADIES TOP AND UNDERSKIRTS MUST BE CLOSED OUT. I STILL HAVE A FEW VERY PRETTY WHITE SHIRT WAISTS TO SELL CHEAP. **Come quick and get your pick.**
RESPECTFULLY,

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The Eye Specialist

is now at the Gibson Hotel. As a special advertisement he offers to straighten crsrs eyes for a limited number of children **FREE**.

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A fine line of Jewelry will be on display in a few days

GEORGE W. BATTON

NEWS NOTES

Read the ad of J. P. Dyer in this week's issue. He is offering some real bargains that you can not afford to miss.

J. S. Major went to Dayton Wednesday to look after some business interests there.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bolton of Carlsbad were here Tuesday and attended the Eastern Star at night.

D. L. Elm of Hope left Tuesday morning for a business trip to Altus, Okla.

A. A. Burge has gone to Anadarko, Okla.

J. W. Stewart took in the sights of Roswell Tuesday.

J. H. Craver left for Wichita, Kansas Saturday morning.

C. A. Sipple and family started on their return trip to their home in Nebraska Wednesday morning.

H. N. Roberts left for Wichita Sunday.

Dr. Baker and Fred Spencer went to Hagerman Sunday.

Roy Williamson Married at El Paso

Miss Lena Hurst, accompanied by her brother, Fred, left Friday night for El Paso, Texas, there to meet the young man who was to become her life partner. It was expected that the ceremony which was to make Mr. Roy Williamson and Miss Lena Hurst one would be administered Sunday evening immediately after the arrival of the bride-to-be.

The confidential announcement of the departure of Miss Lena and the wedding to follow was a great surprise to the people of this city generally, notwithstanding the fact that the couple had been engaged for many months. However, the marriage was not carried out as it had been planned. The former arrangement was that Mr. Will-

iamson was to come here and the ceremony was to have been performed in this city; but owing to the fact that the groom had recently fallen from a building and had received some injuries thereby, and hardly felt able to make the trip, the plans were suddenly changed.

The bride was one of Everton's prettiest and most admirable girls. She is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hurst, prominent and prosperous citizens of Everton. She has been a successful teacher in our schools and has the good will and best wishes of all who know her.

The groom is a model christian, industrious and worthy. He was reared near South Greenfield in this county and made his home in and near this city with his parents for a number of years. About three years ago the family left for Artesia, New Mexico, where they still reside.

The Journal extends proper courtesies and congratulations.—Everton, (Mo.) Journal.

Special Reduced Rates to Carlsbad.

For the New Mexico Irrigation Celebration, to be held at Carlsbad, New Mexico, July 3rd, 4th and 5th, the Pecos Valley Lines will sell round trip tickets at greatly reduced rates. The rates from Artesia to Carlsbad and return will be \$1.30, one fare. Tickets on sale July 1st to 15th, inclusive, with return limit leaving Carlsbad not later than July 7, 1907.

A Change in Name.

July 1, the P. V. & N. E. railroad will cease to exist and will be supplanted by the Eastern Railway of New Mexico.

The new combination will consist of all the lines within the Territory belonging to the Santa Fe system and the general management remains the same. Station Agent Brown was also included in the transfer.

Moonlight Picnic.

A merry party of young people boarded a hay wagon Tuesday evening and hid themselves to the rural home of J. R. Collins south of town where they spent several hours in social enjoyment.

These enjoyments to the country are becoming quite common and they evidence the sociability of the Valley.

E. S. Howell

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