

# Pecos Valley News.

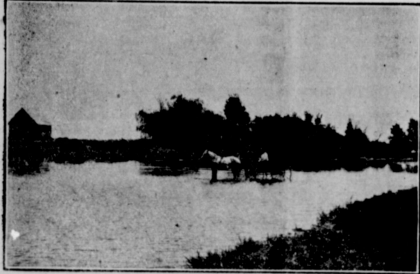
A Newspaper for the Homeseekers and the Homebuilders of the Middle Valley

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ARTESIA, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1908

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## SCENES IN FAMOUS COTTONWOOD COUNTRY



### Reservation Will be Made Into Park

Washington, D. C., Dec. 18.—Gov. George Curry and National Committeeman Soloman Luna have been busy during the week assisting Delegate Wm. H. Andrews in securing the reduction in the area of the forest reserves in New Mexico. Some of them will be discontinued and the area of others will be reduced.

In all several million acres, including a large part of Rio Arriba county, will be restored to the public domain.

The Mescalero reservation will be abolished, and will be first turned over to the forest service and thereafter will be made into a national park.

Delegate W. H. Andrews went to New York last night on political business and will remain there tomorrow, returning to Washington Sunday night to be ready for work when Congress again assembles.

Governor Curry this forenoon took a delegation of New Mexicans to the White House and introduced them to the President. Governor George Curry and National committeeman Soloman Luna and Mrs. Luna will start for

New Mexico tomorrow evening.

Delegate Andrews this morning succeeded in passing a bill giving John Crowley of New Mexico, who served in the United States Navy during the Civil War, a pension of \$30 a month.

The matter of converting the Mescalero Indian reservation into a National Park was taken up and pushed by the Roswell Commercial Club together with Messrs. de Bremond, Tannehill and a number of other Roswell business men.

George Kauffman and family went north Wednesday morning to Iowa where they will probably make their future home. This was an excellent family and we are sorry to lose them from Artesia.

A number of strangers are in town this week attracted by our excellent climate and our increasing business activity. Few places offer equal opportunities with Artesia and there is a good prospect of improvement along the line.

John B. Enfield distributed some very fine 1909 calendars this week. He remembered THE NEWS office.

## CITY COUNCIL MEETS

### Consider Electric Light Franchise and Take Another Turn at the old Well

The Artesia City Council met Tuesday night of this week, all members present but City clerk was absent.

The consideration of the granting of an electric light franchise consumed most of the time, the council while desiring the light plant want to know that the parties asking for the same mean business. The council is asking the applicant to deposit \$500 as a guarantee that the plant will be installed in case the franchise is granted. There are many things to be taken into consideration but the prospect is good for the erection of a light plant in Artesia at no distant day.

The question of the old well was taken up. The council is somewhat at a loss how to proceed in this matter. It is subbing the surrounding lots and something should be done concerning it but the ownership is in doubt and nothing can be done until this matter is settled. It has been a vexing subject for the council and the end is not yet.

A few other matters of minor importance were considered.

### High School Lecture

Rev. J. Allen Ray delivered a lecture at the Christian church Tuesday evening of this week which was well attended and appreciated by his hearers. His subject was "Seeing the Invisible" and was handled with a skill that showed thought and investigation on the subject.

The lecture was preceded by a programme consisting of a song by the member of the high school, a Christmas song by little girls from the first grade, a solo by Miss Rosa Wetig, select reading by Miss Tuttle, song by the boys of the second grade, a quartette consisting of C. F. Erb, Kenneth Erb, W. A. Kauffman and R. R. Beatty. The entertainment was one of the School Lyceum Lecture Course.

### Leg Crushed in Wagon

While hauling rock from the quarries about eight miles west of Roswell yesterday, Louis Haas of Roswell who was driving one of the wagons, fell from his seat and not only his wagon but another directly behind him passed over his leg.

Both the wagons were heavily loaded with rock and the great weight crushed young Haas' leg, breaking the bone in three places. Immediately after the accident word was brought to Roswell and an automobile was sent for the injured man and he was brought to the home of his father-in-law, P. J. Hochstetter on South Main street where he now is.

It will be remembered that Mr. Haas was married to Miss Eva Hochstetter on last Thanksgiving day.—Register-Tribune.

### Got Married.

Why don't you get married? We have a fine line of wedding stationary, the never fail kind, that we should be pleased to print for you in the latest approved style. Get married, if only to give us the opportunity of showing what we can do in this line.

## PROGRAM FOR "THE OLD FOLKS CONCERT"

Ye Tymeist: MRS. HESAKIAH SLUGEMBATON CORBIN.  
Ye Harpsichordist: VALERIA WELCOME NEWKIRK.  
N. B.—For as muche as ye people do heare ye bigge choir fing fared mufick fo muche on Sundaef ye lifte is made up of worldlie fongf & Madrigals.

### YE FIRSTE HALFE

1. CHORUS "Landing of the Pilgrims"
2. SONGE "Robin Adair"  
Miftrifs Ragsdale
3. SOLI & CHORUS "The Yankee Sleighride"  
Soli by
4. YE FOUR PART TUNE "The Sands of Dee"  
Hallejah Ray, Fortitude Sunbeam Gray,  
Ye Tymeift, Golyghtly Winklebarger Bigler.
5. MADRIGAL "Oh who will oe'r the downes"
6. SONGE "My Grandma's Advice"  
Experience Jerusha Wagner  
(She of deprefsed mien who can never telle a ftory)
7. DUETT "Rueben & Rachel"  
Sunge by Ichabod Makumfmlie Schwartz  
(He of tall future & great dignitie)  
& Patience Mournful Rofs  
(Who caref not much for fyinging)
8. CATCHE "My dame hade a layme, tayme crane"

### YE SECOND HALFE

1. HYMN "Oilde Hundred"  
Lived bye Parfon Blue Stocking Looney  
(It waf not thought feeble to have a meetyng in thif houfe without a Pfalme tune)
2. SONGE Hallelujah Ray  
(He who doeth muche talkeing that much good maye be done thereby)
3. SOLI & CHORUS "Coufin Jedediah"  
Soli by
4. READING "Grandma at the Mafquerade"  
Miriam Annette Jacobson
5. CHORUS "Anvil Chorus"
6. TRIO "Well maye ye keel row"  
Fortitude Sunbeam Gray, Ye Tymeift & Golyghtly Winklebarger Bigler
7. SONGE "I waf within a mile of Edinborough town"  
Fortitude Sunbeam Gray  
(Ye treble finger from the next parifh)
8. TUNE "Aulde Lange Synce"

Note: Alle thofe who are fo muche blefised as to have goode lungf & religioyf training maye fande uppe & helpe fynge ye lafte tune.

### New Machinery in

The Artesia Machine Shop has received its new machinery for vulcanizing rubber tires and rubber goods of all kinds. In connection with this new machinery they have received two dynamos to use on the vulcanizing machine and to charge storage batteries. Their auto supplies are arriving daily and a shipment of the famous Jackson cars are now on the road. When in need of anything in the auto repairing or supply line, call on the Artesia Machine Shop.

### City Transfer

When in need of any hauling, phone me at Brainerd Hardware Co.  
E. O. Witmer.

Read the ad of the Artesia Nursery in another column and then go and examine the stock before purchasing. Buy acclimated trees.

C. A. Sipple was a Roswell visitor the fore part of the week.

WANTED:—Success Magazine requires the services of a man in Artesia to look after expiring subscriptions and to secure new business by means of special methods usually effective; position permanent; prefer one with experience, but would consider any applicant with good natural qualifications; salary \$1.50 per day, with commission option. Address, with references, R. C. Peacock, Room 102,

### Artesia Alfalfa Milling Co

J. O. KUYRKENDALL, PROP.  
Manufacturer of  
Pure Pecos Valley Alfalfa Meal  
and White Mule Stock Feed  
Artesia, N. Mex.

### To Feeder:

In this age of progress the up-to-date feeder counts the cost of his feed and the amount of protein each kind contains and balances his ration accordingly. To feed without waste of feed and for the greatest profit is the object.

To that end I will say that Alfalfa Meal is the cheapest protein on the market today. That it is best fed to horses and cows wet.

That my White Mule Stock Feed is composed of 33 1-3 per cent Kaffir corn to 66 2-3 per cent alfalfa meal and is a balanced feed. It contains more crude porteuig and crude fat than either corn chops or kaffir corn chops and is worth more pound per pound than either, as a feed for either horses or cows. Anyone buying a sack of Alfalfa Meal or White Mule Stock Feed and will feed it wet and it does not give entire satisfaction their money will be refunded to them. The following firms handle this feed.

Joyce-Pruit Co.  
J. D. H. Reed,  
Artesia Feed & Fuel Co.,  
J. E. Acord.

For Sale; three head of young of mules.  
J. Kissinger.

## To our customers and friends

We wish you health, happiness and all the compliments of this joyful season with the fervent hopes of a Merry Christmas and a Happy and prosperous New Year.

**The First National Bank**

**Up and Down**  
*The Pea Vine*

Roswell newspapers are beginning to work up steam for the coming election.

E. McQueen Gray returned to his home in Carlsbad last week, after attending the meeting of the National Prison Association at Richmond, Va.

The Presbyterian Ladies Aid made over \$55.00 on their bazaar last Saturday. These ladies are determined that the Presbyterians shall have a church building here, and that before very long.—*Times*.

Roswell is to have a new abstract and security company, which will be capitalized for \$50,000.

The first five miles of grading for the new railroad at Roswell was let last week, and the manager, Ed Kennedy, expects to have all of the line under way in the near future. Mayor Richardson lifted the first shovelful of dirt on the new line.

Messrs. J. A. Edwards, J. B. Morris and W. J. McInnes have bought out the Whitehorn Lumber company and will continue business in the same place and business way in which the yard has formerly been conducted...  
*Times*.

T. C. Tillotson, register of the United States Land Office, is said to be seriously ill at his home in Roswell and it is feared that he has typhoid-pneumonia.  
*Register-Tribune*.

Mr. Leazer, an uncle of H. Leazer, of the firm of Jorns & Leazer, came in Saturday from Iowa. He contemplates spending the winter here, and probably longer. He says the ground was frozen to a depth of six inches when he left Iowa and that this climate seems quite genial to him.—*Echo*.

The drillers on the oil test well on Four Mile have had some mishaps which set them back in the progress of drilling but they are now at a depth of about 450 feet. It is expected that the oil sand will be entered at about 465 feet.—*Echo*.

A mass meeting of the citizens of Dayton was held last Saturday afternoon to nominate men for the offices of Justice of the Peace and Constable.

There was a double runaway in town Saturday. A horse belonging to Bud Fritz was hitched to a roadcart and got scared, dashed in between Gwaltney's store and the old meat market and smashed the cart to pieces. Then Mr. Gwaltney's horse got frightened, ran against a fence and broke one wheel off the wagon it was hitched to. No one was hurt, but things looked more lively than common for a time.—  
*Times*.

Construction is well under way on the addition to the school house at Loving. The old house will also have a thorough overhauling, and the contractor has agreed to have the old part finished by January 4th, when school opens after the holidays. The new addition will be completed some time in January, and will be ready to take into use before the first of February. This addition is very much needed, as the school is crowded be-

yond reason. Another teacher will be engaged as soon as the new room is ready.—*Argus*.

The newspaper question is again being agitated in Dexter. Dexter has had two newspapers in the course of its existence, but both of them have suspended publication.

The Carlsbad *Current*, a paper published at the county seat of Eddy county, is out for a new county, to be composed of the Plains country in Eddy and Chaves counties.

The board of directors of the Commercial club met Tuesday afternoon and empowered its committee, consisting of Messrs. Heard, Stewart, McConaghi and Graham, to go over the country between Carlsbad and Knowles and Monument and pick out the best route for the establishment of an automobile road, and, after having done so, to proceed to Seminole and enter into contract with the parties operating the automobile service between Midland and Seminole to extend the service to Carlsbad, ample funds having been subscribed for that purpose. The committee started on its travels Thursday.—  
*Argus*.

B. L. Kent, manager of the Big Jo Lumber Company's yard at this place, is to leave this yard the first of the year and take charge of a new yard now being put in by the Big Jo people over in Texas. The people of Dayton regret very much to know that Mr. Kent and family contemplate leaving us.—*Echo*.

**ABOUT JOE CANNON.**  
(By Frank W. Taylor, Jr., in Chicago Record-Herald.)  
About Joe Cannon (may his pull decrease!)  
Awoke one day from a short dream of peace,  
And saw within the precincts of the house,  
Making him start with the stealth of a mouse,  
A member writing on a subject old;  
Exceeding luck had made Uncle Joe bold,  
And to the statesman in the house he said,  
"What writest thou?" The statesman raised his head,  
And, with a look designed to aid his ends,  
Answered, "The names of lower tariff friends."  
"And is mine one?" said Joseph. "Nay, not so."  
Replied the statesman—Joseph spoke more low,  
But foxily still, and said, "I pray thee, then,  
Put me among the lower tariff men."  
The writer wrote and vanished. The next day  
He came again, with features glad and gay,  
And showed the names whom fear of Taft distressed,  
And, lo! Joe Cannon's name led all the rest!

**Increase Pastor's Salary**  
At the quarterly conference of the M. E. church last week, the salary of Rev. J. Allen Ray was increased from \$1,000 per annum to \$1,500 per annum. Rev. Ray has been here only about three months but he has made many friends in that time and his work in the Methodist college fight endeared him to Artesians generally. The congregation is to be congratulated upon recognizing a good man and taking steps to keep him here.

**Prices Reasonable**  
I am now prepared to do your auctioneering. Give me a trial.  
W. B. Putnam,  
Artesia, N. M.

While buying, why not get

**Useful Xmas Presents**

Toys and picture books are all right for the children, but when you are buying Christmas presents for the older people why not buy something useful, something which will remain for years in useful service? Nothing you can buy is as useful or as acceptable as furniture and at our store you will have a full and complete line to select from. New goods are arriving daily and in addition to the satisfaction of buying from a large stock you will know you are saving money as we are making

**REDUCED PRICES FOR CASH**

Our new stock includes, Chairs, Rugs, Dining Room Furniture, Center Tables, Library Tables, Writing Desks, Music Cabinets, Sideboards, Buffets, China Closets, Go-carts and many other useful and beautiful presents which will not remain long on our floor at the prices we are asking. Come early and get first choice. Whether you intend to buy or not, come in and see the low-priced, high-grade stock we are handling.

**Ullery Furniture Co.**

OWEN McCLAY, Manager

Artesia, N. M.

**Special Xmas Sale!!**

On Thursday,  
December the 24th,  
and until January 1st, 1909

Everything in the holiday line such as:

- CUT GLASS
- HANDPAINTED CHINA
- DOLLS
- FURS
- POST CARD ALBUMS
- INFANT TOILET SETS
- MANICURE SETS
- SMOKING SETS

and all Christmas novelties will be marked at prices that will move them. Be early for a selection. No goods will be carried over until next year if prices have anything to do with it.

**JOYCE--PRUIT CO.**

"The Big Store"



## Christmas Dinner

Fine, fat young turkeys, with all the trimmings for which this restaurant is noted.

**PRICE ONLY 25 CENTS**

Can you afford to go to the expense of preparing your own Xmas dinner when you can

**EAT WITH**

## ADDINGTON

### Talk of the Town

For Dr. Dunaway phone 28.

H. E. Mull was in Roswell last week on business.

J. B. Atkeson was in Roswell Saturday on legal business.

C. A. Sipple was a Roswell visitor the fore part of the week.

Miss Ruth Ash was visiting relatives in Lake Arthur over Sunday.

E. S. Howell has one of the finest displays of Christmas candies in the town. Call and see them.

E. F. Hardwick was down from Roswell last week superintending improvements on his property here.

F. L. Kaughman returned to his home in Des Moines, Iowa, last week after a visit with his partner, C. F. Erb.

Mrs. A. N. Feemster came in last week from Fulton, Kansas, to spend the winter with her sons, E. J. and L. W. Feemster.

Mr and Mrs. Kirt Muncey and J. H. Muncey and family, of Hope, were here last week taking in the Carnival and left Thursday for Plainview, Texas, to visit over Christmas with relatives.

Get hold of some good real estate now while you can secure it at a reasonable price. When the work commences on the College building, property is almost certain to advance in price.

The two story building in Dayton formerly occupied by the Echo office is being torn down and the lumber will be taken to the Erb & Kaughman farm southeast of Artesia where it will be used to build barn.

Dr. J. H. McCrary, of McAllister, Okla., came in last Friday to visit his brother, G. U. McAllister, Okla., came in last Friday to visit his brother, G. U. McCrary and look after his business interests here. Dr. McCrary has a quarter section of land lying north-west of town.

Turkey dinner Christmas day at J. M. Addington's.

Mrs. Earnest Best of Roswell is visiting her parents east of town.

FOR SALE.—My residence on east Main street.—L. W. Martin. 3-11

Miss Georgia Kinsinger returned last week from a visit with relatives in Iowa.

A. M. Bowles and wife left Monday morning for Enid, Okla., to spend Christmas with friends and relatives.

Tane Luckie and Ed Tyson, of the Turkey Track ranch, were here Friday and went to Carlsbad on the local.

Col. Baker, of "Nylip" fame was down from Roswell last week on business for the New York Life Insurance Co.

S. B. Dyer has gone to Tula, Texas, to open up a harness and saddle shop. Mrs. Dyer and the family will remain here in charge of the bakery.

Stop a few minutes before Joyce-Pruit's grocery window and see the fine display of candies, fruits, nuts &c. You will soon conclude to go in and invest in a supply for Christmas.

Mr and Mrs. W. A. Kaughman and little daughter of Des Moines, Iowa, are here visiting C. F. Erb and family. Mrs. Kaughman and daughter will remain all winter while Mr. Kaughman will leave after Christmas.

C. F. Erb has made arrangements to erect a modern five-room cottage on the lots adjoining his residence in the west part of town, and the contract has been let to Carson & Williamson. Mr. Erb is building for rental purposes.

The Gesler well rig moved on to the L. Huber land, east of town Monday, to go after the third flow. The Huber well is 900 feet deep and has a fair flow, but as it is on a line between the Shuster and Hillyer wells it is thought that by going to about 1100 feet a stronger flow can be obtained. The Shuster well is over 1100 feet and the Hillyer well about 1250 feet.

John R. Hodges was looking after business in Roswell last week.

D. D. Temple left Monday for Amarillo, Texas, on legal business.

C. L. Heath returned to Pecos, Texas, Monday, where he is engaged in the real estate business.

The Artesia Nursery sold a nice order of homegrown trees to Emmett Patton of Hagerman last week.

W. G. Bishop came in Friday night from Colorado City, Texas. He will make his home here in the future.

Dr. P. M. Skeen has decided to locate here permanently and has opened his office in the Higgins & Schrock block.

S. D. Stevens and family came in from Eric, Kansas, last week to spend the winter. Artesia seems to be getting up a reputation as a winter resort.

C. F. Tressler and wife came down from Hagerman last week to visit W. H. Morgan and family. The two families were old friends in Kansas.

Gerald Perkins, of Artesia, has been employed in the Lake Arthur Meat Market the past week. Gerald is a brother of Mrs. O. G. Greer.—Times.

The Carnival company left Sunday and their tents and other properties followed them on the local Monday morning. They will spend this week in Carlsbad and then work around to El Paso. From El Paso they will go into southern Arizona.

Erb & Kaughman sold 80 acres of their land laying southwest of town, last week for \$100 per acre. The remaining 80 will be improved and 700 pear trees and 800 apple trees will be set out at once. Forty-five acres of this land is already in orchard.

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Stout left Monday morning for Kansas City, Mo., where Mrs. Stout will visit with her parents during her winter. Mr. Stout will remain until Mrs. Stout is better when he will return and again fill the pulpit in the Christian Church.

### Happy Hour Club

The Happy Hour Club a very pleasant afternoon with Mrs. White at its regular meeting Wednesday.

A short business session was held after which the time was spent in pleasant conversation and needlework. The work was quickly put aside, however, when the hostess entered with a dish of fine fruit. This part of the meeting was especially enjoyed by the ladies.

The following members were present: Mesdames Brownlee, Speck, Thompson, Vance, Lowry, White, Jewel, Kuns, Reeves, Allard and Miss Hill.

Club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Brownlee January 6th, 1909.

### City Transfer

I am prepared to do all kinds of hauling and transferring to any place in the city. Good teams, good wagons and the best of service. Prices reasonable. Phone 160. L. E. SIPLE.

### Good Stationary

We have a line of good stationary, envelopes and letterheads, that we can sell you cheap. Come in and look over the stock as we are certain that we can please you.

We have, also, a new line of type, one of the latest out, that can not fail to please you.

PECOS VALLEY NEWS.

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Fine Carriages, Good Driving and Saddle Horses, Reasonable Prices and Prompt Service. YOUR PATRONAGE SOLICITED



HORSES BOUGHT AND SOLD

**Christopher & Crouch**

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When you can buy cheaper and protect yourself by dealing with your home dealer. We have dealt at Roswell and here for the last FIVE YEARS. Do not buy elsewhere until you give us a chance to prove to you that

## We can save you money

Terms to suit our customers. Cash or instalments. Phone us at our expense or drop us a card if we should not be in Artesia, and we can see you the next day. Piano on exhibition at Ullery Furniture Co.'s store, Artesia.

**BERNARD POSIANO CO.**

## HAVE AN ARTESIAN WELL?

If you are contemplating improving your land have SPERRY & LUKINS drill you a well so as to get some good of it this fall. Their prices are the lowest of any in the Valley.

## The Pecos Valley Nursery & Orchard Co.

Nursery at Artesia, N. M.

(Office first door east of Joyce-Pruit Co. store)

Offers for sale for fall of 1908 and spring of 1909, a complete line of all leading commercial sorts of apples, standard and dwarf pears, peaches, cherries, apricots, &c. Thirty years experience in producing nursery stock by our foreman, Mr. J. F. Bowman, enables us to grow and furnish trees that will give entire satisfaction to the planter of commercial orchards.

Come and see us or send list of your requirements. Prices consistent with quality of stock.

## Speaking About Xmas--

Don't let the fact slip your mind that we have anticipated your holiday needs and are offering a selection of gift stuff considerably ahead of anything in the Valley, up-to-date. Below we submit a few selections from our stock.

FOR HHR	FOR AIM
Carving Sets.....\$3.00 to \$4.50	Pocket knives.....\$ .15 to 2.00
Set silver knives and forks..... 2.50 to 5.00	Razors..... 1.00 to 5.00
Chauffing dishes..... 5.00 to 8.50	Ingersoll watches..... 1.00 to 3.00
Reading lamps..... 2.50 to 3.00	Reading lamps..... 2.50 to 3.00
Pearl-handled pen knives..... .55 to 2.00	Shot guns..... 7.50 to 35.00
Roller skates..... 1.50 to 1.75	Rifles..... 2.00 to 20.00
Bird cages..... 1.30 to 2.50	Roller skates..... 1.50 to 1.75
Ladies Ing. Watch..... 2.00 to 3.00	Toy wagons..... 1.25 to 2.25

**THE BRAINARD-CORBIN HARDWARE CO.**

## Pecos Valley House

**M. S. LEE, Prop.**

UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT.

ARTESIA,

NEW MEXICO.

## THE NEXT LEGISLATURE

### COUNCIL.

#### REPUBLICANS

E. F. Gallegos, of Colfax and Union.  
Juan Navarro, of Taos and Mora.  
L. Bradford Prince, of Rio Arriba and San Juan.

Charles A. Spies, of San Miguel.  
M. C. McCham, of San Miguel, Quay and Guadalupe.

Thomas B. Catran, of Santa Fe.

P. Hanley, of Bernalillo.

C. A. Baca, of Valencia and McKinley.  
Estevan Baca, of Socorro and Sierra.

#### DEMOCRATS

James U. Upton, of Grant, Luna and Dona Ana.

John Y. Hewitt, of Otero, Lincoln and Torrance.

W. D. McBea, of Eddy, Chaves and Roosevelt.

#### HOUSE.

#### REPUBLICANS

C. J. Roberts, of Colfax.

Benjamin F. Brown, of Union.

A. C. Pacheco, of Taos.

A. S. Bushkivitz, of Mora.

W. H. Blattman, of Colfax and Mora.

H. Martinez, of Rio Arriba.

Price Walters, of Rio Arriba and San Juan.

R. L. Baca, of Santa Fe.  
E. A. Miera, of Santa Fe and Sandoval.

S. Mirabel, of Valencia.

Jesus C. Sanchez, of Valencia, McKinley and Torrance.

Powell Stackhouse, of Socorro.

Julian Chavez, of Socorro and Sierra.

W. D. Tipton, of Dona Ana and Otero.

H. M. Swozey, of San Miguel.

Antonio A. Gonzales, of San Miguel.

Zacarias Valdez, of San Miguel.

Melchides Charva, of Bernalillo.

Santiago Garcia, of Bernalillo.

#### DEMOCRATS

F. J. Davidson, of Grant and Luna.

G. E. Moffett, of Grant, Luna, Dona Ana and Otero.

James Mullins, of Lincoln and Chaves.

C. L. Brice, of Lincoln, Chaves, Eddy, Roosevelt, Guadalupe and Quay.

### Afternoon Reception

One of the most pleasant social events of season took place Wednesday evening of last week when Mesdames Lukins, Keinath and Bruning entertained a number of their lady friends at the home of Mrs. Keinath.

About fifty ladies were present and the afternoon was spent in music, guessing contests and games and last but not least the partaking of dainty refreshments served by the hostesses.

Friday afternoon the same ladies entertained one of their friends after the manner of the first afternoon's reception and the guests on both pleasant occasions express themselves as being delighted with the entertainment afforded for their pleasure.

### Watch Meeting at Presbyterian Church

This will be preceded by a musical literary program, which will be followed by a good social time, with light refreshments, free to all. Among the good things in store for those who attend will be a reading by Miss Candace Cramer; Violin Solo by Mrs. Kauffman; Solo, Mrs. Corbin; Duet, Mrs. Gray and Dr. Beatty, &c. &c.

A most cordial invitation is extended to everybody to attend any part of the evening's entertainment. Come for all, if you can. If not, drop in when you can and stay as it suits. Nothing formal; all free and easy. Come and spend an enjoyable evening and make the closing moments of the Old Year a fit entrance into the New.

### Relinquishment for Sale

The relinquishment on a good tract of land about six miles south west of town may be had at a reasonable price as entrepreneur must leave the Territory. Also a water-irrigation in an irrigating project. For further information call at the News Office. 4t

### Presbyterian Church

Appropriate New Year's services next Sunday, both morning and evening. Special music. A welcome to all. E. E. Mathes, Pastor.

### Notice for Publication

Department of the Interior,  
U. S. Land Office at Roswell, N. M.,  
July 18, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that John K. Hastie, of Artesia, N. M., who, on March 5, 1903, made Homestead Entry, No. 3816, Serial No. 0929, for Lot 3; SE 1-4 NW 1-4 and E 1-2 SW 1-4 Sec. 1, Township 18 S, Range 26 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Five Year Proof, to establish claim to land above described, before D. L. Newkirk, U. S. Commissioner, at Artesia, N. M., on the 12th day of January, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: Ed Wingfield, Arthur B. Hastie, J. O. Gifford, Frank Wetig, all of Artesia, N. M.  
T. C. TILLOTSON,  
12-18 Register.

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U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico,  
Nov. 16, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that Frank Luthy, of Hope, New Mexico, who, on May 1, 1906, made homestead, No. 7784, Serial, for S 1-2 SE 1-4, Section 34, Town 16 S., Range 21 E., New Mexico Principal Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before D. L. Newkirk, a United States Commissioner, at his office at Artesia, New Mexico, on the 26th day of December, 1908.

Claimant names as witnesses: Leander S. Wright, James R. Cannon, Noel L. Johnson, Dee Swift, all of Hope, New Mexico.

T. C. TILLOTSON,  
11-16 Register.

### Notice for Publication

Department of the Interior,  
U. S. Land Office at Roswell, N. M.,  
July 21, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that Walter S. Baker, of Hope, N. M., who, on March 4, 1903, made Homestead Entry, No. 3803, Serial No. 01113, for Northwest Quarter, Section 18, Township 17 S., Range 25 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Five Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before D. L. Newkirk, U. S. Commissioner, at Artesia, N. M., on the 14th day of January, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: Noel L. Johnson, Lucius Johnson, George Sanson, Jackson Farr, all of Hope, N. M.

T. C. TILLOTSON,  
12-18 Register.

### Notice for Publication

Serial No. 05259.  
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, December 8, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that Leonidas W. Martin of Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico, has filed his application to enter under the provisions of Sections 2414, 2415 of the Revised Statutes of the United States the SE 1-4 NE 1-4 and NE 1-4 SE 1-4 Sec. 27 in Twp. 17 S., Range 25 E., of the New Mexico Principal Meridian.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the land described or desiring to object because of the Mineral Character of the land, or for any other reason, to its disposal to the applicant, should file their affidavits of protest on or before January 8, 1909.

T. C. TILLOTSON,  
14-17 Register.

### Notice for Publication

Department of the Interior,  
U. S. Land Office  
at Roswell, New Mexico,  
November 19, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that Harry I. Bloomfield, of Artesia, N. M., who, on Jan. 12, 1906, made Homestead entry, No. 6616, serial No. 03944, for N W 1-4 Section 5, Township 18 S., Range 26 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before D. L. Newkirk, U. S. Commissioner, at his office, at Artesia, New Mexico, on the 6th day of January, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: William Crandall, Edward M. Wingfield, J. K. Hastie, J. N. Conn, all of Artesia, N. M.

T. C. TILLOTSON,  
12-17 Register.

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Department of the Interior,  
U. S. Land Office,  
at Roswell, New Mexico,  
November 20, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that Clint D. Harling, of Artesia New Mexico, who on November 10, 1903, made Homestead entry, No. 4726, Serial No. 04217, for E 1-2 NE 1-4, Sec. 1, T. 17 S., R. 25 E. and N 1-2 NW 1-4 Section 6, Township 17 S., Range 26 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final five year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before D. L. Newkirk, U. S. Commissioner, at his office, at Artesia N. M., on the 7th day of January, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: Ralph D. Ferson, J. D. Henderson, H. J. Allison, D. D. Temple, all of Artesia, N. M.

T. C. TILLOTSON,  
12-17 Register.

### Notice for Publication

Serial No. 05425.  
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Roswell, New Mexico, Dec. 19, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that William E. Washington, of Lake Arthur, county of Chaves, Territory of New Mexico, has filed in this office his application, Serial No. 05425, to enter, under Sections 2306-07, R. S., Lots 2 and 3, of Sec. 4, T. 16 S., R. 26 E., N. M. P. M.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the lands described, or desiring to object because of the mineral character of the land, or for any other reason, to the disposal to applicant, should file their affidavits of protest in this office, on or before the 20th day of January, 1909.

T. C. TILLOTSON,  
16-22 Register.

The author of the following gem is now being assiduously hunted for by all the Kansas newspapers: "Tenderly she laid the white form beside those that had gone before. She made no outcry, she did not weep. Such a moment was too precious to be spent in idle tears. But soon there came a time when it seemed as if nature must give way, as she lifted her voice and cried loud and long. Her cry was taken up by others who were near and it echoed and reechoed over the grounds. Then suddenly all was still. What was the use of it all? She would lay another egg tomorrow."

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**The Invasion of New Mexico**

On February 16, 1909, it will be thirty years since the first Santa Fe train entered this city. The then editor of the Daily New Mexican was one of the passengers. In this connection, a chapter of Cy Warman's "Story of the Railroad" is of local interest, for it tells of "The invasion of New Mexico by the Santa Fe System," despite the opposition of the Territory and its people. It was this month, 31 years ago, that the first passenger coach crossed Raton Pass into New Mexico. It is not exactly a flattering picture which Warman draws of the New Mexico legislature and statesman of the late seventies. However, in contrast, there loomed up such heroic figures as Miguel A. Otero, father of Ex-Governor Otero, who took a stand for progress, and who was instrumental in securing legislation fought by the Southern Pacific interests, which brought the Santa Fe to New Mexico. Judge H. L. Waldo at the last moment prevented amendment of this legislation which would have practically nullified it. Governor Axell signed the bill before the opposition had recovered sufficiently from its astonishment to take effective means to prevent the building of the road into the Territory.

Still, President Nickerson of the Santa Fe itself opposed extension into a country which did not support a stage line, for Sanderson and Barlow had abandoned their stage to Santa Fe on account of a lack of traffic. It was mainly due to the energy and impetuosity of Chief Engineer A. A. Robinson that Raton Pass was occupied a few hours before the Denver and Rio Grande engineers arrived to take possession, and which would have prevented the Santa Fe from entering the Territory by that gateway, although a map published in 1869, and reproduced in the December number of the Santa Fe Employee's Magazine, shows that it had not been the original intention of the promoters of the road to come by way of Raton Pass at all, but that it had been planned to come from Atchinson, Kansas, which was to be the eastern terminal, by way of the Oklahoma and Texas Panhandle, thus leaving out Colorado altogether. This map shows the main and only line as planned, running via Fort Union, Santa Fe, Fort Wingate, Prescott, San Louis Rey, San Jose and San Francisco to Sacramento, which was to have been the western terminal.

Most significant, however, to this day, is the statement of Warman, in conclusion of this chapter: "To the amazement of President Nickerson, this road, built over an abandoned stage line, paid expenses from the day it crossed the mountains and entered the Territory of New Mexico. The history of any western road will prove that a railroad will make business where there is none existing."--New Mexican.

DESPITE his being a multi-millionaire, John D. Rockefeller had to visit a dentist for his toothache and act like any other common mortal.--New Mexican.  
With those multi-millions back of him, the ordeal was not quite so trying as to the ordinary individual.

THE 320 acre homestead bill is again receiving attention and Representative Mondell of Wyoming who introduced the bill at the last session of Congress is endeavoring to have it taken up and passed. The bill provides for the entering of 320 acres of land under the homestead law instead of 160 as heretofore provided. It is to apply in the arid region of the west and southwest, where conditions are such as to warrant the granting of the increased acreage, only non-irrigable land being subject to entry under this law. Representative Mondell is enlisting the aid of other statesmen and may succeed in getting the bill through at this session.

WITH all due respect to the present members of the Bureau of Immigration, we favor the return of the Secretaryship to Col. Frost, the man who made the department of value to the Territory. This should never have been taken away from the Colonel and we believe that justice will be done in the matter at the next session of the Legislature.

TAKE an inventory of your good intentions and make New Year resolutions that the experience of the past years will enable you to carry out. Has the past year been more successful than any of the preceding ones? If not, why not? Endeavor to estimate your own ability and lay plans that you may reasonably hope to consummate.

ESTANCIA is going down after artesian water and the result will be awaited with interest. If this really fine valley could secure a good flow of artesian water it would be a blessing to the many settlers who have risked their all in coming to the new country.

SECRETARY of Agriculture, James Wilson has accepted the presidency of the Colorado College of Agriculture, succeeding President B. O. Aylsworth and will enter upon the duties of his office early in the new year.

It is claimed that the Territories have a chance for admission to statehood upon the same ground that the girl married her persistent admirer--to get rid of them.

In looking around for a chance to make some one happy during Christmas times call around and pay up your subscription and see the editor smile.

COL. MAX FROST, editor of the New Mexican is back from his eastern trip and judging from the vigor of his editorials is much improved physically.

THE NEWS extends the compliments of the season to its readers and friends and wishes all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

It is reported the Sirgasso Sea has disappeared. The world may never know whether Abe Reuf or Cassie Chadwick got it.

THE revival of the ancient "dew pond" may solve the question of the reclamation of the arid districts of the southwest.

COL. FROST is out after the scalp of some of Hagerman's appointees. Some changes will certainly be made.

CLOVIS wants a slice here and a slice there, just enough for the creation of Curry county.

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**Talk of the Town**

J. H. Beckham spent Tuesday in Roswell.

Albert Linell was visiting in Roswell Tuesday.

A. L. Schneider and wife went to Roswell Tuesday.

Hear Grandma's advice at the Old Folks Concert next Tuesday evening, Dec. 29.

J. B. Cecil has taken off the back seats in his auto and arranged for carrying all kinds of packages and bundles.

Take a look at the Ullery Furniture Company's ad in this issue of the News and then buy something worth while for Christmas presents.

Artesia is getting ready to admit all the towns of the Valley to suburban privileges provided they will be good and rid themselves of their objectionable features.

R. L. Ramey left on the morning train Tuesday for Hot Springs, Ark.

Mrs. Bloomfield went to Kansas City this week to spend Christmas.

THE NEWS received a post card yesterday morning from Rev. Stout, which was mailed at Amarillo, Texas, stating that Mrs. Stout was getting along very nicely.

A special train is to run to Roswell January 11, to the Norica entertainment, one and one third fare for the round trip. It is a chance of a life time for most of our people to hear one of the stars at a reasonable price and many will attend from this place.

Don't forget the "Old Folks Concert" at the Christian church next Tuesday evening. Reserved seats 35c on sale at Pecos Valley Drug Co., Dec. 26.

P. G. New and family left Tuesday morning for Macdoel, Cal., where they will make their home in the future.

The schools closed yesterday for the holidays and will not reopen until January 4. Appropriate exercises were held in all the rooms at the Central building.

Cass Henry was in town yesterday from Lake Arthur. He is now employed by the Artesia Nursery in distributing their stock up and down the line.

THE NEWS is issued a day ahead of time this week, owing to the fact that we wished to get everything cleaned up and be in shape for Christmas dinner.

R. E. Adams and family came in this week from Lower Pecosco.

The new oil company is getting down to work and will be heard from in the near future. They are fully satisfied that there is oil

in paying quantities in the valley and they are making it their business to go after it.

There are at least a dozen substantial residences in process of construction in the town, some of which are almost completed. Arrangements are being made to start the work on others.

Non A. Walden is back from a trip to the north in the interest of the Farmers Land League.

**Malaga News**

Prof. H. E. Wathen was in Carlsbad Thursday.

There was a dance in Stanton's restaurant last Friday night.

Rev. Cochran passed through Malaga last Friday on his way to El Paso.

T. J. Sanford was in Roswell on business Friday.

Otto Halwell went to Carlsbad Thursday.

Frank Lemons has been confined to his bed most of the time since last writing.

C. W. Beeman is on the sick list this week.

A carload of fruit trees was delivered here last Friday from the Artesia Nursery.

The carpenters are very busy on the Loving school house. When the building is completed they expect to have two teachers instead of one. Already they have had several applications for the position. Among them is the wife of Rev. F. C. Carpenter of this place.

Mr. Lewellen drove to the Delaware to take some surveyors last Friday.

Farmers are still hauling cotton to the gin at Loving.

C. W. Larremore and family were visiting in Carlsbad last week.

Mr. Montgomery and daughter, Lola, drove to Carlsbad last Wednesday.

O. B. Sutherland recently purchased 40 acres of land from Mr. Enlady.

The railroad company had a loading chute put in at the south end of the switch last week.

Tom Middleton from the Blue Springs ranch took in the dance last Friday night.

Spencer Paville was in town last Friday to get a wagon load of fruit trees which came in that day.

This looks like improving the country when the farmers haul fruit trees out by the wagon load.

Last week the Malaga News had its front page adorned by the picture of our school, a building all Malaga people are proud of.

Mrs. L. N. Hoag has been in rather poor health for several days.

O. C. Epperson and wife and O. Trotter and wife were trading in Carlsbad Wednesday of last week.

C. W. Beeman and wife went to Carlsbad Monday to do some Christmas shopping.

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tendance was down to twenty or less and not much interest, but now the attendance is near 50 and everyone seems interested.

Rev. Huffman preached to able sermons here Sunday. Both services were well attended.

There will be a Christmas tree here Thursday night Dec. 24th and at Otis the same night. Loving has hers on Friday night.

Rev. Carpenter and wife spent Sunday in Otis as that was his day at that place.

The Misses Anderworth are spending Christmas at home.

Miss Edith Hartshorn is spending Christmas with her parents at this place.

Miss Annie Carpenter returned to Malaga Monday after a visit in and around Loving.

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**Final Proof Extension**

The Department is now ready to receive application for extension of time in making final proofs on desert land entries.

The three annual proofs must have been made and an affidavit showing why entryman had not been able to make the required proof, corroborated by the affidavits of two competent witnesses, must be submitted.

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