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Palm Sunday, March 20.
Good Friday, March 25.
Easter Sunday, March 27.
Low Sunday, April 3.
Bogation Sunday, May 1.
Ascension Day May 5.
White Sunday, May 15.
Trinity Sunday, May 22.
Corpus Christi, May 26.
Advocate Sunday, November 27.
Christmas Day, December 25.
Ember Days for 1910—February 16th, 18th and 19th; May 18th, 20th, and 21st; September 21st 23rd and 24th; December 14th, 16th and 17th.
Morning and Evening Stars.

The Planet Venus is evening star until February 12th, then morning star until November 26th after which date she is evening star to the end of the year.

The Planet Mars begins as evening star and continues as such until September 28th, after which he is morning star the balance of the year.

What Year Is It?

Now while probably most people of this city are looking forward to writing it "1910" you would also be equally right in jotting it down as "6623," or "5670" according to whether you are a Roman, a Jew or a Gentle. The figures 1910 signify the number of years that have elapsed or supposed to have elapsed since the birth of Christ, though there are some eminent authorities who assert that the date has been wrongly set, and that that auspicious event was not within several years of the year 1. The trouble was that the date was set some years after Christ was dead, and there was no exactly accurate method of figuring backwards and ascertaining when the infant was found in the manger by the wise men of the east.

If, however, you write it "5670" that means that it is the Jewish method of reckoning the date, their basic event having occurred some thousands of years previous to the Christian era. To write it "6623" would be according to the calendar use by the Roman Emperor Julian.

In other words, after December 31, 1909, the new year will not be only "1910" but it will usher in the 135th year of the American independence the 6,623rd of the Julian period the year 5670-5671 of the Jewish Era (the year 5671 beginning at sunset on October 3) the year 2663 since the founding of Rome, according to Varro the year 2579 of the Japanese Era and the year 1328 of the Mohammedan Era which begins January 13. The year 1910 is classified under the Domini Letter "B," is a part of Lunar Cycle H, Solar Cycle 15, Epoch 19 and Roman Indiction 8. That's what 1910 is, and the first day of January will be 2,418,673rd day since the commencement of the Julian period. That's getting down fine, even for an almanac.

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ROCKEFELLER'S 'BENEFACtions'

I notice in reading the big papers that John D. Rockefeller has reached a grand total of \$200,000,000 in his "contribution to charity," and it is often said his record in this particular has never been equaled in either modern or ancient times. Such charity always seems to me to be rather on the order of the same sentiment as outlined in the old Scotch story of the laird who gave to his peasants enormous sums of money each year, and each year raised the rent so as to cover and leave a good percentage in the bargain. That is simply the way the oil man does. After every alleged "donation," the price of kerosene and oil products go up a fraction of a cent, and in a few days the millions come back and then some. If there is any real charity about such monkey business as that I am too much of an old fogey to see it. There is really little wonder that the popular prejudice has gotten so strong against the Rockefeller interests that realizing it the sphinx of Wall street is constantly studying ways and means of popularizing it, and neutralizing the constantly growing tendency toward government ownership and all that sort of thing. The world-wide exactions and arrogance of the oil trust is simply bearing its own fruit, and in the present distrust and hatred of the common people for the great corporation is to be found a graphic prophecy of the trend of the future. Sops thrown to charity of tainted money must certainly fall of their purpose in the long run, and really add to the power that will force final accounting.

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REGULATION.

The nervousness of the Standard in this connection is shared by the great railroad combines, an indication of which is found in the appeal of the magnates to President Roosevelt to use his influence to stop the alleged "baiting" of the railroads by the various states. Everybody else calls it rate regulation, and the principle is the direct outgrowth of the rapaciousness of the roads themselves. The average man does not believe in the oppression of the railroad just because it is a railroad, or of any other great interest simply because it happens to be the centralized expression of great wealth. It is only when he is brought into constant touch with the greed and absence of principle of the railroad managements themselves, and sees the end

to which is invariably called oppression by the railroads. Perhaps the best instance of this has been in Texas, which has been far in advance of the other divisions in the protection of its people. When the Texas Railroads and Warehouse commission began business many of the railroads predicted all sorts of calamities, the stoppage of construction and all sorts of things, but when it was once realized that the commission had come to stay and to really regulate, the bluffs stopped and Texas has been prosperous as never before. The Hudspeth two-cent fare bill was another pointer in this direction and the efforts made by the railroad lobby to smother it, probably added more to the anti-sentiment than anything that ever came up before. The railroads have so long considered the territories as their legitimate prey that any attempt to break their grasp is naturally resented, skillfully to be true, but none the less fervently. The standard of common intelligence is getting higher each year and the present attempt to quiet the people in this regard can have but one effect, and that is to add to the antirailroad feeling, and incidentally, in the Pecos Valley, build up the sentiment for annexation of Texas.

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MAIL ORDERS.

The growing business of the great mail order houses is a matter of no little concern to the merchant of the western towns, and of the east for that matter, and all of those gentlemen, or at least most of them are not prone to speak of them very respectfully. It always makes me smile when we hear one of them dressing down Montgomery Ward & Co., and the rest of the bunch. Along with all other good citizens we believe in the principle of trading at home—it is the only way to build up the community in which one is most interested—and in the long run is both cheaper and more satisfactory. If all the people in the trade zone of this town spent all of their money here the volume of business would be thousands of dollars greater, and the prices of goods would be reduced in proportion. At the same time the condition complained of is so palpably the fault of the merchants themselves, that it always seems to me they are kicking without reason. The mail order houses are masters of the art of advertising, and use that powerful leverage to the fullest extent, and that is all there is to it. You notice that in those towns where the local dealer spends the most money in advertising the mail order business is least. The rule is inflexible. People have no means of knowing what is in a store, or what it costs, unless the merchant tells it through the public media, and the catalogue of the mail houses cover the ground fully. The consumers see set before him what an article costs and if he needs it, he is more than apt to order it. If the same announcement from a local merchant caught his eye, in nine cases out of ten he would buy at home. That is all there is to the mail order business. It is a matter of advertising, in which the local merchant is more than apt to sleep on his rights and possibilities. Of course there is a certain element who would rather buy anything from a needle to a feed mill away from home, but they are in the great minority, the same as those who send away for the job printing. In the long run they lose more than they save, and come back to the original proposition. No argument except costly experience will touch this class, but for the great mass who buy, every advertisement giving names and prices is a nail in the coffin of the mail order houses. In the course of time the people generally will realize these facts and when they do, the mail order houses will die a natural death. The tendency of the times is slowly in that direction now.

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GOVERNOR NAMES TAX COMMISSION

Body Will Investigate New
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Taxes.

Santa Fe, N. M., Dec. 8.—Governor Curry has appointed the following a tax commission to investigate the matter of assessments and taxes in the territory: J. S. Lee, of Roswell; H. B. Hensig, of Albuquerque, and M. A. Gonzales of Abiquiu, Rio Arriba county. Attorney general Frank W. Clancy and traveling auditor Charles V. Safford will be ex officio members of the commission which will hold its first meeting with Governor Curry on Dec. 15 and will report suggestions for legislation to the next territorial legislature.

EGYPT EVENTS

Messrs Haskell and Dossey and Misses Abbott and Eva Potts spent last Sunday evening with Miss Wilma Abbott.

Tim Potts spent a few days with home folks last week.

Mrs. Houston visited Mrs. Dossey Thursday evening.

Messrs Houston and Culpepper made a trip to the Brakes after wood for the school.

H. Dossey was at the city of San Jon Friday.

There was singing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. King Sunday.

Yell Jenkins killed and disposed of a beef this week.

Ira Goforth is on his claim again after an eighteen months leave of absence. Mr. Goforth will return to Oklahoma soon where he has a fine crop of wheat.

Oliver Hammonds of North Dakota, is visiting Miss Elsie Potts.

W. A. Goforth went to Revuelto Tuesday on business.

Mr. Dossey and son, Mr. Otto Hassell made a trip to the caprock Thursday.

Daniel Boone killed a fine hog Friday for home use.

Eva Potts spent the day with Mrs. Dossey Thursday.

John Yeast and family left those parts for Oklahoma Monday.

Mr. Floyd Hutchens took dinner with Claude Sunday.

Mr. Noble and lady made a trip to the city of Tucumcari a few days past.

The school is progressing nicely after one weeks vacation on account of the snow and bad weather.

Mr. Roberts and lady were at the Boone home Friday afternoon.

Mrs. King was at Miss Culpepper's Monday.

Miss Mamie Hutchens is kinder expecting company Christmas from near Tulsa, Texas.

Mr. Phillips, a nephew of Mrs. J. J. Henrich, is in our locality again to spend a few days on his claim.

Mr. Ferguson had to make a trip after wood this week.

Mr. Andy Potts was in the city of San Jon Saturday.

Mr. Lee Shiplet bought a litter from Mr. Boone. Guess Mr. Shiplet intends to farm some more in New Mexico.

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THE MIRACLE

By Harry Irving Greene.

One thousand nine hundred and nine years ago, in the days of the mighty Herod, there lay upon a hillside not far from Bethlehem, one Ben Joseph, the shepherd, son of Joseph of Jeffa.

Ben Joseph was almost 18 now, and had been a shepherd nearly as long as he could remember. Practically all his life had he stroked over the hillsides with his charges throughout the days, and when night had come had himself down to sleep among them with a sheep skin for his couch and a sheep-skin for his mantle. And in those long years of loneliness he had grown strong of body and wild of spirit, knowing little of faith, hope or charity and caring less; believing only in the law of recompense and that an eye was fair exchange for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. For he who tends sheep among the barren hills must graze them seven days a week, while as for the soul it can always starve a little while longer and no harm done. So as time passed, while his sheep grew plentiful and fat, his soul grew small and lean and was seldom thought of; but in his idle hours of the day he did nothing but play upon his reed pipe, while in the early hours of the night when his sheep had been gathered together he lay upon his back and looked up at the stars until the principal ones were as familiar to his eyes as were the bell-wethers of his flock. True, he knew almost nothing about the sparkling bodies of space and gave little thought as to how they came to be there, yet for all that he could shut his eyes and picture the constellations before his mind as most boys can the faces of their playmates. This was because he could not read, and no one to talk to and was hard pressed for means by which to occupy his brain when the darkness fell.

Now while Ben Joseph was silent and rather surly of face he was only inclined to be wicked when aroused. At those times, however, he was as apt to be as savage and merciless as a wolf, for it was then that the blood lust burned hot in his throat. And it happened that upon the day of which we are speaking he was nursing a great rage, for while he had been sleeping a few nights before some enemy had crept into his flock and cut the throats of three of his finest ewes. And this deed meant that very bad times were in store for Ben Joseph indeed, for when his master came to count the sheep and found the three missing, Ben Joseph knew that he would be beaten with a staff until he could scarcely hobble, and even worse than that, he would be charged with their value; a sum which it would take him months of watching to repay. And, furthermore, he knew who had committed the dastardly crime. It was none other than Ben Hadad, who herded his flock in the hills to the westward and with whom Ben Joseph had quarreled and fought a year before, and who now had come prowling across hill and valley in the dark of the moon for his revenge, and that Ben Joseph might be soundly beaten in payment for the whipping which he himself had received. In his haste the marauder had dropped the red stone which he always wore as a charm, and Ben Joseph picking it up among the dead sheep had instantly known to whom it belonged, and at that knowledge the hot blood taint had arisen strong in his throat and hate for his enemy set his blood on fire. Muttering he had sworn to himself that he should have his revenge.

And on this night he was formulating his plans. If Ben Hadad could creep upon him in the middle of the night and kill his sheep, then certainly he could creep upon Ben Hadad and kill him. For were not his feet as light and his ears as keen as those of any man? And having put his foe out of the way he could take three of his ewes and bring them back to his own flock to replace the dead ones, and in this way at one stroke rid himself of a dangerous enemy and escape the beating and loss of wages that he knew otherwise must be his. Clearly it was the only thing to do, and arising in the early darkness he felt of the edge of his knife and finding it plenty keen enough he seized his crook and went loping off among the hills toward where he knew his enemy could be found. It was a long journey but he traveled fast, and when midnight had come he had marked the fold, while near it in his rough shelter of skins he could hear the steady breathing of the unsuspecting man whom he sought. And at that token of the other's helplessness his eyes took on the glint of a wild beast's, and with his knife held firmly he crept onward to where the sleeping one lay behind his screen.

Beneath the starlight he saw the recumbent form lying still and defenseless, and with a last wriggle and leap he landed fairly upon it, the fingers of one hand fastened in the throat and his blade held high. And Ben Hadad, awakening from his slumber, saw death knelling upon his breast, and realizing his helplessness he writhed a little and strove to draw his throttled breath. Ben Joseph having the other completely at his mercy loosened his clutch so that the groped one could breathe a trifle, for he wished to torment him for a period before he let the blow fall.

"I have come to kill you Ben Hadad," he said coldly. "The man beneath him shook like a wind-thrashed reed."

"Why should you wish to kill me?

I have never done you wrong and you once whipped me," he pleaded. His captor laughed sharply.

"You lie and for lying I shall let you feel the tooth of my knife before you feel its full bite," he returned as he pricked his captive until the latter squirmed again. "And now," he went on, "you shall die as my sheep died and be of less value afterwards than they were. For at least their skins are worth something and their flesh

was wholesome, while you dead will be even more worthless than living."

Ben Hadad's eyes grew wild and his face pale at the threat as he made a final appeal.

"At least you will let me pray to the stars before I die," he pleaded, and Ben Joseph smiled grimly and said that he might spend one minute in that useless way. And as Ben Hadad, beginning to mutter his last words turned his dispairing gaze towards the eastern heavens, the one who sat upon his breast and watched him closely in his hate, suddenly saw the eyes below him grow great with wonder while the distorted face smoothed and became soft as a child's. Greatly amazed at the wonderful transformation he turned his eyes upward as the other had done and as he did so he gave a great gasp, his fingers loosened and he sat staring up into the night. Far to the eastward there shone a new star in the firmament such a star as the world had never before seen; its rays pure white, shining with a soft brilliancy beyond compare; the star in Bethlehem in all its glory as it hung over the manger of the new born Christ, the redeemer of the soul of man.

And as he gazed transfixed by this miracle a wonderful and subtle change came over the hard heart of Ben Joseph. From out of it his wrath fled like a scourged evil thing; the coils of hate that had burned therein turned to ashes and into their place stole a softness such as he had never felt before. He shuddered threw his knife into the night and getting upon his feet held out his hand. "Arise Ben Hadad. I leave you in peace," he said gently.

Full of wonderment the released one arose and together the two stood staring at the glowing marvel, all fear and hate vanished. Then Ben Hadad spoke:

"I murdered your sheep because I hated you, and in return you spared my life. Why did you do so?" Ben Joseph shook his head as much puzzled as the other.

"That I do not know. I only know that I hate you no longer. I even seem to care for you." Ben Hadad laid his hand upon the other's shoulder.

"Also my heart has grown soft. You shall take three of my best sheep in the place of the slain ones and we will be friends from this night on." His companion nodded.

"We will be brothers throughout our lives. I will come for the sheep another day, bringing you a present. Until then peace be with you." Into the darkness he passed, his eyes still fastened upon the eastern miracle, a song of happiness arising from his heart. For though Ben Joseph knew it not, the son of God had come to earth and already in the sense of his gentle spirit was wafting like the night breeze throughout the land, soothing the breast of man as the night breeze soothed his cheeks. For such was the coming and spread of the holy spirit of the Master, the spirit of peace on earth and good will to man.

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OFFICIAL CITY PAPER.

Do your shopping early, do it now.

If the rumors current on our streets this week prove to be true, we will soon have an elegant, modern, up-to-date hotel in Tucumcari. We won't get it before we need it.

The snow that fell yesterday will put the moisture down deep enough to insure a good crop for the coming year. The ground was wet to a depth of twelve inches before this snow fell.

There has been an increase of nearly one hundred per cent in the railroad freight business at this point for December as compared with December of last year. At the close of business on the 15th of this month, as much business had been done as was done in the entire month in 1908.

While you hear the consumer kicking a little about the price of meat and flour there is no howl coming from the stockman and the farmer who do the producing. The foundation of prosperity is with the man who produces the necessary of life and so long as he is making money the rest of us have a show to get along.

H. Clay Pierce, the oil magnet of Texas, has just been acquitted by the courts on a charge of perjury. It is sometimes hard to prove all the counts in a case of this sort. There may be two sides to litigation, even of this character. Texas plays the game a little over zealously with the corporations, and her hobby has been railroads and oil.

The News notices that Las Vegas has been having rarer weather, nothing like that for Tucumcari, fifteen above as far as we have gone. But it is an acknowledged fact that Quay county has the most salubrious climate in the world. Then we have the agricultural and stock interests and the railroads to support the climate. That is the reason we are the most favored of all the great southwest.

Say, listen! if you are one among a great number of good Samaritans who inhabit the land, and want to do something that will make you feel good ever afterwards, think out some little fellow, boy or girl, who is going to expect a visit from Santa, and whose widowed mother is having a struggle to keep the wolf from the door, and see that Santa finds the little fellows out. Should your philanthropy go far enough, something good to eat, or something warm to sleep under would add to the blessing.

In this issue of the News is an article from the Albuquerque Journal from the pen of H. O. Bursum, chairman of the territorial republican organization, that is worth the while of everybody interested in the good government of New Mexico to read. Mr. Bursum's patriotism for the welfare of New Mexico and his anxiety for statehood are salient features of the communication. He defends Mr. Lumm and commands Mills, and he is right in his statements, and the people will believe him as they have heretofore in his efforts for the betterment of our territory.

There is said to be a wholesale exodus of blackhands to America this year, who are looking for a new field of operation in this country. The black-hand business will go against a hard game in the land of the free and the home of the brave. Old Aesop tells about a farmer who found a snake out in the cold, frozen stiff, and through pity for its suffering took it in and thawed it out, when the snake turned on him and bit and chased after him viciously. The moral is, be careful about placing yourself at the mercy of an enemy. It does no good to hold out a friendly hand to the sting of a serpent. The symbol of the blackhand is death, and like David Harum, we believe we should do unto them as they would do unto us, and do it fast.

If the editor of the News had as much money as Carnegie he wouldn't build libraries in the city where they never reach the people for whom they were intended. He would in the interest of humanity, this very Christmas, set that a year's subscription to "Our Dumb Animals," would go to every boy in America. He would make an effort to get the publication into the public schools as a text book. "I would not enter on my list of friends, though graced with polished manners and fine sense. Yet wanting sensibility, the man who needlessly sets foot upon a worm." Cowper. The editor of this paper would rather his boy would have a correct understanding of that sentence, and would practice it in daily life than be possessed of all the estate of the man who made the "Homestead Strike," possible. If we teach our children to understand the rights of the dumb animal, the beast and the birds, and to extend sympathy and to be interested in his life and his comfort, quarrels between brother and sister, and the alteration with playmate would be less frequent. In fifty years a humanity would be built up that would make all the world kin. That is the consummation devoutly to be wished; when envy and hatred must die homages to none; when humanity is human.

THE CHANCE FOR STATEHOOD

While it is generally conceded that but little public business of any kind will be transacted by congress till after the recess for the holidays, it is quite as generally believed by those who are in position to know, that when congress comes together again, the bill for the admission of New Mexico and Arizona will be reasonably sure of passage—not that congress, as a whole, is particularly anxious to pass the bill, but that President Taft is determined that the pledges made by the party in its platform, shall be carried out by the party in congress, and members of congress individually, are particularly adverse to putting themselves at cross purposes with the dispenser of peace.

The following paragraph from one of the New York Herald's Washington letters gives the reader a very fair idea of what the presidential influence amounts to in a case of this character. The letter says:

Statehood for Arizona and New Mexico, which was a dead issue when the leaders arrived here, has been galvanized into life by the president himself. He believes that all the pledges of the party should be kept as speedily as possible, and he is not in sympathy with one who would delay admitting these two new states until the census of 1910 is completed.

"Statehood for New Mexico and Arizona, which was a dead issue when the leaders arrived here, has been galvanized into life by the president himself," is a sentence full of significance, and no doubt states the situation correctly as it exists. The bill, left to itself, would probably meet with sufficient opposition to insure its defeat, but to be made an administration measure, with the personal backing of the president, is amply sufficient to render its success reasonably certain.

Hence it is, that the admission of these territories is regarded not only here but throughout the country at large, as one of the acts which congress is expected to perform at the present session. And under existing circumstances this impression is not unreasonable. The president's personal influence is worth a good many votes in each house.—Albuquerque Journal.

This article is appropriately headed, "The Chance For Statehood." And with all the powers that be, it is only a chance, and a slim one at that. There is no question that Taft desires to see the pledges of the party carried out, but O, you senate. What are we going to do with the gentleman from Indiana? Mr. Beveridge is again us. And there are others, Mr. Dolivar of Iowa. They question our integrity and the personnel of our population. They charge many things against us, but we are not ready with all our faults, to be put into comparison with late happenings that have been chronicled from Illinois. Well, if you can't give us statehood, give us a rest. We will get along somehow.

GLAD TIDINGS

Over nineteen hundred years ago while Shepherds watched their flocks by night upon the Judean hills an Angel appeared unto them and said: "I bring you glad tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." Then the Heavenly messengers sang "glory to God in the highest, on earth peace,

KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE INDICATOR AND DO YOUR BEST

The editor saw a little story in some paper the other day that ran like this: Mr. Brown made his little boy a present of two bantam hens and other fowl. The eggs of the bantam were so small compared with the others that Tommy hit upon a bright idea. He hung an ostrich egg inside the fowl house and

ONE ROOM HOUSE

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good will toward men."

This proclamation of peace and goodwill was made over nineteen hundred years ago. For more than fifteen hundred years the Jewish people had been looking for the promised Deliverer; for Him of whom the Prophets had spoken and of whom their poets had sung. Seven hundred years had passed since Isaiah had looked through the veil of the future with the prophetic eye and had declared "He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief;" "He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth. But he was wounded for our iniquities, he was bruised for our iniquities, he was upon him; and by his stripes we were healed—he shall see the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied; by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities." At the time of the birth of Christ Jesus was a Roman Province, and the Hebrew people were bowed down with the galling yoke of the Roman. The leaders of this chosen people never lost their faith in the belief that Jehovah would send a Messiah, who would save them from the Roman, rebuild their cities, and again establish the worship of the true God on Mt. Moriah, and place a son of David upon the throne. For four hundred years no Prophet had spoken, no poet had sung of his coming. The whole earth was at peace. Strong hearts were growing faint. It was the stillness that precedes the storm. But Jehovah is not slack concerning His promises, and in the fullness of time, the blazing Star took shape in the heavens, the Angelic Choir started on their journey, the "Wise Men of the East" were drawn to Bethlehem, and there, in a manger, they looked into the face of Him of whom "the Prophets wrote and spoke," and they presented to him their gifts, gold, frankincense and myrrh.

As we look back over the years since this proclamation of peace and goodwill, and read of the bloodshed, of "man's inhumanity to man," of the strife and bickerings between parties, religious, social and political; we are inclined to grow pessimistic and declare that things are growing worse, and that the millennium is only a myth. But the world is growing better. Never since the Galilean Peasant declared the truth of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, has this old world had as clear a vision of truth, such a broad conception of the responsibilities that rest upon every man in doing his part to alleviate suffering, to help the weak, raise the fallen, and brighten the lives of others as there exists today. Let us thank God that we live in this good age, when the Light of Truth is driving back the mists of myth and mysticism, when the doors of every nation are open to the propagation of the gospel, moving forward to the glad day when peace shall cover the earth, as the waters cover the deep.

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to it was attached a card bearing the words: "Keep your eye on this, and do your best."

There certainly is some good wholesome medicine in this that may be prescribed in many cases of industrial lassitude. "Keep your eye on the indicator, and do your best." Now if the commercial club will take a little of this pacifier this year and get right into the game and help to advertise this city and county and the country, we are going to have results that will move things around here in twelve months 'till a visitor who is out of town a month or two, will have to look for streets and numbers to find his ho-

tel or his residence. Suppose we do it, keep our eyes on the indicator and do our best. The advertising we have gotten out of our county fair and the El Paso and Chicago shows is starting us out well this year, and if we keep eternally at it, we will not only get the Santa Fe and many other things we are after, but we will get them sooner than if we embrace the hook worm and look for the sunny side of the case. Let's take one turn at the indicator, anyway, and see if we can't lay an ostrich egg in 1910.

It will pay you to look up the list of the Evans Realty Co. on another page.

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Lot 5, Block 17, Highland Park, with small house on same, \$150.00, terms.	Lots 7 and 8, Block 2, McGee, \$450.00
Lots 1 and 2, Block 15, Gamble Addition, just west of wind-mill of C. H. Chenault, within three blocks of new School, \$300.00; Terms.	Lots 18 and 19, in Block 11, Original Townsite, one six-room dwelling, and a barn 12x20, \$600.00
Lots 1 and 2, Block 2, Gamble Addition, \$325.00	One splendid house opposite Wm. Kuhlmann's, on Second street, well fenced, with outbuildings and water works. \$1600
Lots 9 and 10, Block 1, Gamble Addition, \$250.00	Four 50 foot lots with east front on Second street, between Hancock and Laughlin avenues, at..... \$2,500
Lots 7-8-9, Block 43, Metcalf Add., a corner opposite R. P. Donohoo's residence, \$550.00	Lot 5 in Block 28, McGee Add., \$350.
80 acres patented land, five miles east, tenant house and dug-out, all fenced, 70 acres has been broken up two years, a bargain at \$12.50 per acre. One-half cash, balance on time.	Lot 2, Block 25, Metcalf Addition, \$300
One Store house on Lot 4, Block 4, Main street, renting at \$40.00 per month, \$2500.00	Lots 7 and 8, Block 2, McGee Add. \$450
Lots 10-11-12, Block 1, McGee Second Addition, with good four-room residence on same, \$1250.00	Lots 9 and 10, block 1, Gamble add. \$225
Lot 5, Block 6, Buchanan Addition, good two-room house, fence and barn \$500	240 acres with lease on school section joining, for nearly four years, four-room residence, several springs, 60 acres in cultivation, orchard, peaches, apricots, plums, pears and other fruit houses, school section, fenced, 2½ miles northeast of city, price \$5,000
The Triangle of Land just west of the Plaza rules, \$3,500.00	Lot 4, block 39 of the McGee addition, facing the Nichols' houses on Second street, at..... \$350
Lot 6, Block 6, Buchanan Add. \$150.00	Lot 10, Block 34, Russell's Add., \$225.00 160x140, with two residences and out-buildings on the northeast corner of High and Second streets. A splendid home for the present, and will be business lots, \$5,000
Lots 5 and 6, Block 38, Original Townsite, \$2,000.00	Two splendid residences on the northeast corner of Laughlin and Third street, now renting for \$60 per month, at (time)..... \$4,000
15 acres just north of H. M. Smith, between the Rock Island and the Dawson Railroads, \$125.00 an acre.	142x100 feet on Third street, one-half block from Main on the corner of Center street. This property will make six lots 100 feet deep facing Third street, near the court house. Price, \$3,000. One-half cash, balance reasonable terms. This is a bargain.
Lots 10-11-12, in Block 12, Daub's First Addition, \$1,000.00	Lot 6, block 4, on Main street of the Original Townsite. Price, .. \$1,500
Two Cement Block Store Houses 25x60 feet on three lots on Smith St. \$7,000	One seven room house and one five room house on the east side of Fourth street in the McGee Addition. Prices \$1,200 and \$1,750 respectively, but if sale of both, \$2,500
18 Room Rooming House on Lots 3 and 4, Block 4, Buchanan Addition, with barn; one-half cash balance terms, \$2750.00	Lots 7 and 8, block 30, McGee add. \$300
	Lots 5 and 6, block 29, Russell add. \$600
	Lot 5, block 19, Russell addition. \$275
	Lots E and F of lot 2, Yerring subdivision, \$700
	125x12 on corner of Smith and Second streets. This is the best location for a first-class hotel or business house in the city. Price \$12,000
	Lot 7, block 11, McGee addition. \$200
	One of the best sites for a hotel in Tucumcari, with east front on corner of Second and Center, st. \$9,000
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	The best Cafe in the best location in the city, \$1,500
	One 5 room house Southeast corner of Smith street, furnished. \$8,000
	One 4 room house furnished on Smith street, \$1,700
	Lots 3, 4, 5 and 6, block 7, McGee Second Addition, each, \$175

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THE FIRST CHRISTMAS

Luke 2:40.

And it came to pass in those days that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed, and all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. Joseph went out of Nazareth, into Judea, Bethlehem, to be taxed, with Mary his espoused wife, who was great with child. While they were there the days were accomplished that she should be delivered; and she brought forth her first born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

There were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night; and lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them: "Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all the people. For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger!"

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men!"

And it came to pass as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another: "Let us now go even into Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us."

And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger; and when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning the child. All they that heard wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds; but Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart, and the shepherds returned glorifying and praising God for all things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

And now, when mama and big sister tells you some day that "a little bird told me," you can say "I know who said that first; it was a man who loved little children, and who wrote the most beautiful fairy stories in the world for children to read. His name is Hans Christian Andersen."—Mrs. R. S. Forrester in Oregon Teachers' Monthly.

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Joseph and his mother marveled at those things which were spoken of him, and Simeon blessed them and said unto Mary, his mother: "Behold this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel, and for a sign which shall be spoken against! Yea, a sword of fire shall pierce through thine own soul also, that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed!"

And there was one Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel of the tribe of Aser; she was of great age, a widow of about four score and four years, which departed not from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day. And she coming in that instant gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of him to all that looked for redemption in Jerusalem.

And when Joseph and Mary had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city, Nazareth; and the child grew and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him.

In the first class are the inquiries relative to the amount of feed purchased for live stock and the amount and value of livestock purchased; the value of eggs sold; value of wax sold, separate from honey; and amount of pasture land under irrigation.

In the third case the new questions provide for the separation of wheat into its various varieties—common spring, common winter, Durum or macaroni, Emmer, and spelt; for the increase of the number of the varieties of vegetables from seven to twelve; for the addition of guinea fowls and pigeons to the poultry list; for the statement of the amount received for standing timber; for the amount of woodland on the farm; and for the amount received for pasturing domestic animals.

The Nativity of the Farmer. The inquiry concerning the country in which the farmer was born is also of great social significance. The replies should show whether or not the native American is holding his own in agriculture. They will, for the first time, enable comparisons between the various nationalities to ascertain which are the most successful in agriculture.

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Once upon a time there lived in faraway Denmark, a man who loved little children; loved them so dearly that he spent many years of his busy life in writing beautiful fairy tales to please and entertain them. He wrote one about "The Little Match Girl," that you have read in your Christmas books. This story shows how much he must have loved the poor, homeless, little children of all lands, and how sorry for them he was at Christmas time.

He wrote his stories in a language that you could not understand; but many people have read them, and then written them in the different languages so that the children of all lands may know and love them.

When he was an old, white-haired man, he used to gather the little children about his knee and tell them his beautiful stories of love and kindness, and all the children loved him dearly.

Another story he wrote was about "The Christmas Tree," and one of his very prettiest ones was about "Little Maya," a tiny fairy child, and her adventures, one of which was the ride upon the back of a swallow—far, far away to the sunny southland, and of the beautiful home she found there after her many sad and lonely days before she found the little swallow. In this story he says that the swallow, after leaving little Maya in that wonderful fairy land of sunshine, flew far across the hills and mountains of Denmark and built a summer home over his window, and that the bird told him all about little Maya, so that he in turn could tell it to the children, when they were all gathered about his knee to listen to his wonderful fairy tales.

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CAMPBELL DRY FARM CONTROVERSY**Secretary Wilson Taken To Task, Also Defended.****ABANDON FATHER'S WAY**

Montoya, N. M., Dec. 7, 1909.

Editor Tucumcari News:

Dear Sir:

I see in your issue of December 4, an article by L. L. Klinefelter in which he makes it appear that Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson is opposed to the Campbell method of soil culture, and the article referred to shows that Mr. Klinefelter is not well posted on the work Mr. Wilson is doing and has done.

It seems to me the article was altogether uncalled for in the first place, and in the second place, I will say that Secretary Wilson has done more for the welfare of the states comprising the great plains or in other words the dry farm section of the middle west than any other one man. If it had not been for his tireless effort in searching the remotest corners of the earth for grains and plants especially adapted to withstand drought, frost, heat and high altitude, and improving on such grains and plants as he found met the requirements of the semi-arid belt, we could not have achieved the success financially, by farming the semi-arid lands, which we have attained in Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Wyoming, Montana and the Dakotas. His has made it possible for hundreds of homes to be established in the semi-arid west, by the introduction of Durum and turkey red wheat alone, and I could give the names of several other plants he has introduced which have made it possible for homes to be established in parts of the semi-arid west, where wheat is not adapted to be the main crop.

Now, Secretary Wilson has very wisely sounded a warning against eastern farmers rushing into the semi-arid west without first having studied into and made themselves conversant with dry farming conditions and methods, and while I have only been Quay county, New Mexico two months, I must say had the rush of people three years ago headed this warning. Quay county would today be a land of prosperous homes and well filled barns, instead of a

semi-deserted, semi-depopulated disgruntled, disatisfied lot of farms and farmers who farm "as father did" and are making a failure of it. Instead of following "father's way of farming they ought to get in line with the new ideas, and instead of knockers they would be boosters.

J. W. MAUSER.

Obar, N. M., Dec. 21, 1909.
Editor News:

This is not exactly a reply to Mr. Mauser, but it was suggested by his alleged defense of Secretary Wilson.

I do not see exactly that I need reply to Mr. Mauser, since he seems to have done that himself.

He starts in with a defense of Secretary Wilson and after a panegyric in praise of Wilson and Iowa, turns around and condemns "father's way of farming" the very thing that we said Wilson was in favor of.

Mr. Mauser says he is an Iowa man, and as I lived for thirty years in Iowa myself, I have a very kindly appreciation of the state and her people, and when I read the rather discourteous remarks of Mr. Mauser in regard to people from other sections of the country, I rather felt like apologizing to them.

I want to assure them that, as a rule, Iowa people are really a pretty good lot of fellows, and I would be sorry to have anybody form the opinion that they are not. As to the point that I am not well acquainted with Secretary Wilson and his work, I will only say that judging from internal evidences of immaturity in Mr. Mauser's article, he was probably wearing knee pants in the days when I had the pleasure of serving on committees with "Tama Jim," at various state associations in Iowa, and in fact had the honor of introducing as a minority report, the "Butter makers'" resolution, at Ft. Dodge, which led to the introduction of the greatest practical reform ever made in dairy education, and which the association adopted over the strenuous opposition of Mr. Wilson as stated in my first article.

The point that I do not know Mr. Wilson and his work, is clearly not well taken.

On the other hand, I know him well and have no personal feeling in the matter. We have always been good friends.

He is an able man, and has done much for agriculture, but, as I understand it, that is what a Secretary of agriculture is for. He is not only a good Secretary but also a good politician, and wants to see which way the cat is going to jump and usually manages to get there before the cat does, and swear he has been there all the time.

Occasionally however, he misleads, and the cat lands at some other place.

This was the case when he opposed the introduction of the creamery system at Hampton, Iowa and made the historic remark "Mother's way of making butter is good enough for me."

The cat didn't jump the right way. Again, his observation of the feline's intentions was in error when he fought against the "Butter makers'" resolution of the dairy people of Iowa at Ft. Dodge.

Again it was the cat!

His knowledge of cats was again at fault when he declared the Panhandle country would never be a farming country.

And he don't seem to know any more about the direction in which the Campbell cat is going to jump.

I might continue these "feline" remarks but I will refrain.

The Secretary's obligation to the Campbell method, is based on his belief that it takes nitrogen out of the soil.

Now, of course, we all agree that nitrogen is needed in the soil. But so is hydrogen (in the form of water.) Both are necessary.

Campbell's whole system of agricultural theology is based on the text "Seek ye first the Kingdom of hydrogen and all these things, (nitrogen, humus, etc.) shall be added unto you."

..The Secretary's objection to raising crops by the Campbell system of scientific or dry farming, namely, that it exhausts the soil, reminds me of an old neighbor of mine in Iowa.

He was one of those fellows who are never suited with anything.

One year the state had a bumper crop all around. Everything was good. Somebody asked Uncle John "Well what do you think of this for a year?"

"Well, yes" was Uncle John's reply. "The crops is all right, in a way, but these big crops is mighty hard on the land."

Just one word more.

Mr. Mauser speaks in very uncomplimentary terms of the conditions existing in Quay Co. But he says he has been here two months and of course, is abundantly qualified to speak advisedly.

However, it may be a little consolation to the people of New Mexico and give them a little encouragement, to know that I have never seen the times as hard in New Mexico as I have seen them in Iowa.

During the early 80's everybody got out of northern Iowa that could get out.

The sheriff was the only man that did any business, and I have seen the court house yard of rich Cerro Gordo county, so littered up with reapers, harvesters, and threshing machines, taken under execution that you could hardly get to the court house.

That was in Iowa, mind you.

L. L. KLINEFELTER

TO THE PUBLIC.

That I may not be blamed later for not calling the attention to the necessity of enlarging the cemetery, I will state that this matter should receive prompt attention right now. Our whole cemetery comprises only a little over eight acres, and deducting from this the circular lawn in the center and the roads and aisles, leaves less than six acres of grave space. Three-fourths of this space again belongs to various lodges. The city's section is gradually filling up and soon the cheapest lots will all be occupied. What there is left of them should really be set aside by the city for the use of a Potter's field, or else it will crowd in upon the more expensive lots for that purpose, and the income from sale of lots be so curtailed, that the premises cannot properly be cared for. It is not justice or proper to crowd these paupers among the graves in the choicer ground, not because they were poor or unfortunate, but because their graves will not be taken care of and soon become unsightly, and from the mere pittance for lots they cannot be kept up from this fund.

"Show me your cemetery and I will know what kind of people you have." The cemetery as a whole reflects the city, the individual grave the family. For some time I have tried to elicit the attention and assistance of leading citizens, but almost invariably I have been told to just go ahead, etc., but accomplished nothing so far, because I cannot give it much time. I have tried to get additional land within reasonable distance from town, but as I could not talk business, not knowing whether I would receive any backing at all, I had for a time at least dropped the matter. I am willing to give all aid possible, though I am no more interested in this than any other citizen and far less than those who are not members of lodges represented in the cemetery. You reader, may not be interested just now, but the time may come, an soon, when you will be most deeply interested. Right now is the time to attend to this. There are various ways to accomplish this. The best and most feasible plan would be the organizing of a cemetery association, and, if it is necessary to purchase a larger piece of ground than desired, no doubt some of the churches and various lodges not now represented in our cemetery would take over parts of this land. There is a most desirable piece of land to be had, but no price stated. Who will lend a hand?

M. H. KOCH,
Sup. Cemetery.**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

District Court, Quay County, New Mexico.
Frank W. Loucks, plaintiff,
vs. No. 654.
L. P. Gamble, W. A. Askow, L. C. Rucker, Mrs. L. C. Rucker, alias Emma O. Rucker, defendants.

The defendants above named are hereby notified that the above named plaintiff has filed a suit against you in the District Court for the County of Quay, New Mexico, in the nature of a creditor's bill, in which he seeks to have lots 12 in block 19 and 3 in block 8 of the Gamble Addition to the Town of Tucumcari, as shown on the plat thereof on file in the office of the probate Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder of Quay County, New Mexico, subject to a certain judgment which the said plaintiff did on the 16th day of April, 1908, recover against L. C. Rucker, defendant, for the sum of \$8.30 and costs amounting to \$8.60, with interest, and costs of this suit, and praying that said property be declared to be community property of the defendants L. C. Rucker and Mrs. L. C. Rucker alias Emma O. Rucker; that said judgment be declared to be a lien on said community property, and asking for the sale thereof to satisfy the debt and costs, and upon said sale being made that all of the said defendants be barred and stopped from having or claiming any title in and to said premises, and for general relief; and you are further notified that unless you enter or cause to be entered your appearance in said cause on or before the 12th day of February, A. D., 1910, decree pro confesso will be entered against you and each of you, and plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in his complaint.

Name and post office address of the plaintiff's attorney is Harry H. McElroy, Tucumcari, N. M.
Chas. P. Downs,
Clerk of said Court.
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Xmas goods will be in about Dec. 12
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If you need a cab, call 20, day or night. 34-1t.

See G. H. de Yampert if you want farm land. 4-tf.

Chatham's buses meet every train.

We want it understood by all the contestants that in the event of a tie between two or more of the candidates for any one of the gifts, each tying candidate will receive a gift equal in value to the one tied for.



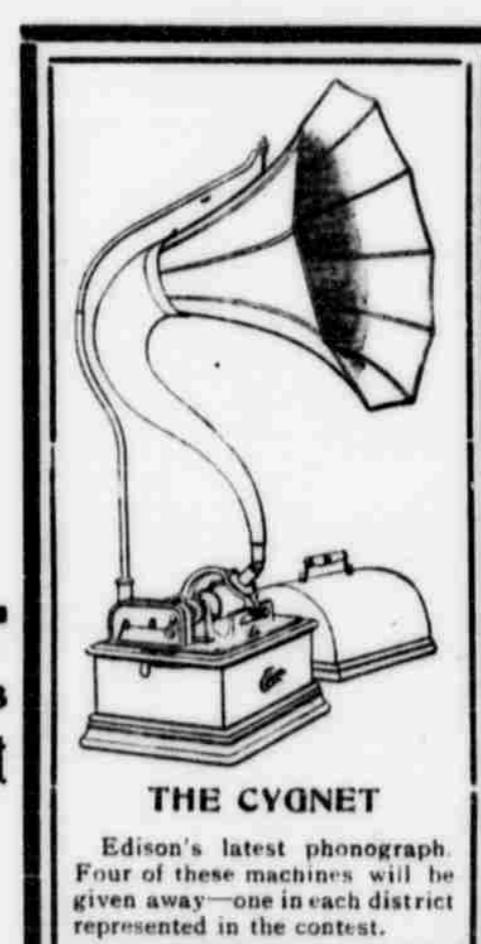
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News' Holiday Gift Contest**Closes Friday, December 24th, at 8:00 p. m.****All votes must be in our office by that time.****FIRST PRIZE**

This handsome Estey Piano to be awarded to the lady turning in the greatest number of votes.

To the Contestants

From now until the close of the Contest every candidate should be in the field early and late, working as if her life depended upon the outcome of this Contest. There should be no let-up until the clock strikes the hour of closing on the evening of December 24th. Then, and not until then, may you rest.

**THE CYGNET**

Edison's latest phonograph. Four of these machines will be given away—one in each district represented in the contest.

To the Contestants

When the last vote is counted and the winners are announced you want to be sure that your name is mentioned among them. You don't want to be an "also ran" and there is positively only one way to prevent it. There is one, and only one remedy, and that is WORK. Don't allow any of the other candidates to beat you.

Tucumcari News Holiday Gift Contest**CLOSES**

Friday, Dec. 24th
at 8:00 p. m.

**\$150. Rubber Tired Runabout**

This is the special prize to the out of town contestant turning in the greatest number of votes up to and including December 24th, providing she does not win either the piano or diamond ring.

**Time's Up Girls---Bring In Your Puzzles Wednesday**

Make a special effort, girls, and if you haven't quite finished, do so at once—and bring it to our store together with your "Five-Reasons-Why" slip Wednesday afternoon before 3:00 o'clock.

Just as soon as the judges can look them over and pick out the neatest puzzle and best "Five-Reasons-Why" we'll award the prize and announce it on December 24th, at 3:00 o'clock.

Don't forget, girls, contest closes Wednesday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock—no puzzle accepted after that time.

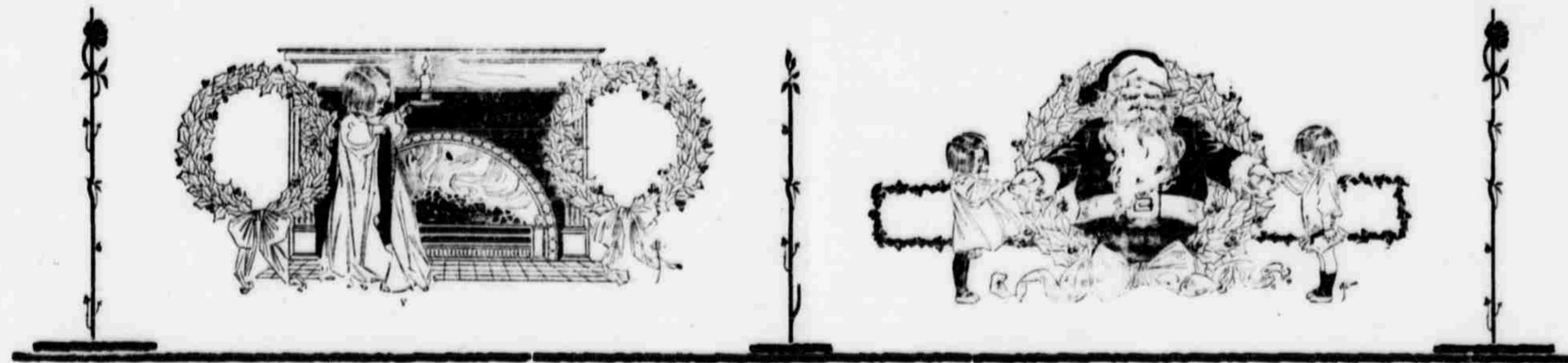
Who's the winner? That will be answered in a day or two. Do your best to make the little stove yours.

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CHRISTMAS



The time for the visit of good old Santa Claus draws near. Only a few more days and the jingle of his sleigh bells will resound throughout the land and young and old will again experience the joys of a happy Christmas. Are you ready? Next Friday when the store closes will be your last opportunity to make purchases from us. Don't wait until Xmas morning to buy, for our store positively will be closed from Friday night until Monday morning. The boss and all the clerks are going to take a holiday. Buying has been heavy the past week and next week our store will be jammed. To all who can possibly do so, we urge buying in the forenoons. You cannot get the attention during the rush hours of the afternoons that we'd like you to have, and you will find it decidedly to your advantage to take our advice in this matter.

TOYLAND

Our East room has been visited by hundreds of eager buyers during the past few days, and the little folks, as well as the big folks, have been delighted with our display of holiday gifts.

JUST RECEIVED

Another big shipment of holiday goods, consisting of Fancy China Cups and Saucers, China Cream and Sugar sets.

Tobacco Jars,
Toy Books,
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Painting Books,
Stick Horses
Cigar Cases
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Trick Mirrors
Horns and Bugles
Toy Watches
Tree Ornaments
Tree Holders
Tree Candles
Tree Candle Holders
Tinsel Garlands
Etc. Etc. Etc.

FREE DELIVERY

All next week we will make free delivery to all parts of the town. Wagon will make as many rounds during the afternoons as necessary.

For the further accommodation of our customers, we will lay aside your purchases and deliver them any afternoon you wish. You may pay for them when selection is made or pay the driver when delivered.

OPEN EVENINGS

Beginning Monday of next week our store will remain open every evening until 9 o'clock. If you cannot get down during the day, come in the evening, but

DON'T, DON'T, DON'T
Wait until the last minute to make your selections. We sell goods—we don't keep them, and stocks are melting rapidly.

Appropriate Gifts to be found here.

Umbrellas
Office Coats
Bath Robes

Men's Neckwear
Men's Suspenders
Ladies' Silk Scarfs
Child's fur sets.
Ladies' Handkerchiefs
Men's Silk Mufflers
Children's Handkerchiefs
Ladies' Cloaks
Child's Cloaks
Misses Cloaks
Men's Hats
Men's House Slippers
Ladies' House Slippers
Childrens House Slippers
Table Scarfs
Dresser Scarfs
Sideboard Scarfs
Doyleys
Lunch Cloths
Ladies' Neckwear
Collar Pins
Belt Buckles
Ladies' Hose
Ladies' Waists
Men's Suits
Boy's Suits
Men's Trousers
Fancy Bed Comforts
White and Colored Blankets
Towels
Table Linens
Smokers Sets
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Toy Banks
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Doll Buggies
Doll Beds
Tea Sets
Fancy Mirrors
Cut Glass
Shaving Mugs
China Cups and Saucers
Fancy Shades for Electric Lights
Ink Stands
Chocolate Sets
Stein Sets
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Whisk Broom-Holders
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For Xmas week we are going to make special clear-up prices on
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200 Ladies Sample White Waists. All new spring styles at less than the price of materials. Sizes 32 to 44. Prices 45c to \$3.85. Don't miss these—come now.

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TRUANT SCHOOL BOY A PROBLEM

Expulsion of Children For Misconduct, Truancy, or Other Reasons That Seem to Justify.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

(Expulsion, Compulsory Education, Reform School.)

Gentlemen—it has come to my notice in several cases that teachers have resorted to expulsion of children for misconduct, for truancy, or for other reasons that seemed to justify. Is there not in such a course of action a suggestion of weakness on the part of the teacher? The school is for the child, and an efficient teacher will control that school without reducing its numbers by expulsion. Of course, there are certain young people who should not be in the public school. The management of these people is provided for, however, in Section 10, Chapter 2, Laws of 1903, Page 169 of the Compilation of School Laws for 1909. Some teachers find it much easier to expel a child than to control him; for this reason the number of cases of expulsion increases very rapidly unless the supervision officer gives close attention to the matter. In the great majority of cases those pupils who are expelled from school are the very ones who are the most in need of the influences of the school and who can least afford to be without that influence.

Urge upon your teachers that they make every effort to have the school be of the greatest possible benefit to the greatest possible number. Remind them that every hour in school should bring profit to every pupil there and that there is a real loss to the pupil for every absence from a successful school.

In some cases the teachers follow the practice of dropping from the roll a pupil who has been absent for six successive half days. This means merely that an effort is being made to advance the percentage of attendance which is to be reported to the county superintendent at the close of each month. It is only fair that a pupil should give immediate notice to his teacher if for reason of sickness, moving out of the district, going away for a long visit, or other reason, he is to be absent from school for sometime. His name may be immediately dropped from the roll and the absences not charged against the room. Of course, it is understood that if a pupil does not have satisfactory reason for his absence, the compulsory education law should be brought to bear upon his case.

We sometimes in the administration of school affairs overlook the fact that the parents must be held responsible for the control of their children and the idea should not be permitted to gain very great strength that the con-

trol of the child is assumed by the state through the administration of the schools. If a pupil is truant let the parent pay the penalty through the enforcement of the compulsory education law. If the pupil is vicious, idle, or of vagrant habits let both the parent and the child pay the penalty through the enforcement of the law found in Section 10, Chapter 2, Laws of 1903. Let us in all cases be willing to share the responsibility of improving the growing generation in every possible way, but zealous teachers are too liable to assume the entire responsibility and relieve the parent of a charge which he should fulfill.

Allow me to call to your attention to a slight error in the Christmas Day Program. The sentence in the introductory statement reading "It is suggested that the program be given on Friday afternoon, December twenty-first" should be corrected to read "December twenty-fourth."

Yours very respectfully,

J. E. CLARK.

Territorial Superintendent Public Instruction.

Department of Education, Santa Fe, New Mexico, December 13th, 1909.

LADIES FURNISHING STORE

About the first of the year Mrs. Stan-

ley Lawson will open a ladies furnishing store in the same room occupied by the firm of Tafoya & Lawson on West Main street. Mrs. Lawson will handle a first class line of everything in ladies wear, including Millinery, ladies wraps and coats and in fact everything that a lady needs. Miss Curry who is now with C. C. Chapman as bookkeeper, and who is an experienced milliner, will be in charge of that department.

PRairie VIEW ITEMS

The recent heavy snow has put a good season in the ground and farmers are taking advantage of it by turning sod.

Henry Rude made commutation proof last week and has moved to Clovis.

A private school at Pleano is progressing nicely under the management of Mrs. Dora Corley.

Jonesville school is arranging to cele-

brate Xmas evening by giving a box supper and a Christmas tree.

R. P. Monkres and wife went to Grady Thursday on business.

Mr. R. G. Pruet moved Henry Rude to Clovis Thursday.

Rev. McNeal filled his regular ap-

pointment at Pleano.

Mr. E. S. Golston has returned to his claim.

R. G. Pruet and wife visited R. P. Monkres and wife Thursday.

Miss Fay Sumrell is taking lessons in music from Cora A. Storms.

We understand that the two cattle-

men, Bond and Brocana have sold to Mr. Bally's one of whom is a preacher.

We are glad to have good people settle among us.

If you need a cab, call 35, day or night.

34-11

DON'T BLAME THE POSTMASTER

Box Rents Whose Receipts are More Than Ten Thousand and Pushed Up a Little.

TO CURE A DEFICIT

Two years ago the post office department made a new ruling regulating the price of box rents on a graduated scale according to the gross receipts of the office to equalize the price all over the country.

The rates the public have been paying here were for offices with gross receipts over five and under ten thousand dollars per year. Now the gross receipts have climbed beyond the ten thousand dollar mark and the price which will be in force commencing Jan. 1, viz 60¢ for small boxes, 75¢ for medium and \$1.00 for the drawer, come under the list of offices having gross receipts over ten thousand and under forty.

Many are under the impression that the post master has the regulating of the price of box rents and the amount collected. Fourth class offices only have the box rents, all others have to turn it in to Uncle Sam—so do not blame the post master for the increase.

A. H. CARTER.

JUSTICE PATTERSON'S COURT

Territory vs Noah Labadie: Charge, flourishing and shooting deadly weapon. Defendant plead guilty, waved examination, was fined fifty dollars and costs and sentenced to jail for ten days.

Jay Evans: Charge, larceny of a burro from Juan Martinez. Found guilty, fined ten dollars, and ten days in the bastile. L. E. Lange attorney for the defendant gave notice of appeal. The territory was represented by J. D. Cutlip.

BOX SUPPER AT MESA RODONDA

The citizens of the Mesa Rodonda vicinity will give a box supper at the school house tonight, December 18th.

Some weeks ago they had a supper at the same place from which they realized about thirty-five dollars, and this second one is being given to raise funds sufficient to procure seats for the building. The purpose is certainly a laudable one and it is hoped that this effort will be well patronized and that enough will be realized to enable these good people to seat the school house and make it comfortable.

Everybody is invited to come and bring a well filled box and their wives and sweethearts, have a good time and assist a worthy cause.

Mr. and Mrs. Shipley of this city, are rejoicing over the arrival of the Stork last week bringing a fine little baby.

AN OBJECT LESSON

Here is an editorial from the Enid, Oklahoma, Eagle, which may be of much value to the statesmen of this territory when one hundred of them shall meet in convention at Santa Fe, to frame a constitution for the state of New Mexico:

There is a very important distinction between the attitude of the republican party, as represented in recent utterances of President Taft, toward railroad mergers and the deplorable mistake of the democrats of Oklahoma in handling the same subject. President Taft says that mergers of railroads should be prohibited whenever the merger is for the purpose of forming a trust that will raise freight rates or will place the part of the country traversed at the mercy of the combination proposed to be formed, but that the purchase of one railroad line by another should not be prohibited when it is apparent that such purchase would mean a better arrangement for the public and a more economical one for the railroads. In Oklahoma our constitution disastrously to our industrial life, makes it utterly impossible for one railroad to buy the smallest branch of another, no matter how great might be the benefits to be derived from such a change. This mistake has resulted in the paralysis of railroad building in the state and has held back development of every important city in Oklahoma. It is not desired to make a political issue of the question of the repeal of the clause in the constitution which is responsible for this condition, but until more democratic leaders come out, as a few of them already have, in support of the repeal of that clause it is but fair to point out the difference in party attitude toward the question of mergers and to show that there is no truth in the plea made by a few narrow minded individuals that it is proposed by republicans to turn the railroads loose to form trusts and combinations to oppress the people. President Taft says the question as to whether one road should be allowed to consolidate with another road is one for the interstate commission to decide. What body is better fitted to decide such a question than that? And would it not be well for Oklahoma if the roads could take their cases before that non-partisan body and get their answer instead of being absolutely prohibited from building new lines or extending old ones!—Albuquerque Journal.

K. of P. Lodge No. 1172, Tucumcari, N. M. Meets Second and Fourth Wednesdays in each month. Special meeting every other Wednesday night. Visiting Elks invited.

ROYAL PRENTICE, Exalted Ruler.

T. L. WELCH, Secretary.

Tucumcari Lodge No. 27 A. F. and A. M. meets first and third Monday evenings of each month at the new Masonic hall.

E. F. SAXON, W. M. H. D. NICHOLS, Secretary.

Tucumcari Lodge No. 18, I. O. O. F. meets every Thursday evening at the new Masonic hall.

S. M. WHARTON, N. G. R. C. SUMMERY, Secretary.

Tucumcari Lodge No. 29, K. of P. meets every Wednesday evening at the new Masonic hall.

H. H. McELROY, C. C. M. B. GOLDENBERG, K. of R. and S.

Tucumcari Camp No. 15, W. O. W. meets second and fourth Monday evenings of each month at the new Masonic hall.

S. H. NEAFUS, C. G. F. M. S. SALIERS, Clerk.

Ruth Rebekah Lodge No. 4, meets first and third Tuesday evenings of each month at the new Masonic hall.

MRS. C. B. PARCHMAN, W. M. MRS. L. E. SHERWOOD, Sec.

Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, meets first and third Saturday afternoons, and second and fourth Saturday evenings at the old bank building.

E. COLDWELL, Master.

CLAUDE DUVAL, Secretary.

Brotherhood of Railway Carmen of America, meets every first and third Friday evenings at 8:00 o'clock at the old bank building.

M. B. McDONALD, Chief Carmen.

A. M. FENNEL, Secretary.

Carpenters and Joiners Union No. 675, meets in new Masonic hall every first and third Friday nights.

PAUL JACKSON, President.

M. E. PARISH, Secretary.

Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers No. 748, meets in the old bank building every Monday in each month.

J. R. McALPINE, Chief Eng'.

Brotherhood of Firemen, meets the last Tuesday night in each month.

Meeting for practice the last Monday night in each month.

J. R. DAUGHRITY, Chief.

Bethel Chapter No. 15, Order of the Eastern Star, meets at the new Masonic hall every second and fourth Tuesday evenings of each month.

CHARLES J. DONOHOO, W. M.

ALICE E. KOCH, Secretary.

Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers No. 605, meets in the old bank building every Tuesday in the month at 2:00 P. M.

D. G. HINDS, Master.

R. A. WINGROVE, Secretary.

Order Railway Conductors, No. 537, meets at the new Masonic hall every Sunday evening at 7:30 P. M.

C. M. PARSON, Sec. and Treas.

Fresh line of all kinds of canned fruits, and dried fruits. Just unloaded at Smith's Grocery.

10-12

ABOUT VACATION SALARIES.

Superintendent A. B. Stroup of the Bernalillo county schools has received a copy of the following circular letter sent to superintendents by Territorial Superintendent Clark of Santa Fe:

Gentlemen: On account of the fact that there is a great deal of misunderstanding concerning vacation salaries I would ask you to read very carefully section 26, chapter 97, laws of 1907, found on page 215 of the compilation of school laws for 1909, and note that this chapter was amended by section 10, chapter 121, of the laws of 1909. On careful reading you will note that:

First, the holder of a permit or third grade certificate may not receive a salary in excess of \$50 per month.

Second, the holder of a second grade certificate may not receive a salary in excess of \$75 per month.

Third, there is no limit placed upon the salary that may be paid a holder of a first grade certificate or any higher form of teachers' license.

Fourth, that a holder of a permit may receive back pay in excess of \$50 per month, provided he secures a regular teachers' license at some time during the term for which he is engaged.

Fifth, that a teacher is entitled to full pay for a period not to exceed one month during which school may be closed for reasons specified.

Sixth, that the original provision of the law of 1907 giving a teacher the regular salary during the holiday vacation for a period not to exceed fifteen days has been repealed.

It is the last item in the foregoing that has been misunderstood in particular. Some teachers are of the opinion that they are to receive pay for the holiday vacation.

The length of the holiday vacation is fixed by the board of school directors and it may be made one day or one month, whatever the board may decide.

Holders of third grade certificates who advance their licenses during the term for which they are elected may not legally receive back salary in excess of \$50 but they may receive advanced salary from the date of issue of the advanced grade of license. This is true also of holders of second grade licenses.

The matter of payment for certain holidays and the matter of making up certain days lost during the term is wholly a local one which the board of directors and the teacher together with the county superintendent should decide.

Yours very respectfully,

J. E. CLARK.

Territorial Superintendent Public Instruction.

N. M., December 3, 1909.

Owner of Lot 2, B. S. McGee please address Box 51, Tucumcari.

2-1-p.

J. R. Daughtry sells Real Estate in New Mexico.

2-12

Full line of Xmas goods at the Elk Drug Store.

10-21

All kinds of city property for sale by C. H. de Yampert.

4-12

If that policy is about to expire, see Lee Sherwood, he represents two of the strongest companies in the world.

7-12

Domestic and Imported Cigars

Famous Robert Burns Cigars

The Legal Tender Bar

Heim's Special—bottle and draught. Old Log Cabin Whiskey, bottled in bond, nine years old. Quaker Maid, Crystal Brook.

ON THE CORNER, MAIN and SECOND STS.

ELK DRUG STORE

Some Useful and Valuable Presents Found Here

Gillette Razors

Toilet Sets

Eastman Kodaks

Candy

Cut Glass

Hand Painted China

Merschaum Pipes, Briar Pipes, Cigars

SALVAGE SALE

The entire stock of the Famous, formerly owned by Perlstein Bros., has been bought by the Consolidated Salvage Co., of Chicago. Instead of moving this enormous stock to our northern sales rooms we have decided to dispose of it on the premises.

Sale Starts Saturday, Dec. 18 AND CONTINUES FIFTEEN DAYS

This complete stock of merchandise consisting of women's and men's furnishings, dry goods, shoes, clothing, ready-to-wear garments, Millinery, Notions, etc., has been purchased at a ridiculously low price and will be offered to the public at

Less Than 50c on the Dollar

While the stock is now complete, the prices at which these goods have been marked will insure their quick disposal, so take advantage of the prices quoted and make your purchases at once.

A Few of the Bargain Offerings:

THE CONSOLIDATED SALVAGE CO.

PURCHASERS OF THE FAMOUS STOCK

Patty's Saloon

SIMPSON BUILDING, EAST MAIN STREET

Leading Brands of Double Stamped Whiskies
Jug and Bottle Trade a Specialty.

POOL ROOM IN CONNECTION
Telephone 193

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO Office of the Secretary, Certificate of Comparison

I, Nathan Jaffa, Secretary of the Territory of New Mexico, do hereby certify that there was filed for record in this office at Ten o'clock A. M. on the fourth day of November, A. D. 1909; Articles of Incorporation of Tucumcari Steam Laundry Company, No. 6179, and also that I have compared the following copy of same, with the original thereof now on file, and declare it to be a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole thereof.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the Territory of New Mexico, at the City of Santa Fe, the Capital, on this, Fourth day of November, A. D. 1909.

NATHAN JAFFA,
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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION of the

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Article I.

The name of said corporation is "Tucumcari Steam Laundry Company."

Article II.

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Article III.

The objects for which this corporation is established are, to engage in a general steam laundry business, to acquire, purchase, hold, operate, lease, build and contract, and maintain for the purpose of the company, a steam laundry plant, buildings, machinery and equipment necessary for the operation and maintenance of same, and to purchase, lease, hold and improve, mortgage and convey, land and real estate necessary for the purpose of said company; to purchase, hold and re-issue the shares of the capital stock of this company; to enter into, make purchase and carry out contracts for any lawful purpose or purposes of said company.

Article IV.

The total authorized capital stock of the company is Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00), divided into 120 shares of the par value of One Hundred Dollars per share.

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The period of existence of this corporation is limited to Fifty Years.

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Territory of New Mexico,)

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(SEAL) HARRY H. McELROY,
Notary Public, Quay County, N. M.

My Commission expires May 13th, 1912.

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Compared C. F. K. to O.

Territory of New Mexico,)

) ss.

County of Quay.)

I hereby certify that this instrument was filed for record on the fifth day of November, A. D. 1909 at 3:30 o'clock P. M., and was duly recorded in Book 3, of Miscellaneous, page 824 on this day of November, A. D. 1909.

Witness my hand and seal of office R. P. Donchoo, Clerk of the Probate Court and Ex-Officio Recorder. (Seal) 11-9-9t.

Better see Lee Sherwood about that Fire and Tornado Insurance. 7-tf.

NOTICE OF MASTER'S SALE

In the District Court of the Sixth Judicial District of the Territory of New Mexico, for the County of Quay.

D. A. Belmore, Jr., plaintiff,)
v.) No. 581
A. A. Blankenship, Belle)
Blankenship and D. T. Blan-)
kenship, defendants.)

Pursuant to judgment and decree of the above styled court in the above styled and numbered cause, made and entered on the 2nd day of November, A. D. 1909, whereby it was ordered and decreed that the plaintiff recover of and against the defendants A. A. Blankenship and Belle Blankenship the sum of \$7810.87, and the costs of this action, and for the foreclosure and sale of the real estate and property hereinafter described, and that the proceeds of said sale be applied to the satisfaction thereof.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the Territory of New Mexico, at the City of Santa Fe, the Capital, on this, Fourth day of November, A. D. 1909.

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WHY? Because we have the kinds of gifts that please the buyers; because we treat our customers fairly; because we sell good merchandise only.

EXTRA SPECIALS FROM NOW TILL CHRISTMAS.

Ladies' Tailor Made Suits

Monday's express brought us 20 tailor made suits. 9 of these are sold, the rest will be sold from \$13.50 to \$20.00, the regular value is from \$22.00 to \$30.00.

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Cheaper grades in proportion.

20 per cent discount on all boys and childrens clothing.

An advance shipment of 1910 Men's hats has just arrived. New colors, new shapes—
MOST STYLES \$3.00.

The Christmas rush is on. We have engaged extra salespeople to wait on you. Our store will be open till 9 every evening after payday till Christmas. Our stock is yet complete, so come now before everything is picked over, come now while you have the pick of the best selected stock between Hutchinson, Kansas and El Paso, Texas.

Genuine Imported Mexican Drawn Work, not the Imitation kind..... 5c to \$7.00

Ladies' and Childrens Furs, in separate pieces or sets.....	65c to \$20.00
Ladies' Automobile Mufflers.....	48c to \$3.50
Ladies' Fancy Toilet sets.....	69c to \$5.00
Ladies' Kid Gloves.....	\$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50
Ladies' Back and Side Combs.....	10c to \$3.00
Gentlemen's Neckwear.....	25c to 75c
Gentlemen's Kid Gloves.....	65c to \$2.00
Gentlemen's Handkerchiefs.....	15c to \$1.00
Gentlemen's Mufflers.....	48c to \$2.50
Gentlemen's Smoking Jackets.....	\$5.00 to \$7.50
Gentlemen's Bathrobes.....	\$4.50 to \$6.00
Gentlemen's Christmas Suspenders.....	50c to \$1.50

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STARS AND STRIPES MUTILATED

Flag Raised In Monterey In Honor of American Visitors.

GUILTY MAN JAILED

It is evident that there is some feeling in Mexico against the United States because of our attitude in Nicaragua, there is little doubt, as was the case during the Spanish-American war. A Mexican in a drunken state and with a number of associates tore up an American flag used in the decorations on Zaragoza plaza, which had been placed there in honor of a visiting delegation from Del Rio Texas. It is not known whether the party was arrested for mutilating the American flag or because he tore down the decorations, but he was promptly jailed.

SAN JON VALLEY PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

The little city of San Jon has organized what they have styled the San Jon Valley Progressive Association for the purpose of keeping before the public the advantages of that section, as well as to encourage the location of any enterprise that will be a benefit to the growing town. One of the first things considered by them after organization was the grading of a better road on the approach leading from San Jon to the plains, a large area of country that will probably trade at San Jon if there is a good road over which to travel and market their produce. The question was quickly settled, a foreman chosen and as we go to press the road is being graded. This speaks well for the young

organization, and it looks as if it was composed of that class of humanity that "does things." The News takes off its hat to the San Jon "Boosters" and wishes them success.

C. H. Chenault, tax collector of Quay county, N. M., spent a few days in the city the latter part of last week. His business was a meeting with some parties from Kentucky, to whom he sold a half interest in the Heman Addition to the city of Tucumcari. This sale was transacted for a handsome price. This shows that Dalhart and Tucumcari as well as all other towns in this section of the country are attracting the attention of eastern speculators.—Evening News.

The Heman property is west of the city and north of the Southwestern track and is a valuable piece of ground. If a viaduct should be built any time soon this is going to be choice residence property, and the News understands that it is the intention of the railway company to get at this improvement at an early date. It is going to be a great boost to the city when it is done. The Heman property was purchased some time since by G. W. Evans, Jr., of the Evans Realty Co. and Mr. Chenault, his brother in law, presumably has made the deal for Mr. Evans who was in Kansas City at the time.

GRADY BANK RESUMES BUSINESS

Some little uneasiness was felt by patrons of the Grady Bank and Trust Company last week, on its doors remaining closed for several days. C. L. Maia, the cashier, being absent, and A. A. Maxwell, of Clovis and "father" of the Bank, being away in Texas. A. D. Dietz of Harper, Kansas, came down to take charge and the territorial bank



GOING SOME

42 piece decorated Dinner Sets, formerly \$8.00, while they last for holidays, \$4.25 per set.

Fish Food, Water Cress, Castles, and Globes.

Mail Orders filled promptly by express.

PALM LEAF PARLOR

Rhodes & Company

Tucumcari, New Mexico

Inspector took Auditor H. C. Schulz out last Friday to check up the books. Mr. Schulz returned Monday and reports having found the bank in excellent condition, with no occasion for alarm, and that stockholders had re-opened the bank with stronger capital than before. This is good news not only to Grady people, but the whole of this part of New Mexico which would have been affected more or less by the closing of the bank.—Melrose Enterprise.

DISTRICT DEPUTY VISITS ELKS

J. P. Hinkle of Roswell, N. M., district deputy Grand Ruler of the B. P. O. E. for the territory of New Mexico was a visitor, and guest of Tucumcari Lodge on Wednesday last. During the day a number of the members of the local Lodge met Mr. Hinkle at his rooms at the Cover Hotel, and he was banqueted at supper at the Rock Island Hotel. He attended the meeting of the Lodge in an official capacity, and delivered a most interesting address on the history and teachings of the order. During the evening three candidates were given the mysteries of the order, and Mr. Hinkle complimented the team of the lodge on the manner in which the degree was conferred and said that while this was the youngest lodge in the territory he was frank to say that he did not expect any lodge in the Territory to be able to make a better report in every way than Tucumcari.

After the degrees were conferred lunch was served and during the evening every member present had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Hinkle.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS

If the readers of this issue of the News will look carefully over the columns of advertisements, they will see where to go for the things they are going to buy. Nearly every business house in the city has an ad in this issue calling attention to their wares, and in many cases they give the prices of the articles they have on sale. This should be quite a help to the shoppers during the few days that remain in which to make their selections. We do

not hesitate to say that the merchants of this city are as progressive and up-to-date in their methods as those of any city of twenty thousand population, and this year they have brought their trade as well selected merchandise as can be found in the Territory.

Not only are the merchants accommo-

dating and progressive, but their corps

of sales-people are obliging, courteous,

and attentive to the wants of the buyer,

and it is a fact that it is no trouble to show goods." Next Saturday will be Xmas day. The banks will close, the Post Office will observe a part of the day at least as a holiday; and in order that the tired and worn out sales-people may have a rest on that day, the Christmas shoppers should make

Smith's Grocery

Up-to-date and fully equipped with the best line of Groceries for the holiday trade that can be found in the city. The quality and variety cannot be excelled. We have made it a special point to try to prepare for your wants during the holidays. We welcome you and assure the kindest and best of treatment.

East Main St.

Phone 119

their purchases as soon as possible and not put off getting what they want until Friday night or Saturday.

Silvano Basa and family were in town Tuesday from Endee en route to Las Vegas, where they will spend the holidays.

Try Sheppard's Meat Market for choice cuts of meat.

Something will surely be doing shortly in Real Estate, says Evans of the Evans Realty Company.

When you buy a lot of handsome new goods at Christmas time, don't forget to insure them with Hamilton Insurance Agency.

A boom in real estate is about on. Don't forget to insure the house. Hamilton Insurance Agency.

R. L. Patterson, "What have I done for my church?"

R. A. Dodson, "The joy of giving."

S. H. Neafus, "Why the financial plan of our church is not a success."

M. Stark, "How to make the financial plan a success."

W. H. Brymer, "Why we should attend all of the services of the church."

Our Tenth Christmas in Tucumcari

Lively Christmas shopping

in our store these days. The folks who like to do their gift buying early are coming here to make their selections before the last-minute rush and hurry begins. Our display of holiday good was never so attractive as it is this season. Every department provides ample opportunity for selecting gifts that will please from a stock that represents thoroughly reliable quality at the lowest possible cost.

We are headquarters for

fine leather goods, elegant hand bags, Libbys brilliant cut glass, manicuring sets, baby sets, shaving sets, Gillette safety razors, travelers cases, combs and brushes, NAVAJO BLANKETS, INDIAN CURIOS, DRAWN WORK, beauty national heaters, proclaim dinner sets, pocket knives, scissors, shaving sets, water sets, decorated lamps, knives, forks and spoons, rugs, carving sets, pictures, lace curtains, portieres, bed spreads, table linen.

Specials For This Week

15 per cent off on ladies and childrens coats and jackets. Men's sweaters and sweater coats at strictly cost. Just received a handsome line of men's neckwear in all the latest styles.

Headquarters For

Peters, Dorothy Dodd and the celebrated Edwin Clapp bench-made shoes.

The M. B. Goldenberg Co.

Every lady visiting our store this week will be presented with a handsome souvenir