

EL CENTRO

TIME TABLE

Holton-Interurban Railway Company

WEST BOUND
No. 1. Leave Holtville 7:30 a. m. daily except Sunday
No. 3. Leave El Centro 1:30 p. m. daily including Sunday

EAST BOUND
No. 2. Leave El Centro 9:00 a. m. daily except Sunday
No. 4. Leave El Centro 3:00 p. m. daily including Sunday

Fireworks at El Centro Department store.

Ice cream freezers at El Centro Department store.

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N. A. Ross arrived last Tuesday evening on a visit to his various ranches in the Valley and will spend a week or more looking after his business.

If you want to take home a few loaves of bread we keep it; none better. Also we can supply you with meat as we are nicely fixed in our new quarters now. You can see the sign, just back of Franklin hotel.

On his trip to the Valley this week Mr. N. A. Ross is accompanied by his brother, who has but lately come to California from Kentucky. As this is his first trip to the Valley he is much interested in all he sees.

Two work trains passed through Thursday and back Friday. They were called to Calexico to save the railroad property. They found people worse scared than hurt, so returned to Salton where there really is something to do.

We learn that the Imperial creamery is now getting cream enough to churn every other day. We hope they will soon be running full time for the owners of this plant have treated the farmers right and are entitled to what business they can handle.

Open for business and come to stay. Will buy or sell whiskers; hair trimming a specialty; hair tonic to make your hair grow; scientific shampoo; fresh baths always on tap; electric fan like an ocean breeze at the El Centro Barber Shop. W. E. Downing, Prop.

Peterson and his bricklayers were in Holtville several days during the past week, putting in a vault for the new bank which will soon be opened there by Mr. W. F. Holt. Holtville is improving rapidly and will soon become one of the best business towns of the valley.

Superintendent Platt, Roadmaster Tangney and the Assistant Superintendent and Resident Engineer of the Southern Pacific, were in El Centro Friday morning, inspecting the company's property. In reply to our enquiry they stated the El Centro depot and cattle pens were next on the list and would be built right away.

Attorney J. H. McClanahan was an El Centro visitor last Wednesday. He was showing his friend, Mr. E. L. Phelps, of Blackwell, Oklahoma, around the Valley and of course brought him to its most thriving town. Mr. Phelps is very much pleased with the Valley and especially with El Centro and the cantaloupe industry and is thinking of investing in property in this vicinity.

J. M. Wilson and wife of San Francisco are recent arrivals in El Centro. Mr. Wilson was a prosperous contracting painter and decorator in the northern City and dealt in such goods as his trade demanded but the earthquake and fire destroyed his property and the insurance companies have not yet paid his losses. He is therefore working at his trade and finds plenty to do here in El Centro. Both he and Mrs. Wilson are well pleased with El Centro and we hope to have them as permanent residents in our thriving town.

Men's White Duck Pants at El Centro Department store.

Miss Daisy Mead of Holtville is visiting with her sister, Mrs. D. D. Pellet this week.

Ed. E. Boyd realty company says they have land and water stock for sale for \$14.00 per acre on the Eastside.

The semi-annual sale of water stock for delinquent assessment by Imperial Water company No. 1 will take place at the Water company's office in Imperial, to-day. There will also be held an adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors and this meeting will take the place of the regular meeting for July which would fall on the 4th.

Superintendent Cooper has all his carpenters working on the bank and Opera House buildings and is making a big showing. The framing is all up for the upper story and roof in the bank block, and the framing and floor joists for both floors in the Opera House are in place. The timbers for the Opera House roof are being framed and gotten in readiness for putting up as soon as the walls are complete. The cool weather of the past week has been of great advantage in forwarding this work as the men could work with so much more comfort.

L. E. Cooley was a Calexico visitor on Friday. He went down to see what the river was doing and reports the work of turning the channel to the west and away from Calexico and Mexicali as progressing rapidly, the people generally feeling that all danger of being washed away was passed.

Quite a party of El Centro people visited Calexico on Thursday last. We noted S. T. Richardson, of the Valley Mercantile Co.; Ira Aten, W. E. Downing and L. E. Cooley in the party. The work of the water there is quite interesting.

Ed. Downing, our genial barber, met with a serious and very painful accident last Friday afternoon. He was regulating the electric fan with which he cools his customers and by some means his thumb got within the stroke of the rapidly revolving machine. The thumb was severely cut and lacerated and Mr. Downing will be unable to serve his patrons for some time. He will get a barber at once, so his trade will be served just the same.

Imperial Items

From our Regular Correspondent

Elmer Peck has returned from Los Angeles.

Dr. Holtzman is a Los Angeles visitor this week.

Mr. Palmer lost a valuable mare one day last week.

Mrs. Fairbanks has gone to the mountains to spend the summer.

Dr. Creal went to Calexico, Wednesday, to view the ravages of the river.

A carload of ice has arrived for the new Imperial ice cold storage company.

Mr. Kelly has bought the grapes off Mr. Panek's place and is packing and shipping.

Mr. Loffer's youngest daughter has been taken out of the Valley for medical treatment.

Mrs. Bert Chaplin has gone to Colton where she will be joined in a few days by Bert for their summer outing.

Rev. Tout and family have gone out for the summer. The condition of their little boy's health hurried them off sooner than they expected.

Miss Thomas entertained her Sunday School class Wednesday evening. The young people enjoyed themselves with games until ten o'clock, after which an elegant luncheon was served, consisting of sandwiches, cheese, pickles, iced tea with lemon, strawberries and cake. Those present were: Misses Mary Mack, Gertrude and Mary Fell, George Harris, Hugh Mack, George Allen and Amos Fell.

Silsbee Sayings

From our Regular Correspondent.

C. D. Humphrey, of Riverside, was visiting J. R. Havens and family last week.

We are all glad to hear that Bert Irwin, our popular zanjero, is recovering from a severe attack of sickness.

A few days ago the residence of A. N. Jones was washed away. Mr. Jones' place joins the townsite on the south.

The race track has been kept pretty warm for the last two weeks training for the races at Imperial, July 4th.

Last Tuesday Scottie Russell, of Calexico, was here taking views of the new Colorado river west and northwest of town.

Frank Webb was with us for a few days last week, returning to his mountain stock ranch with some stock, via the Brawley cable.

The majority of the Silsbees are going to celebrate the 4th at Imperial. P. J. Storms expects to run a tally-ho. First carriage leaves Silsbee 9 a. m.; round trip \$1.

Henry Whitaker and wife and Mrs. Wilkins went out last week. They will stop at Coronado Tent City during the hot weather.

The Hussey Bros. are busy threshing their crop off of 60 acres. They expect to get 1500 sacks of wheat and barley. Last year they got their crop to market by boating across the slough running north from Blue Lake. They can haul out with wagons now, as the water is all gone.

Price and Imagination.

Housewives are apt to judge the quality of groceries by the price paid for them. As an illustration of this a grocer tells the following story: "I had two qualities of flour—one fine and the other poor. One day I accidentally sold one for the other. My customers, who paid a high price for the poor quality, said that it had given entire satisfaction, while those who had received the fine flour for a low price complained of it, and a few returned it as unfit for use."

Affection.

Talk not of wasted affection! Affection never was wasted. If it enriches not the heart of another, its waters, returning back to their springs like the rain, shall fill them full of refreshing; that which the fountain sends forth returns again to the fountain.—Longfellow.

His Ancestors.

Jones—So you have succeeded in tracing back my ancestors? What is your fee? Genealogist—One thousand pounds, for keeping quiet about them.—London Tit-Bits.

It Hurt.

"Pa whaled me with a board. Then he said it hurt him worse'n it hurt me." "And do you think it did?" "I expect so. He got a big splinter in his thumb."

Heroes in history seem to us poetic because they are there. But if we should tell the simple truth of some of our neighbors it would sound like poetry.—G. W. Curtis

Sorrow of It.

Husband (during the spat)—Anyway, I'm not afraid to say what I think. Wife—No, I suppose not, but you ought to be ashamed to.—Detroit Tribune.

A Sentiment and an Autograph.

A certain young lady, so the story runs, wrote to F. Marion Crawford, the novelist, requesting that he send her a bit of sentiment and his autograph. The reply was:

Dear Miss A.—When you request a favor that is of interest only to yourself, please inclose a two cent stamp. There's your sentiment, and here's your autograph. F. MARION CRAWFORD.—Collier's Weekly.

A Simple Precaution.

Landlady (of country inn on the eve of a popular holiday to her daughter, who is kneading the dough for a cake)—Resel, you'd better put a couple of eggs and a bit of butter into the cake. It looks as if we were going to have a storm, and if the townfolk don't stir out tomorrow we shall have to eat it ourselves.—From the German.

Language.

Language is a solemn thing. It grows out of life—out of its agonies and ecstasies, its wants and its weariness. Every language is a temple in which the soul of those who speak it is enshrined.—O. W. Holmes.

Feminine Finesse.

Duffer—My wife got a fiver out of me today with one happy remark. Puffer—Let's have it. Duffer—She told our boy Willie that she was his nearest relative, but that I was his closest.—Indianapolis Star.

Every day is a new life, every sunrise but a new birth.—Jordon.

A SILLY TOY.

The Way the Toothbrush Was at First Regarded.

Colonial diaries and letters make it plain that our unfortunate ancestors suffered much from jumping toothaches, swelled faces and the early loss or forcible extraction of teeth which at a later period might have been saved to render their owners many years of further service. No wonder, since the care of the teeth was little understood and that little often but negligently practiced.

Toothpicks were known; the toothbrush was not, although rough substitutes were employed, made of flattened sticks, split and pounded at one end to a stiff, fibrous fringe. Toothbrushes when first introduced were regarded as by no means important accessories to the toilet, but rather as minor luxuries and suitable for women only.

The diary of a London merchant trading to the colonies has this entry: "Bought a Toothbrush for my wife, which, used together with salte water, very strong, and a wasshe of Herbs, she is told will keep her Teethe from falling out or getting hollowe. The salte and Herbes may well prove strengthening to her Gummee, wch are tender, but for the brush it seemes but a silly Toy, hardly like to ware the worth of its price and scarce cleanly save when new. But she must have it, being a new thing late from France."

In the famous collection of the letters of the Verney family, as well, the toothbrush is referred to as "an elegant trifle, now used by the ladies of Paris."

But when Sally Annis, a colonial belle, wrote of it to her sister she had, like the London merchant's wife, good hopes of its proving of more than trifling value. Her seafaring father had just brought her one, along with other gifts.

"Besides these, and ye smalle combe, he brt. me a new mouth-brush made of evyory," she wrote, "the back parte inlayed very pretty with silver; and ye bristles long and stiffe and sett very firme: wch he is assured will help me of my Tooth Akes: wch. you will guess deer Judy I do pray it may."—Youth's Companion.

FOR THE HOUSEWIFE.

Melted butter will not make a good cake.

Veal should be white, dry and close grained.

The colder eggs are the quicker they will froth.

To make good pastry the ingredients must be ice cold.

Nutmegs should be grated at the blossom end first.

A brush dipped in salt water should be used in cleaning bamboo furniture.

Good macaroni is of a yellowish tint, does not break readily in cooking and swells to two or three times its bulk.

A simple and very efficient disinfectant to pour down a sink is a small quantity of charcoal mixed with water.

Warm bread and cake should be cut with a knife the blade of which has been heated by standing it in boiling water.

Mica Mining.

Mica mining is one of the greatest industries in North Carolina. Mica is found in all sorts of blocks of various thicknesses and shapes and can be split and resplit almost ad infinitum or until it becomes the thin, flexible wafer of commerce. The material is by nature imbedded or scattered through the feldspar in masses large or small, close together or far apart, and is blasted from the rocks by means of dynamite, the purer veins being found between walls of slate. From the mines it is taken to the shops, where it is split into thin sheets, trimmed into regular forms and made ready for the market, the price varying with the size and color of the sheets. The average size is about 4 by 6, though rare sheets of 24 by 18 inches are sometimes found.

Napoleon's Bad Handwriting.

M. Houssaye attributes the middle over orders at Waterloo to Napoleon's execrable handwriting. This was the opinion of the writing master of Alexandre Dumas: "The emperor never lost a battle except by his bad writing. His officers could never make out what he meant. Remember this, Alexandre, and make your down strokes heavy and your up strokes light." Grouchy declares that during the battle of Waterloo he could not make out whether Napoleon wrote "bataille gagnee" or "bataille engagee," and he conjecturally read "battle gained."—Andrew Lang in London Post.

The Freaks of Fate.

Here is a unique memorial notice from a Georgia exchange:

"Once he was nearly swallowed by an earthquake and shortly afterward was blown nearly a quarter of a mile by a hurricane, but he triumphed over all these afflictions, only to be kicked out of life by a mule that had a mortgage on it and was blind in one eye."—Atlanta Constitution.

Salton Sea Ga.e Taken at Salton, Cal.

Day	March	April	May	June	July
1		28.31		42.75	
2	25.60			43.35	
3		28.72			
4			29.11		
5	25.85				
6					
7	25.93		29.53		
8	25.98		29.72		
9					
10	26.04		30.16		
11					
12	26.00		30.54	36.41	
13	26.18		30.87		
14			31.10	36.91	
15			31.32	37.20	
16					
17	26.32		31.71	37.51	
18	26.38			37.80	51.85
19	26.44		32.02	38.02	52.02
20			32.18	38.36	52.78
21	26.55		32.29		53.05
22				38.92	53.23
23	26.85				53.50
24	27.02			39.50	
25	27.13		33.01	39.82	
26				40.03	
27	27.58		33.32	40.75	
28	27.69			41.27	
29				41.55	
30	28.18			41.83	
31				42.50	

Classified Liners

Liners under this heading will be inserted for 5 cents a line each insertion.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—A fine quarter section of fine, soft, sandy land, two miles from El Centro; especially adapted to cantaloupes, malaga grapes, onions and early vegetables. Forty acres leveled, ditched and ready for crops. Enquire at this office or address B, care Press office, El Centro, Cal. j-23-j-14

FOR SALE—A fine registered Poland-China Boar. j16 Geo. D. Abrams, Heber.

FOR SALE—Fresh, gentle family cows. Apply to A. S. Fell, 4 miles northeast of El Centro. may-19tt

I have an order for 160 shares of water stock that can be located in either of the water companies No. 1, No. 5 or No. 6; will divide to suit purchaser in forties or eighties; \$13.50 per share; all cash. Write or see F. H. Stanley, Brawley, Cal. n 4tt

FOR SALE—A steam engine, 14 horsepower with 150 feet belt. Inquire at this office.

WILDS—of wild turkeys (acclimated). Address only G. G. G. Brawley, Cal. apr-7-tf

FOR RENT

Office for rent in the Garner building. Apply to I. L. Wilson. oct 21 tt

For Rent: All of Sec. 36, T 14 S, R 13 E, S. B. M. for five years on very easy terms. Address, J. J. CHAPPELL, 1534 Sutter St., San Francisco.

WANTED—To Trade 80 acres of land with water stock, 4 miles from town, for horses or mules. Address: Lock Box 133, Imperial. july 22 tt

PASTURE—I can furnish grain and alfalfa pasture for 50 head of cattle on my ranch. H. M. Kinne, El Centro, Calif. m-3-tf

WANTED

WANTED—Hogs to pasture. Will trade good alfalfa pasture for sows. Address H. H. Peterson, Imperial. June-23-tf

WANTED TO TRADE—Imperial property for acreage at Holtville or will sell and take pay in leveling land. Address E, care of Press, El Centro, Cal. June-23-tf

WANTED—Position as cook on a cook wagon for ditch camp or threshing outfit. Apply at this office or address A. care the Press, El Centro, Cal. june-9-tf

WANTED—20 to 80 shares of water stock in Imperial Water company No. 1. On easy terms or cash if price is satisfactory. Address, J. H., Box 15, Imperial. june-2

WANTED—Hay baling, \$2.00 per ton. Work guaranteed. Address Burch Bros. Heber, Cal. my-12-tf

WANTED—200 shares of Water Co. No. 5 stock. Will pay spot cash. Price must be reasonable. Fuller & Aten, El Centro, Cal. April 14-tf

I WANT TO BUY—20 to 40 shares of stock in Imperial Water Co. No. 1, at rock-bottom price for spot cash. address E. W. Fales, Imperial, Cal. m-3-tf

FOR EXCHANGE—Will exchange 123 acres grazing land, with wood and water in Ventura County, 4 miles from S. P. R. R., worth \$1200 for relinquishment or other property in Imperial Valley. M. W. C., 623 Bryson Bldg., Los Angeles, Cal. d16tt

TO EXCHANGE—For Imperial property, 80 acre ranch near Anderson, Shasta county. Is excellent property with all modern improvements. Value \$1500. Salisbury Realty Co. my-26

WANTED—500 acres of barley to harvest with header. Address A. S. Fell, Imperial, Calif. m-5-tf