

# Last Call for Christmas

Always there are the last purchases to be made by the Christmas shoppers--some gift for the friend overlooked in the rush, or to fit some special condition--and we are prepared to help you.

Those Smoking Jackets in grays, browns, greens and black make dandy presents for only \$7.50.

Latest styles in Neck Scarfs, Persian effects. Silk Waists from \$6 to \$12. Also white tailored waists.

Gloves are always fine presents--we've all sizes.

Remember our fancy boxes of Men's Hose--fine silk--for \$1.

We have just the things to make little folks happy--finest Doll as ever shown in Imperial valley.

Make your friend happy with some fine selection from our Grocery Department.

## B. SALOMON & COMPANY

IMPERIAL COUNTY GREAT SUPPLY HOUSE, EL CENTRO.

### CHRISTMAS EXERCISES.

The Christmas exercises of the Presbyterian Sunday School will be held on Tuesday evening, Dec 27. Besides special music and exercises by the children, the Rev. J. W. Millar, of Brawley, will give a stereopticon lecture on the Life of Jesus.

### PELLET TRACT OPENED.

Denver D. Pellet, formerly a city trustee of El Centro, and now located in Brawley, has joined with his sister, Miss Nellie Pellet, postmistress at Brawley, in opening a ten-acre tract in the south part of Brawley to subdivision into residence lots.

### MULES HELD UP HERE.

One hundred head of mules engaged by Contractor Maxey, of Yuma, for work on the closing of the Colorado River break, are being held up at the Depot Stables in El Centro, pending a settlement of the difficulties over entry of American stock into Mexico to be used on this work.

### WANTS PROPERTY DIVIDED.

In an action begun in the Imperial County Superior Court this week, H. T. McRea has filed a complaint against Stephen Douglas McRea, in which the complainant seeks a division of property in Riverside county and in Los Angeles and also the adjudication of title to mining properties.

### CATHOLIC SERVICES.

Holy Mass will be celebrated by Father Schmitt at Calexico on Christmas Day at 5 o'clock a.m. and at St. Mary's Church, El Centro, at 8 and 10 o'clock. During the first four Sundays of January, 1911, Mass will be said every Sunday at Calexico at 7:15 and at El Centro at 10 o'clock.

WANTED--A position as ranch foreman. Have had long experience in every line but cotton. Expert irrigator, stock man; five years in valley. References. Address J. W. W., at Franklin Hotel, El Centro. 38-1f



### FALL SHAPES

Were never so varied as this season. We have taken pains in selecting our stock. Come and let us fit you.

EASY SHOES FOR EVERYBODY are here in all leathers. The well-known Cushion Comfort shoes rest the feet of the busy men and women and looks stylish as well.

Our quality is best and our prices are the lowest.

### VALLEY SHOE STORE

### BIG DITCHING MACHINE.

A traction ditch-digging machine, weighing 98,000 pounds, has been sent from Findley, Ohio, to the Cudahay tract, below the international line, to be tested on ditch-digging in silt. If it works well several more of the same type will be shipped here. It is said similar machines have been used in reclamation of lands in the Florida everglades.

### GARAGE CHANGES HANDS.

Sarah L. Pullman has foreclosed a mortgage against machinery and stock of the Courthouse Garage, managed by her son, James Brazell, and the stock has been sold at sheriff's sale. The new owners are Alderson & Ozmun, who are practical machinists and automobile men. They are announcing their new business in this paper.

### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rev. A. W. Williams, pastor, will preach both morning and evening at the Presbyterian Church; eleven o'clock on the "Song of the Angels," followed by the Holy Communion and reception of new members; 7:30 p.m., "The Contrast Between Things Temporal and Things Eternal."

### CHRISTMAS EXERCISES.

The Christmas exercises of the State-Street Christian Church will be held in the Operhouse tomorrow forenoon at 10 o'clock. There will be a program of recitations and appropriate music. The pastor, Rev. W. G. Conley, will preach at 11 o'clock and at 5 p.m. At each service appropriate Christmas music will be rendered.

### POWER COMPANY FILES SUIT.

The Holton Power Company has filed a suit against A. D. Helms and M. L. Pellett for payment of a note for \$751.20, and for \$150 attorneys' fees, in the Imperial County Superior Court. The Power Company has also secured the issue of an attachment on lots 47 and 48 of block 24, and lots 19, 20 and 21 of block 18, in El Centro.

### LAUNDRY IMPROVEMENTS.

Within the ensuing week the extensive improvements on the Imperial Valley Steam Laundry will be completed. A new engine and boiler, extra washers and other machinery have been placed, representing an outlay of about \$4000. The new leasees will take charge as soon as the machinery is ready to operate.

### S. D. & A. R. R. TIME TABLE.

Exhibited in The Press window is one of the first time tables issued by the San Diego Railroad. A regular train service has been installed from San Diego to the international line. Forty miles of grading has been finished and track-laying gangs resumed track-laying on Thursday of this week. Material to lay twelve miles of track is now in the yards at San Diego.

### FINE STREET DECORATIONS.

For the first time since their construction the arcades along Main street were utilized during fair week for decorative purposes. The street

decorations were handled by W. E. Turner, representing the Swanfeldt Tent & Awning Company, of Los Angeles. A carload of decorative material, mainly the national colors, was used in the scheme.

### WATER LAWYERS CONFER.

Attorneys Britt, Haines, McPherrin and Shaw arrived in El Centro, yesterday, to attend a final conference on the water organization problem.

### COTTON SHIPMENTS AND PRICES.

Six carloads of cotton have been shipped this week to the mills at Oakland by Mr. Chappell, and the price paid has ranged from 13.60 to 13.80. About half the crop has been picked and the gins have turned out something over 3,000 bales.

### EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICES.

Services will be held at St. Paul's Mission at 11 a.m., tomorrow, with Holy Communion conducted by Rev. Mr. Brooks. The Sunday School will meet at 10 a.m. The regular evening services will be conducted by Rev. E. B. Mott.

### IMPROVED DAIRY PRODUCTS.

Dairy products of Imperial valley are increasing rapidly in quantity and improving in quality. At the convention of butter-makers in Los Angeles last week, butter from the El Centro creamery was graded at 92 per cent, only four per cent below the highest scored. The improvement is due to cleanliness in the handling of cream and better care of the dairies, in which respects there is room for further improvement.

### ALLEN'S PRESS CLIPPING BUREAU

On January 1 Miss Ida M. Muir will become the Los Angeles manager for Allen's Press Clipping Bureau, Mr. W. D. Curtis having resigned in order to give his entire attention to Curtis-Newhall Advertising Company. In addition to furnishing clippings on all subjects, Allen's furnishes advance information on all contract work. The Los Angeles office is located in the W. P. Jefferies building, 117 Winston street.

### FRATERS HAVE BANQUET.

El Centro Lodge of the Fraternal Brotherhood held a reception and banquet on Tuesday night in Masonic Hall, in honor of the visit of Mrs. Emma J. Neidig, Supreme Vice-President of the order. All of the valley lodges of this order were represented, parties coming from Brawley, Imperial, Holtville and Calexico, and there were also present representatives of Hermosa Lodge, Los Angeles, and the Gardena and San Diego lodges. Mrs. Neidig made an address and a fine musical program was given. After the program there was dancing. The hall was elaborately decorated in the colors of the order, red, green and yellow. El Centro Lodge now has about 100 members.

### NEGROES ROB HINDUS.

Four masked men, believed to be negroes, entered the tent of nine Hindu cotton pickers at I. Mayfield's cotton field on the J. M. Edmunds ranch, south of El Centro, about 9 o'clock Wednesday night and held up the Hindus with revolvers while they rifled the camp. They secured \$240 which had been paid the men the day before, and several silver King Edward coronation medals were taken. One of these bore the number 186. One of the robbers dropped his mask near the tent. It was made of green felt such as is used to cover pool tables. Sheriff Meadows at once began search for the robber and notified the places through which they would have to pass to escape from the valley.

CITY GARAGE--Agents for Maxwell and Franklin cars. Immediate delivery on four-cylinder Maxwell car. Get in an early order for two-cylinder 14-horse power Maxwell runabout. Motorcycle, and Bicycle repairs. All work guaranteed; 75 cents an hour. 36-1f

### NOVEL CHRISTMAS BOX.

M. H. Mayor, a rancher residing southeast of Imperial, this week shipped to his daughter at Portland, Oregon, a novel Imperial valley Christmas box. The box contained a fine alfalfa-fed turkey and samples of the valley's winter vegetables, including beets, turnips, radishes, onions, lettuce, tomatoes, ripe figs.

### FINAL CERTIFICATES.

The following final certificates have been issued on Imperial Valley lands by the United States Land office: To Geo. Nichols, tract 108-16-13. To V. J. Welcome, tract 92-13-14. To Ridgley Powers, tract 61-13-15. To M. H. Mayor, tract 93-15-14. To Sam Wise, part sections 28 and 33-15-15, re-surveys. To Laura Davis, tract 100-16-16.

### WILL CONTEST BUSINESS TAX.

Jessie Huddleston has notified the city trustees of Brawley that unless \$200, alleged to be excess business license fees collected from her, is refunded she will bring suit against the city for its recovery. This is the second contest made against the occupation tax system prevailing in nearly all of the Imperial valley towns. The first case was that of V. Rapp, an attorney of El Centro, who won his contention that the city had no right to tax an attorney doing business in a county court.

### EVANGELISTIC SERVICES

The members of the State Street Christian Church are bending all their energies to make ready for the opening of their new house of worship on Sunday, Jan. 1. Many visitors from all parts of the valley are expected to be present at the dedication services, as well as a number of distinguished speakers from the outside.

For several weeks following, evangelistic services will be held by the pastor assisted by William Gilbert, of San Luis Obispo and by the home forces.

### EASTERN STAR OFFICERS.

Golden Rule Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star has installed new officers as follows: Worthy matron, Mollie Edgar; worthy patron, Herman Peterson; associate matron, Sadie Stevenson; secretary, Rose Brewer; treasurer, Philo Carrier; conductress, Isabel Stevenson; associate conductress, Ethel McPherrin; warder, Grace Waite; sentinel, Charles Waite; marshal, Anna Holt; organist, Alta Power; Ada, Anna Laird; Ruth, Mabel Edgar; Esther, Millie Brewer; Martha, Grace Funk; Electa, Laura Stevenson.

### "WARS OF THE FUTURE."

Christmas of 1910 is to mark an era of amusements for Southern California never before seen in any part of the world. In connection with the big Aviation Meet, which opens Saturday, on Dominguez Fields, comprising all of the highest class aviators obtainable in the country, will be the big War Spectacular entitled "The Inevitable Wars of the Future," which will open at Luna Park on Saturday night, December 25. In this production an armored monoplane air craft will be shown destroying a city and battle-ship fleet every day for an indefinite period. 38-1f

Clarence E. Gage has gone to Los Angeles to spend the holidays and recover from the strenuous life he led as secretary of the Imperial County fair.

### CONGREGATION MEETING.

A meeting of the members of the State Street Christian Church, of El Centro, will be held Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1911, at 7:30 p.m. As an important matter relating to a loan from the Church Extension Society is to be considered, every member is requested to be present.

### W. G. CONLEY.

Pastor State Street Christian Church. By order of the official board. 38-1f

If you want to buy mules, rent mules, level land, plowing, ditching, or anything it takes a mule to do see C. P. Randolph. Imperial Valley Live Stock Market, El Centro. 31-1f

## Classified Advertisements

Advertisements under this head, five cents per line for each insertion.

### FOR SALE.

FOR SALE--For reasonable price, 40 acres of good soft land, partly improved; located in Water Co. No. 6. Address CHAS. KIMMEL, El Centro, R.F.D. 38-31\*  
FOR SALE--Sour, sweet and Tri-Foliata citrus seed bed plants. Inquire of T. JIKIHARA, P.O. Box 215, Upland, Cal. 38-51\*  
FOR SALE--Mesquite wood; \$5 per cord at ranch. G. G. HUSSEY, Silsbee. 37-4f  
FOR SALE--Small double wagon, buggy, disc plow, disc harrow, garden cultivators, chicken wire, gentle burro, power washing machine, also wind mill and tank. F. J. EDDY. 37-21\*  
FOR SALE--House and lot and farm. L. S. BOWER. 23-1f  
FOR SALE--Ten acres near El Centro, cheap for cash. FROST KING, San Bernardino, Cal. 36-1f

FOR SALE--95 acres deeded land, \$50 per acre, \$400 cash, balance to suit purchaser. HARTSON LAND CO., El Centro. 361f  
FOR SALE--Cheap; for quick action, 10 acres, just one-half mile from post office, within city limits; all in alfalfa and fenced. Only \$2000.00. Address, Box 417, El Centro. 30-1f

FOR SALE--20 acre tract in city limits; 13 acres in alfalfa; fenced and cross fenced; 4 room screened house; 4 stall stable; large two-floor wagon shed with harness room; cow shed with corral; large chicken yard with two roosting and nest houses. Price \$5800.00. See HAMILTON REALTY CO., or D. D. Lawrence, north 6th St. 29-1f

FOR SALE--250 head of first-class dairy cows, at Crawford & Davis Live Stock Ranch Co.'s ranch. Five miles N. W. of El Centro. Liberal terms. Phone 2410. Call and make appointment to see this stock. Automobile always ready. 33-1f

FOR SALE--100 head of draft and driving horses and mules. Call up phone 2410 and let us show this stock. Automobile always ready. Crawford & Davis Live Stock Ranch Co. Five miles N. W. of El Centro. 33-1f

FOR SALE--Mules and horses on hand at all times, wholesale or retail; 100 head from 3 to 10 years old from \$200 to \$650 per span. If its mules you want, before buying go to IMPERIAL VALLEY LIVE STOCK MARKET, Olive and team track, opposite S. P. Stock Yards, El Centro, Cal. 24-1f

FOR SALE--A No. 2 L. C. Smith typewriter in first class order. See E. E. Day at Press Office. 25-1f

FOR SALE--One half interest in 47 dairy cows and 20 young stock. The other half interest to be leased together with 100 acres of alfalfa for 1 1/2 years. Inquire at Press Office. 34-31\*

FOR SALE--At Ferris ranch 3 miles S. E. of Silsbee, 450 choice bred two-year-old ewes, raised here; lambs in February. 37-1f

FOR SALE--20 shares of No. 7 water stock. Easy terms. Address FRANK L. POWELL, Holtville, Cal. 34-1\*

FOR SALE--One wagon, cheap, at Cressey's 1/2 mile West, 3/4 mile South of El Centro. 27-1f

FOR SALE--Indian runner duck eggs. \$1 per setting. C. CHAMPION, Mobile, Cal. 37-21\*

FOR SALE--Thoroughbred Mammoth Bronze turkeys of large size and fine markings. MRS. NELLIE HART, Holtville. 37-41\*

FOR SALE--40 young pigs. H. M. POTTER, 2 miles south of McCabe church. 37-21\*

FOR SALE--Horses suitable for all harness or saddle, well broken and sound. The best ever brought to the valley. Also have a few fine young work mules. Call or phone W. R. WATKINS, 1 mile east of Holtville. 28-1f

FOR SALE--or rent, fine 60-acre place near Heber; house; orchard; grape vines; alfalfa and cotton land. Address Box 455, El Centro. 36-4f

FOR SALE--Snap in high class ranch. 160 acres fully improved, close to town. J. E. BROWN, 304 Lissner Bldg., Los Angeles, Cal. 36-31

### FOR RENT

FOR RENT--160 acres for cotton and corn on shares. We furnish land and water; good house; pastures and alfalfa for hay; good supply and waste ditches on this land. WALTER HAMILTON. 36-1f

FOR RENT--280 acres of choice barley land within close proximity to Imperial city, also excellent cotton land. Will make cash lease or rent on shares as may suit tenant. Address W. B. AMES, owner, 716 Broadway Central building, Los Angeles, Cal. 27-1f

### FOR TRADE.

FOR EXCHANGE--Southern Nevada unimproved valley land; clear; for Imperial Valley land; clear; with paid-up water stock. What have you? Address PRESS OFFICE. 38-31\*

FOR EXCHANGE--By owner, 110 acres; vineyard and Orchard, 3 yrs. old, with good house and barn, tank-house, blacksmith shop and tools; will exchange for Imperial valley land, improved. For full particulars and description address BOX 603, Reedley, Cal. 35-41

### WANTED.

WANTED--8 or 10 good milk cows on monthly payments. Address MARY RUNSER, El Centro. 38-21\*

WANTED--Cook on ranch for family only. Address MRS HAROLD BELL WRIGHT, Meloland. 35-1f

WANTED--Clean cotton rags. Will pay five cents per pound. Bring them to the Imperial Valley Press office at once. 36-1f

LOST, FOUND, STRAYED, STOLEN. LOST--22 Remington rifle in canvas case, Tuesday, Dec. 20. Return to PRESS OFFICE, Reward. 38-11\*

### MISCELLANEOUS.

Before ordering your suits inspect A. FINK'S line. 26-cow-1f

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONTRACTING, Grading and Construction Company of Brawley, Cal., will grade and construct your canals. Balies G. Walker, Pres. and Mgr. 30-1f

EXPERT Horseshoeing done at Heber blacksmith shop. 28-1f

OUR MOTTO--To make photos to please you or no pay. Your photo on post card \$1 per doz. WEINERT, 9th St., Imperial. 28-1f

All kinds of clothes repairing done by A. FINK, the tailor. 26-cow-1f

Why wear a dusty hat when you can have it cleaned and blocked like new for 75c by A. Fink, tailor 26-cow-1f

Why not place your order now for Eucalyptus, Orange and Lemon, Fruit, and Ornamental Trees. Write us for prices, Covina Nurseries, 312 Byrne Bldg., Los Angeles, Cal. 27-1f

### WARNING

All property owners are warned to clean their property at once of Johnsson Grass, Wild Morning Glory, Cockie Burr, Wild Asparagus, Wild Sun Flower, as the same is declared a public nuisance, and injurious to the agricultural and horticultural interests of the county.

### FRANCIS HEINY

WM. ALLEN, W. E. WILSIE, Board of Horticultural Commissioners. 12-1f

### NOTICE TO BEE-KEEPERS.

Owing to the reports of the appearance of European and American foul-brood in bee colonies of adjacent counties, it has been decided that all bee colonies shipped into Imperial county must be inspected at Imperial Junction by the Imperial County Bee Inspector. 491f A. F. WAGNER, El Centro. Bee Inspector for Imperial County.

### RAILROAD TIME TABLES.

Imperial Branch.		Read Up	
Read Down	Stations	19   503   505	19   503   505
PM	PM	AM	PM
3:30	12:30	6:00	9:45
4:15	1:15	6:45	9:05
4:40	1:38	7:10	8:40
4:55	1:50	7:25	8:25
5:05	2:00	7:35	8:10
5:20	2:15	7:50	8:00

Trains 16, 19, 502 and 505 run through between Calexico and Los Angeles. No's 502 and 504 are locals.

### Inter-California Railroad.

Mon. and Fri.	Wed.	Calexico	Tues. and Sat.	Thurs. and Sat.
8:50 A M	A M	3:20 P M		
11:10 A M	A M	1:00 P M		
11:40 A M	A M	12:01 P M		

Holton Interurban.		AM		PM	
5:30	7:30	7:25	10:25	4:55	7:55
5:55	7:55	El Centro	7:00	15:10	7:00
6:05	8:05	El Centro	6:40	15:50	6:50
6:25	8:25	Meloland	6:30	15:40	6:40
6:35	8:35	Holtville	6:30	15:40	6:40

No Sunday morning trains. Motor leaves El Centro at 7:00 a.m. for Holtville and leaves Holtville on return at 7:45.

## Pacific Seeders, \$15.00



The most reliable seeder on the market. You all know the make. You never bought one before at this price. You probably won't again. See them. We want cotton seed. We are paying \$16.50 in trade for cotton seed.

El Centro Hardware & Implement Co. 'We Pay the Freight' ElCentro 'We Pay the Freight'

### New Map of El Centro

All new additions and subdivisions, developments with marginal maps of El Centro-San Diego automobile and wagon road. Twelve-mile radius, district, etc. Scale 200 feet to one inch, size three by five feet. Price, colored, \$10 a piece. HELGE A. F. THENBERG, Box 272, El Centro.

## DAIRY COWS FOR SALE 200 HEAD

Will sell on easy payments. Call and see them. They are right and will be sold right. For further information call at Daily Free Lance office.

W. J. PURCELL, EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA