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NEXT TO FIRE HOUSE, EL CENTRO
 Representing Fancher Creek Nursery. Orders taken now.
 Goods delivered January 10. Will have car load at that time.
 All goods guaranteed to name.
LESTER LAUGHLIN, Proprietor

WEATHER.

Date	Max. Tem.	Min. Tem.
Dec. 24.....	70	54
Dec. 25.....	70	44
Dec. 26.....	70	42
Dec. 27.....	65	34
Dec. 28.....	68	44
Dec. 29.....	68	38
Dec. 30.....	66	37

WATER IN THE RIVER.

Mean daily gage heights and discharges of the Colorado river at Yuma, Arizona, for the week ending Saturday, December 24, 1910.

Date	Gage Heights	Discharges
Dec. 18.....	16.20	7200
Dec. 19.....	16.10	7000
Dec. 20.....	16.00	6500
Dec. 21.....	16.00	6400
Dec. 22.....	16.00	6300
Dec. 23.....	16.10	6700
Dec. 24.....	16.20	7100

The El Centro Barber Shop, owned by Messrs. Oldham and Dixon is turning three chairs at present. No Mexicans or Japanese are served. 26-tf

LOCAL MENTION.

Mrs. Wilbur Hall and daughter are visiting Mrs. Hall's parents in Los Angeles.

Mrs. L. A. Murrell and son, Leonard, are visiting Mrs. Murrell's parents at Phoenix, Arizona.

Miss Edith Armour, of Water District No. 6, has become a student at the Calexico High School.

Mrs. C. E. Paris and daughter, Miss Marjorie, are down from Los Angeles to spend New Year's Day with Mr. Paris and enjoy the Holtville Fiesta.

Dr. Alfred J. Downs, of Los Angeles, brother of Commercial Agent Downs of the Southern Pacific, has been spending several days in Imperial valley this week.

Railroad Commissioner-elect J. M. Eshleman left El Centro on Monday night for San Francisco, where he will remain until the new board of Railroad Commissioners is organized.

Mrs. M. A. Wilkinson, of San Diego, is an El Centro visitor this week. She has sold her property at the southeast corner of Fifth and Main streets to J. W. Colson, and is here to close the details of the sale.

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D. K. Edwards, of Los Angeles, formerly a member of the Board of Public Works and now field manager of the Fidelity Savings and Loan Association, has been in the valley this week attending to the business of the association and looking over the field with a view to placing loans upon real property.

IMPERIAL LIBRARY PLANS.

The library board is endeavoring to increase the circulation of books from the public library and plans to largely increase the number of volumes.

VALLEY STATE BANK.

A meeting of stockholders of the defunct Valley State Bank has been called for 1:30 o'clock on the afternoon of January 16 at the First National Bank in this city.

DOUBLE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

The wedding anniversaries of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Lyon and Mr. and Mrs. Ed. DeMoulin occurred last Saturday, and they entertained twenty friends at a dinner given at Hotel Bungalow.

WILL NOT SOLICIT ORDERS

The Brawley grocery merchants and meat market men have organized a movement to discontinue the soliciting of orders within the town limits. Goods will be delivered as heretofore.

GAME IN THE DELTA.

A party of hunters from Yuma, hunting and trapping near the Sonora line, caught four beavers, four coons and two wild cats and shot many geese, ducks and quail. Beavers are quite numerous in the Colorado delta.

Five cents per pound paid for clean, cotton rags at the Press office.

JAIL BREAKERS RECAPTURED.

On December 18 seven prisoners cut their way out of the Calexico jail and made their escape. Four of them were held on charges of petty larceny. These four were arrested in Yuma on Monday and were brought back to Calexico to be tried.

A FINE NEW YEAR'S GIFT.

Nothing would make a finer New Year's gift for your friend whom you wish to interest in Imperial valley than a year's subscription to The Imperial Valley Press. Send us the address and a dollar and The Press will do the rest.

BEGINS IMPERIAL CHURCH.

Ground was broken on Wednesday morning for the Episcopal Church edifice to be erected for St. Mathias Mission at Seventh and H streets. It is hoped the building will be ready for dedication on February 10, at which time Bishop Johnson will make a visit to Imperial valley.

BUYS RESERVATION "UNIT."

T. L. Lone, for the past year head bookkeeper in the First National Bank at Yuma, has purchased the relinquishment of a forty-acre "unit" in the Yuma Reservation, in Imperial county, and will build a home thereon at once. He will immediately bring the entire forty acres under a high state of cultivation.

HEBER POSTOFFICE ROBBED.

While Postmaster Haines, of the Heber postoffice, was at a Christmas entertainment on Christmas eve, thieves entered the postoffice and secured \$150 in cash and \$150 worth of stamps. The stamps were discovered on Christmas morning in a canal near Heber. No clue has been found to the robbers.

ALL THIS IN MID-WINTER.

Among the many Christmas feasts in this vicinity, one spread by Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Sparks at their home west of El Centro was of a character to make snow-bound easterners sit up and take notice. Of course, the inevitable alfalfa-fed Imperial valley turkey graced the board, and in addition were served home-grown lettuce, radishes, green peas and beans, green onions, carrots, beets, green corn, cucumbers, tomatoes and squash. Their guests were T. E. Farris and son and Mrs. Sarah Engleman, from Kentucky, and Roy Westmoreland, from Texas.

The Palm sells more candy—Why? 34-tf

NEW HOUSE OF WORSHIP

State-Street Christian Church to Enter Its Fine Edifice Tomorrow.
 Program for Dedication.

Within a little more than two months' time from the day building of the State-Street Christian Church edifice was begun, the people of this congregation will enter it for dedication and continued use for public worship. This record is a highly creditable one to the builder, W. I. Stone, and a gratifying one to the congregation.

The church dedication will take place tomorrow, New Year's Day. Large delegations of visitors from all parts of the valley are expected, and a general invitation is extended by the pastor and official members to all people of El Centro and vicinity.

The pastor, Rev. W. G. Conley, has accomplished much in a thorough organization of the church work since he assumed this pastorate. Following the dedication he will be assisted by William Gilbert, a singing evangelist, in a series of evening meetings.

The first event of the dedicatory day in the new church will be Sunday school at 10 o'clock tomorrow forenoon. This will be followed by the morning service at 11 o'clock, opening with a song service led by Mr. Gilbert. Miss Inez Collier will sing a solo; Rev. H. A. Morgan will read the scriptures, and prayer will be offered by Rev. W. G. Conley. Mrs. Dalton Davis will sing a solo, and an address will be delivered by C. C. Chapman. William Gilbert will sing a solo at the close of this service.

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon another public service will be held, starting in a song service led by Mr. Gilbert. Miss Jean Sloan will sing a solo, followed by the Lord's Supper and words of greeting from local pastors and visitors.

A union service of the El Centro churches will be held in the new church at 7:15 p.m. A sacred concert by the El Centro Concert Band will begin the evening services. This program will include:

- Brass Quartette:
- (a) "Onward, Christian Soldier."
 - (b) "Rock of Ages."
- H. A. Richardson, F. W. Waite, I. Alger, M. Stover.
- Band Selections:
- (a) "Coronation."
 - (b) "Let All Men Praise the Lord." (From Mendelssohn's "Hymn of Praise.")

NOW OPEN Central Steam Laundry

FORMERLY IMPERIAL VALLEY STEAM LAUNDRY

Good work guaranteed; ladies waists and all kinds of fancy goods given special attention. Prices reasonable. Goods called for and delivered. Have your bundle ready Monday morning.

This band concert will be followed by a solo by Mrs. Dalton Davis; scriptures and prayer; sermon by Rev. W. G. Conley; solo by William Gilbert; Benediction.

ATTEMPTED ARSON.

An evident attempt to burn the Calexico Mercantile Store was made last Sunday evening. The proprietor of the store discovered a fire in the woodpile which was lying against the rear of the building, and it was extinguished with a few buckets of water. It was then discovered that a ball of tape saturated with a solution of phosphorus had been placed in the woodpile. It is believed the attempt to burn the store was made for the purpose of attracting people from their homes and places of business, so that robbers might loot these places.

DIRECTORY MAN HERE.

A. G. Thurston, who last spring published the most complete directory for Imperial county yet issued, has been an El Centro visitor this week, getting in touch with the many new developments since he completed the work mentioned. Mr. Thurston, who makes a specialty of printing directories, has issued one for Orange county and one for Long Beach, in each of which he has generously donated a page of space to Imperial valley, setting forth in an attractive manner its resources and opportunities.

ENSENADA ARMY LIFE.

War, or rumor of war, has spoiled the easy going army life at the cuartel down in Ensenada. Formerly the officers lived at home and only reported at the barracks for occasional duty. But since the outbreak in Mexico the officers have to stay within the cuartel all the time, drilling their 300 soldiers up to the highest efficiency. Reports from Ensenada tell that the military demonstrations there are greatly in variance with the peaceful ways of the citizens.—San Diego Sun.

NAZARENE CHURCH WORK.

The Pentecostal Nazarene Church has organized a church society at Brawley and establish a Sunday school. Meetings are held at the Tabernacle, and Joseph Brady is the pastor. Rev. J. W. Godwin, the Los Angeles district superintendent, will visit Brawley during the ensuing week and will hold special services.

Call and examine the large Roses, Peppers, Bouganvillias and other stock, too numerous to mention, all fresh; no hold-overs—at Kelly's Nursery, across from the courthouse. 36-tf

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-tf

NOTICE.

Walter H. Sprague, City Clerk, has moved his office to the El Centro National Bank Building, Room 5, and will transact the city's business at that place. 39-1t

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

VITAL RECORD

BIRTHS.

Spencer—December 23, to Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Spencer, of Brawley, a daughter.

Loftus—December 22, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Loftus, at Los Angeles, a daughter.

DEATHS.

Kunse—December 20, in Water District No. 7, Mrs. Rosa Kunse, of tuberculosis. 31-tf

Everybody Welcome

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HOLTVILLE'S FREE FIESTA

Monday, January 2, 1911

SOMETHING DOING EVERY MINUTE

CHARIOT RACES

BRONCHO RIDING

BASE BALL GAME

STAGE HOLD-UP BY LONE HIGHWAYMAN

Turkey Dinner and Barbecue Free for All

AMUSEMENTS BEGIN AT 10 A. M.

SPECIAL TRAINS AND EXCURSION RATES