LOCAL NEWS.

WHO THEY COME, WHERE THEY GO AND WHAT THEY DO.

John Hinkle of Hagerman and Gayle Tolbert of Artesia were in town Tuesday night.

L. W. Bartholomew of Roswell is here now to assist in the work with the reclamation force.

J. G. Harris, who purchased the Simpson stock of goods at Loving, was in town Tuesday of last week.

J. L. Toole, of Knowles, was in town Saturday and Sunday on his return from Ft. Worth to the stock meet and on business.

S. B. Smith came in Wednesday from Wagon Tire ranch and reports it pretty hard on stock on account of no moisture.

Court for for this district convenes in Carlsbad next Monday and the court officials have been busy the past week making preparations for the work.

W. H. Kraus and wife and J. H. Schwartz of Little Rock, Ark., friends of J. B. Corn, have been here for a couple of weeks prospecting. They will purchase land.

Messrs. O'Brien and Roney of Roswell were in town Tuesday and attended the Schubert concert. Mr. O'Brien is a member of the law firm of Reid & Hervey.

W. G. Woerner celebrated Arbor day by planting 3,000 black locust, mulberry and catalpa trees on a tract south of town near the river which he intends for a grove some day.

Chas. A. May, of the reclamation service, is building a residence on the corner of Alameda and Mermod streets, which will be a neat little cottage when completed. Bruce & Witt are the contractors.

"In Old Japan," an operetta, will be given by the Wooman's Club, at the Opera house, Tuesday, April 3. Admission 50cts Roserved seats 25cts., extra. Seat sale will open at Star Pharmacy, Wednesday, April 7 at 10 o'clock, P. M.

Dr. Parr commenced the erection of a 28x40 office building on the lot on the corner of Canal and Mermod street opposite the Tansill block on the north. The building is being erected by Bruce & Witt and will be a two story brick. It will cost about $3,000.

Rives & Hull are in receipt of a letter from John H. Wood, the Union Pacific land and immigration agent, of Hayes, Kansas, stating that he will leave there the morning of March 6, if nothing unforseen happens and will bring a car of nice people to look over the Carlsbad project.

Yesterday morning will go down to history as the coldest April morning ever experienced in Carlsbad, the government thermometers registering as low as 24, or 8 degrees below the freezing point. During the day it rose to 75 degrees above. It is feared that all fruit is killed, the small peaches in La Huerta being frozen.

Mr. Frank Downs of this place is the proud possessor of a pair of field glasses that were carried around the world by a young man, who was for some time in the employ of Mr. Downes here, named Albert Taylor. The glasses are exceptionally strong and Mr. Downes thinks they were purchased in France by Mr. Taylor who sent them as a present to his old employer.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Muzzy left Tuesday morning for their home in Bristol, Conn. Mrs. Muzzy enjoyed her visit very much and Mr. Muzzy says Carlsbad is getting more like home every time he comes to look after his affairs. With a few more Yankees like the Muzzy's the town of Carlsbad would become as lively as some of the manufacturing cities of Alabama that have been boomed with Yankee capital.

The New Auto Line

Is now making regular trips between Carlsbad and Midland, via Knowles and Seminole, the telephone line is working fine.

Monday morning as previously stated would be the case auto cars commenced making regular trips between Carlsbad and Midland. Sunday, both the proprietors, Messrs. Brennand and Cunningham, came in, bringing one passenger. The trip was made in five hours and a quarter from Knowles, a distance of 80 miles. Leaving there at 11:15, having left Seminole at 9 a. m., and arriving at Carlsbad at 4:30. The big sand was crossed in just 25 minutes at a 16 mile clip; stops were made at Lovington and five other points. The car is a new Maxwell of 40 h. p. It is planned to make the run in 12 hours a distance of 240 miles to Carlsbad by way of Shatter Lake, Seminole, Knowles, and Lovington. Thursday the car went out with but one passenger though five or six had intended going. They were left because the auto people had advertised to leave at 8 a. m. their being the same as Midland time which is an hour earlier than the time used here. Mr. Cunningham states that the road is in fine shape and that he can easily make better time.

J. L. Emerson and Dr. Sellers came in yesterday and stated that the ride was one of the most pleasant they ever experienced and gave it as their opinion that altogether the auto line is a grand success.

Mr. Emerson who is the manager for the telephone line states that messages are being taken regularly to Monument and that your talks are always pleasant, because on the most trying days conversation is easier than when carried on between people from house to house in Carlsbad. This was proved the days of highest winds. The county road is to be made as good across the sand as it is thru La Huerta so Carlsbad has at last been brought in close touch with the whole of eastern Eddy county and West Texas. This morning the car left promptly at 7 with W. G. Woerner, Dr Sellers, Ed. Swaim, a carpentar of Knowles and Miss Lucile Howell of Lakewood who goes out to teach school.

Messrs. Brennand and Cunningham are entitled to much credit for the vigorous manner they have pushed the building of the road and the class of cars used. They have handled the mail for over a year from Midland to Seminole and have as yet never failed to come in on schedule time or better.

"Wild Cat Jack" in a New Role

Homer J. Miller, who will be remembered by old timers as having, during the season of 1899 worked for Dick Robinson at the Hat Ranch, and was known as "Wild Cat Jack" was in town Tuesday night with the Schubert Concert Co. being assistant manager and treasurer for the popular company of musical artists.

"Wild Cat Jack" was here last April and at that time the Current had the following concerning him:

"Wild Cat Jack," the tenderfoot Chicago cow-puncher that worked for the Hat outfit in '98, '99 and 1900. He was truly a tenderfoot when he arrived and did not know anything more about a steer than a hog knows about the scriptures. However, when he left he was a thorough and entirely competent cow-puncher of the breeziest western type and he has also demonstrated that he was able to take care of himself in a physical way, as one or two can testify that he "cleaned" when they attempted to josh him too strong.

When he went to work for the Hat outfit he plainly told the boys that he did not know anything about cow-punching and wanted their help and suggestions and most of the boys did everything in their power to help him out.

When Miller returned to Chicago he had on his cow-boy costume and was a characteristic puncher and the joke is told on him that when he went to the family residence his father kept him chained in the dog house for eight days before he would let him into the house.

Mr. Miller has two photographs of himself that he prizes highly, one when he first came, showing him in his metropolitan togs and the other taken when he left in his cow-boy costume.

He has been in 22 different states since he left Carlsbad and he was greatly surprised at the great change and the way Carlsbad has grown and expanded.

Mr. Miller says that the most pleasant time of his life was when he was a cow-puncher here and he looks back with pride in a reminescent mood when he thinks of his pleasant associations and the good time he enjoyed.

Account Texas Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, El Paso, Tex. April 21, 24, we offer Round Trip tickets via Clovis, for $29.55, with final return limit April 26. Dates of sale, Apr. 20th, 21st and 22nd.

Schubert Quartette's Visit.

The Schubert Symphony Club and Ladies' Quartette entertained a large audience at the new High School auditorium last Tuesday evening. The program consisted principally of classical selections both vocal and instrumental. Each and every piece was excellently rendered and enthusiastically received. The first soprano, Miss Young, is a young artiste of rare ability, the equal of whom is seldom heard in the west. Mr. Purcell, the violinist, also deserves especial commendation, as he is probably the best who ever drew a bow in the town. The work of the quartette furnished another pleasing feature, the ladies' voices blending harmoniously and sweetly, an effect rarely attained in ladies' voices. Music lovers here, generally, are loud in their praises of the Schubert's, and it is needless to say that they will be warmly welcomed should they ever come this way again.

Tom Davis of Dallas was in town Tuesday to arrange for the appearance here on April 7, of Mr. and Mrs. Ad Topperwein, who will give a free exhibition of fancy shooting near the ice plant on the northwest side of town. Mr. and Mrs. Topperwein are in the employ of the Winchester Arms Co., and are said to be the best shots in the world. They are residents of San Antonio, Tex., and have broken all records. Mr. Topperwein having hit with rifle bullets several nuts out of 1,000 thrown in the air. In one exhibition he shot at 10,000 flying targets with but one miss. His wife is as much of a marvel for she has been shooting but four years and made a test of 111 targets without a miss. Mr. Davis says that the exhibition is absolutely free, and "If it rains you get your money back."

Services will be held in the Baptist Church on Sunday, Apr. 4th at 11 a.m. Rev. H. L. Maderis, of Pecos, Tex., will preach. All are cordially invited to attend. D. Barclay Sutherland, Church Clerk.

The U. S. Meat Market each week receives about five carcasses of the best corn fed beef from Ft. Worth. Yesterday morning a car came in and a whole wagon load of the very fattest quarters was unloaded at the market. It is unfortunate for the town and country that some of our alfalfa raisers do not feed through the winter for dry springs like this but they are no doubt deterred from so doing because some winters are more moist and cattle from the mountains and plains are fat enough for beef. However in such cases it is fortunate that the town is provided with a butcher like John Lowenbruck that sees to it that people do not wear their jaws out on blue beef that chews like india rubber.

Loving Items.

Mrs. L. E. Foster was in our neighborhood Tuesday.

Mr. Hobdy has completed his work on Mr. T. F. Stone's new house.

Wm. E. Ball had the misfortune of getting thrown from a horse last Friday morning. He got his left shoulder dislocated, but is getting along nicely.

There is to be a basket supper at the school-house Friday, Apr. 2nd.

A crowd of youngsters will be entertained at the home of Edgar Knowles, Thursday night, Apr. 1st.

Dr. Baker has completed the foundation for his new house; he is expecting the Carpenter to commence building the last of the week.

We had a fine B.Y.P.U. Tuesday night Miss Bernice Paris was leader.

Mr. Graham is progressing nicely with his new house.

Wm. E. Ball has fifty thousand pounds of Corn for sale.

Mr. Graham's two son's came Saturday morning.

Prayer meeting at the school house Wednesday night. Mr. Alvin Paris was leader.

Bro. J. B. Cochran will hold quarterly conference here Saturday and Sunday. Farmer

Dr. Baker is building a neat cottage on his ateg recently purchased from Mr. Harris.

Mr. Harris, our new storekeeper has been out of town on business some weeks.

Carpenters claim the new addition to school house is finished, but for some reason the board was failed to accept it.

The Baptist had their usual basket dinner Sunday; brother Hoffman preached.

Mr. Pardue has sold his farm to Dr. Hood of Illinois.

Mr. Ball was badly hurt Monday by being thrown from his horse.

Mrs. Floriday of Carlsbad visited her husband Monday.

Notice To Voters

Carlsbad, N. M., 3-29, '09

To School Boards:

The 38th Legislative Assembly has changed the date of the school election, from the first Monday in April to the first Monday in June. There will be no election April 5th. Directors whose terms would have expired May 3rd now hold until July 5th. A legal voter who has paid his poll tax for the current year is now a legal voter at school elections. On or before the first Monday in May the Board should make out the school census for the ensuing year. If a greater number of copies are desired let me know in the morning.

Yours truly,

A. A. KAISER

The Best Fresh vegetables at Shelby's.

Ed. George and Wm. Mohrbeck of Poplar Bluff, Mo., are visiting their old friend J. B. Corn and prospecting with a view of locating.

J. D. McAninch, who has been in the employ of Yancy Kemp for some time, has purchased some of the horses and equipment of the Star Stables and leased the new barn recently constructed by Geo. M. Pendleton and W. M. Lock, and named it the "Club Stable." He has purchased several fine rigs and also constructed a nice large feed corral in the rear of the stable where stock of all kinds will receive the best of care and feed. The 'phone No. is 78.

The holes are dug for the telephone line all the way to Knowles from Monument and the workmen are waiting for the poles poles which are here and will leave at once. Conversation will be carried on with Knowles in about ten days.

Shelby has fresh vegetables three times a week.

Cold Blooded Murder;

SHOOTS HIS ENEMY IN THE BACK

While at Home Reading by A Lamp at Night In Taos, This Territory.

Is Infuriated because Chairman Pooler Defends Helpless Wife of Bad Character who Has Been Beating Her.

Taos, N. M. Mch 27.—R. C. Pooler, one of the last known democratic politicians of the territory, and chairman of the Taos democratic central committee, was assassinated at 9 o'clock last night as he sat reading in his home. He was killed by a bullet from a 40-70 Winchester, fired through the window in front of which he sat. George Potter, a local character, has been placed under arrest charged with the cleaning.

Santa Fe, N. M. Mch. 27.—R. C. Pooler, chairman of the democratic central committee of Taos county, and one of the most prominent politicians in northern New Mexico, was assassinated last night by George Potter, a local character.

Pooler was shot down as he sat reading in the lamp in the parlor of his home in Taos, his slayer firing through the window with a 40-70 Winchester.

The bullet pierced his lungs and he died within a few minutes in the arms of his wife, who was in another room when the shot was fired. He did not live long enough to make a statement.

Mrs. Pooler hastily summoned aid and the whole town turned out to find the murderer. Because of threats made by Potter suspicion at once pointed to him as the murderer and he was placed under arrest within a short time after the shooting.

A Winchester rifle, of the caliber from which the bullet that killed Pooler was fired was found in Potter's possession and this added to the evidence against him. The rifle had been fired apparently but a short time before.

Potter was taken to jail, and a strong guard, every member armed with a rifle and revolver, was placed about the structure where he was confined. Friends of Pooler made threats of lynching and it was deemed advisable to take every precaution to prevent any disorder.

The guards patrolled the vicinity of the jail throughout the night and more guards remained in the building, ready for action at a moment's notice. There was no disturbance during the night.

The motive for the killing is said to be the aid that Pooler extended to Potter's wife a few weeks ago. According to this story Potter was beating his wife when Pooler heard her cries.

He went to her rescue and forced Potter to desist. It is said that this action so angered Potter that he swore he would kill Pooler at the first opportunity, and these threats against the life of the man who interfered in his domestic affairs, is the cause of the arrest of Potter.

Pooler was prominent in Taos county, only a few days ago [illegible] and it is said that in Colorado he was under arrest on suspicion of being implicated in a recent train robbery in that state.

The news of the killing reached here this morning and [illegible] Pooler was [illegible] Immediately upon hearing of the assassination Chief Fiske of the mounted police, who is at present in Taos [illegible]

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Sad Death of Estimable Lady.

March 27, 1909.—Mrs. Helen Boughton passed away at Washington, D. C., March 25th at 9 o'clock a. m. [illegible] Walter W. Boughton and mother and sister Mrs. Lola Tracy, and Mrs. Paul Brown of the city, hearing of her illness came from Washington. Mrs. Boughton was 52 years of age, left in New Orleans also Lola Tracy, a private stenographer in the [illegible] office at Washington. Mr. Boughton was a Washington patent lawyer and came out here on account of his health and was appointed the position of lawyer of irrigation. They have been in Carlsbad about two months during which time she spent about five weeks at the sanitarium and for the last five days she knew nothing whatever. Mrs. Boughton was a highly educated woman, especially in painting and drawing she taught painting in the convent at Washington and drawing at the high schools of Washington. Services were rendered at 5 o'clock Monday evening and the body was shipped to New Orleans where she will be buried by the father and brother. Mr. Boughton went as far as Pecos with them. Mr. and Mrs. Boughton were married the 20th of April 1908. The Carlsbad people gave their heart felt sorrow and love to the survivers.

C. R.

Mr. W. H. Woodwell of the Security Abstract Co. has bene appointed notary by Gov. Curry.