

**LOCAL.**

Mrs. B. Powell is very sick.  
Ed Scoggins is sowing white clover for his bees.  
Mrs. C. W. Cowden is listed among the sick this week.  
G. C. Babers from Nell wells was in town during the week.  
Elza White, the well driller, went south Tuesday to Midland.  
Mr. V. V. Leghorn and entire family, of Malaga, are on the sick list.  
J. H. Parrimore of Abilene was in town last week leaving for home Monday.  
Misses Ora and Johnnie Bush are here visiting and will remain this summer.  
Gus Goodwin and wife has moved into the M. E. parsonage for the present.  
"Ten nights in a Bar Room," old yet good will be given to the public some time soon.  
If everybody will put a shoulder to the wheel a good time and grand 4th will be the result.  
Ted Nymeyer came in Thursday from Alamogordo and will remain until after the Fourth.  
Mrs. M. Whiteman and daughters are here from Roswell visiting Mrs. M. J. Murray for a week.  
Herbert Douglass came in from Hope, Thursday, and left on the evening train for Alamogordo.  
Miss Eula and Berta Laverty have been listed among the sick this week, but are now much improved.  
Dr. Whicheer reports the arrival Thursday of a nine pound girl at the home of Fred Hare of Malaga.  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCarthy who moved from here to Chino Cal, last fall lost their baby by measles a few days ago.  
Mrs. R. M. Johnson had an operation performed last Saturday by Drs. Whicheer & Moehlan and she is now much improved.  
T. L. Webber, of El Paso, was among the many visitors Thursday in the interest of that live evening daily the El Paso Herald.  
Good printers, good stock and the latest type enables an office to turn out good work. All this you will find at the CURRANT office.  
Cyrus and Joe James sold their yearlings to Cowden Bros., of Midland last week to be delivered between now and Sept. 1, at \$16.00.  
Dick Wicker left Tuesday for Hillsboro, this territory, to testify in the Oliver Lee case, Dick knowing more than he cared to express in public.  
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Woerner will depart shortly for an extended visit through Illinois Indiana and Kentucky to visit Will's parents and other relatives.  
A meeting of sheepmen of Eddy County will be held at the court house next Saturday June 10 at 2 p. m. to arrange for dipping and other matters of importance.  
Vin Smith was before Justice Roberts, Wednesday, for throwing a knife at one of W. L. Hughes' boys. Ben was given ten days' time and cost, much to his regret.  
B. A. Nymeyer returned to Alamogordo, Sunday, after a stay of one day in Carlsbad. Mr. Nymeyer says his mine is getting better and he expects soon to be shipping ore.  
No preaching services at the Baptist church to-morrow, owing to the absence of Dr. Emerson in attendance at the commencement exercises of the Military Institute at Roswell.  
Four-fifths of the farms around Otis are lying idle this season and many of the farmers who are tilling the soil complain about the manner they are treated by the company on water matters.  
The Argus some time since suggested that the vacant lots opposite Hotel Schlitz be planted to alfalfa. The current predicts the lots will be "planted" to a handsome business house shortly which would look better than alfalfa.  
A. Norbom, a health seeker who left here a month ago after spending the winter in Eddy returned this week, satisfied that this is the best place for health. He spent a month in El Paso and Alamogordo and says it's too dusty in either place for him.  
Jos. Bernal still holds forth with G. F. A. Robertson and has sold about \$100 worth of steel spring bits and spurs the last month or more. Mr. Bernal has had several years experience with the largest blacksmith firm on the Pacific coast in San Francisco.  
Attorney W. A. Hawkins well known here is at the head of the scheme to stock the Sacramento mountains with English pheasants. Hawkins has engineered many schemes in the line of Fallways, etc. But the scheme to stock the mountains with pheasants is the biggest yet.  
Rev. Jno. E. Kell has resigned the pastorate of the Presbyterian church to take effect about July at the end of his second year. Mr. and Mrs. Kell will probably reside in Kansas. Rev. Kell has made many friends while among us and it is with regret his departure is noted.

**Call for Mass Meeting of Citizens.**  
Believing we should celebrate our national independence in an appropriate manner, I hereby call upon all citizens of Carlsbad and surrounding country to meet in mass convention in the court house Tuesday evening, June 6th, at 8 o'clock, to discuss the matter and, if it is the desire of the meeting, to appoint committees to arrange for a proper Fourth of July celebration.  
United action is all that is required to make the event a complete success and I earnestly trust all citizens will attend the mass meeting.  
M. J. MURRAY, Mayor.

Mrs. G. C. Starkweather, of Roswell, is visiting Mrs. Blackmore.  
Mrs. D. W. Gerhart visited friends in Midland a few days this week.  
The old reliable blacksmith, G. F. A. Robertson, is still on hand with prices lower than ever and all work guaranteed.  
Dr. Smith last Saturday purchased the building and lot on which Cassigoli Bros. are located for \$1,000 cash through McLanthen & Tracy.  
J. Eisenman, the Boston wool buyer, is here once more and is doing considerable business. He has so far purchased some thing like 100,000 pounds of wool.  
Joe Simpson the druggist at Blackmore's returned yesterday from a trip to Deadwood and Montana points. He reports the spring grass fine in that northern country.  
J. J. Dyer of DeLeon Tex. who has been employed on the building on the corner of Canon and Fox leaves for home to-night having received a message announcing the dangerous illness of his mother.  
John Gardoni, of San Angelo, an old friend of Will Woerner and an experienced mixologist, having held positions in many of the most palatial sample rooms of the big cities, will officiate at the Central and cater to the wants of its customers for liquid refreshments. Mr. G. arrived Wednesday.  
Sheriff Stewart last week went to Austin, Texas, to confer with Gov. Sayers on the Jim Nite matter. Nite is the thief and murderer captured by Sheriff Stewart and posse who is so badly wanted by the sheriff of Longview, Texas, that he made a trip to Santa Fe and by the use of those methods best known to Texas officials to properly approach a Mexican acting governor, secured requisition papers for Nite. It seems this same sheriff had once before obtained possession of Nite after having offered a big reward for his capture. The sheriff never paid the reward. Then Nite escaped and another big reward. It is said, of \$2,500 was offered for Nite.  
Sheriff Stewart returned yesterday morning he says the total rewards offered for Nite amount to but \$600, and that so far as he could learn the report that the acting governor had issued a requisition was a fabrication of some one. He was asked by the authorities of Texas to deliver Nite to Longview so a trial for murder could be had in the re-hearing granted by the courts of Texas for the murder of the cashier of the bank at Longview. Whether or not Sheriff Stewart will deliver Nite he has not decided. The Texas officials acknowledged that this county has the first and best claim on Nite at present because of being in the custody of our officials for a crime committed in the county, and that the governor's requisition cannot affect our rights to try the man even if such requisition is out.

**The Oliver Lee Murder Trial.**  
The case against Oliver Lee and Jim Gilliland was called Monday at Hillsborough, Sierra county. H. B. Ferguson and A. E. Fall appearing for the defense and W. B. Childers and T. B. Catron assisting the prosecution.  
From El Paso Times.  
HILLSBORO, N. M., May 30.—The first witness called in the Fountain murder case was T. B. Heman, who was foreman of the grand jury of Lincoln county, January, 1896 the last session of court attended by Col. Fountain prior to his disappearance. He testified that at the session indictments were found against Oliver Lee and William McNew for larceny of cattle. The witness stated that these had been obtained chiefly through the efforts of Col. Fountain. The attorneys for the defense objected strenuously to the introduction of this latter evidence as showing a motive for the alleged crime, and they tried hard to keep it from the jury. Judge Parker, however, overruled the objection.  
Certified copies of the two indictments were then offered in evidence and read to the jury.  
The cross-examination brought out the fact that Lees Dow was the chief witness against the defendants, on whose testimony the indictments were found.  
Saturnino Barela was the next witness called. At the time of the alleged murder he carried the Tulareosa mail from Las Cruces as far as Luna's Wells. He was the last person who saw Col. Fountain and the little boy.  
About 8 o'clock on the afternoon of

February 1st, 1896, he was driving with the mail from Las Cruces and was at a point about three miles north of the Chalk hills, when he saw three men on horseback coming from the opposite direction, who turned off the road at his approach and he could not see their faces. A little later he met Col Fountain with the little boy in his buck board, driving slowly and appeared very much worried and anxious.  
Fountain stopped and asked him who those three men ahead were, and said that he feared an attack. Barela said he did not know, and suggested to Fountain that he turn back and stop over night at Luna's Wells with him, and they could go on into Las Cruces together next day when he would be returning with the mail from Tulareosa. Fountain appeared to hesitate a moment or two and then said that he had to get home that night and would go on and take his chances. Then they separated, Fountain on towards Las Cruces and Barela on towards Luna's Wells.  
Next day Barela fearing that some accident had befallen them, watched their tracks carefully as he drove towards Las Cruces on his return trip. About two and a half miles south of the Chalk hills or about five and one-half miles from where he had met him the day before the witness found that Fountain's track left the road and turned toward the Jarillas.  
He followed the tracks a short distance, but finding no sign of the buckboard he turned and drove hastily into Las Cruces and gave the alarm.  
After the disappearance he found a pool of blood dried and soaked into the sand near the point where the tracks of Fountain's buckboard left the road.  
The witnesses' statements did not vary under cross examination.  
Catarino Diego, one of the searching party who went out with Albert Fountain corroborated his testimony of yesterday.  
Major E. Van Patten, ex-sheriff of Dona Ana county, then took the stand. He testified that he went out from Las Cruces with a searching party when the news of Fountain's disappearance came.  
At a point about 425 steps from the Chalk hills he found a pool of blood, soaked into the sand. This he collected and delivered to Gov. Thornton. At the same point he found a five and a ten cent piece each bearing spots of blood. Blood was also found on a patch of grass there.  
**DAMAGING TESTIMONY AGAINST LEE AND GILLILAND**  
Herald Bureau, Hillsboro, N. M., June 1.—This morning Jim Gould, whose cousin married Gilliland, took the stand to say that he saw McNew and Gilliland about Feb. 1 and they told him about Fountain's disappearance.  
"Gilliland said a posse was out hunting for Fountain," said the witness; "later he told me that old man Fountain came from Texas in a chicken coop and had prized up hell ever since he'd been in New Mexico but wouldn't prize up any more. I asked him about killing the child. He said it was nothing but a half breed and to kill him was like killing a dog."  
(Cross examined by Fall) Witness was not positive as to dates, and admitted he had talked the story over with his father. Witness said that during March, 1897, he was in the Eddy jail, and that he was an enemy of Gilliland and McNew and the two factions in the mountains went armed for one another.  
Riley Baker was the next witness. He and Gilliland married sisters. Witness said Gilliland showed him the spot where he and defendants watched with a field glass the party trailing the Fountains.  
"Gilliland told me," said witness, "that the bodies would never be found and no one would ever be convicted and that things had quieted down since old man Fountain disappeared."  
Cross-examined witness told of himself, his brother and Loomis hiding on a house top all day at Alamogordo last election to get the drop on Lee and Gilliland when they came in to vote. Other sensational evidence tending to show a conspiracy to kill Lee was brought out by Judge Fall.

**Reduction Rates.**  
On account of commencement exercises of the New Mexico Military Institute at one and one-third fare for round trip June 4-5; final limit June 11 th.  
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My stock is complete and consists of the latest and best goods to be found and I invite the public to call on me when in need of anything in this line.  
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**PAT MURRAY.**

Mrs. Joe Hunt has been seriously ill this week.  
Good work guaranteed at starvation prices by W. G. Brown.  
Mrs. Whicheer & Moehlan operated on Mrs. Sunney, Sunday.  
Mrs. I. S. Osborne returned Tuesday from an extended eastern trip.  
McLanthen & Tracy this week sold lot 6, block 55, to C. W. Lewis.  
Remember the 4th of July meeting at the court house Tuesday evening.  
Mason fruit jars at Pardues with rubbers. All sizes at the lowest prices.  
Jno. W. Poe, the Roswell banker, was a north bound passenger Wednesday.  
If you want to see a big time the Fourth turn out and help get the celebration on foot.  
Milton Whitney of the U. S. division of sails arrived yesterday morning and will be here several days.  
B. A. Wiggins is ready to do all kind of mowing and raking, everything furnished, at 75 cents per acre.  
Lost—Music roll containing several pieces; probably between town and La Huerta. Return to Arthur Draper.  
Ed. O. Hughes, hailing from Denver, was here this week to check up with McLanthen & Tracy on fire insurance.  
Dr. L. Bertrand, the dentist, will leave this afternoon for his home in Baton Rouge, La., having decided to leave Eddy for good.  
T. F. Blackmore in his ad this week again calls attention to the fact that he has the purest and best drugs on the market. He also has a complete line.  
More prairie schooners from Texas have been going through this week enroute to the Sacramento mountains, where they will have a hard time trying to make a living.  
The team attached to the water wagon took a runaway notion Wednesday and had a general time breaking the wagon tongue and tearing up things generally.  
Carlsbad will be represented by large crowd at the commencement exercises of the Military Institute at Roswell, owing to the liberal rates made by the P. V. & N. E. Railway.

The raising of sugar beets and the manufacturing of sugar from them employs thousands of persons in Germany, and is a source of great profit to those who have invested their money in the industry. An enormous amount of that best sugar is imported to the United States. The German manufacturer pays the freight to the importer, the salvage and yet can afford to sell his beet sugar on American markets as cheap as the sugar produced in this country. Many sections in New Mexico are better adapted to the sugar beet industry than the most favored parts of Germany, and sugar could be produced cheaper in this territory than anywhere else in the world. With so much capital seeking investment there should be little difficulty in establishing the best sugar industry on a large scale in this territory.—New Mexican.

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