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Books will be ready for distribution Saturday June 15th.

This move is in line with the progress of our town and the firm is to be congratulated for its enterprise.

Roosevelt To Hagerman.

President Roosevelt's letter to former Governor Hagerman contains the following concerning the appointment of Hon. George Curry as governor of the territory. "No one suggested to me the appointment of Captain Curry as your successor. The idea was my own, because I wished under the extraordinary circumstances in New Mexico to find some man whom I personally knew and whose uprightness, strength of character and knowledge of the people and the circumstances in New Mexico to find some man whom I personally knew and whose uprightness, strength of character and knowledge of the people and the circumstances I could have entire confidence. Captain Curry was one of the best men in my regiment. He has been away from New Mexico for eight years, so that he is in no shape or way identified with any factional trouble therein. I do not even know his politics. During these eight years he has done distinguished military and civil service in the Phillipines, not only having shown great gallantry in action, but marked administrative ability when in charge of the Manila police force and afterwards in various other positions, including that of governor in the provinces. As far as I know there has been universal approval in New Mexico of his choice: and approval of the choice of Captain Curry as governor is incompatible with the existence on the part of those approving it of either the hope or the desire to see crooked methods obtain in the New Mexico government.

Very truly yours,
THEODORE ROOSEVELT

Mother and Twin Babies Dead.

Mrs. Maggie Glisen died Monday evening shortly following the birth of twins which lived only a few minutes after the death of the mother. The family lives east of the Baptist Church. The remains were laid to rest in the Tucumcari cemetery yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Glisen was the daughter of W. M. Brown who lived with the family.

Don't overlook A. Jewell & Co. ad this week.

The phone line Texico to Tucumcari will be completed in a few days.

The rock is going out the ground for the erection of the Gallegos building.

Lots are now on sale in the Buchanan Addition. See the Gamble-Askew Realty Co., over First National Bank, phone No. 70.

G. W. Evans, manager of the Evans Realty Co., will leave Monday for his former home in Richmond, Ky., where he goes to wind up his business at that place preparatory to returning here to devote his entire attention to real estate. He will be away two or three weeks.

How Javanese Settle Quarrels.

The Javanese manner of settling quarrels is quite original. When one man has offended another the injured party gives notice that he is angry by drawing in the sand before the door of the offender a circle with a straight line across it, indicating that his affection, which would have been eternal, has been cut in two. Friends of both parties then shut them up. They parley awhile, then pretend to be born again, prattle as little children and finally as men become reconciled and embrace. Should one be refractory and refuse to be conciliated he is ostracized by the community so effectually that he is soon brought to terms. It is just possible that our enlightened citizens might consider this method better than knockdown arguments and certainly much cheaper than going to law.

The Ominous Owl.

It's an odd thing, but there are a number of people who have a distinct antipathy to the screech owl and cannot listen to a single burst of its hilarity without shuddering. The screech owl is supposed by the negroes on southern plantations to be in direct communication with all the ghosts and giants of the forests. He plays a great part in the more weird folklore stories of the darkies. A funny superstition in regard to the screech owl is that if you will take your shoe or slipper off your left foot the first time you hear an owl laugh and turn the shoe sole upward on the floor and place your "stockin' foot" on the bottom of the shoe's sole the owl will stop laughing and fly for ten miles without rest.

Reading.

Reading is not a lost art to the same degree that conversation is, but it has in most cases an arrested development through so much reading that makes no demand upon aesthetic sensibility, so that one is apt to bring to a fine story full of delicate shades of thought and feeling the same mind which he yields to a newspaper, putting a blunt interrogation as to its meaning as conveyed in the terms of a rational proposition, and the writer's charm is wholly lost upon him.—Harper's.

Nothing more completely baffles one who is full of trick and duplicity than straightforward and simple integrity in another.—Colton.



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