

EL CENTRO

Mrs. Brown has in a lot of new and attractive stationery.

A. E. Frost has gone to Redlands to dispose of his orange crop.

Mr. Deuel has returned from a trip to Los Angeles and Redlands.

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The little son of S. A. Fuller who is a guest of his brother is quite ill this week.

W. F. Holt was in town this week. He is much pleased with the progress we are making.

Alfalfa pasture for sale at Prof. Sisson's ranch on the Dahlia. See J. H. Huff. m-17-24

It is reported that Mr. Vencill is taking an interest in a town lot and lumber, the combination of which is suspiciously significant.

Mrs. Boger is dropping the seed for her husband who is putting in cantaloupes. Mrs. B. had ripe strawberries from her own patch the other day.

Mr. Forrester is digging a cellar and lining it with cement in order to have a cool place for poultry incubators. His plans are always successful because of their careful execution.

Mr. Heath who used to be in the Valley is with us again. He is an expert locomotive engineer. He has bought land and will put in a well equipped machine shop in El Centro.

Prizes of \$500 and \$300 are offered for the first and second best essay on "Moral Training in Public Schools." Dr. Jordan of Stanford Rev. Charles R. Brown of Oakland, Prof. F. B. Dresslar of the University of California, are the judges.

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On Sunday last Thomas Beach and a force of men who had been working for the California Development company, here in the Valley, went through on the train to Yuma to work on the Imperial headgate. We understand the company is concentrating its force at that point and will make a supreme effort to shut the water off as soon as the river recedes to normal flow.

T. B. Blanchard's are moving into their new home. A Los Angeles lady remarked, "well isn't that a dear little house, that looks like a Los Angeles house." The interior too is attractive and artistic. The walls of the dining room are finished above the plate rail with a corn-colored burlap, with a design to match the restful green shade of the same material below the rail. The casement windows, commodious porches and artistic furnishings render it the cosiest of homes.

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It seems that there is a most woful lack of care on the part of some one with regard to looking after the water in the irrigating ditches, judging from the disasters resulting from their overflow James Hiser, who was planting melon seeds on R. H. Balcom's place, found on his return from Blue lake that the land was inundated, and he would have to wait ten days before he could begin to work it over. Miss Gulick was awakened one night to find that over a hundred chicks were immersed in cold water and mud. Imagine the work, the loss, the anxiety!

Geo. T. Clayton, a printer, arrived here from Los Angeles, Wednesday, and will take a place with the Press force.

W. E. Downing and wife arrived last Friday from a two month's trip to Missonri. Mr. Downing will open the barber shop in the Hotel El Centro in a few days.

Ed. E. Boyd, the Holtville Realty man, was over Tuesday and made the Press office a pleasant call. Mr. Boyd reports everying moving on the eastside and says the real estate market is more active than at any time in two years past.

Last Saturday the carpenter who had been at work at Sharp's Heading, passed through El Centro on his way to Yuma to go to work on the Imperial headgate. They reported the water rising at Sharp's, so it was decided to close down there.

W. L. Brent, President of the Merchant's Trust Co. of Los Angeles, was an El Centro visitor Thursday, in company with Mr. W. F. Holt. This is Mr. Brent's first visit to the Valley, and he is much pleased with the splendid ranches and excellent prospects to be seen on every hand.

Dr. R. H. Lee of Los Angeles, was an El Centro visitor last Tuesday. The doctor was a neighbor of Mr. F. B. Fuller in Colorado some years ago, and like Mr. Fuller is very enthusiastic over Imperial Valley and its prospects. Dr. Lee owns a fine quarter section in No. 7, and is looking for more.

George E. Irwin last week completed the cottage he was building for B. D. Pellet of the Press and Mr. Pellet promptly moved up from Imperial and occupied the same. Mr. Irwin is now building a house for ye editor and as soon as it is completed El Centro will be the home and abiding place of the Press and all its attachments.

Mr. A. Latson of Rocky Ford, Colorado arrived here last Thursday to take up the work that has been so ably and acceptably done by Mr. J. F. Roth. Mr. Roth will show him about the Valley and introduce him to all the cantaloupe growers in the El Centro and Holtville Associations during the next week or so, and then he will return to his home in Rocky Ford, to put in a crop of melons for himself.

G. A. Parkyns, formerly Assistant General Traffic Manager of the Southern Pacific, was in El Centro last Tuesday. Mr. Parkyns is a director in the California Development company, and a property owner in the Valley. He has just returned from a six month's vacation trip to China, Japan, and the Orient. He was much pleased with the substantial growth of El Centro, and has great faith in Imperial Valley.

Less than two months ago Mr. Vencell, of the Valley Bank, bought 80 acres of land from Mr. John Evey, two miles south of town. This week he sold it to Mr. Morgan of Amarillo, Texas, through the real estate agency of Fuller and Aten. He paid \$31.00 per acre for it and sold it for \$40.00 per acre and did not lay out any expense on it while he owned it. And Mr. Morgan has a bargain, for all such land is really worth \$100 per acre.

On the Hotel El Centro the work of finishing is going rapidly forward. The windows and doors in the upper story are nearly all in, the plasterers are rushing their work and are well nigh done and the roof over the upper porch is nearly all on. Down stairs the flooring is being put down for the kitchen and dining room and the work of finishing the office is under headway. Then El Centro will be something the Valley can be proud of.

Work on the ice plant is being pushed with all speed. Superintendent Cooper has a force of more than thirty men, besides those working for contractor Peterson on the brickwork. The large freezing tank 30x44 feet is nearing completion, the ceiling in the ice storage room, 38x45 feet is about all on, the transformer house is nearing completion, the brick work on the main building is done, the watertower is complete, the pump house is done, and the work of putting in the heavy machinery is progressing rapidly. Unless some unforeseen delay occurs, the ice plant will be ready to begin making ice by the 15th of April.

I have 320 acres more of school land north of Holtville that I can sell at \$6.00 an acre on terms. If you have used all your rights here is a chance to get a piece of deeded land. Bert R. Chaplin, Imperial, Cal.

Imperial Items

Wheat for your chickens. Desert Grain Co., Imperial.

S. C. Mack has been on the sick list for a week or more. He is suffering from an attack of asthma, but is much better now.

H. L. Peck returned from Los Angeles on last Tuesday evening's train from a visit of several days to the Southern California metropolis.

F. C. Paulin, president of the Imperial Land company, came down from Los Angeles Tuesday, and spent several days in the Valley this week.

O. J. Coen, the Commercial agent of the Southern Pacific was an Imperial visitor last Wednesday. In fact, Wednesday seemed to be S. P. Day.

Cattle and hogs are going forward to market now on nearly every train. Several car loads of hogs and some of cattle went out during the past week.

W. J. Mitchell has now received his corrected and tested clocks, and hereafter Mitchell will have the "good time," even though Belcové should have the best time.

Mr. W. H. Blackman, the expert who examined the books of Imperial Water Co. No. 1, has returned to his home in Los Angeles, and Secretary Baker is expecting his report any day.

S. O. Long came down from his Hollywood home this week for a look at the Valley. He has sold his planing mill property on Eightstreet and it is reported that the new owners will put it in operation again.

Bert Chaplin went to Los Angeles Thursday morning to close up some land deals he is interested in. Bert has been making some very good sales recently and is rapidly making his mark as a business man.

J. C. Thompson of the New river ranch received 50,000 grape vine cuttings for setting out on the ranch in No. 8. Mr. Thompson is an enthusiastic grape man and without doubt will soon demonstrate the force of his ideas.

Mr. A. L. Bainbridge and wife of Ohio, were in the Valley last week looking us over and endeavoring to see what we have to offer in the way of attractive investments. They have spent the winter in San Diego, and hearing of our Valley decided to see what it was like.

Imperial was visited last Wednesday by a special train conveying the officials of the Southern Pacific railroad. General Manager, J. C. Calvin, Traffic Manager T. A. Graham, Division Superintendent H. V. Platt, Manager R. H. Ingram and about a dozen others were on the train.

A proposition is said to be on foot to move the post office to the vacant room in the Priest building, formerly occupied by A. L. Hill's hardware store. It is stated that Postmaster Allatt could make the move without loss, and it is intimated that other considerations are offered.

A so-called "water witch" was in town this week and "located" water near the section house. He offers to stake his reputation on water being found at a depth of 215 feet at that point and says it will not be salt water. Bore for it, boys, maybe it will be soda water.

The Teacher's Institute was held in Water Co. Hall Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Every teacher in the Valley attended except Mrs. Fredricks of Brawley. It was a most successful meeting in every way. Full particulars and programme will be published next week.

J. D. Meadows returned Tuesday from an eight day trip to Yuma, and Arizona points on business. He did not visit the Imperial canal heading, but reports that he heard only favorable news from there, everyone saying they were getting along fine with the work of putting in the headgate and getting the river under control.

Quite an enjoyable party for the little folks was given by Morris Havens on the occasion of his sixth birthday. About a dozen of his playmates gathered at his home and played the little games that so delight the little people. After an hour or more spent in this way, all repaired to the dining room and partook of a dainty luncheon. Elinor Mack assisted Mrs. Havens in caring for Morris and his guests.

The Imperial Minstrels will tread the boards at Water Co. Hall on next Monday evening, March 26th. The programmes disclose the following cast: Farnsworth, Garey, Parazette, Becker, Dyke, Tobin, Holtzman, Attway, Kaufman, Witman, Keller, Wade, Allatt

and Seeley. Also that all the "good things" are not in the east; many of them being reserved for the performance. You can't afford to miss this show, for you need the good time the boys will give you, and the Imperial baseball club, for whose benefit the show is given, needs the money you will pay for admission. Take our word for it, and go.

Notice

EDITOR PRESS: There will be a meeting of those who have sustained damages by reason of overflow water held at Silsbee on next Wednesday, March 28th, 1906. All interested are urged to attend as it is desirable that the claims be prepared for presentation at once. Action will be taken by those who do attend, so be sure and come if you are interested and wish to join us in endeavoring to obtain redress.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMITTEE.
H. J. FULLER, Sec'y.

A Safe Cough Medicine for Children

In buying a cough medicine for children never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it and relief is always sure to follow. It is especially valuable for colds, croup and whooping cough. For sale by all dealers.

Our Boys

Mothers, our boys are going that way, Where evil is ever seeking its prey. Where manhood and truth forever is lost, And many a mother's tears it will cost.

Mothers and friends give our boys a chance
E'er the clouds are getting too dense
Our boys will rally our efforts true,
And the pool room will then receive its due.

Some cosy corner for the boys to care,
There they'll not ask for games unfair;
There for true manhood our boys will stand
And poolrooms and vices forever abandon.

Mrs. L. L. BURTON, Holtville, Cal.

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Silsbee Sayings

Mr. Mastic who has been visiting with his niece, Mrs. P. O. Parsons, left here last Tuesday to make a tour of the state. He expects to return in the near future.

We are pleased to hear that Mr. Pyle is improving from a long spell of sickness.

Judge Orrick has been cutting and putting up alfalfa hay on the ranch of John R. Havens southeast of town.

Quite a number of the residents of the south side was over here last Sunday purchasing supplies.

O. N. Jones is preparing ground to put in several sacks of alfalfa seed.

Wm. Stockton went over to his Diamond lake ranch gathering up his cattle last Monday.

John Gray shipped out about two hundred head of fat cattle last week.

Wm. McHenry is laid up with a severe attack of rheumatism.

Bert Young is setting out several acres to trees.

The Henderson Brothers are contemplating going into the dairy business.

W. S. Wilkins is improving his place and putting in several acres to alfalfa.

Mrs. Geo. L. Campbell returned from Los Angeles last Monday. She says she is glad to get back to see the fields of alfalfa and grain.

Mr. J. N. Woodard has about ten acres ready for cantaloupes.

The Pyle Brothers, Thomas and Geo. has in about forty acres to alfalfa joining the townsite on the east.

HELP YOUR DOCTOR

By having your prescription filled where there is not the slightest doubt of the purity of the drugs used.

HERE IS THE PLACE

MILLER'S

Prescription Druggist Phone 37
Second store from Bank

FOR SALE—One team of horses weighing 2600, one colt coming 3 years. Inquire at F. J. Blaschko, 3 miles southeast of Silsbee. m-24-tf

Classified Liners

Liners under this heading will be inserted for 5 cents a line each insertion.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Racycle bicycle in excellent condition, new pedals, chain and tires, 94 gear, both tires filled with Rykert Puncture Proof solution; \$25. Call at Press office.

FOR SALE—Flax seed meal at \$7.00 per hundred pounds; flax seed oil cake a \$5.00 per hundred. Call or address Goe. Fishbaugh, Yuma, Ariz. i-17-4t

FOR SALE—Residence property at Redlands; or will trade for Imperial Valley ranch property. Inquire at Press Office. m-17-tf

FOR SALE—Eight 2-year old heifers, fresh or coming in soon; six calves and steers from two mos. to 1 year old. Three miles east of Silsbee on main canal. Address A. R. Abbott, Silsbee. m-17-tf

FOR SALE—Choice seed barley \$1.10 per hundred. Enquire of Henderson Bros., Silsbee, Calif. i-10-tf

FOR SALE—White Plymouth Rock roosters; Mrs. Basley's strain, \$2 and \$3 each. Mrs. R. H. Clark. i-10-tf

FOR SALE—Cheap, One No. 1, and one No. 2 DeLaval Separators, in first-class condition. Apply to C. W. Fernald, Imperial, Cal. m-10-tf

I have an order for 160 shares of water stock that can be located in either of the water companies No. 1, No. 5 or No. 6; will divide to suit purchaser in forties or eighties; \$13.50 per share; all cash. Write or see F. H. Stanley, Brawley, Cal. n 4-tf

FOR SALE—Quarter section A No. 1 land, two miles north of Heber. First-class early fruit, vineyard, cantaloupe or alfalfa land. Forty shares of water stock and 40 acres ready to put in crop. Price \$2000. Will take one-half cash, or trade for work horses or other property if acceptable. Address B., care this office. n 4-tf

FOR SALE—A steam engine, 14 horsepower with 150 feet belt. Inquire at this office.

FOR SALE—25 tons alfalfa hay A 1, 2½ miles east of Imperial. Inquire on F. A. Marek's ranch; price right. j-20-tf

FOR SALE—160 acres between Imperial and Holtville on railroad 1-4 mile from siding, with 160 shares Water Co. No. 1 stock. Will sell cheap and on easy terms. A. T. Gantt, 816 Stephenson Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. m-3-m-17-::

FOR SALE—A canvas house, 12x18, shake roof. Enquire of Chas. Fernald, Imperial. i-24-tf

FOR SALE—Good barley hay, \$9 per ton, at H. B. Balcom's ranch near El Centro. m-3-tf

Pool Hall equipment for sale cheap. Call on or address A. B. Jones, Silsbee, Cal. f24-m24

FOR RENT

Office for rent in the Garner building. Apply to I. L. Wilson. oct 21 tf

WANTED—To Trade 80 acres of land with water stock, 4 miles from town, for horses or mules. Address: Lock Box 133, Imperial. july 22 tf

PASTURE—I can furnish grain and alfalfa pasture for 50 head of cattle on my ranch. H. M. Kinne, El Centro, Calif. m-3-tf

WANTED

WANTED—Immediately, at Hotel Franklin, El Centro, One cook and one chambermaid. Apply to Mrs. S. I. Masten, El Centro. f10-tf

WANTED—To buy about 25 good milk cows on easy terms. Henderson Bros. Silsbee, Calif. f17-tf

WANTED—To buy about thirty or forty shoats. Will pay cash. Address, W. B. Cressey, Imperial. f24

I WANT TO BUY—20 to 40 shares of stock in Imperial Water Co. No. 1, at rock-bottom price for spot cash. address E. W. Fales, Imperial, Cal. m-3-tf

WANTED—Gentle horse to drive, for pasture; best of care but no responsibility assumed. Address John Adam, Box 253, Imperial, Cal. m24-a14

WANTED—Four-horse team of work horses, at right price. King L. Kendle, Holtville, Calif. m-10-tf

FOR EXCHANGE—Will exchange 123 acres grazing land, with wood and water in Ventura County, 4 miles from S. P. R. R., worth \$1200 for relinquishment or other property in Imperial Valley. M. W. C., 623 Bryson Bldg., Los Angeles, Cal. d16tf

WANTED—An apprentice girl to learn the millinery and dressmaking business. Apply to Mrs. L. Denny, Imperial, Calif. m-3-tf

LOST, STRAYED AND FOUND

ESTRAY—Came to my place 3 miles east of Silsbee, 3 young sows. Owner can have same by proving property and paying damages and this advertisement. A. R. Abbott, m-17-tf

ESTRAY—Came to Sisson Ranch, Mar 2nd, One black cow, cross bred, left hip. Owner who lost her and pay

Ladies, Attention!

I have just received a shipment of the latest styles SINGER SEWING MACHINES which I have on exhibition at my sales-room in the Postoffice Building where I would be pleased to show them. I am selling SINGER SEWING MACHINES at the rate of ten cents a day on time. Liberal discounts for cash. When you can buy Singers at those terms you cannot afford to be without one. Old machines taken in exchange.

My specialty, cleaning and repairing of old machines, also supplies for all makes.

J. J. TELLER

Imperial Valley Agent Singer Sewing Machine Co. P. O. Building, Imperial, Cal.