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PREPARING FOR THE GREATEST BEAN CROP EVER PRODUCED IN SAN FERNANDO VALLEY

With soil and moisture conditions throughout the valley never better the prospects are good for a bumper crop of beans. Present indications are that there will be over 12,000 acres of beans all of which will be handled thru the local warehouse. Plans are being made for a 200 foot extension to the warehouse building and the installation of another elevator for the prompt handling of the crops.

Until two years past the growers considered planting only the Blackeye Bean. This year there will be hardly enough of these beans for a single cartload. For dry farming these have been replaced by the Tepary bean, the latter being a much surer crop and far more productive. The Tepary bids fair also to replace the Blackeye in the Southern market which has long taken the Blackeye as a matter of course.

With food stuffs of all sorts at a premium the market is turning to the cheaper commodities and beans are being bought up as fast as offered. The warehouses throughout the state are empty of beans as never before.

The local growers' association is today offering for this season's crop the following schedule of prices:

Tepary Beans	\$5.12 1-2 cwt.
Henderson Bush	6.50 "
Blue Pod	7.00 "
Lima	6.10 "
Blackeye	4.50 "
Pink Beans	6.00 "

On this basis seed is loaned the growers at the contract price to be deducted later from the crops. Local growers have already disposed of 60 per cent of their crops and there is little doubt but that fully 90 per cent will be sold under contract by harvest time.

Of the acreage to be planted over half will be of the Henderson Bush variety, which speaks well for the showing they made last year. These beans were

first grown here by farmers from the Carpenteria district. They were for a seed proposition but last year took their place in the commercial market and today command a higher price than the large lima.

Lewis and Burpee Limas were grown successfully in the valley last year and a possible 500 acres will be planted to these beans this season.

Blue Pods are a variety of small white beans grown for some time in the Lompoc district in a similar location to ours. Several hundred acres will be planted to this variety.

For light soil and dry farming the growers are leaning strongly to Tepary's. Last season these beans averaged 1000 lbs. to the acre and in two cases exceeded 3000 lbs. They are an easy bean to raise, a cheap seeding proposition and practically sure crop.

Pink beans have been grown for several seasons in the higher elevations and have been entirely free from weevil. The prevalence of weevil in these beans has retarded their growth in southern localities, but at an elevation of 700 feet or better they have made a successful crop. Chatsworth and Las Virgenes will grow several cars this season.

With thorough water distribution a practical certainty many acres of beans will receive irrigation and the assured high prices will cause the growers to give this crop the work and attention it deserves. Beans respond to attention, and work put on them will not be wasted.

Twelve thousand acres of beans means 240 cars and each car of beans is worth \$8,000, the price of a good home.

Cleo Davis is now employed as assistant bookkeeper at the State Bank of Owensmouth. The growing business of the bank rendered additional help necessary.

ENTERTAINMENT

By the Girls' Athletic League

Owensmouth High School Auditorium, Feb. 9, 1917

Program

- The Dream Ascher
True Love—Mazurka Ascher
Orchestra.
- a. Swedish Class Dance
b. Fjalnas—Polka
San Fernando High School.
- a. Russian Dance—In the Fields
b. Russian Dance—The Waves
Owensmouth High School.
- a. Dainty Steps
b. Thanksgiving Dance
San Fernando High School.
- Dumb-Bell Drill San Fernando High School
- Vestal Virgins Van Nuys High School
- Dance of the Daisies San Fernando High School
- Dance Margaret Allen, San Fernando
- Varsovienne Zulah Bridges and Ruth Morris, Owensmouth
- Irish Jig San Fernando High School
- March—Our Director Bigelow
Orchestra.

Owensmouth High School Notes

Friday afternoon there was a basketball game between Van Nuys and Owensmouth, on the local grounds, to decide the championship of the two schools. A truckload of Van Nuys students came over to see the game. It was certainly very exciting. The teams kept very close together, first one side one or two points ahead, then the other. Several yellows were given by the students of both schools. When the time was up the score stood 14 to 12 in favor of the home team.

Miss Rookley entertained the basketball team and a few friends at a splendid chicken dinner on Wednesday evening, in honor of the victory won by the boys last Friday. The dinner was served in the dining room of the domestic science department. The menu was as follows:

- Fried Chicken
- Baked Potatoes
- Hot Biscuits and Butter
- Chocolate
- Fruit salad
- Salted Almonds
- Orange Pie

A number of delightful after-dinner talks were given and the affair was highly enjoyable to all present.

Those invited were Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Monroe, Mrs. Helen Mitchell, Misses Lulu Draper, Varina Williamson, Agnes Ralph, Jessie Beekstead, Gladys Riddle, Ruby Davis, Viola Diaz, Maurice Beckstead, Earl Haas, Earl Carder, Merrick Gschwind, Leslie Johnson.

CHATSWORTH

Rain! Rain! Rain! We have a great plenty. It comes down buckets full at a time; And for inches we have nearly twenty. And many more inches as cents in a dime. It makes the land yield an enormous crop; It turns the pastures all to green. Stock eat until they have to stop; It makes them fat instead of lean. It makes the farmer shout for joy. For is sure to make good money And he is able to pay his hired boy. It's like "the land of milk and honey." C. E. G.

At its last meeting the Chamber of Commerce formed itself into an organization for the extermination of squirrels and gophers. N. C. Johnson was recommended to be appointed special inspector. The squirrels and gophers in this end of the valley will have to go and the law along this line will be enforced. Within the next 30 days a date will be set and every property owner or tenant thereon will be given notice to poison squirrels and gophers or to exter-

Owensmouth

HELPFUL TALKS AT P. T. A. MEETING

POLIS OF THE WEST FERNANDO VALLEY

The West End Parent-Teachers Association met in the hi school auditorium last Friday evening with President Mrs. W. A. Driscoll in the chair.

The meeting opened with a salute to the American Flag, the audience joining in the following: pledge allegiance to which it stands, one Nation indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all!

The hi school orchestra played several selections under the direction of Miss Draper and a chorus of grammar school girls sang very prettily, with Miss Hull as leader.

The secretary, Mrs. Mitchell, read a letter from the Chatsworth Chamber of Commerce regarding the dedication of the new school at that place. A committee consisting of Mrs. Hale, Mrs. Haas and Mr. Mitchell was appointed to represent the P. T. A. in the arrangements for the dedication.

Mrs. Driscoll spoke interestingly of a recent meeting of the Los Angeles P. T. A.

Principal G. W. Monroe gave some statistics regarding the development of the public school system of California. He spoke of the interest taken by the hi school faculty in the welfare of the students and reminded the parents that the school could not be maintained at the highest point of efficiency without their cooperation.

A few remarks by Principal Joseph Conrad of the grammar school concluded the program, after which the girls of the domestic science class served doughnuts and coffee.

Francis Waring and Earl Carder represented the senior patrol, Loyd Carder and Harold Trexler the junior patrol at a scout meeting in Los Angeles last Saturday. The meeting was held at Normal Hill Center. Over 1200 boys were represented.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Trexler of Ohio are guests of their cousin A. C. Trexler and family.

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ADVERTISED LETTERS

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- Bickel, Floyd H.
- Clifford, Mrs. Cora.
- Doles, Ed.
- Dixon & Griswold.
- Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hudson, F. D.
- Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Johnson, Mrs. Emma Rising.
- Russell, Harold O.
- Mattson, J. O.

Superintendent A. W. Knox of the Calabasas Farming Co. sustained a serious loss on Saturday night when the ranch barn was destroyed by fire. Twenty tons of barley hay and 10 head of work horses belonging to Mr. Knox were burned, entailing a loss of some \$3,000. Six horses were rescued. The origin of the fire is a mystery. Mr. Knox was awakened about midnight by the glare of the flames and found the barn burning fiercely. He carried no insurance.

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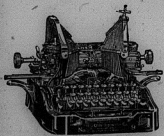
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Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Los Angeles, California, December 7, 1916.

NOTICE is hereby given that James Calvin Crisp, whose post-office address is Palms, California, did, on the 23d day of February, 1915, file in this office Sworn Statement and Application, No. 92842, to purchase the E1/2 Sec. 15, E1/2 Sec. 16, Section 25, Township 11 South, Range 19 West, S. B. Meridian, and the stone thereon, under the provisions of the act of June 3, 1878, and acts amendatory, known as the "Timber and Stone Law," at such value as might be fixed by appraisal, and that, pursuant to such application, the land and stone thereon have been appraised at \$400.00, the stone estimated at \$160.00, and the land \$240.00; that said applicant will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 16th day of February, 1917, before Register and Receiver, U. S. Land Office, at Los Angeles, California.

Any person is at liberty to protest this purchase before entry, or initiate a contest at any time before patent issues, by filing a corroborated affidavit in this office, alleging facts which would defeat the entry.

JOHN D. ROCHE,

Register.

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THE END OF MAN

SCARCELY a man out of one hundred can plow, an even less number of women can prepare a meal of victuals for the table. Potato skins are peeled off and considerable of the best meat of the potato goes with the skin. The potato is cooked until its starch turns to glucose instead of sugar and then the potato must be doped with fat or it cannot be masticated nor swallowed.

If the potato was treated right it would have an acid flavor and by butter or other fat would be needed. Free, unorganized fats cover the walls of the stomach and arteries with mattering sores, like a slice of diseased liver, and after we begin to work or move around the festers, or little boils, are agitated and their pains and itching is mistaken for hunger.

Real hunger cannot come until 10 to 12 o'clock. Natural hunger is produced by rearrangement of the molecules of the blood and muscles by the sun's warmth. It is at the time when the molecules are being rearranged by the sun that the pores of the skin and other organs are open and ready to receive nutriment.

When acid food is taken into the stomach its electrical life is taken directly into the nervous system and the nerves open the pores and the pores take up ozone out of the air. While the skin is taking in ozone you will be warm as warm as the sun, you will be chilly. Cold to the skin is beneficial because it is immediately absorbed by the muscles and is transformed into power but when the skin, becomes chilled from a lack of nerve action it fails the skin and blood with poisons. If the poisoned cells become inoculated by a nitrogen form of germ you will be pretty certain to have a run of fever and be in bed for several weeks. If you have the oxygen, or fruit cell, form of cells and germ in your blood and muscles the nitrogen germs cannot get in to do their d-daily work.

Oxygen is a gas that contains enough water to prevent it from sticking the fibers of the muscles together and it also permeates all through our food in the form of crystals, which divides the food up into rounded cells, after which the food settles down into a new kind of substance.

Greasy food, or food which has been heated, hinders the operation and forms food into flat crystals. When the muscles and nerves become dominated by the straight sided crystals it produces the end of the man. Man becomes transformed into a machine and passes over into hell and eternal torment. Machine's rear assembler but machine's never reconstruct. Then the machine-like man acquires the habit of letting out the blood from others that he may feast the eyes upon it, instead of producing and eating food that makes blood.

By fasting, or by eating strong fruit acid and drinking water with the acid these crystals can be so starved out, as they only live from day to day while the rounded cells live on forever by the absorption of moisture and oxygen by the forces of the sun. This correction of the cells is the only remedy for diseases there is, as the muscles are exercised the crystals cause pains and unhappiness. The true cells become happy when the sun rises. If the cells of the body are happy the brain and mind are happy.

Acid food in the stomach makes the blood red but ozone that is absorbed from the air by the skin makes yellow. Red and yellow makes green. Then the green is gathered out of the blood by the liver as bile and the bile is used to digest fats of the food that are in the intestines.

C. W. DAYTON,
The Real Ripe Honey Man.

THE GREAT GAME

By M. QUAD
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The villagers of Chatham and Co. Miss Esther Campbell of Hollywood is the guest of Mrs. Trezler and Miss Rankin Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Ullensvang of Zelzah have the sympathy of the entire community in the death of their youngest daughter, Valborg Elaine, which occurred February 3, after a lingering illness, at the age of 9 years and 6 days. The funeral was held February 5, at the Zelzah Lutheran Church, the services being conducted by Rev. O. H. Freus in English and by Rev. S. T. Bremseth in Norwegian. The pall bearers were Victor and Mentor Neggen, Raymond Brandson, Albert Kobasheim. The floral offerings were unusually profuse, more than 20 beautiful designs being presented by friends. Interment was made temporarily on Mr. Ullensvang's home place, pending the establishment of a cemetery in the valley. The funeral arrangements were in charge of the with their champion, and another ten men met them. The twenty were in the game when the fall began. It was to be the best three games in five and was played in the town hall.

The game began on Thursday morning, and that night shortly turned out to the regular prayer meeting. The first game lasted all day and all night and was not decided until noon. The champion of the town won it. This fact was explained over to Chatham, and it set the village on fire. The next day the games were made. New boasts were made. A lecturer was to give a talk Friday night, but he had to skip it.

The second game lasted through Friday and all day Saturday, and then the champions fell asleep for five minutes, but they were awoken by the trouble of getting up. The night the second game was won by the Colburn man. This made a game sipper, but he refused to play it.

There were two churches in this village, and the Sunday congregations counted up about five women apiece. Not all the women in each church could have induced the men to come away from the telephone. About 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon both churches' players were allowed to sleep for twenty minutes and then given a run-down with big vinegar and red pepper. They started out playing again feeling pretty lively. The first churches were closed Sunday night.

One day Monday passed and that Friday night of checkers was not decided. The champions were allowed a little sleep and given another run-down, and they got through the night fairly well. At noon Tuesday old Ephraim Mathison, eighty-five years, who was the greatest weather prophet for fifty miles around, sat on the post-office steps at Chatham and said to the dozen men about him:

"Boys, we are going to have a change weather within a few days. I'll bet my old fat skin a chip that we'll have the ripest old ginger-storm any you have seen in ten years."

"Well, let 'er come," replied one of the men. "I won't make any difference to the checker players at all."

"Don't you be too sure about that," said the old man. "I don't say that a friendly game of checkers is wicked, but I do say that keepin' up a game of checkers will interfere with prayer meetings and sermons is kinder deef'n the Lord."

At about two hours a black cloud arose in the west, and all could see that the thunderstorm was on. The old news from Colburn was that the third game was about an even thing so far and would probably not be decided before the next morning. Old Ephraim had come back just as the announcement was made, and on hearing it he exclaimed:

"That 'ere game of checkers will be decided within an hour, no matter what the telephone says."

It would hardly be more, though had pressed to do so, and half an hour later the first flash of lightning and the first rattle of thunder came to announce a hard storm. It was on and one both in Chatham and in Colburn.

The hall where the game was being played had a big crowd, and the lightning picked it off first. It struck on the roof, and most of the boards and shingles were tipped off, and the bolt knocked down every man who was on the feet. Both champion checker play-

ers fell off their chairs unconsciously and the checkerboard was split into a dozen pieces. There was a call for every doctor in town, and, though no one was actually killed, there was a heavy call for medical services. Such a thing as going on with the champion game was not to be thought of and has not been thought of since. All took it as a warning from heaven, and the ministers on the next Sunday clinched the matter by saying: if it is not punishment for such dreadful wickedness 'hy didn't the lightning strike one of de churches or Deacon Bennett's big eye?"

Johnnie on the Spot.
The young teacher had been having a trying time with her nature study class because Johnnie had discovered he knew more than she did about birds and frogs and had assumed a derisive attitude in consequence. She appealed to the class president, who replied: "Next time you have the class let me know, and I'll come in and take charge of it. I think I can settle Johnnie." He was duly called on, and all went well at first. With confidence the principal said at the conclusion of the lesson, "Now you may ask me one question. Johnnie had been silent up to this time. When it came his turn he rose and asked, 'Has a duck ever brown?'"—New York Times.

Watches and jewelry neatly repaired at Hartman's Jewelry Store, Van Nuys.

Owensmouth Director

U. S. Mails
Mails arrive and depart from Owensmouth as follows:

Arrive from Los Angeles and Easton points 8:20 a. m. and 12:20 p. m.
Arrive from Calabasas, Trinitas, Corral and Vista Benes at 12:30 p. m.
Mails close for Los Angeles and Easton points at 10 a. m. and 3:30 p. m.
Mail closes for Calabasas, Trinitas, Corral and Vista Benes at 10:30 a. m. and 3:30 p. m.

Owensmouth Public Library
Syndicate Book Mrs. Anna T. Galton, Librarian. Hours: from 2:30 to 4:30 p. m. in the afternoon.

Owensmouth Chamber of Commerce
President—W. J. Beckwith.
Secretary—G. F. Kelly.
Next general meeting of each month at 8 o'clock in grammar school auditorium.

Owensmouth Women's Club
President—Mrs. G. W. Moore.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. E. Beckwith.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. W. A. Driscoll.
Meets every second Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at homes of members.

Owensmouth High School
Principal—G. W. Monroe.

Owensmouth Grammar School
Principal—Joseph Gard.

Ladies' Aid Society
President—Mrs. W. B. Hyde.
Secretary—Mrs. Wm. McCook.
Meets every two weeks on Thursday at 2:30 at the homes of members.

Epworth League
President—Warren Hall.
Meets every Sunday evening at 6:30 in the Epworth Church.

M. E. Sunday School
Superintendent—Eric Goodall.
Meets every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock in the Epworth Church.

West End Parent Teachers' Association
President—Mrs. Wm. A. Driscoll.
Secretary—Mrs. H. H. Maltby.
Meets on the first Friday evening of each month.

U. S. A. Association
This association includes the school districts of Owensmouth, Calabasas, Calabasas, Liberty, Los Virgenes, Corral, Becker, Mount Olive, Topanga, Marina.

Van Nuys Poultry Association
Meets on the first Thursday of each month at 10 a. m. in First National Bank, Van Nuys.
President—H. B. Maltby.
Secretary—M. M. McCluskey.

Owensmouth Branch Home Investment Association
President—W. J. Moore.
Secretary—C. W. Davis.
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Over-the-hill Branch Boy Scouts of America
Scout Master—E. E. Goodall.
Robert Smith—Wayne Davis.
Meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the Epworth Church.

Canoga Club
Meets the second and fourth Saturday evening of each month at the homes of members.

Owensmouth

THE COMING METROPOLIS OF THE WEST
END OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY

Owensmouth is 20 miles from the center of Los Angeles and is the terminus of the Pacific Electric Railway. It has a new \$100,000 High School, \$50,000 Grammar School, \$15,000 Warehouse, Bean Cleaner, Good Bank, Modern Stores, Etc. It is the distributing point for a large area of developed country. Splendid roads connect all points.

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J. G. GO

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Quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies. You may soon need them by using one of our boxes for deposit.

Owing to the growth of the Owensmouth Postoffice business it has been found necessary to increase the box equipment. Forty additional boxes have been installed and persons wishing to rent boxes should apply at once. The lobby is open all the time, enabling box users to get their mail at any hour of the day or night.

Earl Bridges has taken the local agency for the Los Angeles Examiner, with headquarters at the Hyden Hardware Store. The Examiner is offering unusually liberal premiums with new subscriptions and several Owensmouth people have availed themselves of the opportunity to get a great daily newspaper on such easy terms. For full details see Earl Bridges.

For that bad cold use Hospital cold tablets, guaranteed by Bechtelheimer. Adv.

For San Fernando Valley news, you should read the Owensmouth Gazette. 15c per annum.

Pacific Electric Time Card

In effect Thursday, Aug. 24, 1916, between Owensmouth and Los Angeles, as follows:

Leave Owensmouth		Arrive Los Angeles	
6:30 a.m.	7:00 a.m.	7:00 a.m.	7:30 a.m.
8:00 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	9:00 a.m.
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2:00 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	3:00 p.m.
4:00 p.m.	4:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.	5:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.	6:30 p.m.	7:00 p.m.
11:00 p.m.	11:30 p.m.	11:30 p.m.	12:00 a.m.

Leave Los Angeles		Arrive Owensmouth	
7:00 a.m.	7:30 a.m.	7:30 a.m.	8:00 a.m.
8:30 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	12:00 p.m.	12:30 p.m.
2:30 p.m.	3:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.	3:30 p.m.
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10-ride family book	\$2.25
60-ride individual book	7.00
90-ride individual book	9.00
Single fare	.10
Round trip fare	.115
Between Owensmouth and Van Nuys	
10-ride family book	\$4.50
60-ride individual book	12.00
90-ride individual book	15.00
Single fare	.20
Round trip fare	.22

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Wednesday, Feb. 14—8 p.m.—At High School Auditorium, entertainment by Music and Drama Sections of Owensmouth Women's Club.

Friday, Feb. 16—8 p.m.—Public meeting to discuss Community Church matters.

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Personal and Local Notes

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Miss Esther Campbell of Hollywood was the guest of Mr. Trexler and Miss Rankin Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Ullensvang of Zelzah have the sympathy of the entire community in the death of their youngest daughter, Valborg Elaine, which occurred February 3, after a lingering illness, at the age of nine years and 6 days. The funeral was held February 5, at the Zelzah Lutheran Church, the services being conducted by Rev. O. J. Freus in English and by Rev. S. T. Sorenson in Norwegian. The pall bearers were Victor and Mentor Negren, Raymond Brandson, Albert Kobashim. The floral offerings were unusually profuse, more than 20 beautiful designs being presented by friends. Interment was made temporarily on Mr. Ullensvang's home place, pending the establishment of a cemetery in the valley. The funeral arrangements were in charge of the Van Nuys Undertaking Co.

Supervisor Jonathan S. Dodge of the Fifth District is to be given an opportunity to reduce the expenses of the county by several thousand dollars annually by reducing township lines in the west end of the county. Since the annexation of the San Fernando Valley to Los Angeles City the major portions of Chatsworth and Owensmouth are becoming a part of Los Angeles Judicial Township, leaving a narrow strip of sparsely settled mountainous territory to be administered by the county. The county now maintains three sets of officials—justices of the peace and constables to transact business which could be attended to by one justice and constable. Whenever an election is held six sets of election officials are required, while three polling places will be sufficient under the readjustment. Supervisor Dodge has referred to the county counsel the proposition to consolidate these three townships by annexing all the territory to Owensmouth until arrangements can be made to extend the city limits so as to include all of Chatsworth. This arrangement does not please the Calabasas people, who are preparing a petition to the Supervisors asking that the north line of that township be extended easterly to the point of intersection with the west line of the Los Angeles city limits, all that portion of Owensmouth Precinct No. 2 lying south of this line to be annexed to Calabasas Township. Under that arrangement the narrow strip of

land, which is now a part of Owensmouth, would be included in Calabasas. The Calabasas people, who are preparing a petition to the Supervisors asking that the north line of that township be extended easterly to the point of intersection with the west line of the Los Angeles city limits, all that portion of Owensmouth Precinct No. 2 lying south of this line to be annexed to Calabasas Township. Under that arrangement the narrow strip of

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Owensmouth lying north of the Calabasas line would be merged with Chatsworth temporarily. The county counsel states that in either case the present officers would hold their positions for the terms for which they were elected, but it is not probable that any of the officials whose territory was absorbed by the city or otherwise would continue to draw salaries without rendering any service in return. It goes without saying that they would promptly resign. Many Calabasas people have never been reconciled to the manner in which the lines were drawn when Owensmouth township was organized and they now see an opportunity to restore the former boundaries. Why should, etc., be included in Owensmouth township? Why should the justice court be held miles away from its accustomed place? Why should people who voted at the school house for so many years be compelled to travel several miles to another polling place? These are some of the questions which will be put before Supervisor Dodge when the Calabasas people present their petition next week.

Helping a Cripple.
Tommy—Father, when you give me a nickel to give to a cripple?
Father—Certainly, my boy. I am very pleased to see that you are kind and thoughtful concerning cripples. Always be kind and good to these unfortunate persons, because they need it most of all. Who is this cripple?
Tommy—The man who takes the money at the picture show!—New York Globe.

Mutual Improvement.
Neither man was exactly perfect. The old lady was middlemeane; the young lady was awkward in caring for her small baby.
"I declare," the old lady exclaimed one day, "a woman never ought to have a baby unless she knows how to hold it."
"Nor a tongue, either," the young mother retorted.—New York Times.

Some people may have a spiritual car, but the trouble is they can't steer with their car.—Christie Observer.

Your Last Chance

Recently we published in these columns an offer of the Youth's Companion and McCall's Magazine, both for a full year, for only \$2.10, including a McCall Dress Pattern. The high price of paper and ink has obliged McCall's Magazine to raise their subscription price February 1 to 10 cents a copy and 75 cents a year—so that the offer at the above price must be withdrawn.

Until March 31 our readers have the privilege of ordering both publications for a full year, including the choice of any 15-cent McCall's Dress Pattern, for only \$2.10. The amount of reading, information and entertainment contained in the fifty-two issues of the Youth's Companion and the value of twelve monthly fashion numbers of McCall's at \$2.10 offer a real bargain to every reader of this paper.

This two-at-one-price offer includes:
1. The Youth's Companion—52 issues.
2. The Companion Home Calendar for 1917.
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Young and inexperienced.
"Mother, how did you happen to marry father?"
"I can't say, my dear, except that I was a foolish little slip of a girl when he proposed, and I accepted him."—Detroit Free Press.

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Oct. 1	.61
Oct. 2	.08
Oct. 3	.57
Oct. 4	.91
Oct. 5	.38
Oct. 6	.48
Oct. 7	.05
Oct. 8	.20
Oct. 9	.69
Oct. 10	.40
Dec. 24	2.80
Dec. 27 (snow)	1.10
Dec. 28	1.08
Dec. 29	.05
Jan. 1, 1917	.40
Jan. 3	.43
Jan. 12	.21
Jan. 13	.09
Jan. 18	1.85
Jan. 19	1.45
Jan. 20	.17
Total	11.80
To same date last year	12.59

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POULTRY SCHOOL AT VAN NUYS IN JUNE

Announcement is made that the School in Poultry Husbandry conducted by the university of California in Southern California as a branch of its work at the Davis Experimental School, will be held this year for three days at Van Nuys and three days at Van Nuys.

The dates at Van Nuys, stated in a letter to B. R. Hallaway, will be June 11, 12 and 13. The sessions will be from 9:30 a. m. to 12 m., and from 1 to 3 p. m. This school will bring poultrymen and people interested in the industry together and much useful information will be gained from the exchange of experiences as well as from the lectures to be delivered by the university instructors.

All persons wishing to attend the sessions of this school will be required to register and should send their names to Mr. Holloway at once.

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 Rev. E. Goodall, superintendent.
 Preaching at 11 o'clock a. m. by Rev. Geo. A. Gandy.
 Special invitation is extended to all.

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 Rev. C. W. Johnson, superintendent.
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 All are welcome.

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(Not cod law.)
NOTICE OF THE PUBLICATION (Not Cod Law.)
 No Withdrawals.
 Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Los Angeles, Calif., June 10, 1917.
 Notice is hereby given that Charles S. B. Meridian has filed his plan for February 1, 1914, made homologated on May 10, 1917, for N. 1/2 of NE 3/4, Section 14, Township 3 N., Range 17 W., S. B. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, to wit: To make final three-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the Register of the U. S. Land Office at Los Angeles, Cal., on the 27th day of June, 1917. 2nd Adm. of 1917. U. S. Land Office, Los Angeles, California.
 Claimant names as witnesses:
 Alfred M. Bruns, of Topanga, Cal.
 Andrew Valdez, of Calabasas, Cal.
 Elder Hammond, of Topanga, Cal.
 James L. Richmond, of Los Angeles, Cal.
 JOHN D. ROCHIE, Register.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION (Not cod law.)
 No Withdrawals.
 Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Los Angeles, California, January 24, 1917.

Notice is hereby given that Thomas Stone Baldwin, of Calabasas, California, on August 15, 1913, made homologated on August 15, 1917, for NE 1/4, NW 1/4, SW 1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, SE 1/4, SW 1/4, NW 1/4, NW 1/4, S. B. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the Register of the U. S. Land Office at Los Angeles, Cal., on the 17th day of January, 1917. 2nd Adm. of 1917. U. S. Land Office, Los Angeles, California.
 Claimant names as witnesses:
 Alfred M. Bruns, of 1317 W. 22nd St., S. Angeles, Cal.
 Beattie DeHorn, of 170 Lucas Ave., Topanga, Cal.
 Walter W. Stunt, of Calabasas, Cal.
 Frank Schaller, of Calabasas, Cal.
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 No. 11 Mixed for Oxnard, Los Angeles, M. 10:00
 No. 40 From Oxnard Mixed: 11:20 A. M.
 No. 40 and 41 from Los Angeles to Oxnard: 11:30 A. M.
 No. 21, from Santa Barbara: 9:25 P. M.
 No. 22, from Santa Barbara: 10:00 P. M.
 No. 23, from Santa Barbara: 10:25 P. M.
 No. 24, from Santa Barbara: 10:50 P. M.
 No. 21 and 22, between the Coast, do not run on Saturdays.

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TIME TABLE
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 No. 16 from San Francisco: 11:37 P. M.
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and had seen some rough usage, so the defendant would give his consent as to the fact about the matter, simply answering that he had concealed nothing and they were as honest as his word, and they followed her up as well while she was Mrs. ... when she had been so long in the country, ...
 Anyway, if the Britisher was rough with America he loved to be treated as such in England, and it goes without saying that you can't make a person really a hurry.
 After his friend's departure Ludington was left with his ranch and has not since been seen here.

The Prospector's Daughter

By ESTHER VANDEWEER

A prospector of mines, down on his back, built a shelter for himself and his daughter, Margery, in the cleft of a rock.

One morning the prospector started out to go to his mine. He had been away a couple of hours when he found a woman who was sitting by a square cut in the board intended for a window. The woman came running toward her, catching sight of the strange abode, an idea which struck him by the door, and he was about to enter when he saw Margery. He closed the door behind her and said, "I'm hunted for my life. I want to know how you came to be here."
 Without any further word than to the lack of the world, which narrowed it circled around her, and finally reached a place where it was only now to get up with the woman. It was dark there, and he had this one chance if he would.

"What are you after you for?" asked Margery.
 "They mistook me for a horse thief," Margery knew that the punishment for horse stealing was hanging, and she shuddered. But she knew that she had not done anything wrong.

"They're coming," she said presently in a whisper. "Stay where you are. Melba I can stand 'em off till jaw come loose."
 The mounted men came riding toward the improvised shelter, and they were about to pass on when they saw one of them who had recognized Margery. He pointed to it. Margery heard him say that it was a good hiding place, and then they all rode toward it. Margery knew that if they searched it they would discover the fugitive. Taking up the rifle, she leveled it out through the window and called out:
 "The man pulled up and, perching before him, saw a girl sitting behind him. She was the prospector's daughter. "What was your name?" asked Margery. "My name's Melba. She says she's a horse thief." "What's your name?" asked Margery.

"I haven't seen any horse thief," she said. "The men consulted together, then said to Margery, 'We're sorry to trouble you, but we must have a look in this hole your 'horse thief.' " "I can't let you do that. I don't know who you are. You may want to steal something."
 There was a burst of laughter at the man's words. There was something to steal. The men dismounted and were about to enter when they saw Margery. They heard the well known click of the cocking of a gun. They stopped.

"Keep off," said Margery. In a quiet voice she said, "The men looked at Margery, then at the face of the rock, then at one another. "There's no gittin' in the rear," said Margery. "No, there isn't," said Margery. "We'll either get to go just the same." "It's my opinion 'ere," said a third, "else she ain't be cuttin' 'em down. Stay till we see 'em." "You're the feller that's hidin' behind your name's Melba. I don't want to hurt you, but—"
 Margery was not to be bluffed. She held the rifle to her shoulder. It was in the window sill or what served for one—and the man saw a slight movement there. Then they held another conversation of the kind of "where are you?" Margery that they were going to get when they were and walk. This was not disconcerting to Margery. She expected her father would soon be here. "You're the feller that's hidin' behind your name's Melba. I don't want to hurt you, but—"
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