

DEMING CO-OPERATIVE STORE IS FORMALLY LAUNCHED

Deming, Ramsey, Personnel, Etc. and other are directors.

One of the most important meetings ever held in Deming, it is believed by many, occurred on Tuesday of the present week when more than fifty men met to formally inaugurate the co-operative store.

The meeting was called by a committee of the Farm Bureau, which has been working so the proposition of a co-operative produce market and store. After it was agreed in the committee that the store, which was founded necessary to start the business, was in sight, a meeting was called of those who had subscribed for stock and the business was put on foot.

The meeting was called to order by J. C. Ingram, chairman of the committee. Temporary chairman and secretary were Hugh Ramsey and J. F. Dodover.

Chairman Ramsey first called for more new subscribers and increase of subscriptions from those who had already subscribed. In a few minutes \$250 more were subscribed for the project.

Next the proposed by-laws were taken up article by article, discussed, amended and approved. These by-laws had been very carefully studied by some present and about every flaw in them was eliminated. Mr. A. C. Elliot was particularly commended for his assiduity in this respect.

Following the adoption of the by-laws action was taken to select those who would act as incorporators, but each kept in mind that the five incorporators would also act as directors until the next stockholders' meeting. When nominations were open for those officers there appeared the many favorites; a dozen or more were nominated, but the choice finally fell on J. C. Ingram and Hugh Ramsey to represent the farmers, Martin V. Pickett to represent the stockholders, and A. C. Elliot and J. F. Dodover to represent the wage earners and other classes.

Immediately following the adjournment of this meeting the newly elected directors called a meeting and organized their board. Hugh Ramsey was elected president; Martin V. Pickett, vice-president, and J. F. Dodover secretary-treasurer.

During the meeting of the stockholders, Mr. B. J. Smith acted as collector and he had the joy of turning \$1,270 over to the new

Gov. Lamberle Proclaims April 3 as Arbor Day

Gov. O. A. Lamberle issued a proclamation designating Friday, April 3, as arbor day. The proclamation in part follows:

"It is provided by our laws that the second Friday in March of each year, or some other day that will best conform with local climatic conditions, shall be set apart as Arbor Day to be observed by the people of this state in the planting of forest trees for the benefit of public and private grounds, parks and woods and in such other efforts and undertakings as shall be in harmony with the general character of the day so established.

"Aside from the pleasure that we derive from the existence of the forests in our mountains, and of ornamental shade and fruit trees in the settled and cultivated areas of our country, the great commercial value of trees, as an economic measure, has so impressed itself upon the minds of the people that in practically all the states laws have been passed similar to our own, requiring the setting apart of a given day in the year for the planting of trees. Following the mandate of the laws, which, even before their enactment, had become a settled practice in our country, the governors throughout the various states, by proclamation, do set apart one day for the planting of trees. If we take such a national interest in tree planting, it follows that we should take a similar interest in the preservation, not only of the trees that we do plant, but of those which are already in full growth, and this carries the idea of the prevention of forest fires."

Next Week at the Oxy. "A Bachelor's Wife" is a two-part comedy-drama starring Mary Miles Minter, produced by the American Film Company, Inc. from a story specially written for the star by Joseph Franklin Pickett, directed by Edmund J. Flynn and distributed by Pathé.

This picture gives Miss Minter an opportunity to create a distinctly new type. She appears first as a carefree colleen, in four curls and native costume, among the glens

and goes to finished settings of Delphinium Island. Later she comes to New York—a creature young person who escapes the burden of woman's errand business to fill domestic duties. While pursuing this desirable career she develops a new subject of her very own, through the a complete abandonment by many of her friends and a series of business and sentimental calamities.

Story of Minter's Life. The story of "Under the Top," the new Astoria picture in which Fred Stone, the Astoria musical star, is to appear at the Oxy theater next Thursday, April 8 is said to be the story of Mr. Stone's early life. The famous comedian's early years in the circus life and how he ran away from home and took up circus work. The love interest of the picture is well sustained throughout.

Ancient Babylon in Pictures. Ancient Babylon in its grand magnificence is one of the settings in Cecil B. De Mille's big Paramount Astoria production, "Mans and Women," which is coming to the Oxy theater next Saturday and Sunday, April 10 and 11. It is a scene adaptation of Sir James M. Barrie's famous play, "The Admirable Crichton." In the course of the story, Crichton, the abandoned but brilliant, dramatic of the days "when I was a king in Babylon," as he also

said, the victim of a political court in a desert island. The picture is shown on the screen with a choice selection as the program after each week. The all-around production of the cast that interpret De Mille pictures are well known in every picture. "Mans and Women," of course, is no exception.

Thomas Weighan, leading man for such production stars as Billie Burke, Margaret Clark, and Mary Pickford, gives a superb performance in the role of Crichton. Beautiful Gloria Swanson, lately famed for her work in "For Better or Worse," is Lady Mary. In the role of Thomas, Lila Lee, a star in her own name, is ideally cast. The names of Theodore Roberts, Hootie Daniels, Raymond Hatton, Robert Gam, Julia Faye, Lily Darby, M. Fred Beardon, Maxie Koles, Edna Mas Cooper, and Guy Oliver are further indications of the high caliber of the supporting company.

SANDSTORM INHIBIT CAUSE OF CHILD'S DEATH. Gallup, N. M., April 1.—One of the small children of Mr. and Mrs. John Hunt was instantly killed when Santa Fe train No. 9 hit an auto at Meador's crossing in a sandstorm.

In the car were Arthur DeLooney, Miss Mable Corbett and two third children. The other occupants were badly bruised, but escaped serious injury.



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