

STATE BOARD ARE AFTER THE BANKS

NOTIFY COUNTY EQUALIZERS TO GET UP FULLER AND MORE PROPER RETURN ON FIGURES.

SAY THE LAW HAS BEEN EVADED IN SOME CASES

Silver Bow Commissioners, Who Sit as a Board of Equalization in This County, Notified That They Must Get Together Again and Investigate Conditions or Be Dealt With Accordingly.

Will the board of county commissioners have to meet again as a board of equalization and readjust the taxes of Silver Bow county?

This question is up to Chairman W. D. Clark of the board in the form of a communication received this morning from Secretary Ryan of the state board of equalization, relating to the assessment of the capital stock of the banks of the state.

"I don't see how we can do anything now," said Mr. Clark this morning. "According to the provisions of the law, we met as a board of equalization July 21 and adjourn August 15, so that unless some other clause provides for a readjustment, we can not interfere with the present tax rolls.

"Until we get legal opinion on the matter the board will take no action in reference to the communication."

It is ordered. It is evident from the communication of the secretary that the state board is not satisfied with the returns made by the assessors, as the following order received this morning by County Clerk Weston shows:

"Whereas several of the county assessors of the different counties of the state have made returns of the bank stock of the several counties of the state and deducted from the capital stock of said banks the real estate owned by said banks and reported to the state board of equalization, only a small percentage of the capital stock of the several banks of the several counties of the state; and

"Whereas, it is the sense of this board that such assessments are not in compliance with the law;

"It is therefore ordered by the board of equalization that the several counties of the state which have failed to make proper reports to the state board of equalization of the capital stock of the several banks of the several counties of the state, make an amended return of their report to the state board of equalization and assess the capital stock of each and every bank doing business in the several counties of the state of Montana; and

"It is the sense of this board, it being a matter of law, that no national bank can hold real estate, or can deal in real estate, except to secure an indebtedness or a loan that has been made by a national bank, and the loan becoming due, and the securities or endorsements that were offered at the time of making said loan having become impaired, and the bank having taken said real estate as security for a past indebtedness, cannot deduct such real estate from its capital stock in making a return to the several assessors of the several counties of this state.

And Further "And it being the sense of this board that no state bank, unless authorized by its articles of incorporation, can deal in real estate in such a way as to deduct the value of such real estate held by such banks from its capital stock, for the purpose of avoiding assessment upon its capital stock, and in view of the foregoing, the clerk of the board of equalization is directed to notify the county commissioners of the several counties wherein said return does not show a full assessment of the capital stock of the several counties of the state, to amend the returns made by the board of equalization, so as to have the returns show that each and every bank in the several counties of the state have been fully assessed upon the capital stock of the several banks of the several counties of the state and to make immediate returns to the state board of equalization of their action thereon."

The order is signed by Governor Toole as chairman of the board of equalization and by Secretary of State George M. Hays as secretary.

Editorial Irrelevancy. [Colorado Springs Gazette.] A long dry spell is a wonderful promoter of irrigation litigation.



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BIG OIL WELL IN FLATHEAD COUNTY

EUGENE CARROLL AND OTHERS HAVE STRUCK RICH PROPERTY IN KINTLA LAKE DISTRICT.

ONE WELL IS NOW DOWN MORE THAN 1,000 FEET

Another Will Soon Be Bored and the Work Pushed as Rapidly as Up-to-Date Machinery Can Do It—Kaliispell Is in State of Frustration Over Discoveries of Oil.

Eugene Carroll, general manager of the Butte Water company, is back from a trip to the property of the Butte Oil company in the Kintla lake district of Flathead county and has in his possession some very interesting information concerning the wells and the work being done on them. Mr. Carroll and about 25 other Butte men comprise the majority stockholders in the company.

Thomas Morrissey, an experienced oil land manipulator of Washington, Pa., who arrived from the East about two weeks ago for the purpose of inspecting the land of the company, went from Butte with Mr. Carroll and is now there, not having had time to finish some details he had in hand before Mr. Carroll returned.

In speaking of the property today Mr. Carroll said: "Our trip into the district was made for the purpose of investigating the affairs of the company and looking over the ground on which the work is being done. Both of us were much pleased with the work and also the showing for encountering a gusher. The well in which the drill is now boring is at the head of Kintla lake and when I left it was 1,139 feet deep. The head of the drill was then in black limestone, which at that depth is badly broken up in crevices.

Star Reamer Was Needed. "The formation is such that the company found it necessary a short time ago to send to Pennsylvania for a star reamer which arrived on the ground the day we got there. By the aid of the reamer we expect to get through the crevices with much less trouble than we had previously experienced and without danger of breaking the tools or losing them."

"The general representation work for this year on the company's claims is all finished. While there I decided to put two shafts to drilling and stop all outside work, as it is necessary to sink the present well as fast as possible. "As to proposed well No. 2, which is to be drilled near the big seepage between the upper and lower Kintla lakes, the ground for the well is all cleared and a road built to the site. The lumber is also sawed and everything else in readiness to begin sinking as soon as No. 1 is finished. On account of the roughness of the road it will be better and cheaper to move the machinery when there is snow on the ground. This is one reason why I decided to put two shafts to work on well No. 1 for by the time winter sets in we will have No. 1 finished.

Pleased With Prospect. "Mr. Morrissey was very much pleased with the general prospects; and we feel particularly encouraged from the fact Mr. Willis in his report on the district published in the New York Engineering and Mining Journal some time ago, prophesied that we would find the limestone considerably broken up before we reached the bottom of the strata and might find cretaceous sandstone immediately beneath the broken granite. "I am not an oil expert or a geologist. Therefore I have no opinion to express in regard to the property, but I am very much pleased with the work being done by Superintendent J. C. Bender. As to prospecting men who are doing as well if not better than anyone we could have entrusted with such a difficult piece of work.

Excitement About Kaliispell. "The Kintla Lake Oil company is drilling a well on the river just above our company's claims, and when I was there the well was about 700 feet deep. That well is about six miles southwest of our well and if oil is struck at that point it will assure us oil on our river claims. "While in Belton I met a man who had just returned from the well being sunk on the Canadian side of the international boundary line. He told me he had seen the well and that the company drilling it had struck oil. "The oil excitement in the vicinity of Kaliispell is great and every foot of ground in the valley of the north fork of the Flathead river has been staked from Belton to the boundary line."

POLITICAL BATTLE AMONG INDIANS WILL SOON BEGIN Supplementary Treaty to Be Basis of a Fight in Choctaw Tribes, Who Are to Discuss It in Council.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] Atoka, I. T., August 27.—It may be said that the great political battle between those who favor the adoption of the supplementary treaty and those who are opposed to its adoption, is going on. Both sides have had the treaty translated into the Choctaw language and when this is done it will be published in pamphlet form and sent to every Indian voter within the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations. Nearly all of the old-time Choctaw politicians in this part of the country oppose the treaty while the younger growth of Indians, aided by the intermarried citizens and Misses of Choctaw are working to defeat it. A treaty meeting is now being held about four miles south of town. Many speakers of note will be there. Among them will be Hon. Josiah Gardiner, who has, for many years, wielded a great influence among the Choctaw people.

Leford's dancing academy, 317 Dakota, will reopen on Tuesday, Sept. 2, with a social soiree. The hall has been completely renovated and will now be more than ever the most popular place for the light fantastic.

Summer Terrors

An itching, burning skin disease during the hot, sultry summer weather, is a positive terror and a veritable demon of discomfort. The intolerable itching and stinging are tantalizing almost beyond endurance, and the unsightly eruption and rough, red skin keep one thoroughly uncomfortable and miserable night and day. Eczema, Tetter, and diseases of this type are caused by acid poisons in the blood, which the heat of summer seems to warm into life and renewed activity. These fiery acids keep the blood in a riotous and sour condition, and the skin unhealthy and feverish—they inflame the pores and retard perspiration, when the whole body feels like an over-heated furnace, and the escaping poison burns and blisters like liquid fire.

TORMENTING ECZEMA.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May, 1898. In 1896 I experienced at times patches on the inside of my hands that itched and burned, causing much discomfort. As time went by it grew worse. I had read medicine in my early twenties (now 50 years of age) and was convinced that I was afflicted with a type of Eczema. I consulted several physicians and a number of specialists, and used several external applications, one of which was claimed to be a certain specific. I confess, however, I had but little faith in external applications, yet I used them, receiving but slight temporary relief. In February I decided to try S. S. S., and in less than a month I experienced a change for the better, and by May of that year all symptoms had disappeared, and I found myself entirely cured, and have had no return of the disease since.

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alter the condition of the blood or check the outflow of the burning fluids through the skin. Only persistent and faithful constitutional treatment can do this. The acid poison in the blood, which is the real cause of the eruption, must be attacked, and when the blood has been cleared of all accumulated impurities and restored to a healthy condition, then, and only then, will a thorough and lasting cure be effected, and for the accomplishment of all this, no remedy equals S. S. S., which contains all requirements for cleansing and building up the acid blood, and invigorating and toning up the system. S. S. S. completely and permanently eradicates every vestige of poison, thus effectually preventing a fresh outbreak of the disease.

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THINK ED SMITH IS NOT THE MAN

POLICE SAY ALLEGED HIGHWAYMAN LANDED IN ANACONDA IS ONLY A PETTY PILFERER.

It is believed in Butte police circles that Ed Smith, who is now in jail in Anaconda on a charge of highway robbery, the hold-up of a street car full of passengers in Helena about two weeks ago, is not the man who committed that crime.

Smith is more of a petty thief than a grand and lofty highwayman. During the last eight months, prior to his apprehension in Anaconda, he was arrested six times in this city, but escaped punishment in every instance, except one, on which occasion he served a term in the county jail.

Last December he was arrested by Special Officer McGilliv on a charge of petit larceny, and on the 11th of January he was taken into custody by the same officer on a charge of stealing a blanket and other articles from McCauley's harness shop, in South Main street. He was convicted of the offense.

Later he again arrested on a charge of vagrancy. He then gave his name as Jack Stein. On one occasion Samuel Bonner, the man who tried to murder "Black" Annie Hess in the Silver Queen block, two days ago, was arrested with him.

POSSE IS IN PURSUIT OF THE N. P. HOLDUPS

Men Who Robbed Northern Pacific Train Will Shortly Be Brought In, the Authorities Think.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] Spokane, Wash., August 27.—A special posse to the Chronicle from Rathdrum, Idaho, says: A posse is in this vicinity in pursuit of the men who robbed the Northern Pacific express at Sand Point, Idaho, last night. It is believed that they are heading for the Great Northern railroad. It is hoped to locate the gang before sunset. One man was arrested on suspicion, but was released. Two tramps who were on the tender when the robbers appeared, are being held to identify them if captured.

BRITISH TROOPS ON MOVE

Trouble Among Natives on Western Border of Transvaal Reported.

Johannesburg, August 27.—A strong force of British troops has been dispatched to the Western border of the Transvaal, ostensibly to relieve troops ordered to India, but it is currently reported that the step is taken owing to disturbances among the natives. Rumors are also current here of an intention to annex or establish a protectorate in Switzerland, where a strong force of constabulary is now posted.

Acne, Tetter Eczema Salt Rheum Psoriasis, Nettle Rash

THE ITCHING WAS TERRIBLE. ESCONDIDO, San Diego Co., Cal., Oct. 1900. DEAR SIR—My body broke out with a rash or eruption. The itching, especially at night, was simply terrible; it would almost disappear at times, only to return worse than ever. I had tried many preparations without benefit, and hearing of S. S. S. determined to give it a fair trial; a few bottles cured me entirely, removing every blemish and pimple from my body. L. MARNO.

BAD FORM OF TETTER. For three years I had Tetter on my hands, which caused them to swell to twice their natural size. Part of the time the disease was in the form of running sores, very painful, and causing me much discomfort. Four doctors said the Tetter had progressed too far to be cured, and they could do nothing for me. I took only three bottles of S. S. S. and was completely cured. This was fifteen years ago, and I have never since seen any sign of my old trouble. MRS. L. B. JACKSON, 837 St. Paul St., Kansas City, Kan.

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Butte Labor News.

MOVE A. L. U. HEADQUARTERS

President Dan McDonald and Assistants Are Snugly Housed in New Suite. Headquarters of the American Labor union are now located in the Pennsylvania building. They consists of Rooms 173, 174, 175 and 176. "We were rather cramped in our quarters in the Goldberg block," said President Dan McDonald, "and that's the reason we decided to move. We now have four rooms elegantly furnished, and we have room to spare."

CHINESE SAILORS ARRIVE TO SHIP ON THE GAELIC

Sailors' Union in 'Frisco Enters Vigorous Protest and Celestials Are Not Allowed to Come Ashore.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] San Francisco, August 27.—The 259 Chinese, intended for the crew of the Pacific Mail steamer Korea, have arrived here on the steamer Gaelic. Collector of Customs Stratton has again notified the steamship company that the Chinese must be detained on the Gaelic and must not even be allowed to go into the detention shed, pending a final decision in the case by the secretary of the treasury and the commissioner of immigration. The Sailors' union of the Pacific coast has entered a strong protest against the transfer of these Chinese to the Korea. The union contends that the Chinese cannot be transferred to the Korea without bringing them ashore, to be signed before the United States Shipping commission, and the act of bringing them ashore would be a violation of the alien labor contract law.

TUG BOAT FIREMEN STRIKE

New York Harbor Men Demanded More Money—Deck Hands Protesting.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] New York, August 27.—Firemen on a Harlem River Tugboat line have struck for more pay because, they declare, their work has been almost doubled by the use of soft coal. The deck hands also struck for \$2 a day, saying the increased cost of food has made it almost impossible for them to live on \$1.50.

INTERNAL REVENUES.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] Washington, August 27.—The monthly statement of the internal revenues for July shows the total collections were \$22,236,359, a decrease as compared with July, 1901, of \$7,107,537.

NEW YORK CARPENTERS ISSUE AN ULTIMATUM

If Increase in Pay Is Not Granted on or Before Labor Day 2,000 of Them Will Lay Down Their Tools. [BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] New York, August 27.—Members of the Brotherhood union of Carpenters of New York threaten to strike on Labor day unless a 12 1/2 per cent increase in pay is granted them. In the union are 2,000 of the 2,500 carpenters of this city. The formal demand has been made on a large construction company for a wage increase from \$4 to \$4.50 a day, with the ultimatum that if a favorable reply is not received on or before September 1, all of the members of the Brotherhood will stop work. Formal demands have not yet been made on other buildings. The Amalgamated Union of Carpenters, which has about 500 members, is not in harmony with the Brotherhood and may be called upon to fill the places vacated.

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