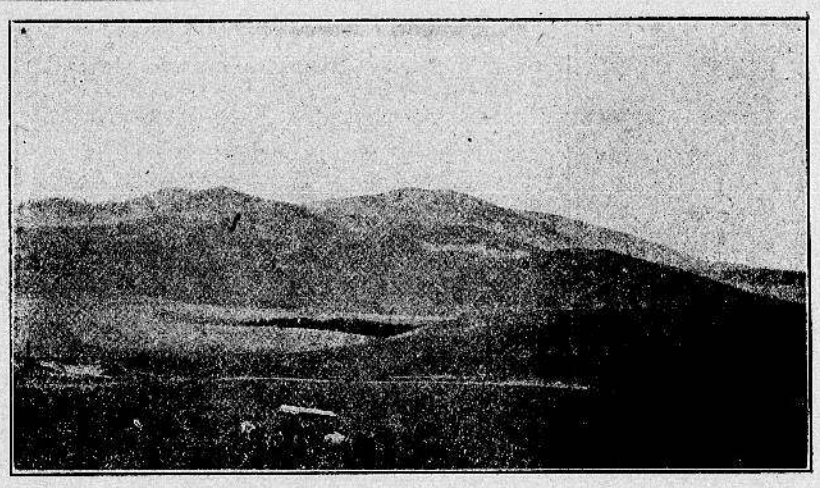
AMERICAN BISON SOCIETY PUBLISHES ANNUAL REPORT

President Horanday Tells of Establishing of Buffalo Preserve by United States Government and of How Bill Was Urged by Montana's Junior Senator---Some Interesting Facts.

Friends of the buffalo in Missoula and Montana have received copies of the second annual report of the American society, of which Dr. Morton J. Elrod of the University of Montana is a prominent member and officer. Features of the report, which is made up in a 2-page volume, with many illustrations, are reports of the society's president, William T. Hornaday of the New York zoological park, and its secretary, Ernest Harold Baynes of Cincinnati. Prominent mention is made of Dr. Elrod, who is a member of the society's board of managers and on



GOVERNMENT BISON RESERVE.

whose recommendation, after a careful inspection of the various sites, the bison preserve at Ravalli was established by the United States government. The name of Senator Joseph M. Dixon, who championed the bison appropriation bill in the upper house, is used with frequency in the report, which contains his likeness.

The report of the president is of considerable interest:

It is a great satisfaction to be able to report the founding of the Montana bison herd as a practically accomplished fact. The details remaining to complete the task are merely matters of routine, the cost of which is fully provided for, and before this society issues another annual report the finishing touches to the work will have been given. As a compensation for labor performed we have the privilege of writing this history.

Bison Range in Congress.

It will be remembered that at the first annual meeting of the bison society, in January, 1907, the president called attention to the impending opening to settlement of the Flathead Indian reservation, and stated that the time seemed auspicious for the founding of a national bison herd somewhere in that area. He requested authority and funds for the making of a careful examination of the Flathead reservation by Professor Morton J. Elrod, with a full report on conditions

SENATOR JOSEPH M. DIXON.

and a recommendation regarding the range most suitable for a national herd. The authority and the appropriation were both granted and active work immediately began.

In January, 1908, Professor Elrod's report was received, and as soon as possible thereafter was printed in full in the first annual report of the society. It recommended a site at Ravalli, consisting of a minimum of 20 square miles and a maximum ideal range of 28 square miles. The area selected contained fine grazing grounds well supplied with grass, water and shelter, on which a bison herd could be self-supported all the year round.

The success achieved by the New York Zoological society in the founding of the Wichita national bison herd seemed to point out the way by which a similar result might be secured in Montana. Congress had been quickly responsive to a proposal that private individuals should join the national government in a measure intended to preserve the bison for a long period. It was proposed that a similar plan should be formulated for the founding of a national herd in Montana, and the necessary authority to act was given to the president.

In view of all circumstances, including a certain amount of criticism that has been aimed at congress on account of the American bison, we deem it of interest to the public that a brief statement regarding the real attitude of congress toward the bison should be recorded.

In the belief that congress would receive with serious attention a proposition of reasonable proportions, based on good business principles and common sense, a plan was formulated. It proposed that the national government should furnish a satisfactory bison range, and that the bison society should, at its own expense, provide a nucleus herd of pure-blood bison and present it to the government as soon as the range could be made ready to receive it. It seemed to be the duty of the American people to do something more for the preservation of the bison than merely to exhort congress to spend money and bear the entire burden.

Campaign Opens.

Although no time had been wasted, it was late in the second session of the 60th congress that the society's proposal was finally ready for presentation. On March 2, 1908, the president of the society went to Washington to secure the introduction of a bill and open the campaign. A careful study of the situation finally led to the conclusion that success could best be achieved by Senator Joseph M. Dixon of Montana, and through a bill introduced and first reported upon in the senate.

The lateness of the beginning constituted a serious handicap for that session of congress, but at the end of a prolonged interview Senator Dixon announced his readiness to draw a bill, introduce it and take charge of the campaign necessary in its behalf. His original bill (Senate Bill No. 6159) was introduced on March 16, 1908, and referred to the committee on Indian affairs, of which Senator Dixon was chairman.

In view of the fact that the appraisement commission, then fixing values on the lands of the Flathead reservation, would not report until late in the year 1908, it was quite impossible for anyone to know at that time how much the lands desired for the bison range would cost. In order to be well within the bounds, Senator Dixon asked in his bill for $30,000 with which to purchase the minimum area (20 square miles) and for $10,000 with which to erect around it a wire fence suitable to hold bison.

On April 6 the bill was favorably reported to the senate, and attached to the committee's report as exhibits were letters from Edmund H. Seymour and William T. Hornaday, and the entire matter of the bison society's first annual report, except the illustrations.

It is no exaggeration to state that the society's overtures were received by congress in a friendly, and even cordial, spirit. Many senators and members of the house immediately announced their approval of the measure, and many more promised for it their serious attention. No effort was made to reduce the amount of the appropriation asked for, and no effort was made to bind the society by a formal agreement regarding the nucleus herd. Indeed, the society was not even required to name the number of bison that the nucleus herd should contain, but the president freely stated our intention that the herd should contain "at least 40 head of pure-blood animals, one-half of which should be females."

In view of the alarmingly late date on which Senator Dixon's bill passed the senate, it seemed hopeless to expect the measure to reach the house calendar, and actually come up in that body for final passage before the end of the session. At the same time the impending opening of the reservation lands for sale at stated prices per acre rendered immediate action absolutely imperative. The purchase of any portion of the range lands by private individuals or corporations would assuredly block the entire undertaking, and it was clearly impossible to have the matter wait over for another session of congress.

By reason of this urgency Senator Dixon and his friends decided to attach the bison measure to the agriculture appropriation bill, as a senate amendment, which, with the consent of the secretary of agriculture, Hon. James Wilson, was done. Through this action the fate of the bison proposal was placed in the hands of the conference committee on the agricultural bill. If the house conferees accepted, it its success was assured; but if two of them firmly oposed it its failure for that session was equally certain.

Roosevelt Favorable.

The three conferees on the part of the house were Representatives Charles F. Scott of Kansas, chairman; Gilbert N. Haugen of Iowa and John Lamb of Virginia. In view of the very evident responsibility resting upon them, these three gentlemen went into the merits of the bison measure carefully and thoroughly. Before reaching a conclusion they obtained the views of President Roosevelt, which we know were favorable to the cause.

Ultimately the house conferees unaninously agreed to accept the bison amendment, without alteration, and of this decision we were promptly and graciously informed by Chairman Scott. It is not known by the society to what extent Speaker Cannon aided the decision that was made for the house, but in view of his keen interest in all proposed new government establishments, either for or against them, and of the interest that he took in the founding of the National Zoological park at Washington in 1889-90, it is quite certain that the Montana national bison range came into existence with his entire approval.

The agricultural appropriation bill was signed by President Roosevelt on May 23, 1908, and the good steel pen with which the Montana national bison range was brought into de facto existence was forwarded to the president of the society as a souvenir of that important event.

Report of Secretary.

The report of Secretary Barnes tells of his efforts during the past year in behalf of the society, of his trip to the various bison preserves and herds of the continent. His is by no means the least interesting contribution to the report of the society.

During the last 15 years a belt of observatories almost completely encircling the earth has been built, and solar phenomena are being tabulated in so scientific a manner that it is believed that weather forecasting will become an exact science within a short time.

An experimental lot of 300,000 concrete ties has proved so satisfactory to the officials of the Italian railroads that another lot of the same number has been ordered.

VESSELS PREPARING FOR PRACTICE

ATLANTIC BATTLESHIP FLEET GETTING READY FOR SUMMER MANEUVERS.

Washington, June 26.—With two months of hard work before it the Atlantic battleship fleet is assembling in Hampton Roads, Va., for the summer maneuvers, which will be extensive and exhaustive. The fleet may be divided into two squadrons and fight against each other, and a dozen torpedo boats will make attacks on the big battleships, whose officers will be required to exert extreme vigilance also to guard against the stealthy little submarine torpedo boats, four of which with parent ships are attached to the fleet.

Under Rear Admiral Seaton Schroeder, commander in chief of the Atlantic fleet, will be nearly 50 ships of war, ranging in size from the 16,000-ton flagship Connecticut to the little 17-ton submarine Tarantula. Fleet drills and exercises involving tactical problems and battle evolution swill be had in New England waters during the latter part of July and the early part of August. Then the fleet will proceed to the southern drill grounds, south of the Virginia capes, for record and battle practice. This will occupy about two weeks, beginning August 19. At its close the vessels will return to Hampton Roads and go thence to their home yards for any repairs necessary before the winter maneuvers in West Indian waters. Only 12 of the present fleet made the trip around the world; the other four in command are new vessels. The older ships have been thoroughly repaired and the newly adopted fire control mast, which has been called the "inverted waste basket," installed. This summer's maneuvers will afford the first opportunity for a crucial test of these masts.

Independence Day.

Most of the ships will proceed from Hampton Roads next Tuesday for various New England ports, where they wil spend Independence day.

With the reassembling of the battleships at Rockport, Mass., July 7, will begin the work of the summer. Together they will proceed to Provincetown, which will be their quarters until August 15. At Provincetown the fleet will proceed to sea each week, returning Saturday nights. On these trips will occur the fleet drills and evolutions, and by courtesy of the navy department the citizen sailors of the navy militia of several eastern states will be taken out for a week of instructions on the big ships.

At Provincetown the Atlantic torpedo fleet will join the battleships, consisting of a torpedo flotilla of 12 boats, with the cruiser Dixie as a parent ship and a submarine fleet of four new boats with the gunboat Castine as parent ship.

At the conclusion of the exercises the big fleet will proceed to Hampton Roads for coal, preparatory to target practice.

Battle Conditions.

For the first time in the history of the navy the firing will be done on the open sea and in every condition of weather, so as to attain practice at as nearly battle conditions as possible. Night firing under the same conditions will be carried on. For the target practice the two old torpedo boats Nicholson and O'Brien have been dismantled and prepared as targets. Their hulls have been filled with cork, and this, it is said, will keep them afloat after they have been riddled with projectiles. They will be towed to different spots and will be fired at by ships running at various speeds. Results of the practice will be kept secret.

While at Rockport, Mass., July 7, or later on at Provincetown, President Taft may find it convenient to review Admiral Schroeder's fleet from either his small yacht Sylph or his yacht Mayflower.

Born in Iowa.

Our family were all born and raised in Iowa, and have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy (made at Des Moines) for years. We know how good it is from long experience in the use of it. In fact, when in El Paso, Texas, the writer's life was saved by the prompt use of this remedy. We are now engaged in the mercantile business at Narcoossee, Fla., and have introduced the remedy here. It has proven very successful and is constantly growing in favor.—Ennis Bros. This remedy is for sale by all druggists.

A Virginian has patented a metal tent pin, modelled on the corkscrew plan, which he claims will hold more firmly than the wooden pin.

MORTON J. ELROD.

PASTOR AND PEOPLE

First Methodist.

First Methodist Episcopal church, East Main and Washington streets; James W. Tait, pastor; residence 216 East Main street, phone No 30—Class meeting at 10 a. m.; preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 8 p. m.; morning topic, "Wasted Resources," evening topic, "Hints for an Achieving Life;" Sunday school at 12 o'clock; Epworth League at 7 p. m.; the Daly addition Sunday school will meet at 3 o'clock. The church of the cordial greeting invites the public to a participation in these services. Strangers in the city always kindly welcomed. A large chorus choir leads the singing and furnishes special music.

Baptist.

Corner Harris and Spruce streets; Rev. Henry Vaje Engelen, pastor; preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday school at 12:15 p. m. and B. Y. P. U. at 7 p. m.; "A Glimpse Beyond the Veil of Time," will be the subject of the morning sermon; evening subject, "A Safe Investment" Music by Mr. Barrett and the choir will be an attractive feature of these services. A cordial invitation is extended to the public.

Swedish Congregational.

Swedish Congregational church, West Spruce stret; C. R. A. Blomberg, pastor; residence, 520 West Spruce street; Sunday school at 10 a.m.; preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.—The choir will sing at the evening service. The church extends a cordial invitation to the Scandinavians to participate in these services. On Wednesday, June 30, at 8 p. m. the Ladies' Aid society of the church will have the annual auction sale for the benefit of the work carried on by the church. We wish every seat occupied that night.

Christian.

Corner of Cedar and Washington streets; three squares east of postoffice; Rev. W. H. Bagby, pastor—Sunday school at 12:20 p. m.; regular service at 11 a. m.; sermon subject, "Catching Men Alive." At 8 p. m. the exercises of Children's day will be given; Harvard Saxton, the great bass-baritone, will sing, "Crossing the Bar," by Dudley Buck, at the morning service; in the evening he will sing, "The Ninety and Nine." The public is cordially invited to attend both these services.

Presbyterian.

First Prsbyterian church, corner Pine and Stevens streets; Rev. J. N. Maclean, minister; residence, 320 Stevens street—Announcements for Sunday, June 27, as follows: Public worship at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; the sacrament of the Lord's supper will be observed in connection with the morning service. There will be also a reception of members and baptism of children at the same service. The subject of the evening sermon will will, be, "Watch Out for the Drifting." There will be special music at both services; the Sunday school meets at the close of the morning service; the Y. P. S. C. E. prayer meeting meets at 7 p. m. There is welcome for everybody at all these services. The pastor wil be especially pleased to meet strangers at the close of the services

First Congregational.

South Fifth and Chestnut; Dwight S. Bayley, pastor—Worship with preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday school at 11:50 a. m.; subject of morning sermon, "The Fall of Man—Did Man Really Fall?" Evening sermon, "The Ultimate Significance of Character." A cordial invitation to all.

South Side Methodist.

First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, corner of South Sixth and Hazel streets; G. H. Gibbs, pastor; residence, corner South Higgins avenue and Ford street;—Preaching at 11 a. m. by Rev. John A. Randolf, chaplain at Fort Missoula; Sunday school at 10 a. m.

Episcopal.

Episcopal church, corner Adams and Cedar streets; Rev. W. Lennie-Smith, rector; rectory, 406 East Main street; phone, 285—Holy communion, 8 a. m.; Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.; Morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.; evening prayer and sermon, 8 p. m.

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MEETING OF RANGERS TO BE HELD

FIELD MEN OF DEER LODGE NATIONAL FOREST TO MEET AT YANKEE STATION.

It was announced yesterday that there will soon be another rangers' meeting for the field men of the forest service who are connected with the Deer Lodge national forest. The meeting will occupy three days, commencing July 1 and ending July 3. It will be held at the Yankee station, which is about 10 miles west of Anaconda, the headquarters of Supervisor Hall.

Besides the field men of the Deer Lodge forest, there will be present a number of men from the Missoula national forest, which is adjacent. R. G. Pond, former assistant on the Missoula forest, will leave Missoula on Monday to look after the cutting of the timber which was recently sold to the New Southern Cross Mining company near Georgetown. From there Mr. Pond will go to the Yankee ranger station, where he will attend the meeting. It is expected that several other officials from the local offices will attend.

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RESOURCES

Loans and discounts		$676,952 00
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		41,141 22
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		50,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. deposits		50,000 00
Other Bonds to secure U.S. deposits		58,000 00
U. S. bonds on hand		50,000 00
Bonds, securities, etc.		146,273 40
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	$ 20,790 92	
Due from State and private banks and bankers, trust companies and savings banks	92,786 48	
Due from approved reserve agents	451,832 08	
Checks and other cash items	5,413 21	
Gold dust	2,485 59	
Notes of other national banks	11,725 00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	483 30	
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz—		
Specie	47,510 00	
Legal tender notes	95,000 00	727,027 48
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent of circula tion)		2,500 00
Due from U.S. Treasurer		2,268 00
		$1,803,062.10

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$200,000 00
Surplus fund		50,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid		23,220 82
National bank notes outstanding		46,300 00
Due to other National Banks	$ 21,115 86	
Due to state and private banks and bankers	51,842 23	
Individual deposits subject to check	1,068,320 51	
Demand Certificates of deposit	254,420 98	
Certified Checks	200 00	
United States deposits	82,442 72	
Deposits of U. S. disbursing officers	5,198 95	1,483,541 28
		$1,803,062.10

State of Montana, county of Missoula, ss:

I, J. H. T. Ryman, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. H. T. RYMAN, Cashier.

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