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OUR GUESTS.

As the hostess of the bankers of Montana this week, Missoula is fully appreciative of the distinguished honor which is the chief feature of the pleasant duty devolving upon the city which entertains these men upon the occasion of their annual gathering. It is the desire of Missoula—and it will be as long as these visitors are here—that they be accorded the greatest freedom to come and go as they choose. In that way they will surely obtain from their brief stay in Missoula the fullest enjoyment. If there is anything which they want which is not in plain sight, the mere signifying of the desire will bring its speedy gratification. These bankers are the men who are back of the state's industrial and commercial prosperity. They do not as often as they should receive the credit for their part in advancing the interests of the state. Not many of us realize the full extent of their contribution to Montana's greatness. But it is large. They deserve the credit for it, the interest which we pay them is small compensation in many cases.

FIFTY YEARS OF OIL.

So common are the products of petroleum and so necessary a part of our domestic and commercial life have they become that we do not realize that it is only fifty years since the first oil well was drilled in Pennsylvania. Today the semi-centennial of the drilling of the first well at Titusville by Edwin L. Drake will be celebrated with considerable ceremony. There will be a large attendance of prominent oil men and the exercises will be noteworthy. Edwin L. Drake, although justly famous as the founder of the oil industry in this country, was not the discoverer of oil. From time immemorial the Indians had obtained oil for medicinal purposes from the valley of Oil creek, near Titusville, where the oil in many places rose to the surface or exuded from the porous rock. Even before the time of the Indians, the mysterious mound-builders knew of the existence of oil, and it is known that they dug deep wells to collect the oil, which they probably used for no other than medicinal purposes.

The early settlers of Pennsylvania found oil in many places in the Oil creek valley and in its vicinity and used crude and primitive methods to collect the oil from springs and wells to sell it as a liniment, put up in bottles and labeled "Haarlem Oil," "Rock Oil," "American Oil," "Kier's Petroleum," "Seneca Oil," etc. The oil, which was found only in small quantities, was worth eighty cents a gallon where it was found and one dollar a gallon in the east, where it was sold in drug stores.

In 1854 a lawyer from Maine, by the name of Ewell, and a man named Bissell, who had been a school teacher in New Orleans, passed through the Oil creek region on their way north. They became interested in the oil and took samples with them to New Haven. They submitted these samples to Professor Benjamin Stillman to test the oil for its value as a lubricant and for illuminating purposes, in place of sperm oil. The report which he submitted in the following year was so favorable that Ewell and Bissell and several others formed, under the laws of New York a joint stock company called "The Pennsylvania Rock Oil Company," which company purchased in fee simple all the land on Oil creek upon which there was any trace of oil. The company also leased for ninety-nine years all the lands which were supposed to contain oil.

In 1856 the company sold the land to parties in New York who were to develop the property and pay a royalty of twelve cents a gallon for all the oil produced to the company. During the hard times of 1857 the New York contractors became financially involved and unable to carry out the contract. Taking advantage of a slight flaw in the deed they surrendered the land to the Pennsylvania Rock Oil Company. James M. Townsend, one of the stock-

holders, who lived in New Haven, conceived the idea of examining the property, and if it was found as reported, to assume the lease surrendered by the New York parties.

Mr. Townsend engaged Edwin L. Drake, formerly a conductor on the New York & New Haven railroad, who had been compelled to give up his position on account of bad health. Townsend organized a new company, called "the Seneca Oil Company." Drake became the agent of the company with a salary of \$1,200 a year, and established himself on Oil creek. The first crude attempts to gather the oil were not very successful, and at last, upon Drake's advice it was decided to bore for oil.

The work was begun in 1859 and progressed but slowly. After 25000 had been expended on boring, without result, the company decided to abandon the work; but just then oil was struck, and it rose in the bore hole to within five feet of the surface. It had to be pumped from the well and the supply seemed inexhaustible. The company was in a fair degree to become rich, when the works were destroyed by an explosion of gas in the well, which ignited the oil. In the meantime over-production had caused the price of oil to fall to one dollar a barrel, and, discouraged, the Seneca company sold out. For two years nothing was done, but then the work was resumed, additional refineries were built, and from that time on the oil industry made great strides. How enormous has been its growth may be inferred from the fact that the production of crude petroleum in the United States in 1907 was nearly 1,186,000,000 gallons, representing a total value of nearly \$85,000,000.

When we read the figures that tell the story of the reclamation work, we realize what a great undertaking it is and how utterly impossible it would be for private capital to carry it through.

The bright, green hay, the shining golden grain and the brilliant red apple—these are the elements of our prosperity.

The man who bets on 30,000 as the registration record has another guess coming, but he can't get his money back.

The tariff is as much a local issue as ever; we are learning, however, to reciprocate with our neighbors.

If it runs on schedule, the tariff debate will finish ahead of the registration for reservation lands.

Moreover, there are some mines in western Montana that will make folks sit up and take notice.

And now the gentle notary will drop from a 450-a-day income to the old meat-ticket basis.

The men who are working for the apple show are working hard. They deserve support.

The new tariff means that there is less likelihood of the children going barefooted.

The unveiling of the bust of James J. Hill does not mean that Jim is busted.

Increasing the arable area of the valley increases the business of Missoula.

Registration ends today and so—think fortune—does the tariff debate.

Mr. Moody's Bitter Root Inn will be as popular as his Bitter Root orchards.

The Western Montana Apple show is getting a good start.

You Yonson, hay han say purty nice words on Yim Hill.

The electric railway is coming along. Fare, please.

Boost for the apple show.

Today's the day.

MELON BANQUET HAS FATAL TERMINATION

Visalia, Cal., Aug. 4.—Through the collapse of a warehouse at Corcoran last night, an unknown Mexican was killed. M. H. Rowley, an assistant foreman was seriously injured, and it is possible that several others were buried beneath a flood of grain that the building contained. A large force of rescuers spent the night removing tons of wheat in the search for additional victims of the accident.

BODY UNDER HOUSE.

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 4.—The body of Manuel Garcia, a wealthy bachelor was found Monday afternoon under his house at his ranch nine miles north of Livermore, in the Black Hills district. He had evidently been murdered. His head was badly crushed and a bullet wound was found in his left lung. Garcia's pockets were turned inside out. Posses are scouring the hills.

MANY CATTLE DYING.

Fort Worth, Texas, Aug. 4.—Advice received here today at the headquarters of the Texas Cattle Raisers' association say that the cattle are dying by scores around Midland as the result of a peculiar epidemic.

NEWS OF THE RAIL FOR A DAY

RECENT HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

So far as the local railroad situation is concerned all is quiet. No sign has been received from the Northern Pacific people regarding the construction of that line and activity there is apparently still dormant. President Elliott who recently returned from a long trip has a lot of piled up business to get out of his way and to this fact may be ascribed the delay in regard to the contract. As soon as he gets to it he will probably ratify the choice of his engineers and sign the contract. Until then there will be no move on the part of Grant Smith & Company, the lucky bidders, and construction will be put off until the president has made his decision.

There was a slight drop in the amount of travel which went through Missoula yesterday. As the end of the registration approaches the rush gets gradually less and yesterday the first sign of a dropping off came when the size of the crowds on board the trains were noticed. They were not much smaller but every train brought just a few less and it is likely that all day today the crowds will begin to thin until by midnight the big rush is over. The railroad people are preparing to get down to normal business now that the heavy traffic is passed and the freight business which has been allowed to go the last month will be picked up and attended to.

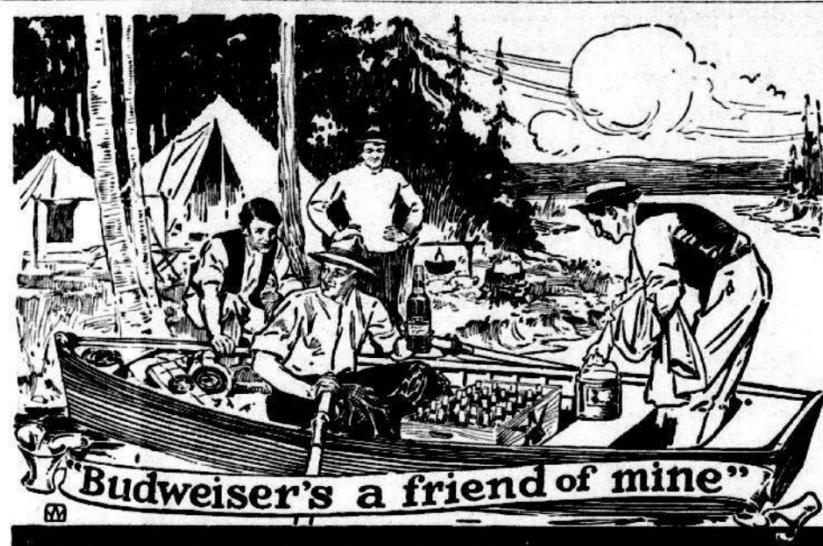
On the Milwaukee things will probably go on the same as ever for a while. There has been no talk of taking off the Batte-Alberton train and as yet nothing official has been announced regarding the new service. A new train may be expected, however, within a month and until then it is likely that the present train will be left on.

If Ringling Brothers circus is not a success it will not be due to any fault of the railroads. Every effort is being made to aid the show people and trains will run in such a way as to accommodate the crowds to the best advantage. The Bitter Root train will be held until 5:30 so as to give the valley people a chance to see the show and No. 4 in the morning will stop at Ferns, Dixon, Ravalli, Arlee and Eureka to accommodate the people there and No. 5 will do the same in the evening. Trainmaster Yeager goes to Batte tomorrow to accompany the show to Missoula.

Kalspell has always had its full share of railroad scares and excitement. The Great Northern has had the town on edge for years. The Northern Pacific has at times figured in its railroad talk and the Puget Sound has supplied it with excitement for the last two years. Now comes a new road, supposedly, in the mind of the Kalspell people, the same mysterious road which has been buying lands in the terminal district of Spokane.

A survey has been made through the city and the people there say that it is not a Puget Sound survey. Consequently they ascribe it to the same line which has been exciting Spokane and suggest that a new transcontinental road is planning to build to the coast. Whatever it is Kalspell is excited and if some road does not hit the Flathead town before long it will not be the fault of the people there.

"Mushroom" towns in the wake of the railroad construction have been many and prominent but there are few of them which can show the quick growth or the permanency of the little town of Judith Gap, a division point on the Billings Northern which was established a year ago. This town is getting ready to hold its first birthday celebration, according to the Great Falls Leader, with great ceremony. The Leader speaks as follows:



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PRINCE IS BROKE; ONLY TITLE REMAINS

Wetmar, Germany, Aug. 4.—Prince Herman of Saxe-Weimar-Eisenach, the heir presumptive of the grand duchy of Weimar, has renounced the succession of himself or his heirs, if any, to the throne of the grand duchy or its property. This action is in consequence of the prince's extravagance, which has already caused his transfer from the cuirassiers of the guard in Berlin to an upland regiment garrisoned at Saarburg, and later to compulsory retirement from the army, after which he was placed under a guardianship. The prince has been given the title of Count Osthelm, but he is totally bankrupt and remains under the control of his guardians.

BARNARD SUED FOR DIVORCE.

Pueblo, Colo., Aug. 4.—Mrs. Carrie L. Barnard has filed suit in the district court here for divorce from her millionaire husband, Samuel D. Barnard, known throughout the west for his mining operations. The suit was filed secretly several days ago and elaborate precautions were made to keep it quiet. Barnard is now residing in Colorado Springs.

PREACHER IN TROUBLE.

New Orleans, Aug. 4.—Thirty-one indictments against Rev. John Holtgreave, pastor of the Catholic church at Plaquemine, La., were returned by the grand jury of Iberville parish today. Twenty-eight of the counts charge grave crimes, and the other three are for criminal libel.

VALENCIA IS PRESIDENT.

Bogota, Aug. 4.—Gonzales Valencia was elected president of the republic of Colombia by the national congress to fill the unexpired term of General Rafael Reyes, resigned. This means that he will occupy the post of chief executive for about one year.

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THREE GOVERNORS ON EXCURSION

Seattle, Aug. 4.—Governor Charles E. Hughes of New York and his secretary, Governor John A. Johnson of Minnesota and his staff, and Governor Marion E. Hay of Washington, sailed today for Victoria. After seeing the sights of the British Columbia capital the three governors will take a steamer to Vancouver, where Governor Johnson and Hughes will begin their journey home over the Canadian Pacific. Governor Hay returning to Seattle.

Cured Hay Fever and Summer Cold.

A. S. Nusbaum, Batesville, Ind., writes: "Last year I suffered for three months with a summer cold so distressing that it interfered with my business. I had many of the symptoms of hay fever, and a doctor's prescription did not reach my case and I took several medicines which seemed only to aggravate it. Fortunately I insisted on having Foley's Honey and Tar. It quickened my cure. My wife has since used Foley's Honey and Tar with the same success." Garden City Drug Co., George Freisheimer, prop.

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