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FIFTY THOUSAND.

"Fifty thousand for Missoula" does not seem at all unattainable, in the light of the enthusiasm developed at last evening's meeting of the Boosters' club. It is as certain as the rising of tomorrow's sun, even if the nebular hypothesis is still groggy from Professor Salisbury's jolt, that Missoula is to grow, and grow rapidly. We who live here believe in the future of the city, but it is gratifying to know that others believe with us. The man who comes to Missoula from the east is even more impressed with the city's prospects than is he who has lived here for years; one sees at a glance what has been gradually unfolding itself before the other. Both see the same progress and prosperity, but the stranger's view makes more of an impression. Therefore, the securing of new citizens is not going to be a very trying task, and fifty thousand doesn't seem so very far away.

THE ENEMY'S COUNTRY.

At Philadelphia yesterday morning a newspaper man asked Senator Aldrich if he were not going into the "enemy's country" in making his trip to the middle west. The senator replied by saying that he did not know that there was an enemy's country, but that he was "going west to find out." Senator Aldrich's journey is in the interest of "a great undertaking in connection with our financial system," and he is right in supposing that all of the people of the United States are interested in the project. He says that he goes west to learn rather than to teach and, after he has spent a few days in Chicago and other cities of the central states, he will have acquired plenty of information. The people of the west are never bitterly hostile to any governmental move, providing they are satisfied that there is a sincere and honest desire for improvement behind it. If the senator from Rhode Island can convince the west that his central bank scheme is a good one, then he can be sure that there will be no such place as the "enemy's country."

NO COMPROMISE.

"No compromise is needed," says the Spokane Chronicle in commenting on the warfare being waged against the Inland Empire capital by the Industrial Workers of the World. The Chronicle discusses the situation as follows:

"The Industrial Workers of the World are filling up the city jail under the plea that they are making a fight for free speech. They have sent out for members of their order. From many parts of the northwest the I. W. W. men have flocked to Spokane to take part in the fight. No one should deny the right of free speech. Every American citizen has a right to talk when he pleases, if he is not interfering with the rights of others and is not exciting the minds of men and women to violence or crime. The question is not really under discussion in Spokane. The city is willing that these orators should turn their eloquence loose in halls or store rooms, or on vacant lots, but insists that no man or woman shall have the right to block the streets, stop business and incite a half-thinking crowd to disorderly actions. Such protection every man in a civilized community has the right to demand. It is a duty of obedience every citizen of the country owes to his fellowman. If the I. W. W. men believe the law is wrong, they have a perfect right to test it, or work to have it changed. They have no right, however, to clog the wheels of the law and to stop its action. If they believe they have the privilege of speaking at any place and time, they have the same legal recourse as any other American citizen—the courts of the country, or the test of the ballot. They have excited the members of

their organization throughout the northwest. Men who have no further interest in Spokane than to make trouble have ridden the blind baggage or the brakebeams to Spokane to compel the city government to yield to their wild clamor. These are not citizens of Spokane. Many of them have not even a vote anywhere in the country. They are outsiders who are trying to run a municipality in which they have no interest. The citizens of Spokane insist on running their own affairs. They are not to be bullied by a set of outsiders who care more for the hollow echo of false phrases than for the substance of liberty. If these men are compelled to work on the rock pile, the jail will soon have terrors for them. "No work, no meat," will soon cause these men to be willing to get out of town. No compromise is needed. It is a test of strength now, and it should be settled once for all."

A SHOCK.

Professor R. D. Salisbury, geologist of the University of Chicago, told a lot of Iowa teachers yesterday that the nebular hypothesis of the origin of the solar system was absurd. Professor Salisbury probably did not recognize the far-reaching consequences of his rash assertion. It is to be supposed that he did not realize the sleepless nights that his statement would cause to so many of us who were contentedly sure that the solar system had been evolved that a whirling, swirling mass of nothing at all, chasing itself through the infinite for ages with no seeming purpose, but all the time preparing to amalgamate in a merger that was to bring forth the sun, the moon, the earth and all the stars and planets. After having this idea drilled into our minds while we were young and before our brain cells had become less sponge-like in their capacity for absorbing theories about such things as how the universe happened to get together, this announcement comes as a shock. The earth had its origin, says Professor Salisbury, in certain meteoric conditions that, surely, is a great help. It was indeed kind of the Chicago scientist not to leave us altogether in the dark. He would, indeed, be a venturesome creature who would invest in real estate with his ideas about the reliability of the nebular hypothesis all shattered, but now that we know that "certain meteoric conditions" are to blame, we can go ahead and buy that lot or sign that lease with perfect confidence that all is well. Thus has Professor Salisbury turned into a great blessing what threatened to be a terrible disaster.

Spokane should try Missoula's system of leaving them strictly alone. Being a martyr doesn't amuse anybody when tyrannical authority walks by on the other side of the street with its hands in its pockets and whistles "The Wearing of the Green."

A man in Washington has stolen a complete moving picture show, thus establishing what is thought to be a record among criminals that will compare with the stunt of the man who lifted a red-hot stove.

Aviator Farman says he is going to put an easy chair in his aeroplane before he makes another long flight. He is evidently the first mollycoddle among the human birds.

Colonel Roosevelt now has the opportunity of using Mark Twain's joke about the report of his death being "greatly exaggerated."

The Roosevelt rumor must have been born in the mind of somebody who would have been glad to confirm it personally.

Professor Salisbury should be more careful with little things. Think of casting reflection on the origin of the sun.

Cold water and dry bread make a disagreeable combination and a poor menu.

President Reilly and his boosters are going after things in the proper spirit.

Evidently the high school ran up against something at Livingston.

Killing Theodore should be somewhat of a proposition.

There is no "enemy's country"—that is, not yet, at least.

Even Paris is amazed at the Steinheil trial.

Agitators thrive on notoriety.

USED CARVING KNIFE.
Lander, Wyo., Nov. 5.—Morris Johnson, a wealthy ranchman, was killed while at the supper table at his home at Leekie, Wyo., 90 miles south of Lander, Wednesday night by his nephew, John Johnson.

Morris Johnson was almost cut to pieces, the murderer using a large carving knife. He was arrested later and confessed to the crime, saying he did it because his uncle had been mean to him.

Young Johnson came to this country about a year ago and had been living with his uncle.

DISTRESS SIGNAL MYSTERY.

San Francisco, Nov. 5.—No trace has yet been found of the vessel supposed to have been wrecked on the Marin county coast near Bolinas, and seafaring men at this port generally are of the opinion that no steamer has gone ashore there. However, the revenue cutter McCullough continued today to patrol the coast in an effort to solve the mystery of the signals of distress heard on Wednesday night and yesterday morning. The lifesaving crew from Point Reyes has given up the search.

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NOTES OF WALLACE

Special to The Daily Missoulian.
Wallace, Nov. 5.—Extreme cruelty of a sort that caused him mental suffering of a severe nature is charged in the divorce suit brought by Charles D. Stethens, bookkeeper at the North Idaho telephone office here, against Elena Stethens of Chicago. The couple was married in New York city, but lived in Chicago most of the time. Stethens is well known here, having been in the employment of the telephone company ever since they began doing business in the district.

Again as Thanksgiving approaches Wallace epicures hear the familiar word "scarce" as applied to turkeys. About 1,000 of these birds will be brought in from Omaha to supply the local trade, but all the same they are scarce, say the butchers, and the prices will range about 50 cents a pound, dressed. Last season it was 27½ cents dressed.

W. Clayton Miller, general manager of the Federal company, has purchased a seven-passenger 48-horse-power touring car.

Despairing of winning any games in the association of Shoshone county high school football teams, the Mulian eleven has decided to disband rather than face defeat at the hands of the other teams. Football has been dropped for the season by the Mulian school.

The Bunker Hill & Sullivan company, owning the biggest lead producer in the world, has declared its November dividend of \$45,000. That sum is the usual amount disbursed monthly by the company.

That the local option wave is dying out in the south and that the counties and states which have experienced "dry" conditions are willing to return a "wet" situation is the declaration of S. Darmstadter, a well-known Kentucky distilleryman who is visiting in Wallace. He says that a local option agitation is to be expected every so often, and that conditions now and 20 years ago are similar in that many people are clamoring for prohibition and local option, though during the intervening period little was said about the liquor question.

Ed Adams, former chief of police of Wallace and now engaged in the real estate business, sustained severe injuries this morning when he rubbed carbolic acid on his face after a shave, thinking it was alcohol. The mistake was immediately discovered and medical assistance prevented any of the burns causing permanent injury to his eyesight, though his eyes were principally affected by the accident.

A new camp is springing into existence on the north side. Paragon was given its name when the manager of the Paragon Consolidated mines took up his residence there. Since last summer about 50 people have made their homes at Paragon. L. W. Stedman, manager of the mines, was appointed postmaster and Paragon placed on the postoffice map. Then the Idaho Northern began running trains there and daily service will be established next month.

NOTES OF CARLTON

Special Correspondence.
Carlton, Nov. 5.—Rev. Edward Laird Mills, the district superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal church for the Butte district, held the first quarterly conference of the year at the church Saturday, and preached the morning sermon on Sunday, also conducting the communion service; in the afternoon he held services at Florence and in the evening at Lolo. Rev. Mr. Tester, the pastor, assisted him in all the services.
Mrs. Holliday is much improved at hospital in Missoula, and is expected home Saturday.
Charles Schrader and some Missoulians are enjoying a hunting trip in

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