

HAMILTON ENJOYS MINSTRELS

MISSOULA ELKS MAKE GREAT HIT IN CAPITAL OF BITTER ROOT VALLEY.

Hamilton, April 23.—From the time the Elks' special arrived until the train left at 1 o'clock this morning, Hamilton belonged to the Elks. It was a good visit by good people and every one in Hamilton who attended the performance last evening was more than pleased and has nothing but praise for the young men who were responsible for a pleasant evening. The opera house was packed to the door, every seat being sold at 8 o'clock last evening. Standing room was easily disposed of until the curtain rose on one of the largest crowds that was ever seen in the large auditorium.

The hall had been tastefully decorated with the colors of the order and presented an appearance that harmonized splendidly with the stage settings. Large elk heads had been placed in the front of the auditorium, one on either side of the stage, a white or purple incandescent light tipping each horn of the wide-spread antlers.

It was an appreciative audience that responded to the fine singing and clever jokes of the minstrels, many of the latter being directed at local people with telling effect. No little part of the evening's enjoyment was afforded by the fine orchestra and the Missoula band which accompanied the troupe to the city.

The special train was met at Victor by a committee, composed of W. P. O'Brien, Sid Ward, John Powers and Leighton Stewart. At the local depot a large crowd was waiting with a brass band and several automobiles. As soon as the line could be formed the principal streets were paraded, until the Ravalli hotel was reached. Here the Missoula band rendered several selections while the hungry Elks were finding places in the spacious dining room of the hotel. Again before the start of the performance the Missoula band played on the streets to a large and appreciative audience.

It was a most pleasant visit from a local standpoint and it is to be hoped that the Elks of Missoula will ever be ready to bring their good shows to this city, where they will always be welcomed.

CAPTURED AFTER DEATH.

Huntington, Va., April 23.—Captured after being dead and buried is what happened to George Bowers of Zanesville, Ohio, who was killed by a train at Kenova, W. Va., last week. Bowers was wanted in Zanesville on a charge of murder. Officials from Zanesville yesterday went to the cemetery and opened the grave in order to identify him.

VISITS FATHER.

Hamilton, April 23.—Carl Drews Jr., of Missoula, came to Hamilton yesterday with the Elks' special and is spending a few days with his father, who is employed in the office of the Anaconda Copper Mining company.

SEARS-ELLIOTT.

Hamilton, April 23.—A marriage license was issued this morning to Isaac H. Sears and Miss Vesta Elliott, both of Woodside. They were married this evening by Rev. Thomas H. Barker at his home.

TOOLE IN TOWN.

Hamilton, April 23.—John R. Toole, president of the Blackfoot Milling company at Bonner, arrived in Hamilton this morning and is looking after business affairs here.

The democratic state convention in Iowa will be held in Ottumwa, July 27.



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MARX TAKES CHANCE WITH HAMILTON

FORMER MISSOULA CATCHER CASTS LOT WITH VALLEY BASEBALL TEAM.

Hamilton, April 23.—The Hamilton baseball team was made complete last evening when word was received from Catcher Marx of Spokane, saying he would be in Hamilton in time for the game on Sunday. Marx is a catcher of experience and besides being a good backstop is a first class man with the stick. He was with the Missoula team part of last season.

The local grounds have been put in the best of condition and a large crowd is expected at the game with Bitter Root tomorrow afternoon. The Three Mile team has several good men in its lineup and ought to make the local bunch go some. Harrison, Nelson and Heilman of Hamilton's last year team are with the ditch diggers and are playing the game of their life. Messner, the University of Wisconsin catcher, should prove a tower of strength to the team. The Hamilton team will line up as follows: Marx, catcher; Gibson and Cottrill, pitchers; Snyder, first base; Rafferty, second base; Hammond, third base; McQuaid, shortstop; Grey, Williams, Gertz and Fullerton, outfield.

GLACIER PARK BILL IS ALL RIGHT

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE WILL HAVE NO DIFFICULTY IN ADJUSTING DIFFERENCES.

Washington, April 23.—(Special).—The Glacier National park bill came over to the senate after its passage by the house with a few slight amendments, and Senator Dixon moved for a conference to settle the differences. Senator Bailey said he was not familiar with the provision of the measure and asked Senator Dixon if it was proposed to convert some government land into a public park or if it involved the purchase of private or corporate land. Senator Dixon said the government owned all the land proposed to be included in the park, which was the portion of the main range of the Rockies, where it intersects the Canadian boundary. He said further that there are about 60 or 70 glaciers in the region, where "the mountains are piled on top of each other." He did not think there was a ranch in the proposed area of the park. It was all in forest reserves, there were no settlements and there would not be a great deal of difference in its future status from the present when it was created into a park. Senator Bailey said it would involve a heavy appropriation "to make much of a park out of mountains piled on top of each other, but probably that is as good as use as can be made of that land, and it will be time to object to the appropriation when it is asked for. But I record that it will be asked for in due time. Senator Dixon said that if the Texas senator would visit the region he would find the greatest natural scenery in the United States.

Senator Bailey complimented the people of Montana, saying: "I know I would find so many delightful people in Montana that I would not busy myself about the scenery."

"We will give him both kinds of entertainment, scenery and people," said Senator Dixon.

The senate appointed as conferees to adjust the differences over the bill, Senators Dixon, Flint and Hughes.

Anna C. Whalen has been appointed postmistress at Whitepine, and Miss Clare E. King at Garrison.

Senator Dixon has favorably reported on the Public Lands committee the bill of Senator Carter granting to the city of Bozeman, 39 acres of land to protect its source of water supply from pollution, the city to pay \$250 an acre therefor. Bozeman draws its water supply from Lyman creek, which has its source in a spring four miles northeast of the city, flowing through government land, which is used for grazing purposes, the water being polluted by range stock. By the bill this land will go to the city for its segregation from grazing.

NEW INDIAN OPERA PRODUCED IN BERLIN

Berlin, April 23.—"Pola," Arthur Nevins' Indian opera, based on legends of the Blackfeet gathered by Walter McClintock of Pittsburgh, was produced at the Royal opera house tonight and was applauded generously by a brilliant audience. Mr. Nevins and Randolph Hartley, the librettist, were called out five times at the end of the second act and eight times at the end of the opera. The costumes and scenery were imposing and picturesque. There was some hissing, but that is always the case in new productions at the Royal opera, and the hissing was not so marked as at "Elektra" or the first production of "Sardanapalus."

Judging from the talk among the critics in the lobbies, a sharp criticism is likely tomorrow.

PROOF.
Stella—Are they wealthy?
Bella—They gave baby an auto tire to cut its teeth.—Harper's Bazar.

DEPEW CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

SENATOR TELLS WHAT LIFE MEANS TO HIM AND TALKS ON COST OF LIVING.

New York, April 23.—"For a long life abounding in good things in a capacity for enjoying everything in reciprocal attachments and contributions with multitudes of men and women more than my share of health and happiness, I reverently thank God that I am alive and that I have lived," was Senator Chauncey M. Depew's estimate of what the world amounted to in his life.

The senator was speaking at the 19th annual dinner given him by the Montauk club of Brooklyn in celebration of his 76th birthday. Senator Depew apparently as hale and hearty as ever, said:

"I read the other day of Ivan Kuzman who was admitted to the hospital in St. Petersburg at the age of 128. He remembered Napoleon's burning of Moscow and the few incidents that occur in the career of a Russian peasant. He was an agricultural laborer for a mere pittance during his whole period and could neither read nor write. This is not an experience to be envied. It enforces Tennyson's lines: "Better 50 years of Europe than a cycle of Cathay."

"But on the contrary, when you think of Auber composing his best operas at 89 and Manuel Garcia still an instructor in vocal culture at 100 and Whittier singing immortal songs at 85, you are in contact with men who have lived and who know 'what it all amounts to.'"

In regard to high prices and economical problems, he said:

"More and more the United States, because of cheaper cost, is bringing into every department of human industry greater capital and larger employment. It was produced, on the one hand, the gigantic corporation and, on the other, in self-defense, the labor unions. The problems growing out of this development are the ones which this generation faces and of which the preceding ones were ignorant. There can be no reasonable doubt that the proper method of dealing with these great questions is not by government ownership but by government control.

BUILDING IS SAVED BY PASSENGERS

PUGET SOUND CONDUCTOR HOLDS TRAIN AND HOTEL AT LA. VINA DOESN'T BURN.

Lavina, Mont., April 23.—(Special).—The Adams hotel at Lavina was saved from destruction by Conductor Sam Berberidge of the Puget Sound, who held his train 20 minutes to allow the passengers to fight the fire. The male passengers turned out, almost to a man, and by using water from the locomotive, succeeded in putting out the fire in a short time. Very little damage was done by the fire.

The Adams is one of the largest and best hotels along the new coast extension and was named in honor of J. Q. Adams, former president of the Milwaukee Land company. The building, which is owned by L. C. Lehfeldt, is valued at \$20,000 and the citizens of Lavina are very grateful to Conductor Berberidge and the passengers, who helped in subduing the blaze, as without their assistance it is probable that the little town would have had a serious conflagration.

FORTUNE AT STAKE



AGNES O'HEARN CONNOR.

Joplin, Mo., April 23.—Miss Agnes O'Hearn Connor is the person chiefly concerned in the contest of the will of the late Senator Thomas Connor of Joplin, which is being waged by Attorney John B. Cole for Senator Connor's widow, Mrs. Melissa Connor. Miss Connor is beneficiary in the will to one-half of an estate supposed to be valued at \$1,000,000.

She was an inmate of a Joplin convent when she first became acquainted with Mr. Connor. He adopted her. Mrs. Connor has been confined in St. Vincent's asylum for six years.

At Senator Connor's death he willed Miss Connor one-half of his fortune, after leaving \$100,000 to his wife and \$100,000 to a Joplin church, and a like amount to a church in Tiffin, Ohio.

STEVENSVILLE HAS GOOD PROSPECTS

HISTORIC TOWN IN BITTER ROOT GROWS RAPIDLY—ITS IMPROVEMENTS.

Stevensville, April 23.—(Special).—In the early days of Stevensville few ever dreamed of the possibilities of the surrounding country in the way of agricultural and horticultural development. Today the Bitter Root valley is known from the Atlantic to the Pacific. It has become famous as a section that produces wonderful fruit and great crops of grain and hay. The Bitter Root is destined to become the greatest apple-producing valley in the Northwest. Hundreds of people are coming from a score of states, all eager to secure a tract of fertile land, to make their homes in the valley. It is their ambition to live where there are no grain pests, where insects do not blight the fruit, where the climate is delightful.

Stevensville is located in the very heart of large land developments and the beautiful little town—the oldest in the valley—is growing rapidly. A splendid water system was installed last year and an electric light plant is now assured. This is being put in by the money of W. A. Clark—will light Stevensville some time in June. The chamber of commerce has appointed a committee, E. O. Lewis, George T. Baggis and John Dowling, to meet with similar committees from the business men's organization of Missoula and Hamilton in regard to the proposition of an English syndicate which is now in correspondence with a local bank. This syndicate states that, if it can be shown that the proposed Missoula-Hamilton electric railway can be operated at a profit, it will finance the road to the extent of \$5,000,000.

Stevensville is doing a great deal of substantial building. President E. O. Lewis of the Bitter Root Valley Bank has almost completed a fine, two-story cement bank building of concrete. Dr. Thornton is erecting a two-story cement and brick building, an institution that has long been needed. Joseph Hunter has under construction a two-story brick building, already leased for mercantile uses. Mr. Hunter contemplates putting up two other buildings this season. The Gleason Furniture company will break ground soon for a cement-block building, 42x100 feet in dimensions.

The merchants of Stevensville are enjoying a business that increases every year. There are now in the town three new stores, a new state bank, two automobile garages, all institutions that are new since last year. With the advent of a railroad on the east side of the Bitter Root river, Stevensville is bound to grow amazingly.

REMOVAL RECOMMENDED.

Honolulu, April 23.—Alleging technical violations of the law, Special Agent W. B. Thomas of the internal revenue service has made a report to Washington in which the removal from office of Collector of Internal Revenue W. F. Drake of Hawaii is recommended. The report follows an investigation of the affairs of the collectors by Thomas, which is stated revealed technical irregularities.

PERSCH IS FREED ON BAIL

NOVEL LEGAL POINT IS RAISED THAT MAY SAVE HIM FROM COURT AGAIN

New York, April 23.—Donald Persch, recently tried on a charge of larceny in connection with the Windsor Trust loan case was admitted to bail today and according to his counsel, will never again have to face a court in connection with the alleged offense, as the jury which tried him, they claim, was prematurely discharged. A surety company furnished the bond of \$50,000 demanded.

Persch was indicted for grand larceny on complaint of Matthew M. Joyce, acting as broker for F. Augustus Heinze, who claimed that Persch and others fraudulently obtained from the Windsor Trust company \$110,000 worth of copper stock on which he borrowed \$50,000. His trial a few days ago resulted in a disagreement of the jury.

His counsel contend, following a recent supreme court decision, that the trial justice erred in discharging the jury without waiting for it to request its release on the ground that it could not reach a verdict and to re-try Persch would place him in jeopardy twice.

A writ of habeas corpus was secured in Persch's behalf upon this point. Argument will be heard next Monday.

CONTRACT IS LET.

Kalispell, April 23.—(Special).—The first contract for the new Catholic church, that for excavation, was let last night to a local firm, and work will commence today or Monday. The edifice will be by far the handsomest in Kalispell, with a ground dimension of 112x48, with a main steeple 100 feet high, and finished in either native red or pressed brick, with sandstone or cement trimmings. The cost is estimated at \$25,000. The plans were drawn by George Shanley of Great Falls, who will maintain a close supervision over every portion of the construction until completed. The building committee hopes to have the work finished this summer.

END OF THE MONTH SALE

The Crescent for Bargains

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Monday Will Be Remnant Day

Remnants and broken lot assortments from every department, at one-half the regular marked price. Come each day, and if you feel that the day's offering was not worth your while, it will not be because genuine bargains were not offered you. Every remnant from this season's selling will be one-half the regular marked price.

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Linen Department

A two or two and one-half yard cut from any piece of pure linen table damask at remnant price. For the day, one-half the regular retail.

Dress Goods Department

A 7-yard remnant or pattern will be cut from every or any piece of wool dress goods at the remnant price, one-half the retail.

Ribbon Department

A 2-yard length from any piece of ribbon will be sold as a remnant for Monday only, at one-half the regular retail price.

Embroidery Department

A cut of embroidery or insertion up to five yards will be treated as a remnant for the day. Only one-half the regular retail price.

Lace Department

A cut of lace or insertion, up to five yards will be treated as a remnant for the day. Only one-half the regular retail price. Not more than one cut to a customer will be sold.

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Women's gauze vests, 20c values, at the special price of 12 1-2¢

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\$1.00 corsets, model No. 475, the week 50¢

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