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Sing, hey, the merry Christmas time—sing evergreen and holly; the jingle jingles happily and young and old are jolly; the rhymes flow freely from my pen with Christmas inspiration; the season's words were made for verse—it is my sole salvation; the motif of the Christmas rhyme is certain to be "merry," and then the next line's sure to end with "um-tum holly berry" while "mistletoe" and "firelight glow" run readily in rhyme; it's easy writing this gay stuff in the happy Christmas time; you see from this that we start off with reference to "holly"; it's very easy after that to follow up with "holly"; "aloof Christmas" "doors open wide" thus do the phrases run; "the Yuletide song," "right conquers wrong"—O, this is really fun; "away we go" and "glistening snow"—it's easy thus to write; "bright Christmas day" and "bills to pay"—one could do this all night; "brave Santa bold" and "glistening cold" enter the tuneful lay; this on-the-run would be great fun if it were always Christmas day.

Although the policy of the city at large is to be one of general retrenchment, it seems reasonably certain that there will be at least three new improvement districts formed during the coming year. These districts will be Patton street, from Patton to Railroad street; Main street, from Patton to Harris street; and Stevens street, from Front to Pine streets. Some time ago these petitions were put in circulation with the result that all except the Main street district have the necessary number of signers. It is not thought that there will be much trouble in getting the necessary frontage on Main street. "The city is about to adopt a strict policy of retrenchment along every line," said Mayor Rhodes, but I do not believe that this will interfere to any large extent with the forming of these three districts. Of course, the expense of an improvement district is born by the property benefited, and the money is eventually refunded to the city. I have been circulating these petitions and am positive that they will be carried through within the next year.

Monday will probably witness the completion of the fire-alarm system, which is now the center of much criticism. Not on account of the system itself, is the criticism made, but on account of the expense involved in obtaining this protective device. To a man uninitiated in the mysteries of fire-alarm systems, the practically-completed work looks good and the Chief Lofness says it is beautiful. The outside boxes have all been installed and the inside work is almost finished. Byron Day, the man in charge of the work here, hopes to be able to test the system on Monday. If everything appears to be all right it will then be turned over to the city. Fire Chief Lofness has received some encouraging replies to the letters he sent to the various business firms of the city in regard to their purchasing alarm boxes, the maintenance of which would be paid by the city. He believes that there will not be much trouble in getting enough boxes to reduce the five per cent reduction in fire insurance rates.

It was reported in yesterday's issue of The Missoulian that the Klondike birds on exhibition at the poultry show had escaped and were roosting on the eaves of the courthouse, which place they greatly preferred on account of the lower temperature. It was discovered today, however, that this statement was false. The birds stayed on the courthouse roof but a short time. They left their roost and the owners thought they had disappeared for good. They were discovered yesterday in Crawford's leechhouse, roosting on the eaves of ice and laying eggs to beat the land. The reward was paid to the man who discovered them.

Gilbert Reinhard, manager of the J. P. Reinhard Hardware store, yesterday gave the King's Daughters a fine start on their collection of Christmas toys for the poor children of the town. Mr. Reinhard sent 30 toy flying machines to the Hoyt-Dickinson store in the Knowles block. The King's Daughters have been greatly worried over the lack of toys, as they were afraid to take care of all the poor children. Mr. Reinhard's donation has helped greatly and the women in charge of this work hope to be able to take care of all the needy children in the city.

There are probably many people in Missoula who can remember the days when Christmas was sure to bring a letter from some relative and it always contained a crisp, crackling banknote. It was always an acceptable present and that relative's stock was way up above par. The First National bank yesterday received \$500 in brand-new, one-dollar bills. The bank sent away for these bills especially for the accommodation of the people, who want to send money as a gift. The demands for new dollar bills were many and the bank management decided to supply it.

FOR THE NEEDY. All persons who will donate food for the Christmas boxes which the King's Daughters will pack for deserving poor of the city are asked to deliver their contributions to the store room used by the Hoyt-Dickinson Piano company in the Knowles flat by Saturday, if possible. A committee of the King's Daughters will be at the room all day Saturday and Monday ready to receive contributions.

HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS

Gifts Sure to Please

Toilet Sets
We have a large assortment and offer you some special prices on some sterling silver, silver plated, ebony and white at from \$2.00 to \$15.00

Manicure Sets
Our assortment is yet unbroken. The new roll ups and cases in sterling, plated, ebony and white, at from \$1.00 to \$5.00

Safety Razors
We have almost anything in this line made. The Daisy is a new one in Christmas boxes and is priced from \$1.00 to \$5.00

Cigars
Domestic and imported in all the well-known brands, in any sized box. They make acceptable gifts at from 25¢ to \$5.00

Fountain Pens
Buy a standard make that will give you good service. We carry a large stock of Coakins, all sizes and kinds, at from \$2.50 to \$10.00

Christmas Stationery
A larger and better stock than ever, embossed initial stationery and cards; fancy Christmas colors and boxes, at from 50¢ to \$5.00

500 lbs. McDonald's Saturday Special Chocolates, at per pound 25¢
250 lbs. McDonald's Chocolate Honey Comb Candy, at per pound 35¢
150 lbs. Bunte's Superfine Gum Drops; best ever; at per pound 25¢
250 lbs. Mint and Wintergreen Creams; try them; at per pound 25¢

Our entire stock of Christmas Cards, 1¢ Each

Missoula Drug Company

Wholesale and Retail Druggists

ALL SCHOOL FUNDS APPORTIONED

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT MARSHALL ISSUES REPORT OF REGULAR AND SPECIAL TAX.

County Superintendent Mrs. Pearl T. Marshall yesterday announced the annual apportionment of school funds to the various districts in Missoula county, the report of such apportionment having been prepared from the figures that have just been made available in the treasurer's office. The report is made to show both the regular December apportionment, based on the four-mill school levy as included in the regular county levy of 16 mills, and the apportionment of funds derived from the special levy for each district imposed by their several boards of trustees. The two amounts make up the total credited to each district until the March apportionment, when the total may be increased by money received from delinquent taxes and from state funds. The report follows:

District	Special Tax	December Apportionment
No. 1	\$42,597.18	\$47,571.20
No. 2	354.79	1,093.00
No. 3	354.79	354.00
No. 4	480.62	448.40
No. 5	870.62	519.20
No. 6	410.61	1,050.20
No. 7	594.68	519.20
No. 8	1,016.39	359.40
No. 9	425.17	247.80
No. 10	390.03	200.60
No. 11	1,360.70	696.20
No. 12	16.93	436.60
No. 13	3,114.00	656.20
No. 14	8,570.11	2,843.80
No. 15	182.56	429.80
No. 16	597.63	460.20
No. 17	4,145.13	885.00
No. 18	287.91	188.80
No. 19	495.08	305.80
No. 20	442.12	295.00
No. 21	341.62	129.80
No. 22	591.40	259.60
No. 23	9.21	825.40
No. 24	428.59	177.00
No. 25	472.65	306.80
No. 26	202.08	429.80
No. 27	8.22	188.80
No. 28	7,370.22	13,162.00
No. 29	263.87	106.20
No. 30	2,950.95	578.20
No. 31	287.91	283.20
No. 32	409.68	35.40
No. 33	637.05	47.20
No. 34	2,922.15	778.80
No. 35	8.47	236.00
No. 36	579.00	247.80
No. 37	566.17	306.80
No. 38	1,417.11	436.60
No. 39	18.17	94.40
No. 40	2.40	247.80
No. 41	368.59	141.60
No. 42	1,268.88	286.00
No. 43	294.05	212.40
No. 44	447.29	129.80
No. 45	447.29	224.20

Total \$88,105.00 \$98,431.20
Grand Total \$157,536.20

Special Levy.

Mrs. Marshall states that the inquiries concerning the number of mills the various districts were taxed by the several school boards have been numerous recently, and to give this information publicly she announced the figures for each district in mills as follows: No. 1, 8; No. 2, no levy; No. 3, 2; No. 4, no levy; No. 5, 8; No. 6, 1 1/4; No. 7, 3; No. 8, 3; No. 9, 10; No. 10, 10; No. 11, 4; No. 12, no levy; No. 13, 8; No. 14, 10; No. 15, 5; No. 16, 5; No. 17, 10; No. 18, no levy; No. 19, 2; No. 20, 2 1/2; No. 21, 4; No. 22, 4; No. 23, no levy; No. 24, 2 1/2; No. 25, 2; No. 26, 1; No. 27, no levy; No. 28, 10; No. 29, 5; No. 30, 8; No. 31, 4; No. 32, 4; No. 33, 2 1/2; No. 34, 3; No. 35, no levy; No. 36, 3; No. 37, 5; No. 38, 5; No. 39, 5; No. 40, no levy; No. 41, 4; No. 42, 10; No. 43, 2; No. 44, no levy; No. 45, 7.

APPRECIATION

Murray Brown takes this opportunity to thank his many friends for their generous patronage in this Christmas season. He sends to them best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. He also wishes to say that if there still remain any of his friends who want to give and don't know what to give, to come and see him tomorrow, for he has the best collection of Christmas gifts in town. His shop is the mart where one can find anything from the little Christmas card with its true, simple wish, to the elaborate, handsome, hand-painted calendar or beautiful landscape print. If you want to give your friend something that he or she would most appreciate, let it be a photo—none made at Brown's, he never fails to please. He is very busy, but his shop is open day and evening, and he will take sittings up to twenty-four hours before Christmas and will finish them in plenty of time to send to your city friend. Missoula Art company, next to bridge.—Adv.

CATE IS GUILTY.

Wallace, Dec. 21.—(Special.)—After 45 minutes deliberation the jury in the case against Oscar Cate, charged with assault with intent to commit murder, late yesterday returned a verdict of guilty. The statute calls for a term of imprisonment from one to fourteen years for the crime of which Cate was convicted. Judge Woods announced

ELEVENTH Annual Christmas Ball

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that he would pronounce sentence next Monday. The evidence of Joe Cramer, Cate's victim, was taken from his cot in the hospital, in the presence of the judge and jury. Cate set up the plea of self defense, but this was weakened when the prosecution proved that he had made threats to "get" Cramer on several occasions before the assault took place.

MOB KILLS NEGRO.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 21.—John F. Eldor, a negro living in Norway, S. C., was taken from the guardhouse at Norway last night and shot to death. The authorities said they could not determine the motive for the deed. The negro was charged with obtaining money under false pretenses.



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MRS. MARTHA CASE W. H. DILLINGHAM IS DEAD PASSES BEYOND

PIONEER RESIDENT OF MISSOULA IS CLAIMED BY PNEUMONIA. WELL-KNOWN OLD-TIMER, MORE RECENTLY OF SALTESE, DIES AT HOSPITAL.

Mrs. Martha D. Case died late Friday night at her home, 706 Beckwith street, pneumonia being the direct cause of death. Mrs. Case was born October 8, 1835, in New York. She came with her husband to this city 26 years ago and during her long residence here she has made a host of devoted friends. Her husband, who was a lawyer, died here about 18 years ago, and her daughter, Miss Mary Case, died six years ago. A son, Robert Case, is in the Philippine islands, and his wife died only a few weeks ago. The funeral will be held at 3:30 o'clock at the family residence, Monday afternoon. Mrs. Case had selected the friends to serve as pallbearers some years ago. They are: J. H. Kennedy, O. E. Poppard, John D. Rowland, A. J. Gibson, E. L. Darboe and John McCormick.

HARVICH DISMISSED BY A JUSTICE JURY

George Harvich, a Greek, who was arrested by Special Officer Miller of the Indian service on Northern Pacific train No. 42 last Thursday, the officer having made the arrest at the request of the conductor of the train, was tried by a jury before Justice H. M. Small yesterday, the complainant charging the man with drinking liquor and creating a disturbance on the train. After a heated trial in which there were several clashes between Assistant County Prosecutor Gil Heyfson and Attorney John H. Tolan, the case was submitted and the jury found the defendant not guilty after a few minutes' deliberation. In the course of the trial Attorney Tolan stated that he would urge his client to make complaint against Officer Miller, who, he alleged, had no legal right to make the arrest.

DR. MONROE DEAD.

Dr. George W. Monroe, father of Mrs. J. C. DeJarnette of Orchard Homes, died shortly after midnight at the Sisters' hospital. Dr. Monroe has been ill for about 12 weeks and his death was not unexpected. Funeral arrangements were not made last night.

ON WEDDING TRIP.

James Raymond and Agnes Morrison, both of Roman and both well known in the Flathead district, were married at St. Ignace yesterday morning. They came to Missoula on a wedding trip and will spend a week here before going to make their home at Roman.

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Real Delaware holly, green and with red berries.
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Christmas Candles, lb.....20¢
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