

PROGRESSION BRIDGE IS RAPID

NEW STRUCTURE OVER MISSOULA RIVER WILL TAKE BUSINESS TO PLAINS.

Plains, Dec. 21.—(Special).—James McLeod, the well-known farmer and racehorse trainer of Paradise, was in town recently inspecting Christmas goods. Mr. McLeod stated that the wagon bridge over the Missoula river is nearing completion and the work has so far advanced that all is in readiness for the steel. The bridge is near where the Missoula river empties into the Flathead river, and is the connecting link on the state wagon road from Missoula to Plains and thence to the coast. It is a good place for a crossing, as the river at that point is narrow, only one concrete pier being required in the river. When the structure is finished the people on the south side of the Missoula and those of Quinn's bridge will be able to reach their trading posts at Plains without using the ferry. O. E. Peppard of Missoula is the contractor.

Wednesday night the Masons installed the following officers: A. O. Dilline, worshipful master; Harry J. Morrison, senior warden; C. A. Russell, junior warden; W. H. Shipley, secretary; C. H. Bittner, treasurer; F. M. Lewellyn, senior deacon; Fred Dudley, junior deacon; George Cooper, senior steward; T. S. Letterman, junior steward; Harry Davenport, Tyler. The Eastern Star installed officers Tuesday evening. The list of elected and appointed officers was published in the Christmas number of The Missoulian.

C. E. Fairbanks, former state senator, has returned from Missoula, where he was attending to business matters and visiting old-time friends. Former County Attorney H. C. Schultz came up from Thompson and attended the Masonic installation services.

Harry J. Morrison, the real estate dealer, has returned from Butte, where he had business that had to do with Plains land. At one time Harry was a member of the Sanders County Mercantile company.

This week the People's Cash store was purchased by George Brown of Laurel, this state. The clerks are engaged in taking inventory. This store was founded many years ago by Henry Hammons & Sons and was recently owned by H. D. Kenyon.

Ed Flahive was at Thompson Falls Wednesday on a business mission. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Gilbert of Camas Prairie were among the residents from that section who were trading in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Marshall were Saturday visitors from Weaverville. "Hot Cakes," the Mangonilla, was here for several days this week, after an absence of three years. When he lived here he was the "kiddies' friend during Chinese New Year.

Mrs. W. R. Callins of Paradise attended the Eastern Star ceremonies Tuesday evening.

M. F. Matthews was a Tuesday visitor from Butte.

V. B. Skinner, the well-known representative of the Missoula Mercantile company, was in the city during the week in the interests of his firm.

Miss Rae Clark is home from Spokane and is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Clark.

Grant Avery of Avery's grocery store is ill at his home on Railroad street.

County Clerk-elect Frank Foster was in town yesterday from Olive.

Quite a number of Plains people attended the W. A. Wilson auction sale Thursday at Olive.

NEW CORPORATIONS BORN IN HAMILTON

Hamilton, Dec. 21.—(Special).—Articles of incorporation for the New Butte Mining company were filed yesterday in the office of the clerk and recorder. The company is incorporated for a period of 30 years with its principal place of business in this city. The capital stock is placed at \$100,000, which is divided into 1,000,000 shares. The directors are J. E. Shoady, J. K. Squires and S. O. Chaffin.

Articles of incorporation for the Forest Hill Orchard corporation were also filed yesterday. The company is incorporated for a period of 20 years, beginning life today. The capital stock is placed at \$200,000, with 1,500 shares of common stock and 500 shares of preferred stock. The directors are C. G. Norton and T. M. Norton of Victor and J. H. Batchelor of Kansas City, Mo. The corporation's principal place of business will be at Como.

IN SUPERIOR

Superior, Dec. 21.—(Special).—The Hard Times ball given December 14 was well attended and everybody had a good time.

The mine owners at Carter are putting in a spur at the mouth of Spring gulch to connect with the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound which will save two miles of haul.

Mrs. William McBride of Missoula visited for a few days in town with her old friends and attended the ladies bazaar, of which she was a member when here.

Mrs. John McMillan and children have returned from Canada where they went last August to visit Mrs. McMillan's mother.

Paul Gilmont received a message from Minneapolis telling of the death of his mother.

The Ladies Aid held their bazaar Friday night December 13. They had a large attendance and the receipts ran over \$100.

The Christmas edition of The Missoulian reached the subscribers last Sunday and all were well pleased with it. The Christmas edition was a "hum dinger"—that is the way the subscribers express their opinions.

DEATH OF TIMMONS CAUSES SHOCK

WELL-KNOWN YOUNG MAN OF HAMILTON DIES DURING VISIT AT DIXON, MONT.

Hamilton, Dec. 21.—(Special).—News was received here early this morning of the death of Frank Timmons, which occurred shortly after 2 o'clock this morning at the home of his father-in-law, O. E. Smith, within a few miles of Dixon, Mont. No particulars of his death have been received here, but it is thought that a weakness of the heart caused his death. The deceased left here, accompanied by his wife, on Monday for Portland, intending to stop for a visit with relatives at Dixon. He appeared in usual health during the time he and his wife visited with relatives in this city. The body will leave Dixon this evening for this city. Services over the remains will be held at the local Catholic church, although no time for the funeral could be announced today.

Frank Timmons was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Timmons of this city, and was born 24 years ago in Three Forks, Mont. For several years he was a resident of this city, where he grew to manhood. A few years ago he was the victim of an accident at the local millpond, a charge of shot tearing a large hole in his left side. This injury, which was close to the heart, is thought to have affected that organ to such an extent that death finally resulted. Frank Timmons had many qualities which made him popular with all who knew him. Less than two years ago he was married to Rosie Smith. For a time they resided here, Mr. Timmons being employed in the barns of the Anaconda Copper Mining company here. About a year ago he left with his brother-in-law, Frank Rapp, for Idaho. Besides his wife and parents the deceased is survived by two brothers and four sisters, Henry Timmons and Fred Timmons, Jr., of Lewistown, Mont.; Mrs. Ria Bevins of Canada, Mrs. Frank Rapp of Sandpoint, and Mrs. Harry South and Mrs. H. J. Gebeau of this city.

SALTESE NOTES

Saltese, Dec. 21.—(Special).—Snow has piled up to a considerable extent during the last week, there being about two feet on the level now, making teaming and logging rather difficult, but the Polkeys Lumber company is shipping about the average amount of logs each day to the Missoula mill.

The Hemlock mine has closed down for the present, owing to a lack of mining timbers which the management neglected to provide before the heavy snow fall.

Talking with Manager Charles Burns of the Bryan a few days ago, he stated that they had now found the long-sought ore shoot in their lower tunnel. There has always been considerable good ore in the upper workings, but failed to find ore of any consequence in the lower workings until just recently. Mr. Burns words were: "We can start shipping good clear galena with good silver values at any time now, for we have ore in the lower tunnel," and whatever Charley says at any time about the Bryan is just the plain facts and truth. He further stated: "We are not a stock company, so I am not boosting stocks." The Day brothers of the Hercules are heavily interested.

H. J. Seideman of Helena spent several days here this week looking after his business interests.

C. B. Crawford of Mullan, theatrical manager, has included Saltese in his Coeur d'Alene circuit, playing one night each week in Wardner, Kellogg, Wallace, Burke, Mullan and Saltese, and judging by the liberal patronage Mr. Crawford's efforts are much appreciated.

Ernie McEachern of Helena, assistant organizer of Moose lodges, spent part of Wednesday and Thursday here looking after some of his property interests.

William Hymer, dispenser of good meals and owner of the Club restaurant, has gone to Wallace for a few days of rest and a change of scenery. There is no rest for Billy while at home here, for he is always on the job.

Harry Linn has severed his connection with the W. L. Murray mercantile firm, and has accepted a position with the Milwaukee railroad, his duties to begin on the first of the year.

Harry Moore, commissary manager for Polkeys lumber camp, and Minnie Mard of DeBorgia, stole a march on their many friends and were married at Wallace recently. The newly married couple are making their home at Saltese. There have been six weddings in as many months in Saltese. Not so bad for a small town.

Plans are on for a big hay-seed dance at Buster's hall New Year's eve.

IN DISTRICT COURT

Hamilton, Dec. 21.—(Special).—The case of Ed Wetherill against John Hern and James Boucher, a suit for damages in the sum of \$500, came to a close last evening in the district court when the jury rendered a verdict in favor of the defendants.

The case of W. M. Hooper against George See, as sheriff, a suit on a debt (appeal), came up for trial this morning. A directed verdict for the plaintiff was rendered soon after noon today.

VESSELS NAMED

Washington, Dec. 21.—The two fuel-oil-carrying vessels authorized by the last session of congress have been named Kanawha and Maumee. The navy department in an endeavor to find suitable names, decided to give the new vessels Indian names of rivers flowing through oil regions.

INDICTMENT FOUGHT IN COURT

BITTER ROOT VALLEY IRRIGATION COMPANY ATTACKS FEDERAL CHARGE.

Helena, Dec. 21.—(Special).—The indictment against officers and former officers of the Bitter Root Valley Irrigation company, and its successor, the Bitter Root District Irrigation & Development company, charging them with conspiring to defraud the government of public lands through dummy entries, was attacked in the federal court today on the ground that it does not state facts sufficient to show any crime has been committed. The hearing was on the demurrer to the bill. Judge Bourquin reserved decision.

The defendants in the action are Walter I. Moody, Frederick D. Nichols, Harrison S. Lord and R. A. O'Hara. The motion to remand to the state courts the personal injury suit of Mary E. Pasley against the Missoula Street Railway company was granted.

HAMILTON BRIEFS

Hamilton, Dec. 21.—(Special).—M. C. McClary left yesterday afternoon for Chicago, where he will spend some little time visiting.

Mrs. Arthur Dawes and daughter have returned from Butte, where they visited with friends for several days.

C. H. Christensen left today for Missoula, where he attended the banquet given to S. R. Inch, who is leaving the Clark interests at Missoula.

Oliver M. Salisbury has returned from Minneapolis and other cities of that locality for a visit at his home at Charlot.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cole and daughter, Mrs. Leland Grover, left yesterday for Butte, being called there by the death of Mrs. Cole's brother-in-law, W. H. Nichols.

F. Taylor, son of J. B. Taylor, left yesterday for Los Angeles, Cal., where he expects to spend a couple of months.

John Logan of Darby is a visitor in Hamilton today. Mr. Logan is a prosperous rancher of the up-valley country.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McLaughlin returned last evening from Butte, where Mr. McLaughlin looked after business affairs.

F. B. Tanner, the county assessor-elect, has rented the Peterson brothers' cottage on South Third street, and will move to this city the middle of next month. Mr. Tanner is at present located on his ranch above Darby.

Miss Effie Read returned yesterday from Missoula, where she is attending the university. She will spend the Christmas vacation with her parents at the Ravall hotel.

Miss Laverne Robertson returned this morning from Spokane, where she is taking a business course at a college in that city.

The Hamilton schools closed yesterday afternoon for a two-weeks' vacation. School will be resumed on January 6.

The accounts of the Gage Mercantile company, bankrupt, were sold at auction this forenoon at the High Court building company for \$360, Robert L. Harber being the successful bidder. The accounts aggregate \$7,000. The bidding was participated in by but a few, and was particularly slow.

PARADISE NOTES

Paradise, Dec. 21.—(Special).—C. W. Dunlop, "hostler" at the Northern Pacific roundhouse, was called to his home at Arapahoe, Neb., on account of the serious illness of his father. He left on No. 42 Monday.

P. B. James made a trip to Missoula Monday, returning on No. 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Marley were shopping at Plains through the week. Harry J. Shottelbeck, who has been running a barber shop in connection with Smithy & Landblad's pool room, has sold his interests to William Herd of Butte. Mr. Shottelbeck has returned to his home in Missoula.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mays of Granite, Idaho, are visiting Mrs. Mays's mother, Mrs. Julia Marley.

Mrs. Ettinger and family have returned from a week's visit in Spokane. Edward Erickson of the firm of Erickson Bros., departed on No. 6 Thursday for a visit to his old home in Wisconsin. He will be gone two weeks.

Lowry Smith, superintendent of the treating plant, has gone to St. Paul to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Muncheson and family have gone to Spokane for a short visit. Mrs. E. Johnson and Mrs. Malloy attended the card party given by the Catholic ladies at Plains Thursday evening.

CORVALLIS NOTES

Corvallis, Dec. 21.—(Special).—The Rev. Carl Burrus, pastor of the Christian church at Sikeston, Mo., and formerly of this place, is back for a short Christmas vacation. His many friends are glad to see him and will wish him a Merry Christmas.

Mrs. Joseph Bowden and her nephew, Leslie Goodfellow, returned Friday after their trip to New Orleans to see Jack Goodfellow, who is second engineer on an ocean-going steamer. The party arrived in New Orleans about five minutes before the vessel docked, so that relatives from distant parts of the earth met for a hearty reunion.

The churches of this place are planning for a Christmas celebration. The Methodist church will have a tree and program on Christmas night. At the Presbyterian church a cantata will be given, entitled "The Promised Messiah," followed by a Christmas

tree. These exercises are on the evening of the 24th.

One of the most enjoyable surprise parties of the season was given to Willie Hay, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hay, prominent citizens of the valley, on Thursday evening, at their beautiful home. About 30 of the young people trooped in on the young man to congratulate him on his 17th birthday. Many games were played, and a delightful time had until 1 o'clock in the morning. All agreed that they had a fine time, and wished him many happy returns of the day.

Rev. C. L. Vaughn will preach at Victor in the morning.

Services will be held in the Presbyterian church at 11:30 a. m., at the Birch creek school house at 3 o'clock, and at Grandsdale in the evening, by the Rev. R. L. Lewis.

The schools closed for their Christmas vacation with special class gatherings. Miss Smithy and Miss Meyers took their pupils to Rowe's hall for a tree and a treat. Miss Fallagan entertained her little folks in the same manner, as also did Miss Van Vliet, respective rooms. The high school met with Mr. Bowman and Miss Porter in the assembly room, enjoying the occasion with story and game.

The schools of Corvallis are the happy possessors of one of the largest flags in the state. It is of fine material, and will be raised and unfurled with appropriate ceremonies early in the new year. The school is to be congratulated upon the enterprise of Professor C. H. Bowman in carrying out so efficiently this additional feature to the already fine equipment of the institution.

C. H. Stoddard, superintendent of the B. E. P. company, has gone to Missouri for a vacation.

Miss L. J. Leach of Spokane is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. G. Moody.

Dudley Bowen and Dan Morris are home from Montana college for the Christmas vacation.

The Big store has opened its doors to the Christmas shoppers.

A. H. Stephens is in Ronan this week transacting business in the interests of the Great Independent Telephone company.

M. O. Hoyt of Missoula stopped at the Sterling Sunday of this week.

G. M. Stephenson of Missoula transacted business in Ronan Tuesday.

T. T. Frith of Butte was a Ronan visitor Sunday.

M. L. Hull of Seattle transacted business in Ronan Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Carper gave a party at their home, December 19, in honor of Rev. Mr. Ross of the Methodist church. A very pleasant evening was spent with music and games. A delicious luncheon was served. Those invited were Professor and Mrs. Healy, Mr. and Mrs. Willber, Mrs. Stillman, Miss Devine, Miss Trospier, Miss Bradley, Miss Coulter, Mr. Smith, Mr. Platten, Mr. Rathbone, Mr. Judges, Mr. Garape, Mr. Homes, Mr. Carper, Jr., and the host and hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Hull, A. L. Crawford and Ed Clairmont went to Polson Friday and returned the same day.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Farland of Puyallup, Wash., are here visiting their daughter, Mrs. Healy, and will remain for about three weeks.

The Ernest Kering tailor shop, being erected, has the frame work up and will be ready for occupancy in about two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Welch will leave Ronan on or about the first of the year for their old home in Seattle. Many of their friends will regret to learn this, but will wish them success in the coast city.

Dr. Rathbun will move into the Welch home after the first of the month.

Miss Devine, teacher in the public schools here, left Friday to spend Christmas with her parents in Marysville, Mont., and will return after a two-weeks' vacation.

John P. Sweeney of Big Arm is in Ronan this week transacting business.

W. C. Reddie of Helena stopped at the Sterling Wednesday of this week.

T. G. Noid of Spokane was a Ronan visitor Wednesday.

Mrs. D. M. Barber of Mt. Vernon is in Ronan this week.

C. A. Platt of Spokane passed through Ronan Wednesday.

CARLTON

Carlton, Dec. 21.—(Special).—Mr. Black and son Archie left a few days ago for the Flathead reservation to visit at the home of Mr. Black's son Perry, on his homestead near Big Arm.

The three-weeks-old girl baby of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Howland of Lolo was laid away in the cemetery here last week.

Mrs. Beanie Reed invited several friends to her home a few evenings ago to help celebrate Mr. Reed's birthday. A very pleasant evening was passed.

Mrs. Margaret Gillis and two little daughters left a few days ago for their home in Idaho after visiting with relatives for several weeks.

Clint McClain is here visiting his uncle, Henry McClain. He came here from Canada, where he has been for the past two years.

Mr. Rigby is recovering from the injury received a few days ago by a fall from a tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Elmon of Missoula came up Sunday to attend the Schrader-Hendrickson wedding; also Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jensen and children of Missoula and Chris Johnson of Lamilton were here to attend the wedding.

Mrs. Webb has recovered from her recent illness.

The members of the Rebecca lodge were treated to delicious refreshments

The Crescent NORQUIST, TINKEL CO. IF BOUGHT HERE IT'S RIGHT

Store of Good Service

From now until Christmas, good service will be a thing that counts for much. Hundreds of people will go to the Crescent for their shopping, because they know they can find just what they want at the prices they wish to pay. But more will go because it is the helpful store—the store of good service. Courtesy, intelligence, promptness are as much a part of the service we give as quality is of the goods we sell.

Xmas Gifts for the Whole Family

Table listing various Christmas gifts and their prices: Boys' Suits \$2.50 to \$7.50, Ladies' suits \$10.00 to \$35.00, Boys' shirts 25c to \$1.25, Ladies' coats \$5.00 to \$30.00, Boys' gloves 25c to 1.00, Ladies' skirts \$2.50 to \$15.00, Boys' shoes \$1.50 to \$3.00, Silk petticoats \$1.95 to \$10.00, Gifts for baby 25c to \$3.00, Gift gloves \$1.00 to \$2.00, Silks by the yard 25c to \$1.50, Golf gloves 25c to 75c, Christmas ribbons 5c to 75c, Women's furs \$1.00 to \$35.00, Dress goods 25c to \$2.00, Children's furs \$1.00 to \$4.50, Hose for dad, up from 25c, Ladies' sweaters \$2.00 to \$5.00, Christmas handkerchiefs 5c to \$1.00, Gift hosiery 25c to \$1.00, Beautiful veils 50c to \$4.00, Dainty aprons 25c to 75c.

Embroidered and Fancy Goods--Art Department

ALBERTON

Alberton, Dec. 21.—(Special).—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Horning are mourning the loss of their infant son, Fred, Jr., who passed away on Thursday night.

Pneumonia, following an attack of cold, was the cause of his sickness and death. The body was taken to Superior for interment. The parents have the sympathy of a large circle of friends in their bereavement.

C. P. Seal and family are now occupying the Robinson residence in East Alberton. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson plan to leave on Sunday for an extended visit in eastern cities.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wilson and daughters left on Thursday for an over-the-holidays' visit with friends at Spokane.

Jerry Baker and bride are residing in the William Underhill home.

E. G. Searing has returned from a visit with relatives at Butte.

Charles Brown and wife were Missoula shoppers on Thursday.

Mrs. Fred Mason has returned to Missoula after a short visit with her son Clyde and family.

William Underhill is now residing at Deer Lodge.

Norman Stevenson and "Red" Brown were Christmas shoppers in Missoula this week.

Mr. Holmes, the section foreman, has returned from Deer Lodge and is again in charge of the work here.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. McClain will spend Christmas with the latter's parents at Missoula.

CAMAS NEWS

Camas, Dec. 21.—(Special).—Major Fred Morgan stopped over night at the hot spring Tuesday.

The local merchants are having a war on oil, which is selling as low as 24 cents per gallon.

Peter Trygstad came down on the Dayton stage Monday to make proof on his town lots.

J. J. Fisher, the Plains blacksmith, was a business visitor in Camas Thursday.

E. Terkes won the diamond cut links' traffic by Pease & Zeh.

Alphonse Corville and son drove in from Ronan Thursday on their way to Plains.

SON WILL MAKE GOOD SHORTAGE OF FATHER

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 21.—Stanton Sickle, son of General Dan E. Sickle of New York promised today to see that the state is reimbursed for all funds unaccounted for by his father as chairman of the New York State Monuments association, amounting to about \$28,000.

After a half-hour's conference between Deputy Attorney General Kellogg and young Mr. Sickle, it was announced that an agreement had been reached for the postponement of legal proceedings on the part of the state to recover the money.

Mr. Sickle left with Mr. Kellogg a certified draft as part payment of the money and has promised to supply the balance as soon as it can be sent here from Spain, where it is said, Mr. Sickle holds considerable property.

Mr. Sickle refused to discuss his visit here and Mr. Kellogg declined to say how much money had been paid on the account.

"Mr. Sickle told me," said Mr. Kellogg, "that his father lost the money in Wall street."

JACK WAITE IS READY TO RESUME OPERATIONS

Wallace, Dec. 21.—(Special).—With a prompt response to the notices of assessment on the stock of the Jack Waite sent out the first of this month, the treasury has been enriched to a point that warrants the resumption of work at the big mine near Murray, and actively will begin very soon after New Year's. The ore accumulated on the dump will be hauled on sledges and sleds to the station at Union, and shipments will be made regularly. The delinquent sale of stock on which the assessment remains unpaid was to have been held yesterday, but word was received in Wallace that the board of directors' meeting in Spokane decided to postpone the sale to January 20.

When work is resumed, development will be continued in the lower tunnel. The management expects to reach in another 150 feet, the first shoot that was encountered in the upper tunnel, which carried 36 inches of clean shipping ore.

FATHER SUSPECTED OF POISONING

THOUGHT TO HAVE DOSED FOOD THAT CAUSED DEATH OF BABY DAUGHTER.

Curlew, Wash., Dec. 21.—Charged with having poisoned the last food that remained in the house for the sustenance of his wife and five children and with having caused the death by that means of his three-year-old daughter, Ed. Stoddard, a homesteader living on Toroda creek, 15 miles from here, is being sought throughout eastern Washington by the authorities of Ferry county.

The Stoddard family is very poor and the father had not been able to find enough work to provide food and clothing for his wife and children. The last of the food was prepared for breakfast Wednesday morning. One of the little girls, unable to restrain her hunger, rushed to the table before the others. She fell writhing to the floor in convulsions after drinking part of a cup of coffee, according to Mrs. Stoddard, and died almost immediately.

Stoddard then borrowed \$10 from neighbors, saying he wished to buy a coffin for the child, and left for town, telling his wife he would arrange for the funeral.

Mrs. Stoddard notified neighbors that the district is remote and as telephone communication was interrupted county officials did not reach the scene until last night.

A coroner's inquest established the fact that the little girl died of poison and the verdict of the coroner's jury placed responsibility for her death on her father.

Stoddard is believed to have taken a train for Spokane and Sheriff Moran left for that city today with a warrant for his arrest.

Stoddard is believed here to have become suddenly insane.

GREEKS GOING HOME

Salt Lake, Dec. 21.—Despite the peace conference at London, nearly 1,500 Greeks within the last 60 days have left here to report for military duty at Athens. A special train carrying 200 Greeks left today for New York. They came from Utah, Idaho and Nevada. Many of them are naturalized American citizens.

They Always Help Elderly People.

Foley Kidney Pills give just the help elderly people need to tone and strengthen their kidneys and bladder and regulate their action. John Mc-Masters, Streator, Ill., says: "I feel better and stronger than I have for many years, and Foley Kidney Pills did it." Missoula Drug Co.—Adv.