

THE DAILY MISSOULIAN

Published Every Day in the Year. MISSOULIAN PUBLISHING CO. Missoula, Montana.

Entered at the postoffice at Missoula, Montana, as second-class mail matter.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES. (In Advance) Daily, one month \$0.75 Daily, three months 2.25 Daily, six months 4.00 Daily, one year 8.00 Postage added for foreign countries.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS Bell 465 Independent 510

MISSOULA OFFICE 129 and 131 West Main Street Hamilton Office 221 Main Street, Hamilton, Mont.

SUBSCRIBERS PAPERS. The Missoulian is anxious to give the best carrier service; therefore, subscribers are requested to report faulty delivery at once.

TO ADVERTISERS. While The Missoulian takes every reasonable precaution to guard against typographical errors in its advertising columns, printers are but human and will not be responsible for errors which may inadvertently occur.



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1913.

Reason's whole pleasure, all the joys of sense, Lie in three words, health, peace and competence.

PROPER ACTION.

We congratulate the county high school board upon its action in giving permanency to the official tenure of Principal Ketcham. There could have been no more acceptable Christmas gift to the people of Missoula county than the assurance that the services of Mr. Ketcham are to be retained at the high school.

A SAFEGUARD.

We feel sure that Commissioner Houston will receive endorsement from the people of Missoula and that his endorsement will be practically unanimous in his latest order to the police department.

It will cost the mere trifle of \$900,000,000 to buy the telephone and telegraph systems for the government. Let's buy them while they are marked down.

Following the suffrage demand, the prohibitionists hand Dr. Wilson a few thoughts for his holiday consideration.

By this time, the parcel post delivery man is in physical condition to win a Marathon championship.

The white Christmas busts the boom in graveyard real estate, which is not bad.

Like our own bison, the Carabao buffalo is likely to become extinct.

There will be no Carabao compliments in the Wilson stocking.

If you start early, you will be able, also, to shop often.

This is the very last day that you can shop early.

SECRETARY LANE VS. THE MINER, INDEPENDENT ET AL.

The annual report of Secretary of the Interior Lane to President Wilson is released for publication this morning.

What a pain its perusal must give to the Helena Independent, the Butte Miner and other champions of the scheme to turn over, to private monopoly, the ownership of the remaining great water-powers of the people.

Cruel, indeed, is the blow, delivered the very next morning after the Miner had, under the caption, "Hear Them Howl," delivered itself of the following eulogium on the secretary:

"Secretary Lane is a practical conservationist, instead of a theoretical one, and it is men of this kind that the Pinchot-Garfield gang dread and hate."

And then, so recently as last Wednesday, the Independent, in its three-column editorial, "Governor Stewart Vindicated," had, in criticizing the Missoulian, ridiculed the theory of permitting the water-powers to be developed by private enterprise, under terms of long lease and regulation of rates by the government, the title to the water-powers remaining in the people themselves.

And now comes Secretary Lane and specifically indorses and upholds all The Missoulian has been contending for and disavows in its entirety the "privately-owned-water-power" program of our esteemed contemporaries.

There seems to be no further alternative left to those eminent interpreters of orthodox democratic party doctrine than to disavow Secretary Lane's heretical beliefs and read him out of the party.

It is an open secret in Washington circles that Secretary Lane now is and always has been an open advocate of governmental ownership and control of water-power, timber, coal, phosphate and petroleum deposits; in other words, that he is and has been one of the shining lights of "the Pinchot-Garfield gang" that the Miner and Independent refer to so glibly whenever they feel called upon to defend private monopoly of public utilities as against public ownership and regulation.

That is, Secretary Lane has always been for the progressive policies of Theodore Roosevelt as against the Bourbon reactionary program of most of the democratic leaders.

Knowing his predilections and his anti-monopolistic public record in Washington and California, Mr. Roosevelt selected Mr. Lane as a member of the interstate commerce commission.

His record there, as a truly great tribune of the people as against monopolistic railroad control of freight rates, proved the wisdom of Mr. Roosevelt's selection.

But listen to these extracts from Secretary Lane report, which the Associated Press thus summarizes as a whole:

"With bold strokes, Franklin K. Lane, secretary of the interior, today outlined, in his annual report to the president, a broad policy in the conservation of the vast resources of the United States, which yet lie within the regulatory powers of the government, and pointed to the important results that may be achieved through the development of these resources under proper supervision."

Secretary Lane says: "Within a generation I believe that the people will be as alive to the value of public ownership of hydro-electric power plants as they are today to municipally-owned water works."

In regard to the remaining coal lands, which are still in government ownership and which have not passed into private monopoly, the secretary declares that the coal fields

"should be opened not to speculators, but to operators. None should be opened as a basis for a gamble in future values, but under a leasing and royalty system similar to that under which the state of Minnesota leases its ore lands and the states of Montana and Minnesota their coal lands, the government taking a modest royalty and retaining some measure of control over operation."

That sounds very much as if Mr. Lane had a copy of this paragraph of the

Bull Moose national platform lying open on his desk when he dictated his annual report:

"The natural resources of the nation must be promptly developed and generously used to supply the people's needs, but we cannot safely allow them to be wasted, exploited, monopolized or controlled against the general good. . . . Natural resources whose conservation is necessary for the national welfare should be owned and controlled by the nation. . . . In order that consumers and producers, managers and workmen, now and hereafter, need not pay toll to private monopolies of water-power and raw material, we demand that such resources be retained by the state or nation and opened to immediate use, under laws which will encourage development and make to the people a moderate return for benefits conferred."

That is what the progressive party, Secretary Lane and the rest of the "Pinchot-Garfield gang" believe in, and, furthermore, it is the program that the people are going to demand—the Butte Miner, the Independent and the rest of the reactionaries in both the democratic and republican parties to the contrary notwithstanding.

And while we are discussing this matter, we might as well include some of the lesser lights, who occasionally attempt to shine in the reflected rays of the larger luminaries in Montana.

In this week's Kalspell Bee, the organ of State Senator Whiteside, of legislative fame, in an editorial attacking the recent criticisms of The Missoulian as to the action of Governor Stewart and his attending Montana delegates to the recent conservation congress at Washington, regarding their efforts to "turn the water-powers over to the individual states," the Bee says:

"The Missoulian has been throwing several kinds of fits because the Montana delegation to the conservation congress saw fit to stand with other western delegates in favor of state control of natural resources as against control by the national government. The Missoulian declares that such action was in the interest of the big power companies, and also intimates that Governor Stewart named the delegates with that end in view. . . . The men who own the big power plants want to see government control of the undeveloped water powers. . . . It matters little who owns the water powers. . . . Governor Stewart and the men named by him to attend the recent congress have nothing to fear from the clumsy and contemptible efforts of The Missoulian."

Now, after such an able argument as that, which even made our old friend, John Morony, himself, smile when he read it—we are squelched.

To our editorial friends of the Miner, the Independent and the Bee, we commend a very careful reading of Secretary Lane's report.

We would modestly suggest to each of them, that in the future, when they feel called upon to hurl anathema at the "Pinchot-Garfield gang," they change their well-worn phraseology a bit, so as to read, "the Pinchot-Garfield-Lane gang." This will be a great relief to their readers. It will sound more euphonious.

When the final, inevitable split in the democratic party shall come, as it will come, between the reactionaries and progressives, it is not difficult to prophesy in which camp Secretary Lane will be found.

That the split is inevitable, before the close of the present Wilson administration, most men who are closely in touch with and who are watching the drift of affairs at Washington honestly believe.

When that time comes the recruiting offices of the Bull Moose party will be open to all who desire to volunteer in the cause of Mr. Common People, against privately-owned monopoly of our natural resources.

The divine right of repentance will not be denied to either the Miner, the Independent or the Kalspell Bee.

"While the lamp holds out to burn, The vilest sinner may return."

Notes of the Anvil Chorus

LUNCHROOM LYRICS.

IV.—The Transient Trade. (By First Lieutenant Hunt.) You see him after midnight Behind the kitchen door. Humped on a stool beside a pail Of spuds upon the floor.

His single purpose is to eat And so he sits and peels. And when he's done he's up on one To pare for other meals. From coast to coast, he makes his boast. The case knife hews his trails.

His field is anywhere folks eat The tuber boiled or fried. His only rival is the spud Baked simply in its hide. He pares to dine—then Kenny's sign, "Spud peeler, apply inside."

First Lieutenant of the Column Hunt makes his first appearance under fire this morn. The Loot has been sulking in his tent during most of this strenuous pre-Christmas campaign. Not until a check and an invitation to dine came from Kalspell did the lieutenant consent to engage in battle. One the eve of his departure for the wide of the Flatland he led the charge printed above. He is recommended for bravery.

Today in History. 1784—The Methodist Episcopal church in the United States organized, principally for the purpose of holding Christmas exercises on the anniversary. On this date every year the Sunday school population reaches a maximum.

1808—Henry Walker, federal naval officer born. He was distinguished in battle. One the eve of his departure for the wide of the Flatland he led the charge printed above. He is recommended for bravery.

1864—The bombardment of Fort Fisher, N. C., commenced by the federal fleet. This date is also the anniversary of the bombardment of the tired shop girl by the late shopping fleet.

Every Year—Santa Claus starts south with a full cargo of poisoned wooden soldiers and embroidered bedroom slippers.

This is the day before Christmas, but in the department stores it looks like the day after Armageddon.

After Samuel Pepys. December 21—This morning slept late, missing church-meeting for which I professed to be sorrowful. To the office where I did nothing all day and there I met with M. Elrod, the learned doctor, who was as much at a loss as I to understand why a man should be unable to work on his holidays. Though all day at my desk I gained not a whit in my labours and went disappointed to bed.

December 22—Up so late as to bring forth a trade from my employer, and I did little all day what with anger and slothfulness and all. Spending the evening at the purchase of Christmas gifts I am forced to marvel at the foolishness of those about me who buy lavishly yet with-

MANY ARE REMEMBERED BY KING'S DAUGHTERS

The King's Daughters completed yesterday their special Christmas donations, having sent out 33 boxes of Christmas cheer to homes where there is real need of such. Each box contained vegetables and a piece of meat weighing eight or ten pounds, also fruit and in some instances clothes and toys. Of the 55 working members of the King's Daughters' society, nearly all helped in the Christmas charity. Mrs. F. C. Webster, president of the society, has been an active leader in all its enterprises.

Conductor R. J. Farrell is laying off his Northern Pacific run and left yesterday for Spokane to spend Christmas.

Conductor W. W. Berry is off on a short vacation which he will spend in Seattle. His run is being taken by A. Sikorski.

Brakeman E. R. Hutchinson and A. F. Frazier of the Northern Pacific are both laying off for the holidays. They expect to celebrate at home in Missoula this year.

B. F. Richardson, one of the well-known brakemen of the Rocky Mountain division, has left for a visit to his old home in Missouri.

HELENA DOCTOR ARRESTED. Helena, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Dr. Edwin S. Kellogg was arrested today on an information charging him with causing an abortion on Dorothy M. Hart in Helena October 7 last. The woman was living with Arthur W. Stormes a barber. After her death he went to Butte, where he was arrested yesterday and brought back to be held as a witness against Kellogg.

Not Beyond Help at 87. Sleep-disturbing bladder weakness, stiffness in joints, weak, inactive kidney action and rheumatic pains, are all evidence of kidney trouble. Mrs. Mary A. Dean, 47 E. Walnut St., Tauton, Mass., writes: "I have passed my 87th birthday, and thought I was beyond the reach of medicine, but Foley Kidney Pills have proved most beneficial in my case." Missoula Drug Co.—Adv.

MURDER AND SUICIDE. Baltimore, Dec. 23.—Walter Grimes, 34 years old, shot and probably fatally wounded his wife, Edith, 38 years old, and then committed suicide at their home tonight. The tragedy was the outcome of Mrs. Grimes' refusal of her husband's proffered Christmas gift of a gold watch and chain, after they had quarreled.

STEER CHARGES SHOPPERS. Kansas City, Dec. 23.—A steer broke out of a car in the railroad yards at Kansas City, Kan., today and charged the Christmas shoppers on the principal streets. Women shrieked and ran into the stores. The steer finally was roped and returned to the stock yards. Co.—Adv.

CLOSED (Chicago Post.) After what has happened all talk of amalgamation should end. The efforts of Senator Cummins and his brother amalgamators may be considered a closed incident. The senator is much of that opinion himself, to judge from words of warning used in addressing the republican national committee.

Urging the convention plan in order that an address to the people might be issued with the party authority, even if a platform were not adopted, the Iowa senator said: "If you do not go through this open door of opportunity that is now presented, that door may not open again."

Twice the republican party has refused to go through the open door of opportunity. The chance cannot come again until 1916. Are Senator Cummins and his professedly progressive colleagues prepared to wait for this third chance?

We suggest to them that another door stands open. The progressive party is not begging them to enter, but it will not cast them out if they come with honest confession of faith in its principles.

RAILROAD NOTES. Conductor J. E. Place took his leave of absence for the holidays yesterday and left for Mandan to be a few days with relatives.

J. C. McFarland, brakeman of the Wallace district of the Northern Pacific, has been relieved until after the holidays. He will spend his vacation in Missouri.

The annual Christmas exodus of regular employees of the Northern Pacific commenced in earnest yesterday. All along the division men were leaving to make short trips to friends or relatives where they will spend Christmas, their places being filled by substitutes who have no special interest in going away to enjoy the hol-

day. In addition to arrangements being made so that many can lay off for a few days it is planned to bring all of the men in from their runs so that they can have several hours at home on Christmas, this also being the annual custom. The Northern Pacific and Milwaukee roads both carry out this plan on Christmas.

While the lamp holds out to burn, The vilest sinner may return."

HANGING UP THE STOCKINGS; WHAT WILL THEY HOLD IN THE MORNING?



WHAT SONG TITLE FITS THIS PICTURE? (We will tell the answer tomorrow.)

This is the night to hang up stockings. Some have Christmas trees, too. For weeks and weeks Santa Claus has been sending loads of toys and other presents to every city and town in the world. His goods generally are sent to the stores for safe keeping until tonight, when he will go around in his sleigh, drawn by sixteen reindeer, and distribute them.

Some times the stores get too full, and he has to store some of his wares in the homes. That is how the children occasionally run on to delightful surprises hidden away in cellar and garret.

Tonight he is going to fill these stockings. This picture also illustrates a song the way the pictures in our approaching "Game of Song and Story" will illustrate songs and stories. See if you can fit the title to this picture.

The answer to yesterday's picture was "The Birds' Christmas Carol," by Kate Douglas Wiggin.

MISSOULA MERCANTILE CO. THE GREAT CHRISTMAS STORE



Headquarters for Holiday TABLE LUXURIES FOR THE Christmas Dinner

Year after year the same buyers, from all sections of this territory, call or send to us for their CHRISTMAS GROCERIES and SPECIALTIES sold only in our Grocery department, and here's the reason:

They want everything for the Christmas holiday to be absolutely pure and delicious, and here they find M. M. Co. quality, absolute reliability and moderate prices always linked together.

Get your order in today, as early as you can, so we can give it our best attention. Our new pack Batavia canned goods, fruits and vegetables, is the best we've ever had. All the fresh vegetables and fruits the mar markets afford are here—many specialties for the holidays. New figs, raisins, etc., all extra fine. Headquarters for Christmas candies, in bulk and beautiful presentation packages in all sizes.



We Wish You a Merry Christmas Your Santa Claus We'd Be Our Christmas Fowls, Roasts, Steaks and Chops Will Please You Mightily UNION MARKET JOHN R. DAILY, Prop. Bell 117 132 Higgins Avenue Ind. 431

Read the Missoulian Classified Ads

Eat from Bonner's The Christmas Grocery All the Season's Delicacies to go with that turkey. Christmas Candy