

### B. R. V. I. ACTION BEGINS IN COURT

Federal Judge Hears Suit for Foreclosure on Company.

### RANCHERS WITNESSES

Testimony Concerning Water Supply Occupies First Day of Trial.

Trial of the foreclosure suit of the First Trust and Savings bank of Chicago against the Bitter Root Valley Irrigation company, the action out of which it is hoped that a definite plan for the future of the reclamation project will develop, began yesterday afternoon before Judge George M. Bourquin in the United States district court.

The afternoon was spent in hearing testimony from ranchers on the project and other competent witnesses regarding the nature and sufficiency of the water supply provided by the bankrupt Bitter Root Valley Irrigation company.

I. M. Sloan, former manager of the project, testified that the company's policy had been to deliver water at the highest point on each tract of land, and that during his administration no attempt had been made to restrict water users to the quantity of water permitted by their contracts with the company.

A. V. Williamson, formerly employed by the company as an engineer, testified that during the seasons of 1915 and 1916 there was trouble over the water supply and said that he did not think the irrigation system was able to supply more than 16,000 acres of land without more efficient regulation of distribution than prevailed during the period of his service. More than 19,000 acres was irrigated, he said, during the seasons of 1915 and 1916.

A. C. Dixon, a rancher, said that in his opinion the quantity of water permitted by the contracts with the company is not sufficient. Several interests are involved in the present suit, and all of them hope to agree upon some plan of reorganization before the conclusion of the action, or afterward.

Witnesses yesterday were examined by Philip S. Brown for the First Trust and Savings bank and W. L. Murphy for A. C. Dixon, one of the important creditors of the company. Other attorneys in the action are H. C. Stiff and Winston Payne Strawn and Shaw and Walter H. Jacobs and T. L. Christopher for the bank; Gunn, Rasch and Hall and William Wayne, for A. C. Dixon; D. G. Wegg, George T. Buggs and R. F. Gaines for Hans and Caroline Knudsen; Galen and Mettler and E. W. Swabey for J. W. McKinnon; O'Hara and Madsen, for F. C. Webster, trustee.

### Want Red Cross Workers to March in Parade Today

It is urgently requested by officials of the Missoula chapter of the Red Cross society that all persons who have been doing Red Cross work in the city shall assemble on South Sixth street west, this afternoon, to march in the Liberty Day parade, and that if possible all workers shall appear in the work-room uniform.

The rooms will be open for work this afternoon, as soon as the parade is over.

### Flag Nearly Knocks Out Marine Recruiting Officer

Sergeant McSwain of the local recruiting office of the United States marines had a narrow escape from serious injury when the wind loosened the huge American flag that floats from the window of the army recruiting office in the Higgins block on Main street and sent the 30-pound iron tackle crashing down to the sidewalk below where Sergeant McSwain was walking. It missed him just a few inches.

### White to Inspect Work of Planters in Forests

An inspection trip through the Coeur d'Alene valley for the purpose of investigating the spring planting work being done by the forest service is being made by E. P. White, chief of planting of district No. 1.

Each man plants from 800 to 1,000 trees a day. The work is being done from tent camps established in the mountains. About 100 men can be accommodated in each camp.

### ON SURVEYING TRIP.

H. H. Lansing and J. R. Yule, from the engineering department of the district forest office leave for Darby tomorrow to do some surveying for this district. They will probably be gone about ten days.

### EVERY PACKAGE YOU EAT OF POST TOASTIES



### Gardens City Plow to Begin Work on School Tracts.

Forty gardens; count 'em, forty. Today is the day for the man with the plow. Sure, he is coming; just as soon as he finishes "Jones's" patch.

The city team and plow will start breaking the ground for the school children's gardens today. The city has five garden plots now. Two are on the south side, two near the business center of town and one at the extreme end of the north side. There are 40 gardens in these tracts and there are many children to take care of that many more gardens. If anyone knows of a plot that can be used or if anyone has one available, he may report this to the chamber of commerce and it will be quickly assigned and plowed.

### THOMAS FARLEY'S CONDITION SAME

Victim of Auto Accident Is Not in Grave Danger.

There is little change in the condition of Thomas Farley, who was hurt in an automobile accident Wednesday afternoon near Stevensville, when the machine in which he was riding ran into a ditch and overturned, pinning him and the other occupants of the car beneath. While his injuries are serious, his condition is not necessarily critical unless complications should arise. He is at the Stevensville hospital with a broken jaw and nose, the result of the steering wheel striking him when the car overturned, and his chest is crushed where the back of the seat lay across his body after the accident, but none of his ribs was broken. William Coyne and James Alexander, two other who were in the smash-up, are making progress toward recovery. They are also at the Stevensville hospital.

### RONAN WANTS CARS FOR ELKS' TROUPE

Red Cross Asks Missoula's Help in Project.

The Roman Red Cross organization sends an appeal to Missoula people to help them and makes the appeal for cars to carry the Elks' minstrel to their town, Saturday, April 27. The Roman organization will furnish gas for all the cars.

Coker F. Rathbone, who has charge of the show at Ronan, writes that 200 tickets have already been sold at \$1 each and they are looking forward to a good show and a good contribution for their chapter.

### Four Minute Men to Meet in Butte for Conference

A state convention of Four-Minute men of Montana will be held at Butte on May 1, according to information received by Chairman E. C. Mulrooney of Missoula. There are 60 Four-Minute men chairmen and several hundred speakers in the state.

Among the speakers will be S. H. Clark, a member of the faculty of the University of Chicago, who is touring the country in the interests of the Four-Minute men organization. J. M. Hinkle, chairman of the Four-Minute men of Butte, is in charge of the arrangements for the meeting.

### Three Missoula Boys Go to Join Navy at Seattle

Jack Goldman, a senior law student at the State University, together with Jack Layton and Perry Holliday, formerly bell boys at the Florence and Shepard hotels, respectively, left yesterday on the Milwaukee for the Bremerton navy yards. The trio enlisted in the naval reserve at the time Ensign Friedlander was here with his recruiting party.

### Biologist Gives Lecture on Yukon at University

Sections of Alaska along the Yukon river were shown in an illustrated lecture given at the university convocation hall yesterday morning by Lee H. Dice, assistant professor of biology. Mr. Dice was formerly deputy fur warden in the employ of the federal bureau of fisheries in the Yukon and Kuskokwom regions.

### Accuse Oscar Luddington of Stealing Wheat Store

An information charging Oscar Luddington with grand larceny was filed in department No. 2 of the district court yesterday by County Attorney Fred R. Angevine. Luddington is alleged to have stolen 25 bushels of wheat on the reservation.

### W. R. C. MEETS FOR PARADE.

The Woman's Relief corps is called to meet at 1 o'clock today, at Union hall, in readiness to take part in the Liberty day parade. The call is issued by Mrs. T. C. Moeller, president.

### SOCIAL DANCE.

Union hall, every Wednesday and Friday night. Missoula Club orchestra. Dance, 10 cents.—Adv.

### COUNTY BOARD REVISES RULING

Commissioners to Consider Flathead School Case Second Time.

### FIGHT FOR DIVISION

Moiese Residents Petition for Split; Trustees Oppose Move.

Yesterday afternoon the county commissioners voted to reconsider their action of January 30 calling for a division of school district No. 28, which includes Missoula county's part of the Flathead. This means that another meeting of the petitioners who favored the division and the trustees of the district may be held before the county commissioners in the future.

The schools of district No. 28, are conducted on the consolidated plan. Last winter residents of the southern portion of the Moiese valley petitioned the trustees that a division of the district be made, creating of that portion of the valley an independent district. They gave for their reason that all schools of the district were too far removed from that vicinity. The trustees of the district refused to grant a division. The matter was then referred to the county superintendent by the petitioners. The county superintendent declined to make the division, and the matter was brought before the county commissioners. On January 20, the commissioners voted to create the division. Yesterday they met and decided to reconsider their action.

### RED CROSS BRANCH WORKERS ARE BUSY

Good Reports Sent in From Henderson and Stark.

The Henderson branch of the Missoula Red Cross organization, has carried on diligent and thorough work since the chapter was organized and their year's report is but a small part of the enthusiasm of the workers.

Since they began work they have completed 42 suits of pajamas, 93 bed shirts, 16 pairs of socks, seven sweaters, 44 operating stockings, 19 ward slippers, 37 shoulder wraps, 13 operating masks, 98 slings, 23 hot water bag covers, four mufflers, 19 pairs of wristlets, four helmets and 13 abdominal bandages.

Every report sent in to the Missoula Red Cross organization, shows a remarkable progress and amount of work turned out. Yesterday, Stark, a branch of the Missoula organization, reported that from March 25 to April 25, they had completed five pairs of socks, 15 pairs of pajamas and 41 bed shirts.

### WANT TO INCREASE GRAZING IN WOODS

With a view of widening the scope of grazing on public lands 100 per cent, L. C. Hurt and H. W. Johnson, of the office of grazing, U. S. forest service, will leave today on an inspection tour over the entire western section of district No. 1, in order to investigate the possible stock ranges on the national forest of the district located west of the continental divide. Information concerning the grazing resources of the forests will be collected in order to decide upon the improvements and the development work necessary to secure the highest utilization of the existing forage resources.

### Dies of Heart Failure While En Route to Home

Michael S. Wherley died last night on train No. 1, of the Northern Pacific, of heart failure, while on his way to his home at Yakima, Wash. His body was taken from the train here. Mr. Wherley and his wife were returning home from St. Paul, where they had been visiting with Mrs. Wherley's mother. About an hour's ride from Missoula Mr. Wherley was stricken. His body will be shipped to Yakima today.

### AWARDED GRAND PRIZE AT THE P. P. L. E. KOVERALLS Keep Kids Kleen

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### DECLAMATORY CONTEST AT HIGH SCHOOL TONIGHT

Eight Students to Compete for Honors.

The annual Joseph M. Dixon declamatory contest will take place at the Missoula high school this evening at 8 o'clock. The program is as follows: Vocal solo, Miss Hughes. "Rebecca's Journey," Eloise Baird. "The Happy Prince," Helen Steiner. "How the Whale Got His Throat," Gretchen Mueckler. "The Lady of Shalott," Dorothy Dickerson. "The Slow Race," Harold Reedy. "The Hunting Scene" from "The Lady of the Lake," Vivian Effinger. "The Highwayman," Anne M. Hall. "The Judgment Day," Dorothy Otis. Piano solo, Lorena Olson.

### TRACK MEET DRIVE BEGINS AT MEETING

Committee Hopes to Handle 800 Tickets.

A campaign for the sale of inter-scholastic track meet tickets began yesterday morning after a conference among some of the members of the committee in charge at the chamber of commerce building. It is expected that 800 tickets will be sold within the next two days. The committee hopes to sell more than 1,000 tickets in the next week. Those who were at work yesterday were Dalton Risley, D. E. Swineheart, H. O. Bell, H. Y. Gephart, W. O. Dickinson, F. A. Schlick, J. E. Lafat and Walter McLeod.

### Students Vote to Give No More Sweaters Away

By a vote of 126 to 44, the students of the State University decided yesterday to discontinue the practice of giving "M" sweaters to athletes until after the war. This new ruling is in the form of an amendment of the constitution of the A. S. U. M. Last spring there was much agitation towards limiting the number of sweaters that should be given an athlete or else abolishing the practice altogether. It was to be put to a vote, but the students decided to continue the practice of giving the sweaters.

### Margin of 15 Minutes Wins for Sacramento

Cincinnati, April 25.—Both San Francisco and Sacramento wanted the services of Player Walter, formerly with the Chicago Nationals, and both telegraphed offers for him. The Sacramento telegram was received in Chicago at 12:15 p. m., April 8. The San Francisco telegram arrived 15 minutes later. Sacramento was awarded the player today by the National Baseball commission.

### MARRIAGE LICENCE.

A marriage license was yesterday issued by the clerk of the court to John E. Johnson of this city and Edith House of Clinton.

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### DRAFT SOLDIERS ENTRAIN TODAY

33 Missoula County Men Go to Camp Lewis This Morning.

### TEN NOW ELSEWHERE

Part of Contingent Leaving From Other Cities in Montana.

Missoula second quota of the second draft, numbering 33 men, will leave this morning for Camp Lewis at 8:25 on train No. 3 of the Northern Pacific. Ten Missoula men will leave from other cities about the country, bringing the county's total quota up to 43. The men who will leave today are: Frank B. Palmer, Missoula; Joseph R. Hanson, Missoula; William E. Beavers, Missoula; Roy Lyman, Missoula; Otto Olson, Missoula; Robert D. MacLean, Missoula; Harold Jones, Missoula; Clarence Powell, Ronan; Nelson Parker, Missoula; Joseph Doherty, Missoula; John Westberg, Missoula; Gust Gunderson, Clinton; Jay Reid, Missoula; Arthur Major, Lolo; Ed Simpkins, Missoula; Lawrence Shriver, Polson; Gustav Wilson, Stark; Earl Hughes, Missoula; Richard R. Fox, Missoula; John House, Clinton; James Marquis, Missoula; Erick Larson, Missoula; Bonaventura C. Cas, Missoula; George Carmody, Hamilton; Hugh Toughill, Missoula; George Collins, Missoula; Leo J. Gadhoo, Missoula; Daniel Pease, Missoula; Jesse Barker, Missoula, and Russell McCune, Ronan; Roscoe Plumley, Missoula; Lloyd Sherman, Missoula; Charles H. Miller, Missoula.

### ARRAIGN JOHNSON ON SABOTAGE LAW

I. W. W. to Have Preliminary Hearing Tomorrow.

The secretary of the Missoula local of the Industrial Workers of the World, Alarik Johnson, who was arrested on April 5, was arraigned before Judge Duncan in department No. 2 of the district court yesterday, on the charge of having violated the sabotage act. Bonds were fixed at \$1,200 and the preliminary hearing will be held tomorrow morning.

### VETERANS MEET AT 1 O'CLOCK.

Spanish-American War Veterans are requested to assemble at the city hall today at 1 o'clock sharp.

# PARADE

## INFORMATION IN DETAIL Find Your Place

Look below for the place in formation assigned to your organization, and BE THERE READY TO START AT 1:30 P. M. Column Will Not Wait.

ALL DIVISIONS FACE HIGGINS AVENUE

Captain Moore and Soldiers	Higgins at Eddy.
Fire Department	Higgins at high school
Band	Higgins at high school
City and County Officials	Eddy at Higgins
G. A. R. and W. R. C.	Eddy near Higgins
High School	Eddy near Higgins
American Defense Society	Brooks at Higgins
Missoula Mercantile Co.	E. Sixth at Higgins
Thrift Stamp Societies	E. Sixth near Higgins
Spanish War Veterans	W. Sixth at Higgins
Red Cross	W. Sixth near Higgins
Mothers' Home Guard	W. Sixth near Higgins
Donohue's	W. Sixth near Higgins
University of Montana	E. Fifth at Higgins
Painters' Union	E. Fifth near Higgins
Blacksmiths' Union	E. Fifth near Higgins
Boy Scouts	W. Fifth at Higgins
Public Schools	W. Fifth near Higgins
St. Joseph's School	E. Fourth at Higgins
Sacred Heart Academy	E. 4th near Higgins
Loyola High School	E. 4th near Higgins
Missoula Co. Humane Society	W. Fourth at Higgins
Forest Service	W. 4th near Higgins
Missoula Laundry	W. 4th near Higgins
Florence Laundry	W. 4th near Higgins
Postoffice Employes	W. 4th near Higgins
Unregistered Organizations	Front, head at First National Bank, and wait for main body.

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