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## 2ND SEMESTER ANNOUNCED

### BY THE STATE UNIVERSITY --WILL HAVE COOPERATION OF DISTRICT FORESTRY BUREAU

The second semester of the academic year at the University of Montana begins on the second day of February. It is desired to call the attention of the public and others interested, and especially students, to the work given by the University during this period. Students who were unable to enter in the fall and who are at this time ready to comply with entrance requirements may properly begin their studies on this date.

The University wishes to announce that the active co-operation of the staff of the district forestry office in Missoula has been obtained for the development of the collegiate instruction in forestry. The beginning of this course is made by the giving of a course of twelve lectures by members of the district staff. Mr. W. B. Greeley, district forester, has carefully planned the scope of the lectures that will cover the entire field of forestry service in the United States. These lectures will be open to the public as well as to the students.

With the authorization of Mr. Pinchet, the head of the forestry service of the United States, the University will have the services of a member of the forest staff to give technical instruction in Forestry in University classes. Beginning next September a regular professor of forestry will be appointed.

A recommended course of study looking toward forestry has been prepared and inasmuch as the major part of it consists of fundamental courses in mathematics, science and engineering young men may profitably begin their work in the University immediately. They will be preparing themselves for the technical work in forestry to be given later.

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### LARB HILL ITEMS

Larb Hill school started January 10th with Elizabeth Forgnas as teacher.

There will be a dance at G. H. Butts's ranch on Long John Bottom's, Missouri River, Jan. 15th. Everybody is invited to come. A basket supper will be served.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baeth and Mrs. Dever Parks are visiting friends in the Hills for a few days.

Misses Annie and Ellen Tweedie returned from Helena Friday and Miss Annie remained in town visiting until Saturday evening when she went to Saco to be in readiness to resume her school work Monday.

A team consisting of Mesdames Survant, Bob. Smith, Robinson, Tucker, Hardin, McLellan, Atwood, Partridge, Chambers, Sklower and Elliot, and the Misses Tucker and Partridge went to Glasgow to organize a Rebekah Lodge, Friday evening. The ladies report a delightful time and all reached home safely despite the inclement weather.

## LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Mary Jones returned from Helena where she served as a witness before the Grand Jury, Tuesday afternoon.

W. G. Eggleston, attorney for the Reclamation Service, was attending to some business for the Service in Malta, Tuesday.

F. M. Walker, hide and wool buyer of Butte, was in the city the latter part of last week and shipped a car load of pelts to Minneapolis.

Very refreshing and entertaining was the program given by the Woman's Club at the home of Mrs. B. W. Brockway last Saturday afternoon.

The ice harvest is now in full swing in this city. The ice is excellent and business men are putting up a large quantity for summer consumption.

Trains on the Great Northern are running rather irregularly at present, owing to the severe cold. Due care is being taken that no wrecks occur on account of broken rails and section men are constantly sent over their territory inspecting the tracks.

At the last regular meeting of the Malta lodge A. F. A. M. the following officers were elected for ensuing term: A. Davidson, W. M.; John Survant, S. W.; R. M. Trafton, J. W.; Wm. McLellan, treasurer; E. M. Sklower, Secretary; W. C. Stevens, Tyler.

There will be music in the air galore on Washington's birthday in this city, for great preparations are being made by the Malta Cornet Band to give a concert in Garland's Opera house on the evening of that patriotic day. At a meeting of that organization last Monday evening this step was taken in view of the many requests made upon the band by the citizens of Malta. An exceptionally good committee is in charge of the affair and it will take particular pains for the reception of a large and appreciative audience, as undoubtedly every pride loving citizen and his family will attend. A dance will be given immediately after the concert and music will be furnished by the band.

The Great Falls Tribune has the following to say of the severe weather:—"Not in the history of the local weather bureau, which was established in 1891, has the mercury fallen as low as it did Sunday morning, when the government thermometer registered 44 below and after hovering around that point for several hours, reached 12 below zero mark late in the afternoon.

"The present winter is strongly reminiscent of the winter of '85-86, when ten thousand cattle perished from the cold and hundreds of stockmen were bankrupt from their losses. The winter started the same as the present one, with mild weather up to the first of January, 1886. A heavy snow came, followed by a Chinook which filled the gulches and coulees with torrents of water. This weather was followed with more snow and zero weather. The range was ice-locked and the furnished cattle drifted with the wind and died in hundreds and others were left the prey for coyotes. It was that winter which brought fame to C. M. Russell, who was then a cowboy for Stadler & Kaufman in the Bear Paw mountains. Word was wanted of the stock conditions and by return mail came back the picture, "Waiting for a Chinook," which told the story plain as words.

"The cattle and sheep men are not much worried over the present conditions, for they have warm sheds and the majority of them have hay for their stock. It is of the opinion of conservative stockmen that the storm thus far has caused little loss but if it continues for any considerable period, losses this year will wipe out last year's profits."

## DRY LAND BULLETIN

### A BOOK ON DRY FARMING IN MONTANA WILL SOON BE ISSUED BY STATE AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL

Bulletin 74 of the Montana Experiment station under title of "Dry Farming Investigations in Montana" is now in the printer's hands and will be ready for distribution in the very near future. This bulletin contains the results of all dry land farming experiments conducted so far in the dry farming sub-stations in the State. The authors are—Alfred Atkinson, Agronomist and J. B. Nelson, Superintendent of dry farming sub-stations.

On the first page of the bulletin is a statement of the six conclusions drawn from a study of the data contained. In brief these conclusions are:—

1. That the dry lands of Montana may be made to pay profitable returns when properly handled.
  2. That Fall sown crops yield better than spring sown crops and that Turkey Red Fall Wheat gave the highest yield of all crops tested.
  3. That light seeding, from 3 to 5 pecks per acre is better than heavier seeding in the case of the grain crops.
  4. That planting grain in rows for inter tillage is unprofitable.
  5. That growing grain each alternate year with a properly tilled fallow between brings greater total returns than growing grain every year.
  6. That it pays to keep a summer fallow tilled properly to prevent weed growth and maintain moisture conserving mulch.
- The discussions presented cover the yields harvested at the Sub-stations in the different parts of the State; the relative yields of different grains tested and other points of interest along dry farming lines. Every dry farmer should write to the Experiment Station at Bozeman and get a copy.

### Great Falls Commercial Club Pass Resolutions

Great Falls Tribune: At the weekly meeting of the board of Commerce held last Monday evening the following resolution regarding the diversion of the waters of St. Mary's river was unanimously adopted and will be forwarded to Montana senators and congressman, and also to the officers of the inland waterways commission: "Whereas, the waters of the St. Mary's river, having their source within the United States and flowing north into Canada, are of the highest importance to the people of the United States, both from the view point of irrigation and the improvement of the navigation of the Missouri river, therefore be it

"Resolved, that we urge upon congress the wisdom of a direct appropriation of a sufficient sum of money to conserve to the people of the United States the waters of St. Mary's river and lake."

J. E. Helmus, a well known elevator owner and grain buyer of Marshall, Minnesota, is in the city this week, making arrangements for a site upon which he will erect a grain elevator in the very near future. He has several ideal sites in view, and especially one which has been tendered him by the Great Northern Railway, which he will no doubt accept. Mr. Helmus is very well pleased with the outlook of the valley and stated that he looked for an exceptional large influx of settlers into the valley the coming spring.

## LOCAL NEWS

Attorney C. H. Stevens returned home the first of the week.

A. W. Mahon, of Glasgow, was in town the middle of last week.

Miss Mabel Tucker visited friends at Hinsdale the first of the week.

B. W. Brockway was at Helena the first of this week attending court.

W. G. Good, special land inspector, was in the city a couple of days the first of the week.

The next meeting of the Woman's Club will be held at the M. E. parsonage with Mrs. Homer F. Cox, Saturday, January 23rd.

Officers were elected and installed by the Odd Fellows for the coming year as follows: John Hardin, N. G.; J. H. Atwood, V. G.; W. J. Sims, secretary; Wm. McLellan, treasurer.

The Fraternal Order of Eagles held their annual installation of officers at their last regular meeting and the following officers were elected: Chas. Davey, W. P.; Phil Caseberg, V. P.; Louis Hirschowitz, Treasurer; Geo. W. Clay, Secretary.

Thomas S. Cummings, son of Hon. Thos. M. Cummings, of Fort Benton, has been designated by Senator Carter as a candidate for admission to West Point Military Academy. Mr. Cummings was last summer employed in the engineering department of the reclamation service in this city and while here made a host of friends who will be pleased to hear of his good fortune and all hope that he may successfully pass the final examination.

President L. Newman, of the United Milk River Irrigation Association received a telegram the middle of last week, which conveyed the glad news that the long disputed Milk river waters between the United States and Canada had been settled and that all that remained now was the ratification of the agreement by congress. However, Mr. Dixon further asked in his telegram if it might not be advisable to postpone the trip of the delegates recently elected in this city. Practically to every inquiry made by Mr. Newman of the members to postpone the trip for a while it was answered emphatically that the committee should go as planned at the meeting, and if need be stay there until the whole matter was settled. The following are the delegates who will leave for Washington about the 21st inst.:—L. Newman of Havre; W. M. Wooldridge of Chinook; J. A. Hatch of Harlem; J. W. Jackson of Sugar City; H. H. Nelson of Malta; H. L. Birum of Saco; and J. M. Lewis of Glasgow.

When the Board of County Commissioners were in session the matter of furnishing maps of each and every school district in the county to the Assessor for his use in making the assessment arose, and after considerable discussion on motion it was decided to furnish the maps and the county superintendent of schools and county surveyor were instructed to define all boundary lines, adjust any and all conflicting lines, and the surveyor was authorized to make maps of each and every school district, showing the boundary lines and furnish a copy to the board of trustees of each and every district showing the exact territory of the district and to be filed with the records of the several districts respectively. It will be seen at once that this method will save the placing of any tax-payer in a district other than his own.

Also, the county surveyor was authorized to make a map showing the plot of Miller's First Addition to the town of Glasgow, to enable the assessor to properly list the lots of the new townsite.

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