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We have just received a large shipment of

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In 1-2 gallon, quarts, pints.

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THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

MALTA, MONTANA

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There's a fortune awaiting every man. Possibly yours is still over the wall of circumstance, but it's there waiting for you just the same.

How to get it? Sure, that's the important question. There are three steps that will put you in sight of it. They come in this order: "Work," "Save," and "Invest." The work is the first and easiest attained. Our bank will help you with the next two if you will give us the chance.

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AUTO LIVERY Malta and Zortman

Car will leave North Side livery MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY for Zortman, returning same day.

Fare to Zortman—one way, \$7.50; round trip, \$14.00.

C. W. POWELL, Proprietor.

NOTICE.

From now until the first of the coming year THE ENTERPRISE will be mailed to every voter in the new proposed county of Phillips. It may be that a few will be missed at first, but as fast as they are registered the paper will be mailed to them.

County Division Facts.

TOOLE COUNTY ECONOMY.

Toole county is composed of fifty-five townships. It has 125 miles of Great Northern and Burlington railroad (main line) with a railroad valuation of \$45,000 for every township in the county. The county seat is at Snelby, at the intersection of both railroads, where all taxpayers can reach and transact business, and return home in three hours. This is what Toole county made by county division, whereas formerly they went 100 miles to the county seat and 25 miles by stage to Chouteau, Teton Co., and the taxes were higher in Teton than they are now in Toole county. The people of Toole county had a very hard fight for division, and after having to fight their way through the State Supreme Court upon technical grounds, they won out, and the little county was created after a two-years' struggle. Still the people are more than pleased with their experience of county government and its economy.

SMALL COUNTIES.

Freeborn county, Minn., has but 20 townships, and it is one of the most prosperous counties in the state. The butter product of its creameries alone comes to \$1,000,000 a year. Its roads and all its schools are of the very best and its taxes are never very high.

ROAD DISCRIMINATION.

Does the remote and distant part of a county ever get a fair deal from a large county in the way of schools, and roads, and improvements? No, that is impossible, as the distance is so far from the county seat, and the school districts are so large, it is impossible to do justice to the outlying districts, and yet they have to pay school and road tax as if they received their share of the profits. This discrimination will go on until there are smaller counties and the seat of government is nearer to the people.

Phillips county will be one of the richest counties in northern Montana. The mines of the Little Rockies add much to its mineral wealth, and the government irrigation in the Milk river valley that is soon to be completed will be another source of revenue to guarantee the success of supporting a home government for this county. The low bench lands adjacent to Malta are the most fertile in the state, and we know of no new county that starts out in Montana under more favorable circumstances than does Phillips county.

The farmers of this section have had a long distance to travel to the county seat of Valley county—in some cases well on to a hundred miles distant—and yet they were patient in this waste of energy.

It has now come to the time when we must have a remedy for this waste of time and money. All the other large counties in northern and eastern Montana have been divided and subdivided, and there is not one of the smaller counties that would like to go back to their former position with the parent county. Besides, the new counties have all gained in valuation faster and prospered more than the older ones. Take for instance, Sheridan county, that composed one-third of Valley county's territory. When segregated, Sheridan gained 100 per cent. in wealth in 18 months, and made two and a half million dollars' gain in the last assessment. This goes to show that division stimulates improvement and adds to the development of the new county. Sheridan county had more road improvement done last year than was done in that territory during the history of Valley county. It also built 17 steel bridges and more new school property than had existed in its territory before. And yet Sheridan county taxes are no higher than that of Valley. It is a well-known fact that it is more expensive to conduct the government of a large county than a smaller one per capita, and this is largely consumed in time and distance, of officers, jurors and witnesses in the courts, and also the board of deputies employed in the larger county.

Economy of government can only be used in a small, compact county, and this will also prevent discrimination in roads and bridges, and the building of schools and fixing of school districts.

The Primary Election.

Tuesday the citizens of Montana tried out the new primary law for the first time, and it worked out fairly well considering the fact that only a few had a thorough understanding of the measure. There were a number who were of the opinion that a scratch ballot could be voted the same as at the general election, and those voting this way lost their vote. The contests in town were fairly tame and not much enthusiasm was manifested, the principal contests being on the democratic ticket for the offices of state senator, sheriff, and precinct committeeman. There was an unusually large number of names written in on the ballots, giving different people a scattering vote, and on party tickets, which was not represented by those receiving the votes.

We understand that out at the Raymond polling place there were ten Republican votes, three democratic, and two each of the progressive and socialist. From the Lovejoy precinct, as well as from the Big Cottonwood, the returns were brought in sealed, and the results are not known at this time. It will be several days before the returns are all in. Following are the returns of the Malta town vote as given on each of the four tickets in the field:

REPUBLICAN TICKET.

Congress—Fletcher Maddox, 31; Washington J. McCormick, 19; Saml. N. Nicholson, 12; Harry H. Parsons, 14.

Justice Supreme Court—Wm. L. Holloway, 50.

Railroad Commissioner—Daniel Boyle, 21; Nathan Godfrey, 8; O. W. Tong, 2.

Senator—George W. Clay, 61.

Representative—Sidney J. Rundle, 54; Herman A. Sampson, 33.

County Commissioner—Peter A. West, 52; Carl J. Anderson, 49.

Clerk and Recorder—W. B. Shoemaker, 58.

Sheriff—C. W. Powell, 66.

Treasurer—Truman Patten, 58.

Assessor—Barton H. Cottrell, 56.

County Attorney—Ruffcorn, 3.

Superintendent of Schools—Miss Flora Sims, 61.

County Surveyor—W. H. Mann, 44; L. V. Lockwood, 20.

Justice of Peace—F. R. Kramer, 47.

Constable—Robert McLean, 3; V. Ludwick, 3.

Committeeman—H. M. Kirton, 53.

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

Congress—John M. Evans, 39; Tom Stout, 32.

Justice Supreme Court—John E. Erickson, 22; James M. Clements, 9; Jos. B. Poindeexter, 6.

Railroad Commissioner—J. E. McCormick, 16; John A. Lovelace, 15; Earl J. Johnson, 3.

State Senator—Daniel McKay, 35; Thomas Dignan, 8.

Representative—R. P. Minnick, 33; John Willis, 33; E. W. Burke, 29.

County Commissioner—John Betz, (6 years) 35; C. W. Baylor (4 years), 35; Chas. J. Smith (1 year) 34.

Clerk and Recorder—W. B. Halbig, 32.

Sheriff—W. W. Jaycox, 33; R. M. Majors, 17.

County Treasurer—John J. Tattau, 33.

County Assessor—E. J. Snyder, 35.

County Attorney—George W. Ruffcorn, 36.

Superintendent of Schools—Miss Alene McGregor, 42.

County Surveyor—R. L. Kuney, 33.

Committeeman—James F. Kilduff, 31; Ott Casady, 25.

ORPHEUM, MONDAY, MAY 31

THOS. J. CULLIGAN'S ORIGINAL NASHVILLE STUDENTS

America's Oldest Musical Troupe

All New this Year. Better Than Ever

2—PERFORMANCES—2

First Show 7.30. Second, 9.00

Children 25 cents. Adults 50 cents.

Justice of Supreme Court—Chas. A. Wallace, 6.

Railroad Commissioner—J. J. Phillips, 6.

Senator—W. R. Duncan, 6.

Representative—John Spence, 5; S. W. Jaekline, 5.

County Commissioner, 6-year term—C. L. Smith, 6; 4-year term—Vead McQuigg, 4; 2-year term—S. E. Ruyle, 4.

Sheriff—Wm. Boyles, 7.

Treasurer—I. C. Smith, 5.

Assessor—G. H. Adams, 5.

Supt. of Schools—Ida Druggsvold, 5.

Coroner—J. Z. Powers, 5.

Public Administrator—Benj. G. Dykstra, 6.

Committeeman—Paul W. Schreoder, 4.

Bucks To Sell.

150 full-blood Hampshires—yearlings and lambs that weigh over 100 pounds. Chas. E. Farnum, Harlem, Montana. tf20

Nashville Students.

Manager Bishell has secured an engagement of Thos. J. Culligan's Original Nashville Students at the Orpheum for one night, Monday, Aug. 31st. This popular company is known to be the oldest traveling minstrel troupe in America today and consists of nine of the best colored entertainers to be found anywhere. They are offering this year a number of high class vaudeville specialties consisting of singing, dancing, music and comedy, making up an entertainment of such variety as to please any audience. They will give a street parade at noon and a free band concert before the evening performance. Mgr. Bishell hopes to have the new stage in the Orpheum for this performance. First show starts at 7:30. Second show at 9. Popular prices will prevail.

Miss Grace Jones returned the first of the week from Butte where she has been for the past several days.

Fall and Winter Goods.

Just received a nice line of Fall and Winter OVERCOATS FOR MEN.

Mackinaw and Sheepskin Coats.

ALL NEW AND CLEAN MERCHANDISE.

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Just received from New York City an up-to-date line of

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The Famous DeBETOISE-BRASSIERE.

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Hot drugs enable you to put talcum to the test. A pure talcum will not streak or dissolve in perspiration.

There are many good talcums, but we especially recommend

Our Violet Dulce Talcum.

It is an air-floated powder, delicately perfumed. It prevents chafing and is a perfect powder for all toilet purposes.

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