

SCHOOLS COST AN AVERAGE OF \$77 PER PUPIL

District Has Property Worth \$1,071,266, Says Report by Secretary Black.

The total operating cost of the Great Falls public school system during the last school year was \$440,579, an average for each of the 5,690 pupils enrolled of \$77.80, according to the annual report by E. D. Blum, secretary of the district, filed Thursday with Jane Keeney, county superintendent of schools.

Pupils Gain 212. The figures show an increase of about 3 1/3 per cent in the number of pupils from the 5,443 enrolled in the school year of 1919-1920; an increase of 14 1/2 per cent in the total operating cost, and an increase of 10.9 per cent in the average cost per pupil.

This increase is less than other school districts all over the country have experienced, according to Mr. Black, who declares that he expects Great Falls to maintain its record of the least average cost per pupil of Montana cities. One reason advanced by Mr. Black for the increase is that for several years Great Falls schools used old supplies and only last year were they compelled to go into the market to buy materials on which the price had advanced three or four years ago.

High School Costs \$122,832. For the enrollment of 984 in the high school, the average cost was \$122,832, a total of \$22,832 for the 4,676 pupils in the kindergartens and grade schools, the average cost was \$70.62, or a total of \$328,255.

The net receipts of the school district for the last school year were \$458,579 and the expenditures were \$451,088.

School sites and buildings owned by the district have a value of \$989,329, and equipment is worth \$71,837, according to the report. Outstanding bonds amount to \$335,000, of which \$60,000 will mature this month, and be retired. The \$60,000 issue is refunding bonds representing the construction of the old high school building.

DISCUSS BUDGETS OF RURAL SCHOOLS

Cascade County School Board Holds Meeting in Superintendent's Office.

Discussion of the annual allotments to the 25 school districts in Cascade county filled all the time of the meeting of the Cascade county school board Thursday evening in the office of Jane Keeney, county superintendent of schools.

The members of the board are E. P. Ryman, Cascade; J. O. Selstrom, Stockton; Clark Bumgarner, Fife; Mortimer Blossom, Sun River, and Daniel Lenny, Nehalem.

Educational Topics on Today's Program of Advertising Club

The first of the educational advertising programs given by the Great Falls Ad club will be conducted today (Friday) at the club's weekly luncheon at Hotel Rainbow. The educational programs will be given under the leadership of H. A. Duncan, manager of the Great Falls school board, who has been placed permanently in charge of this phase of the club's activities by President Scott Leavitt. Mr. Duncan's program will be given in sequence at one meeting each month and will systematically develop the science of advertising. Members have been urged by President Leavitt to attend the programs, which will take on the aspect of a course of instruction in the art of advertising. The first program will deal with the "aim and scope of advertising—what advertising should do." A vocal number will be given by Stephen Gaylord. On July 15 the club will give one of its best programs, President Leavitt stated Thursday. The field representative of the publicity department of the Scholl Manufacturing Co. will be the guest and principal speaker on this date. Announcement of his appearance is made with the notation that "he will lionize advertising with your feet."

Class of 84 Aliens to Have Hearing on Citizenship Pleas

A class of 84 prospective citizens will come up for hearing July 27. This number includes 48 applications from alien enemies. The number of alien enemy petitions, according to Clerk of the Court Alex Remneus, is unusually large because none has been received during the last year. Petitioners against the alien enemy classification include Germans, Austrians and other nationalities that were aligned against the United States in the world war. It is not known what effect the signing of the peace resolution between the United States and Germany will have on the naturalization petitions of German subjects. Although such applications may be qualified, according to Mr. Remneus, there has been a tendency to refuse their requests for citizenship.

Travel 6000 Miles in 4 Weeks by Auto From Little Rock

Having traveled 6000 miles in four weeks in a Buick touring automobile, L. E. Landon and wife and J. M. Manning arrived at the auto camp on the banks of the Missouri river Thursday from Little Rock, Ark. They came by way of Parsons, Kan.; Chanute and Garnett, Kan.; Omaha, Neb.; Rosebud, S. D.; Gordon, Neb.; Orini Junction and Shoshone, Wyo.; Yellowstone park, which they toured; Livingston, Lewistown and Nehalem on the Osarks, Kati, Jefferson and Yellowstone trails and other state highways. Dr. Landon declares the crops all along his route were in good shape. He says the only bad stretch of road he traversed was between Lewistown and Great Falls, and that the highway between Lewistown and the Yellowstone park is fine.

PRIZE BEAUTY OF SWITZERLAND IS SELECTED BY POPULAR VOTE



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Miss Martha Muller, winner of the national Swiss beauty contest recently held at Berne, several hundred women from all parts of Switzerland, were entered in the contest. Out of this number seven were chosen. Pictures of these seven were furnished to all the moving picture theaters, and the joy of knowing that her small daughter would be restored to her stilled her weakened heart. I searched her unconscious face wildly, while my arms held her firmly, though I knew that Dr. Pettit still retained the firm grasp which he had given her arm when he announced the result of the radiograph.

HOLDING A HUSBAND

Adele Garrison's New Phase of... REVELATIONS OF A WIFE

The Curiously Humble Question Dicky Asked Madge.

As Lillian's cold cheeks brushed my face I shuddered apprehensively. Had the usual remedies for fainting. But it was an obstinate swoon, and it was several minutes before Lillian's great eyes opened. "Marion!" The word came from her lips faintly, then she attempted to rise. "Oh! Is it true?" she gasped. "Is she all right? Let me go to her." Dr. Pettit put her back with an authoritative hand. "She will be all right, and there is nothing you can do for her until she awakens of herself," he said firmly. "But if you do not obey orders strictly now you will be unable to care for her when she does awaken." The three affected Lillian as nothing else could have done. "I will do whatever you say," she said meekly. "Good!" Dr. Pettit's voice was approving, reassuring. "Miss Jones will you tell the matron to have an extra bed put up immediately in the room to which Marion is going? Then come back here with a stretcher and an orderly." "You do not mean," Lillian began spiritedly, "that I am to be carried—?" "I mean," Dr. Pettit said measuredly, "that you are not to attempt to sit up nor to move until I give you permission. But you will be right beside Marion where you can watch her every minute. Now will you be good?" "Dear Girl!" He smiled down at her, a smile radiating such kindness and confidence that it transformed his usually somber face. "I'll try," she answered, smiling bravely but faintly back at him, and she uttered no other word until the journey to the room assigned Marion had been accomplished, and she and her still unconscious little daughter were put tenderly in adjoining beds.

RED CROSS SEEKS HOMES FOR GIRLS

Work at Small Wage Desired During Months of School Vacation.

Help is needed by two girls of school age, whose education and livelihood is being provided by the efforts of the Cascade county chapter of the American Red Cross. The girls are 17 and 15 years old, and Mrs. Harriet Carrier, executive secretary of the Red Cross here, is endeavoring to place them in desirable homes, where they may earn their board and room and a small wage during the summer months. "The girls are bright and dependable, and willing to work," said Mrs. Carrier. "All that is needed to solve their problem is to find some good household where they may make their way for the summer. They cannot, of course, assume the cooking for a family, but can be of great assistance with general housework. Anyone having need of such help will do the girls and the Red Cross a favor by communicating with me at room 325, Ford Building, phone 9680."

Notorious Mary Doe Weeps but Pays Fine

Mary Doe, sister of the notorious John Doe, was fined \$10 in justice court Thursday for drunkenness. Mary refused to give the court her true name and went profusely during the trial. She was arrested early Thursday morning. Joe Moody knocked over a danger street light on Third avenue south and Judge H. A. Sheppards fined him \$5 for the offense. E. H. Mitchell, charged with speeding, paid the customary \$10 fine.

VAN DORN IRON WORKS SUE MONTANA OFFICE CO.

The Van Dorn Iron Works Co., Ohio manufacturing concern, has brought suit against the Montana Office Equipment Co. for the collection of an account alleged to be due the plaintiff. According to the complaint, the defendant company purchased goods from the Van Dorn concern valued at \$322.16. The plaintiff alleges that only part of the bill has been paid, leaving \$274 still owing. Greene & Cokkrell are attorneys for the plaintiff.

CONRAD HEAD NURSE QUILTS

Special to The Tribune. Conrad, July 7.—Mrs. Samuel Crawford has resigned her position as head nurse at the Conrad hospital and left for her former home at Texas. She expects to return to Conrad this fall.

OUR DUMB FRIENDS.

A Florida colonel has trained a duck to do his fishing for him and catch only perch and trout. Greene & Cokkrell are attorneys for the plaintiff.

BETTER ROUTE TO LEWISTOWN IS TO BE URGED

Movement Begun 27 Years Ago Will Be Renewed to Improve Arrow Creek Hill.

A movement begun 27 years ago for improvement of the famous hill through the Arrow creek bench with the Square Butte country, has been renewed, according to word received by the Great Falls Commercial club. It is the intention to promote a Lewistown-Fort Benton-Great Falls highway, a route that is impassable this spring because of the condition of the hill. The hill was an obstacle to stages and freight outfits for years before Lewistown secured a railroad and since the coming of the automobile has been a hazard which many motorists have avoided. "The sinner swears and the righteous pray before beginning an ascent or descent," says a letter from Lewistown to the Commercial club. Several months each year the motorist finds the hill impassable because of the disposition of the earth to erode. In the old days there was a tradition that there was not a freight outfit plying between Lewistown and Fort Benton that had not killed a horse on the grade.

Fort Benton gave a celebration July 17, 1894, to observe the opening of the road between that city and Lewistown. A copy of the official invitation from Fort Benton to the city of Lewistown has been found recently. Until 1894 the bad lands were an impassable barrier on the route and the grade, which was built then to open traffic between the two points has been since improved but little.

It has been proposed that the present hill be abandoned and another grade built on what is known as Murray hill, considered easier and cheaper of construction and an easier grade. Lewistown, Fort Benton and Great Falls are the largest cities on the route, but through traffic between these points would benefit Denton, Coffee Creek, Square Butte, Geraldine, Montague and Carter. When the bill is impassable, the Arrow creek bench and territory to the south and east is entirely cut off from the Square Butte, Geraldine and Fort Benton territory.

Temporary injunctions which will forbid the reopening of the Great Falls park, south of the city, and the Burlington soft drink parlor at Belt, which were recently raided by county officers, until such a time as hearings are held, will be asked of district court by County Attorney H. G. Bennet. County Attorney Bennet has prepared a complaint against Mrs. Frances McEwan, proprietress of the Great Falls park, and Chris Volk, said to be the owner of the premises, in which he asks that the property be adjudged a common nuisance and an order issued to the sheriff to close and abate the place. The papers will be filed in court as soon as the necessary affidavits are signed by the persons alleged to have purchased liquor from Mrs. McEwan.

NEW INSECT FOUND BY GARDNER WHICH KILLS POTATO BUG

A new kind of insect, which kills potato bugs by stabbing them in the back of the neck, has been discovered by Ed Gardner, 1801 Eighth avenue north. "I don't know what this new bug is but it kills potato bugs," says Mr. Gardner. "I saw one killing a potato bug up in Sun River canyon July 4, so I caught a couple of dozen and brought them home and turned them loose in the garden. "It's a bug smaller than a potato bug, and looks somewhat like it, except that its back is marked in black and white. The potato bug hasn't a chance. Most of the potato bugs in my patch have been killed in the last three days and I expect another day or so will finish them all." According to E. L. Cole, editor of the Montana Farmer, the bug which kills the potato pest by stabbing him in the back of the neck is perillus calidus, which not only kills potato bugs but feeds on potato bug eggs. The perillus calidus is a beneficial insect but seldom occurs in sufficient number to make it unnecessary for the grower to spray his potato patch.

OWN TELEPHONES IN STRAIN STORE

New System Permits Clerks to Reach Credit Manager From Every Department.

A 10-station telephone system, partially automatic in operation, has been installed in the Strain Brothers department store as a detail in a new system inaugurated by the credit department. With the system installed, the credit manager passes personally on each credit sale, relieving the clerk at the wrapping stations of all responsibility and materially improving the service. The credit manager's report is recorded by pressing a button.

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210,000 LB. CLIP BRINGS 20 CENTS

Jurgen-Kuhr Sheep Co. and Henry Kuhr Sell Wool to Eastern Buyers.

Prices ranging at the high average paid in Montana this season were received at Chinook this week for 210,000 pounds of wool owned by the Jurgen-Kuhr Sheep Co. and Henry Kuhr, according to representatives of eastern wool houses who were in Great Falls Thursday. Although the sales were conclusively confirmed, the exact figure was not known, but it was reliably stated that the growers of these clips realized about 20 cents.

The firm of Jurgen & Kuhr owned 170,000 pounds of the wool sold and the balance was owned by Henry Kuhr. The sale was made to William Sudards, representing Jeremiah Williams of Boston.

Fifty thousand pounds of wool owned at Malta by the Robinson-Brown Co. has been sold to Hollowell, Jones & Donell of Boston for the same price paid to Jurgen-Kuhr and Henry Kuhr, wool buyers stated Thursday evening. The Carmichael wool at Augusta, one of the largest clips in this section of the state, has been consigned, according to report, after the owner had refused 20 cents.

National Adjutant of American Legion Coming Wednesday

The Great Falls post of the American legion will meet today (Friday) noon to arrange an entertainment program in compliment to Lemuel L. Bolles of Indianapolis, national adjutant for the legion, who will be in Great Falls next Wednesday.

Adjutant Bolles is making a trip through the west and will make his only official visit in Montana at Great Falls. It is the intention of the Great Falls post to make extensive preparation for his entertainment.

ELEVEN BABIES EXAMINED.

Eleven babies were examined at the regular Thursday pre-school clinic, held in the offices of the Great Falls health department. Miss Nella M. Woods was in charge.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

John Peter Geranios, 36, of Great Falls, and Neta George Alexander, 28, of Chicago.

Advertisement for Stone, The Clothier, featuring a cartoon illustration of a man in a top hat and a dog, with text: 'STONE, THE CLOTHIER JOHN FRANK, Proprietor. RIGHT NOW PRICES for New Merchandise Bargains Every Day. The people are good to John Frank, because John Frank gives them what they want in "Value at a Price."'

Advertisement for Stone, The Clothier, listing various clothing items and prices: 'Stone, The Clothier First Avenue and Third Street South. Maintained a reputation for years for good clothing values. The out-of-town trade is large and loyal, and the local customers are known as "repeat customers," which is a store term for SATISFIED CUSTOMERS and for the very simple reason that Value at a Price is what the general public have been demanding and getting at this store. The price is always right with JOHN FRANK. You know THERE IS ONLY ONE JOHN FRANK in Great Falls, who for many years has been in the men's clothing, and furnishing business, under his own name. To satisfy his growing business and to secure an old established and popular corner at First Avenue and Third Street South he bought out the well advertised location and business of STONE, THE CLOTHIER. So now, for nearly two years, JOHN FRANK IS STONE, THE CLOTHIER. The Specially Priced Offerings of HOT WEATHER CLOTHES Includes Palm Beaches and 2-Piece Gabardines for \$9.00. Also Stylish Young Men's Suits, including 2-piece and sport models, \$19.00. A More Complete Line in Splendid Suit Values, Modish and Staple Models \$29 \$39 (During this special offering, no Suit in the House Over \$39.00).

Advertisement for Friday and Saturday Extra Specials, featuring a list of shoe items and prices: 'FRIDAY and SATURDAY EXTRA SPECIALS 37 pairs of good Shoes, sizes 6 to 10, in English and blucher lasts; standard makes. Values up to \$12.00. YOUR CHOICE of this broken lot, \$1.95 while they last at... Our Regular Shoe Lines W. L. DOUGLAS CRAWFORD and CONNOLLY John Frank's Specials DRESS and WORK SHOES Good Shoes at Popular Prices \$3.50 to \$12.00. Silk Shirts \$5.00 to \$7.00 Dress Shirts \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.50 Sport Shirts for Outing 95c Work Shirts 69c to \$2.95 Athletic Union Suits 69c 3-Season Union Suits 95c 57 Caps, each 50c 29 Straw Hats, each 25c Wash Neckties 25c Khaki Pants \$1.75 Overalls, special \$1.49. These Prices and Values—almost make the people buy if in need, and that is why those who shop elsewhere Buy Here Now—Men's merchandise at right now prices, John Frank says, is what the people want. John Frank Proprietor Stone, The Clothier The Big Busy Men's Store First Ave. So. at Third St.