

BIG MONEY FOR FERGUS ROADS

Intend to Float \$700,000 Bond Issue and Will Try for \$300,000 Federal Aid.

Fergus county has in mind a road building program requiring an outlay of \$1,000,000. This information is furnished by Noble Walker, president of the Lewistown chamber of commerce, who was in Great Falls yesterday while en route to Helena, at which place he will attend a meeting of men holding positions similar to his own. The meeting was called to consider the matter of federal aid for different Montana counties and it is expected that many of the counties contemplating extensive road improvements will have representatives present.

President Walker states that at a recent conference of business men and farmers from all portions of Fergus the proposal to float a \$700,000 issue of road bonds was unanimously approved and that it is hoped this amount can be increased to \$1,000,000 by obtaining \$300,000 in the form of federal aid. The amount furnished by the government would be expended on post roads, which comprise the important part of Fergus county's highway system. Fergus county has 5500 miles of roads to maintain, Mr. Walker states, or one-twelfth of all the roads in the state. The opening of much new territory to the east of Lewistown has been severely handicapped thru lack of adequate road improvements and the proposed bond issue would relieve many sections now badly in need of better highways. In the western part of the county development has been under way considerably longer, but a vast amount of work is still required to put the roads in satisfactory condition.

"There were 80,000 bushels of wheat marketed at Becket, a station near Forest Grove, last fall," said Mr. Walker, "and practically all of it was hauled over roads but little better than cow trails. This instance is typical of many others in the county I could refer to. With immense mileage we have, nearly all of our county road funds are required for maintenance and the bond issue is being considered to permit the undertaking of vitally important new work. We had a meeting last week at which every section of the county was represented by substantial men and there was not a dissenting voice when a bond issue was suggested. To obtain federal aid it is necessary for a county to raise an amount equal to that furnished by the government, but we propose to more than double it. If we can secure a federal allotment of \$300,000 it would seem probable that the people will approve a bond issue of \$700,000 and with the \$1,000,000 thus available there could be assured a highway system in Fergus representative of her status as an agricultural county."

Mr. Walker states that rain is needed in Fergus county, but that all varieties of grain are still holding their own and that no material damage will be done if the present period of dry weather is continued for a considerable time. Referring to the movement of western Fergus to create Judith Basin county, Mr. Walker said present prospects are that the division will not carry when it is voted upon, even should it advance to a stage requiring the calling of an election. The towns of Moccasin, Benchland, Windham and Lehigh and their adjacent territories are considering petitioning out, it is understood, and should this action be taken it would have the effect of nearly severing the proposed new county at a point approximate to its center and probably defeating the entire movement.

THE ALCAZAR IS STILL PLAYING TO LARGE CROWDS

Nazimova in "The Red Lantern" is still playing to capacity and it looks as though today business will be as good as the opening day. Today will be your last chance.—Adv.

FIRE DESTROYS AUTOMOBILE

Fire destroyed a touring car at the Giant Springs yesterday. The police did not have the particulars but it was said to be the property of the Hoffman garage on Central avenue.

Evans Seeks Money for Federal Buildings in Montana Cities

Washington, May 22.—Representative Evans has introduced bills for public buildings at the following places: Enlargement at Butte, \$275,000; enlargement at Missoula, \$160,000; establishment of federal building at Anaconda, \$250,000. He introduced bills for pensions for O. G. Willett, who is in lepers' quarantine in Mineral county; Henry Buck, who fought in the Indian wars in 1877 of Montana, and Maggie B. Ashbrook of Missoula. Dr. W. J. Butler, state veterinarian of Helena, is in Washington.

POSTAL DEPARTMENT DENIES APPLICATION OF DEER LODGE FOR CITY FREE DELIVERY

Deer Lodge, May 22.—Postmaster V. N. Weber has received word that the application made by the Deer Lodge post-office for city delivery has been rejected by the postal authorities at Washington. Application was made in January of this year and an inspector was sent out this spring to look into the matter. Reasons given for the rejection of the application were that the city is spread out too much and that the sidewalks are inadequate for the service.

STREETER BUYS EQUIPMENT OF HOTEL AT CHATEAU

Special to The Daily Tribune. Chateau, May 22.—R. M. Farrington has sold the furniture and fixtures of the Glenloyd to C. F. Streeter who has leased the building. Mr. Streeter will take possession July 1 and run a first class hotel.

Tobacco Habit Dangerous

says Doctor Connor, formerly of Johns Hopkins hospital. Thousands of men suffering from fatal diseases would be in perfect health today were it not for the deadly drug Nicotine. Stop the habit now before it's too late. It's a simple process to rid yourself of the tobacco habit in any form. Just go to any up-to-date drug store and get some Nicotol tablets; take them as directed and the pernicious habit quickly vanishes. Be sure to read large and interesting announcement by Doctor Connor, soon to appear in this paper. It tells of the danger of nicotine poisoning and how to avoid it. In the meantime try Nicotol tablets; you will be surprised at the result.—Adv.

NUMBER FORFEIT BAILS IN COURT

Failure to Appear Means \$90 to Coiffers at Police Station.

A number of persons forfeited their bails in the city police court on Thursday by their failure to appear. Fred Bockon, aged 47 and cafe manager, J. W. Thompson, aged 52, and John Ryan, aged 51, were all charged with vagrancy, having been taken into custody at 3:25 a. m. Thursday on Third street south. All three forfeited \$10 bails.

W. W. Freeman, charged with running his car with but one license plate failed to appear and forfeited a \$10 bail. Jack Phillips, charged with keeping a place open after closing hours, the place being on Third street south, forfeited a \$50 bail by not appearing. He was taken into custody at 3:25 a. m. Thursday.

G. J. Singer, aged 27, a merchant, was charged with running his car without 1919 license plates, a warrant having been issued in this case from the police court. He paid a \$5 fine.

William Jackson, charged with reckless driving, paid a fine of \$5.

Robert Moore, charged with running a car without lights on Central avenue was fined \$10 but the fine was suspended by Police Magistrate George Raban, as Moore made it apparent, offering proof thru four witnesses, that he did not intentionally operate the car as charged but had merely made a mistake in turning the switch, thinking he had turned on the dimmer lights when in reality he turned off the lights altogether.

Fred Newman, 17 years of age, was brot to the police station Thursday forenoon by Special Officer E. N. Holman of the Great Northern. Newman was being held for investigation.

Shelby School Bonds Purchased by Great Falls Bond Concern

Special to The Daily Tribune. Shelby, May 22.—The Wells-Dickey company, of Great Falls, was the purchaser of the bonds recently authorized by the Shelby school district, No. 11, for which bids were opened here today. This company offered a premium of \$1,025 and accrued interest. The highest sealed bid was one carrying a premium of \$765 made by the Northwestern Trust company of St. Paul. Open bids were then called for, the bidders being the Wells-Dickey company and the Minnesota Loan & Trust company.

Great Falls Man to Erect High School Building at Shelby

Special to The Daily Tribune. Shelby, May 22.—George Swanstrom, of Great Falls, has been awarded the contract for the erection of the new Shelby high school for which bonds were recently voted. The building will be of brick, will cost about \$35,000 and will be erected just north of the present building. Mr. Swanstrom arrived in Shelby today to make arrangements for an immediate start upon work.

Grain Growers Buy Four More Elevators

Special to The Daily Tribune. Shelby, May 22.—Four more grain elevators have been acquired by the Montana Grain Growers association thru purchase here from the Montana Emporium company which recently decided to dispose of its plants at 75 per cent of the investment. The elevators are located at Galata, Devon, Sweet Grass and Dunkirk.

Four Cases of Spotted Fever Now in State

Helena, May 22.—But three cases of spotted fever in the Bitter Root and but four in the state, the fourth being in Fergus county, have been reported to the state board of health. All the Bitter Root cases died.

ON SOUTH AFRICAN RAILWAYS.

Lower Berth for Chicago-New York Distance There Costs 60 Cents.

"Sixty cents for a lower berth in a sleeping car from New York to Chicago would be a bit more reasonable than the present rates, wouldn't it?" asked a merchant from South Africa during a recent visit to the United States. "That is the charge over a similar distance, from Cape Town to Johannesburg, in my country; it covers bedding, as we call it, for any continuous journey, regardless of length.

"Our dining cars, too, offer a great variety of food at much lower prices than those in America. They are operated from one terminal to another and not attached to or uncoupled from trains.

"The government of the Union of South Africa controls 9,500 miles of railways and derives a profit from them. "South African railway equipment is modern in every respect. So far, American manufacturers have made little effort to sell us materials and supplies, but not long ago an order was placed in the United States for 125 mountain locomotives for use on heavy grades. At the outbreak of the war the South African government cancelled a million-dollar contract with a German firm that had previously furnished motive power. There is a very good chance to sell American railway cars. Because of the steep climbs that our trains have to make thru mountainous country, I do not think all steel cars can be used.

"South African sleeping cars are divided into compartments and have side corridors. The day coaches are generally similar to those in the United States. In normal years the total purchases of the South African department of railways and harbors have amounted to more than sixty million dollars. Under war conditions they have averaged twenty million dollars, so that a shortage exists in many stores, and there's a good chance for American exporters to bid for this business. It has been exceedingly difficult to obtain.—Scientific American.

ALL TO THE BAD.

"Do you know what the hanging committee have done?" said the first artist. "They've absolutely ruined my picture by hanging it next to the worst daub in the exhibition." "I've the same complaint," said the second artist. "I looked in yesterday and found mine hanging beside a frightful thing." "How do you do, fellows?" said artist number three, joining them. "I see they've hung your pictures side by side this year."

To err is human, to forgive divine—but it's useless to mention it to the police justice.

A man of 50 doesn't know half as much as his twenty-year-old son. But the little that he does know is true.

LARGE AUDIENCE SEES GREAT FILM

"The Unpardonable Sin" Offered at Palace Theater First of Four Nights Run.

The "Unpardonable Sin" opened a four-day engagement at the Palace theater last night with two performances at 7:15 and 9:15 o'clock. It is an impressive photoplay, filled with splendid characterizations, remarkable photography and a taut plot of detail which honors the intelligence of the beholder. It is, undoubtedly, the biggest production of the year.

"The Unpardonable Sin" is a screen adaptation of Robert Hughes' book by the same name, which has had such a tremendous sale during the last two years and has stirred up merry controversies in various parts of the country because of its fearless handling of a timely subject.

In this picture, which was produced under the careful direction of Marshall Neilan, Blanche Sweet appears as a winsome American girl, possessed not only of girlish charm but also of the nerve, temper and aggressiveness which are characteristic of the modern American girl. Matt Moore is just a plain, everyday American lad of the type that may be met anywhere in the United States. The obstacles these two surmount in their efforts to penetrate a hostile country in search of two defenseless women upon whom a gross crime has been perpetrated, are pictured to provide a screen story that keeps audiences everywhere on the very edges of their seats.

Supply of Labor Exceeds the Demand

Helena, May 22.—For the first time in many months, the local employment bureau reports that the supply of labor exceeds the demand, farmers are now able to get all the help they need.

SHERIFF SAYS NO BIG CROP EVIDENT

Between Here and Deer Lodge Conditions Are Worst in Several Years.

The fact that everyone appears to be announcing Montana is to have bumper crops this season, even the railroad commission having asked all who can to buy their coal for domestic purposes now so that the railroads will be better able to haul the immense crops expected, is considered somewhat extravagant by Sheriff James P. Burns who has just returned from a trip to Deer Lodge where he confined Mike Pattkovich, 17-year old Sand Coulee rancher who was sentenced to from 10 to 20 years in prison for the murder of Charles Tishma.

"Unless we have rain and mighty quick," said the sheriff, "there will be no crop worth while, at least not that I could notice anywhere between here and Deer Lodge. Every farm is absolutely in bad shape—worse than I have seen them in several years."

Grain Commission to Meet in Helena Today to Organize

Helena, May 22.—There having been accumulated a small fund to start the Montana State Grain Grading Inspection and Warehouse commission operating, members of that body are to arrive in Helena to organize tomorrow afternoon at the office of Commissioner of Agriculture Greenfield who is also ex-officio secretary of the commission. The members, appointed by Governor Stewart some time ago are: John M. Davis of Bole, Thomas S. Hunt of Broadview, and Thomas Connolly of Havre.

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