

MUCH OUTSIDE TALENT HERE

THIEVES FROM OUTSIDE CAUGHT IN DRAGNET BY POLICE.

POLICE LAND THEM AT GATEWAY OF PARK

George Fisher, Wanted for One Crime, Caught in Another—Nabbed With a Bag of Geese—Had Previously Stolen a Suit Case.

George Fisher, a stranger, who stole a suit case Saturday night, was caught by Police Officer Bakke, Sunday night, with a bag of stolen geese in his possession. He is now doing four months in the county jail.

The suit case which was stolen Saturday night, had a gun in it and the police located the gun at a local shooting gallery where it had been sold, and had a description of the man.

He was seen by the officers coming across from the depot in company with another man, and they were both arrested. They were carrying a sack of geese between them and yesterday morning a local hunter reported that he was short 41 pounds of geese, on a shipment that came in from Laurel, and the geese were turned over to him.

Fisher was arraigned in the court of Justice Mann, and found guilty of petty larceny and sentenced to four months in the county jail.

The suit case, which was stolen from the Last Chance saloon was found at the Owl saloon and had a new hammer in it, which did not belong to the party who owned the suit case, so the police department have the hammer as a souvenir, until some one proves the property.

Billings has been cleaned up of vasa innumerable times in the last few weeks, but the influx is still great, and the officers will make several more cleanups between now and the holidays.

FINED IN COURT FOR BEATING HIS SISTER

NICK MYERS PLEADS GUILTY AND IS FINED.

Nick Myers was arrested yesterday on an information charging him with assault in the third degree, plead guilty and was fined \$25.00 by Justice F. L. Mann.

The information was sworn out by his 15-year-old sister, Klara Myers, and it is said that her body shows black and blue marks, from the effects of the beating.

Miss Myers has been working on a ranch for some time past and she came to the city and made arrangements with a family to stay with them and work for her board and be given a chance to educate herself and attend the Billings public schools.

Sunday evening the young girl left the house where she was stopping, came down town and met her brother. He, she says, coaxed her to his home, and after getting her there whipped her cruelly. In addition to this \$10 of her savings, she says, was taken from her.

Nick Myers was arrested and plead guilty to "kicking her a little," after which Judge Mann fined him \$25.00 and ordered him to return the \$10 to the girl. Myers says that his brother gave it to him to send home to their father.

GEORGE DOUGLAS TO BE UNDER SHERIFF

POPULAR CUSTODIAN OF COURT HOUSE IS APPOINTED.

Sheriff-elect J. C. Orrick was in Billings yesterday from his home in Custer. Mr. Orrick said he had not determined on the appointment of deputy sheriffs, but had decided to name George Douglas, a prominent Republican of the first ward and custodian of the court house, as under sheriff of succeeded George W. Hulbard.

IMPROVING LINE AT BRIDGER.

A party of six firemen and ground-men returned to Billings last night from Bridger, where they have rebuilt the lines of the Mutual Telephone company and rewired the office, which has recently been moved to a new location.

FATHER DIED.

T. B. Moran, of Yegen Bros.' dry goods department, yesterday received a message stating that his father had died very suddenly at Fromberg. The message did not state the cause of death. Mr. Moran secured an automobile and left at once for the family home.

BUILDING HOTEL AT HOT SPRINGS

FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLAR STRUCTURE.

AT GATEWAY OF PARK

Dr. F. E. Corwin of Chico Spends Day in Billings and Tells of Efforts Being Made by Montana Capitalists to Develop Electric Hot Springs.

A summer resort and sanitarium is to be built at Electric with in eight miles of the entrance of the Yellowstone national park, by Montana capitalists, according to F. E. Corwin of Chico, Mont., who was in Billings yesterday accompanied by his brother J. W. Corwin, a prominent merchant of Park City. They were shown around Billings by C. O. Bever, president of the Billings Chamber of Commerce.

Contracts have been let for the construction of a hotel and bath house at the Electric hot springs, according to Dr. Corwin, which will cost more than \$400,000. Link and Haire of Billings have designed the structure and will have charge of the building, the contract having been let to a contractor named Starr. The hotel will have in all 72 rooms.

The Electric hot springs are similar to the springs at Chico and Hunter's Hot Springs, which have become famous in eastern Montana, the patronage at the latter place having required the erection of another hotel to cost \$125,000, for which a contract has been let to Piper Bros., of Billings. Dr. Corwin says that it is the intention to develop the medicinal properties of the springs at Electric in the same manner as other hot springs in Montana have been developed. The hot springs at Electric are said to possess the hottest spring water in the state.

Dr. Corwin is a pioneer Montanan and for the past five years has been a resident of Chico and a practicing physician. He is delighted with Billings and the Yellowstone valley and declares that this is an unusually good country and filled with great possibilities.

Conditions in the vicinity of Chico are excellent, he says, the work on the hotel at Electric having already commenced and large sums of money being paid out for labor in connection with it.

POLICE COURT.

Happenings Before the City Magistrate Yesterday.

H. M. Fisk, a party who has been selling insurance around the city, was locked up by the police and was sentenced to 10 days in the city jail at yesterday's session of police court. The direct charge against him was drunkenness.

Barl Wepton charged with being intoxicated, was given five days in the city jail yesterday. Wepton is a vagrant and hanger on in the redlight district. He had a large number of checks on his person, but seems to be shy a bank account. He will be investigated.

Charles E. White, who has been in the city for some time past, was also arraigned on a charge of vagrancy. "What do you do, Mr. White," asked Judge Mann. "Nothing," answered White. "I thought so—ten days," was the crusty reply.

"Dago Doc," an old offender, was given 5 days yesterday for being caught in his usual condition—drunk.

CUSTER BUSINESS MAN DEAD.

Andrew Fulton Dies from Typhoid Fever at Local Hospital.

Funeral services over the body of Andrew Fulton of Custer, who died Saturday at St. Mary's hospital, were held Sunday afternoon and the interment was in the Billings cemetery. Scores of friends of the dead man came to Billings to attend the services.

Mr. Fulton is survived by a widow and three children, two girls and a boy. He came to Montana about 15 years ago and worked as a cowboy for the "79" ranch. Lately he has been in business at Custer.

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H. V. Paulson of Zumbrota, Minn., left yesterday after filing on a quarter section of land in the Lake Basin district. He stated before leaving that he would return and bring ten more settlers with him.

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MUST MARK ALL THE SHIPMENTS

OR RAILROADS WILL REFUSE TO TAKE THE FREIGHT.

MAKE ADDRESSES PLAIN

Northern Pacific, Great Northern and Burlington Adopt New Rule Regarding the Addresses Upon Packages of Freight Shipped.

Articles which are to be shipped from Billings by freight must be plainly marked, and must be fully and properly addressed else the railroad companies will refuse to take them. This rule has been inaugurated by the railroads as a matter of protection to the shipper and the company. The following letter from Agent Veltum of the three roads in Billings explains it:

"Your attention is called to rule 27 Western Classification No. 45, which provides for rating commodities one class higher when not marked in accordance with classification. Upon receipt of any article from shippers or connecting line not properly marked with full name of consignee or destination, agents should at once issue notice to such shipper or connecting line that beginning one week from such date, shipments not fully marked or bearing old marks not entirely effaced, will not be accepted for shipment.

"In doing this, agents should explain to shipper that it is as much to their interests as it is to the company that such shipment should be fully marked.

"Yours truly,
"E. E. VELTUM,
"Agent,
"Northern Pacific Railway,
"Great Northern Railway,
"Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Ry."

GEORGE BENNIGHOFF HOME FROM EUROPE

GLAD TO BE BACK IN MONTANA, U. S. A.

"Uncle" George Bennighoff, formerly proprietor of the Grand hotel, who resigned as a city alderman to make a tour of the world is home after an absence of more than one year, during which he has circled the globe in company with his sister and niece.

While Mr. Bennighoff enjoyed the trip and especially the time he spent in Germany, his native country, he thinks that the United States is the place to live. He declares that foreign nations are too slow when compared with the Americans.

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BIG DAY AT POSTOFFICE.

Sunday was the record Sabbath in the history of the Billings postoffice in the number of pieces of mail handled. The stamp and registry window did an enormous business. Postmaster O. B. Prickett says the Sunday mail business is increasing on account of the central location of the office. The holiday rush is continuing and grows larger in volume as Christmas approaches.

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President Castro seems to have had the right hunch in beating his faithful subjects to it.—Great Falls Leader.

Cash Prices!
Having established a cash wholesale department, we offer for Christmas Trading the following bargains. It will pay you to read them closely for you will find a big saving in buying in quantity. THESE GOODS ARE SOLD FOR CASH ONLY

Send Us Your Mail Orders - - We will Fill Them

<p>Sugar Granulated Sugar, per 100 lbs. \$5.60</p> <p>Flour Lyon's Best from Mandan, N. D., per 100 lbs. \$3.50 Lyon's Best from Mandan, N. D., per 1,000 lbs. \$34.00 Billings Best, per 100 lbs. \$3.00 Dakota Fancy Flour, from Joliet, per 100 lbs. \$3.00 Home Brand Flour, per 100 lbs. \$2.50 Rye Flour, per 100 lbs. \$2.90 Graham Flour, per 100 lbs. \$2.85 Buckwheat Flour, per 25 lbs. \$1.25 Bran, per 50 lb. sack \$1.05 Bran, in 20 sack lots, per sack \$1.00</p> <p>Baking Powder Schilling's, 10 lb. cans \$3.25 Schilling's, 5 lb. cans \$1.65 Schilling's, 2 1/2 lb. cans \$5c Price's, 5 lb. cans \$2.00 Price's, 2 1/2 lb. cans \$1.00 Price's, 12 oz. cans \$35c Every Day, 10 oz. cans \$25c</p> <p>Rolled Oats Quaker Rolled Oats, 5 lbs. \$25c Rolled Oats, 9 lb. sacks \$45c Rolled Oats, 10 sack lots \$4.00</p> <p>Catsup Tomato Catsup, 12 gallon lots \$5.50 Blue Label Catsup, per pint \$25c Blue Label Catsup, 12 quart lots \$4.00</p> <p>Canned Goods Tomatoes, 24 can case \$2.50 Tomatoes, 9 cans for \$1.00 Corn, 12 cans \$1.00 Corn, per 24 can case \$1.85 Peas, per 12 cans \$1.25 Peas, per 24 can case \$2.40 String Beans, per 12 cans \$1.00 String Beans, per 24 can case \$1.85 Mixed case of above, 24 cans \$2.25 Three cans either of Apricots, Peaches, Pears, Grapes, or Plums \$50c Mixed 24 can case of same \$4.00</p> <p>Coffee Coffee, 1 lb. packages, 2 for \$25c Coffee, a very fine grade, per lb. \$25c Coffee, in 50 lb. kegs, per lb. \$20c Coffee, an extra high grade, per lb. \$30c</p>	<p>Extracts Lemon, quarts \$1.25 Lemon, pints \$75c Lemon, 8 oz. \$40c Vanilla, quarts \$1.50 Vanilla, pints \$90c Vanilla, 8 oz. \$50c</p> <p>Dried Fruits All Bengal Brand. Apples, 25 lb. boxes \$2.75 Apricots, 25 lb. boxes \$3.00 Apricots, 5 lb. packages \$75c Prunes, 50-70 size, 25 lb. boxes \$1.50 Prunes, 60-70 size, 25 lb. boxes \$1.75 Prunes, 40-50 size, 25 lb. boxes \$2.25 Prunes, 5 lb. packages \$60c Plums, 25 lb. boxes \$2.75 Peaches, 25 lb. boxes \$2.50 Peaches, peeled, 5 lb. boxes \$1.00 Pears, 25 lb. boxes \$2.75 Raisins, 25 lb. boxes \$2.00 Currants, 25 lb. boxes \$2.25 Figs, 10 one lb. packages \$1.15</p> <p>Soup Stuffs Macaroni, 1 lb. packages \$10c Macaroni, 10 lbs. bulk \$85c Vermicelli, 1 lb. packages \$10c</p> <p>Condensed Milk Pet Cream, 20 oz. cans, 48 cans in case, per case \$4.50 Shady Brook, medium common size, 48 cans in case, per case \$3.50</p> <p>Poultry Food Lice Killer, per can \$40c and 75c Egg Maker, per package \$25c Egg Maker, per 25 lb. pail \$2.50 Insect Powder, per package \$25c Sprague's Insect Powder, per package \$50c Germsone, per package \$50c Coal Oil, per case \$2.75</p> <p>California Fruit Peaches, 12 one gallon cans \$4.50 Pears, 12 one gallon cans \$4.50 White Cherries, 12 one gallon cans \$5.25 Blackberries, 12 one gallon cans \$5.00 Blueberries, 12 one gallon cans \$7.50 Apricots, 12 one gallon cans \$4.50</p> <p>Soda Crackers Osta Crackers, by the box, per lb. \$8 1/2c Oyster Crackers, by the box, per lb. \$8 1/2c Soda Crackers, 10 lb. boxes \$85c</p> <p>Stock Salt In ton lots, per ton \$16.00</p>	<p>Oysters Oysters, per dozen cans \$2.25 Oysters, per case of 24 cans \$4.00 These are a very fine quality.</p> <p>Appitizers Lea & Perrin's Sauce, half pints, each \$30c Lea & Perrin's Sauce, per dozen half pints \$3.50 Lea & Perrin's Sauce, pints, each \$55c Lea & Perrin's Sauce, per doz. pints \$5.50 Worcestershire Sauce, per gallon \$1.25 Duke Salad Dressing, large size bottle, per bottle \$50c Duke Salad Dressing, per dozen large size bottles \$5.00</p> <p>Soap Soap, 4711 brand, per dozen \$1.50 Soap, White Russian, per case \$3.75 Soap, Silk brand, per case \$3.50 Soap, Plymouth Rock brand, case \$3.25 Soap, Maseot brand, per case \$2.50 Sul Soda, 100 lb. boxes \$2.50</p> <p>Sundries Olives, large, per gallon \$1.60 Sour Pickles, 5 gallons for \$2.35</p> <p>Syrups Syrup, 5 gallon lots \$1.25 Peanut, a very fine table syrup, 4 gallon lots \$3.75 White Syrup, per gallon \$75c</p> <p>Tobacco Star, 5 and 12 lb. butts, per lb. \$45c Horse Shoe, 6 and 12 lb. butts, per lb. \$43c Piper Heildick, per lb. \$75c Spear Head, 5 1/2 lb. butts, per lb. \$44c Climax, 5 1/2 lb. butts, per lb. \$44c Climax, thin, per lb. \$48c Durham, 5 lb. cartons, per lb. \$68c Union Leader, 5 lb. cartons, per lb. \$42c Dixie Queen, per lb. \$44c</p> <p>Lard Lard, 50 lb. cans, per lb. \$12c Lard, 10 lb. cans, per lb. \$12 1/2c Lard, 5 lb. cans, per lb. \$13c</p> <p>Ham and Bacon Ham in sack, per lb. \$13c Bacon in sack, per lb. \$13 1/2c</p> <p>Rice Rice, a very fine quality, 100 lb. sacks, per sack \$6.75 Rice, in lesser quantities, per lb. \$7c</p>
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We wish to say to proprietors of HOTELS and RESTAURANTS that we are well prepared to save you money on anything you may want in your line and will be glad to quote you prices any time.

W. H. Donovan
WHOLESALE TO THE CONSUMER FOR CASH

TOY GETS BAD CHECK FOR \$50
E. B. RAY GIVES CHECK BUT HAS NO FUNDS.

NOW HE IS IN JAIL
Party Giving His Name as E. B. Ray Gave Check for \$50 to the N. P. Restaurant—Had No Funds in Bank.

Toy, the Chinaman who conducts the N. P. restaurant was the victim of a bad check artist yesterday. He cashed a draft for \$50 for a party who gave his name as E. B. Ray.

Toy telephoned the bank and found that the maker of the check had never had a credit there. Then Toy appeared to the police.

Ray was arrested at the Commercial hotel by Chief of Police Bert Talgo and Officer James P. Lavelle and lodged in the city jail.

He was very indignant and said that he would make good the shortage. Ray will be given a hearing today, on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses.

CLASSY INFORMATION ABOUT BELFRY, MONT.

(From the Carbon County News.)
Every day some one takes a drink. Sometimes he takes several.
Every 15 minutes a dog crosses the street.
Every 5 hours a trainload of coal arrives from Bearecreek.
Every other day mail arrives.
Every 8 minutes some one says: "Let's have a light one."
Every 16 minutes the bartender sets 'em up.
Every Saturday night, some nights, we have a dance.
Every Sunday morning some of the boys have a headache.
Every two minutes an old bachelor crosses Broadway.
Every 8 seconds there's a cat fight back of N. D. Hall's store.
Every night there's something doing at Underwood & Ray's and the Shamrock saloon.
Every other day a rumor is started that the Y. P. has been sold.
Every Friday afternoon school closes until Monday morning.
Every day Charlie Burns almost shoots a coyote.
Every day two young men become more jealous of the school teacher.
Every 25th of Christmas we celebrate December.
Every day "Doc" Boulware wishes school would start up again in the Riverview district.
Every 16 minutes some one gets a pail of water at the town pump.
Every three minutes a fresh neighborhood quarrel starts.
Every second some one gets thirsty.
Every rainy night the roof of our sanctum leaks.

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PURCHASED FINE HORSE.
Thomas Ross, of the firm of Ross & Runner, stockmasters of the Crow Agency, was in the city yesterday with a fine draft horse which he purchased at Absarokee. The animal weighs 1,500 pounds and cost in the neighborhood of \$200. He was shipped to the agency yesterday.

BUMPED OFF HACK.
F. A. Carnal Meets with Peculiar Accident in Helena.
(Special to The Gazette.)
HELENA, Dec. 22.—F. A. Carnal, prosecuting attorney of Chouteau county, who was a Helena visitor yesterday, experienced painful though not serious injuries last evening. Mr. Carnal boarded a hack for the Great Northern train and owing to its crowded condition, he rode on the seat with the driver. When approaching the station, a jolt caused him to fall from his seat, badly lacerating his face on the hard pavement. The wheels of the hack ran over his body. He was picked up and carried to the station, where it was found that his injuries were not at all serious and he departed for Fort Benton.

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SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 21.
Fire in the store of the Breeden office and supply company on West Second street today did \$50,000 damage to stock and building. An electric light started the blaze.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The pension office building, likely will be the scene of the inaugural ball despite some objections.

HARRY THAW MUST REMAIN IN PRISON
NO HOPE OF RELEASE FOR SLAYER OF WHITE.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—Harry Kendall Thaw, the slayer of Stanford White, who is confined in the state hospital for the criminal insane at Matteawan, cannot be taken to Pittsburgh to testify in the bankruptcy proceedings, according to a decision handed down today by the United States circuit court of appeals in this city. Whether the case will be taken to the United States supreme court is not known here.

The decision affirms the action of Judge Young of the United States court for the western district of Pennsylvania sitting at Pittsburg, who quashed a writ of habeas corpus compelling Robert B. Lamb, superintendent of the Matteawan asylum to turn Thaw over to the United States marshal for the prisoner's appearance at Pittsburgh. The writ was allowed by Judge Archibald, of the United States court for the middle district of Pennsylvania, sitting at Scranton, who was looking after the business in Judge Young's court while the latter was in Europe last summer.

Asa Byrd Gardner, who argued the case in behalf of the state of New York said that in his opinion today's decision ends the chances of Thaw being taken to Pennsylvania.

He based his opinion on the fact, he said, that the United States supreme court recently denied the application for a writ of error in a somewhat similar case.