

# All Around Fergus County

Items of Interest to Our Readers Clipped From Our Contemporaries.

## HARLOWTON

(Musselshell News).

Every town has a good ball team in the winter time, if you take the say of the ordinary fan who chaffs on the curbstone, Harlowton proves to be no exception. But there is in this town the nucleus of a first class ball team. The following have played in fast company and are very likely to be here in the summer time to represent the town: Wood Stevenson, Bert Sprague, B. C. Hines, Oliver Stevens, Platt Richardson and W. C. Husband. If Dr. Campbell assumes the management again he has a pretty good bunch here with which to start the ball "arolling."

We learn that Mr. P. I. Moule, formerly a large rancher near the Snowy mountains, is now on his way to Perry, N. Y. Mr. Moule and family will begin their journey to Portland, Maine, on January 1.

Bert Blethen, our new fire chief, is building a new fire hall and will have it completed in a few days. He expects to have the chemical engine in running order by the first of January, when all orders for fire protection will have prompt attention.

Among the latest improvements in the town are two are lights, one shines brightly on the corner of Main street and Central avenue and the other sheds its light in front of the new hotel. It is not to be expected that a young town will have all the modern conveniences at the beginning, but if any new town is making more rapid progress in becoming strictly up-to-date than Harlowton is at the present time, the people here, who are from Missouri, would like to be shown. Harlowton is growing not alone in population and wealth, but in those modern conveniences which go to make life more enjoyable.

A very pretty wedding occurred last Sunday evening at the home of the bride's parents on Main street, when Miss Alice Porter was united in marriage to Mr. Arthur Weston. The wedding was a quiet ceremony, only relatives of the parties being present, with Rev. O. T. Krieger, of Garneill, officiating. The bride has lived in Harlowton for some time and has become one of Harlowton's popular young ladies. The groom is the proprietor of the Mint Saloon, and has a host of friends in this vicinity. The people of Harlowton wish the happy couple the fullest measure of success and joy as they began life in their new home.

On December 28th the Methodist Episcopal church of Harlowton will have its official beginning. The church is to be a good sized structure and will be one of the ornaments of the town. The corner stone is to be laid by District Superintendent W. W. Van Orsdel, the veteran preacher and missionary of this section. Rev. O. T. Krieger, the pastor of this charge, and his congregation are to be congratulated upon their energy when the members of the congregation are rather few in number. The Methodists now hold services in the school house. All are looking forward to some sunny day in June when their church will be completed and ready for occupancy. Services will be held in the school house on the evening of December 28th.

## ROUNDUP

(Roundup Record.)

John C. Hogg, of Lewistown, was here Wednesday.

The large crowd which turned out to take part in the band boys' hard time dance given last Saturday evening showed conclusively that the efforts on the part of the boys to provide a band for Roundup are being appreciated by the public in general. Fully fifty couples were present and a most enjoyable evening was spent by the participants, many of whom appeared in fantastic costumes in keeping with the nature of this social function. Those who were not prudent enough to shed their go-to-meeting clothes or to hide their jewelry were arrested and brought up in kangaroo court and assessed a fine for their waywardness.

A man, whose name we are unable to ascertain, died a Musselshell Wednesday night as a result of too much booze. The coroner of Yellowstone county was notified and an inquest will be held over his body.

Mrs. W. A. Lewis arrived here yesterday morning from Red Lodge to join her husband, who has charge of the Roundup Drug Co. They have rented one of the Schroeder cottages on Second street east where they will reside.

Cal Millard, manager of the skating rink and Gaiety Amusement Co., has booked the three Turners, a team of acrobatic and fancy roller skaters, to appear here sometime the fore part of next month. This should prove a star attraction, being secured only at a great cost to the management.

There will be a hard time masked ball in the skating rink New Year's eve. A swell bracelet will be given to the lady dressed in the best hard time costume, and a Stetson hat will go to the gentleman rigged out in the best approved fashion for such an affair. No one will be allowed in the hall with a white collar and necktie.

Mrs. Melinda Bricker, an aged lady who has been living with her son, Jasper Bricker and daughter, on a

homestead north of Roundup, died Sunday morning of old age. The remains were brought to town Tuesday for shipment to South Boulder, Mont., the former home of the family, where the funeral was held Wednesday. Mrs. Bricker was 85 years of age, having come here with her son this fall to live on a homestead. Her husband preceded her to the grave several years ago.

## JUDITH GAP

(Judith Gap Journal).

A. J. Stough, of Stanford, was in Judith Gap Tuesday on his way to the county seat of Fergus. It was his first visit to this town since the transformation from a raw prairie to a bustling city and he was surprised and pleased with the wonderful change. Twenty-six years ago Mr. Stough, then a young man, came from California to look up a sheep ranch in the Judith Basin. A friend of his was going to stake him to a band of sheep if the young man could find feeding grounds. He stopped over night at Mr. Severance's ranch in the Gap, which is now known as the Penwell Ranch company. Mr. and Mrs. Severance advised him to go on to Lewistown and strike off northwest on the Judith river, where there was open territory, good feed and water. Mr. Stough followed these estimable people's advice, found his territory as they described it and has practically lived there ever since. The year before this, however, there was a great loss of sheep in this section which frightened Mr. Stough out of the notion of engaging in this enterprise and instead he went into the cattle business. Six years later he was employed by S. S. Hobson to help drive 250 beef cattle to Billings, the nearest shipping point. In the employ of Mr. Hobson at that time was C. M. Russell, whose pictures of western life have since made him famous. On the trip to Billings the party arrived just back of the townsite of Judith Gap when night overtook them and they camped there 'till morning. A fearful thunder and rain storm came up during the night. Mr. Russell was on watch from midnight until 6 a. m. and he had a very busy time keeping the bunch of cattle intact. Mr. Russell has since made this scene the subject of one of his famous pictures. Mr. Stough is now one of the wealthy men of the Basin. He is largely interested in the town of Stanford and in the business life of that thriving place. He reports the town going ahead rapidly. A bank is now being organized there by him, and a newspaper will soon make its appearance, two forerunners of civilization, progress and prosperity. Stanford has a big farming territory from which to draw trade, and, with the splendid bunch of 33rd degree boosters that the town happily possesses, is destined to become one of the important cities of the great Judith Basin.

J. J. Conlan returned last week from an extended trip into Iowa, where he did some valuable immigration work for the Judith Gap country. Mr. Conlan says there are hundreds of settlers coming to this section in the spring.

N. K. Nelson went to Lewistown Tuesday to make final proof on his homestead in section, 2,10-15, but the land office officials would not accept his commuting money on account of the land being valuable for coal. A year and a half ago all the land in this township was withdrawn from the market by the government. An inspector was detailed to make an examination as to it being coal land and reported adversely on the proposition. Settlers were then allowed to file and it was not long before all the government land in the township was filed on. It is not learned on what ground the officials make this decision, but it is thought it is on the old withdrawal of the land by the government many months ago. The officials took Mr. Nelson's evidence and sent it in, but would not accept his money for commuting until the department makes a ruling on the matter.

## GRASS RANGE

Mr. Vinger is spending a few days at Lewistown.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mabry spent several days visiting friends at Lewistown.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fisher visited at Lewistown.

Little Harry Shaw is on the sick list.

Mrs. Alama Kenneck came out from Lewistown where she is attending school, to spend the Xmas vacation with her parents.

James Charters is on a business visit at the Range.

Cupids bows are shooting the fair damsels here. Miss Olive Ayers was the fourth young bride that Cupid's bows struck within the past three months.

Miss Greely, Mrs. Tyler and Mrs. Bohm were appointed to take charge of the Christmas tree and entertainment.

Fred Lindstrand left for a business trip to Helena.

Mrs. William Birger is a guest at the hotel.

The Social Club met Friday last. All reported a good time.

Master Robert Ayers spent the week's end with his parents on the ranch.

Ben Moulton has returned from a

visit with his family at Lewistown.

Mr. Madon was the guest of Mrs. James Shaw last week.

William Lindstrand has returned from a lengthy visit at the city of Roundup.

George Finkbeiner was a caller here.

R. Fisher, of the N-Bar, was a caller here.

Mrs. C. Tyler and Miss Greely were callers at the Moulton ranch Sunday.

John Singles and Frank Peterson spent a few hours shopping (?) at the Range.

Miss Essie Shaw and her guest, Miss Ada Frye, of Forest Grove, spent Saturday and Sunday at the James Shaw ranch.

Mr. Payne, the sheep man, has returned from a trip to Helena.

Miss Hazel Green will spend her vacation at Gilt Edge.

## Christmas Fairy.

Poverty, Martha Vinger; charity, Hazel Green; fairy, Doris Shaw; rich and poor children, school children.

Recitation, Good Night..Doris Shaw Santa Claus, A Jolly Old Man.

Recitation, Little Lots..Hazel Green Dolly, Stop Weeping, Doris Shaw, Lilly Sullenger, Hazel Green and Martha Vinger.

Dollie Show....Intermediate Grade Song, Jolly Old Saint Nick...School Holy Night, Shepards, Robert Ayers, Edward Sullenger, Angels, Ruth Tyler, Dot Tyler, Ruth Shaw.

The following program will be given December 25, at 7:30: Song, Christmas Stocking...School Recitation, Xmas Stocking..... School Recitation, Xmas Stocking..... School

Recitation, Xmas Stocking..... School "Nearer, My God to Thee"..... Ralph Shepard

Eight Girls Play, Lost on Xmas Eve. Little Dot, Doris Shaw; her sister, Martha Vinger; detective, Ralph Shepard; sailor, Richard Vinger; Bridget, Hazel Green; Mrs. Manly, Essie Shaw; Mr. Shaw, Eleanor Lane.

## GARNEILL

Prof. D. K. Anderson, of Pine Grove, paid us a pleasant visit last week.

Our old friend, Bert Noble, spent Christmas with us, and helped us devour the "royal bird." Come again Bert. We enjoyed your visit.

The Sunday school exercises and Xmas tree which were held in the Methodist church, were enjoyed by old and young, and too much credit cannot be given those in charge.

All of the Garneill young folks took in the Christmas ball, at Straw, and report a grand time.

Frank Hegstrom, our genial depot agent, has been with us only one week, and has already taken in a dance and a marriage, and pronounces Garneill the best ever.

Judith Gap is bewailing the fact that their deputy sheriff is a resident of Garneill. Well, that is kind of amusing—but the Gap will find it pretty hard to take any one away from Garneill once they have established their residence here.

Seven young farmers from South Dakota, filed homestead entries before U. S. Commissioner W. H. Peck during the past week. They located in Meagher county, near to Living Springs.

## WAGE WAR ON CHINA.

Harlowton People Object to Invasion of the "Yellow Peril."

Musselshell News: There was more excitement, more heated discussions, and more fun displayed during the early part of this week in Harlowton than at any time since that noted night in November when the news was flashed over the wires declaring Taft's election.

The excitement, the discussions and the fun were provoked by the fact that P. J. Flint, the proprietor of the Traveler's Cafe, had sold his establishment to two Chinamen who hailed from Helena. The chinamen had a bona fide intention of running a restaurant on up-to-date principles. But a few of Flint's old boarders strenuously objected to subsisting on chop suey. The Chinamen also met opposition in their business adventure from a number of citizens who detested the idea of having Chinamen in the town at all, or in having Chinese labor brought into competition with American labor.

On Sunday morning, the yellow boys began to prepare for a grand opening. The plan of the opposition was to obstruct and to hinder them in their operations. Those lined up against the Chinamen were determined to put the run on them is possible, several heated discussions took place, and one of the Chinamen was assaulted. Several citizens took sides with the Chinamen and determined that they should have fair play, and that lawlessness should not be the order in Harlowton. Jim Toy swore out a complaint against Mr. Myers, one of our popular young men, and a warrant for his arrest was issued and served, but Mr. Myers promptly secured bondsmen and is now out on bail.

Some ghostly spirit hurled a brickbat through the window into the bed-chamber of Jim Toy on Monday night. The Chinamen again became greatly agitated and on Monday morning when only four or five assembled around the festive board for breakfast, they decided to depart hence, giving Harlowton a wide berth. Sentiment is still divided as to whether the Toy brothers received the Roosevelt square deal or whether the proper methods were used to rid Harlowton of the "Yellow Peril."

On Wednesday morning word was

received at the Chinamen headquarters through agent E. A. Tamm that the Chinamen would receive protection from the county sheriff. Upon receipt of this message the Toy brothers changed front and decided to stay in Harlowton.

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