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MAKE LEWISTOWN A BETTER PLACE IN WHICH TO LIVE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1915.

THE WHEAT MARKET.

The newspapers and farm journals generally appear to be anxious to offer some advice to the farmers as to selling their wheat. We have read a number of these articles during the past week and the writers all fail to get anywhere when it comes down to the point of selling the grain or holding it.

Of the bear factors the danger of the Dardanelles is by far the most important, so dealers say, although the threat of this had been to some extent discounted. A good part of last year's Russian wheat crop has been carried and this season the harvest there is estimated at considerably larger than last season.

If the allies succeed in cracking the Dardanelles nut it is going to release an immense amount of the grain and this could hardly fail to affect prices materially. It is believed that Russia has something like 500,000,000 bushels ready to send to the market whenever the opportunity is afforded and the urgent need for cash there will not make the Russians very particular as to the price they get.

In France, business is largely impeded by existing circumstances, as buyers are holding off pending some knowledge of government action. The statistical position shows that there are expectations of a harvest of 7,000,000 to 8,000,000 tons, as against last year's production of 8,783,000.

Germany is expected to take advantage of the awkward situation in Rumania, and will probably get her grain more cheaply than would otherwise be the case.

The harvest in Italy is not expected to be anything like sufficient for its needs, and unless Russian and Rumanian wheat becomes available the deficiency will have to be made good from North America.

Russian government circles are somewhat perturbed owing to the impending difficulties in handling and marketing the crop. It is understood that there are some difficulties in the way of securing additional financial assistance, and notwithstanding the saving of money by the vodka prohibition the cost of living has greatly increased, and the expenses of the harvest will be abnormally high.

The general situation in Europe is indicated by the following table, the first column showing total requirements, the second the home production, and the last the requirements of foreign wheat:

Table with 4 columns: Country, Quarters, and two other columns. Rows include United Kingdom, France, Italy, Spain, Holland, Belgium, Germany, Austria-Hungary, and Totals.

In estimating the total consumption, allowance has been made for the diminution in the adult population consequent upon the losses in the war. Austria-Hungary will, in common with Germany, circumstances permitting, draw upon Rumania, which has an excellent crop.

In Great Britain the weather continues very unsettled, and a spell of finer conditions is earnestly desired. It is estimated that the harvest will be delayed by about a fortnight, but the opinion prevails in many quarters that it will be a good wheat year, inasmuch as there is an increase in the area of 200,000 acres.

In France the weather conditions were unfavorable for harvest operations, and complaints are numerous. The persistent rains are beginning to cause serious concern to farmers, as the frequent and heavy showers render it difficult to secure the sheaves in anything like dry condition, and there are fears of a deterioration in quality.

In Germany the weather is reported favorable for the harvest, and semi-official statements indicate that the crop will be a medium one. The latest official estimate of the Hungarian crop gives it as 500,000 qrs smaller than the previous estimate.

The latest reports from Scandinavian countries state that the rains came in time for most of the grain crops to benefit, and average yields are expected.

In Italy the weather has been unfavorable, especially in the South, and it is feared that the outturn may suffer in quantity and quality. The total will certainly be below average.

In Rumania, trade circles indicate that 2,500,000 tons of all grain

Confidence

The man who keeps his money in the bank while he has plenty creates a friend in the bank to whom he can turn when he has little.

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will be carried forward, and in view of the excellent crop it is considered that 3,500,000 should be available for export. Prospects are for abundant yields.

In the Azov district of Russia the outlook for the harvest is good, and the crop will be above medium. The Central Statistical Committee gives spring wheat at 57,761,000 qrs, against 47,833,000 last year.

EVANESCENCE OF GLORY.

Had these struggles between nations ended after a few great battles, with the killing and wounding of a few hundred thousand men; after a few smashing victories, and before settling into the horrors of years in trenches over thousands of miles of fronts, there might have been emergence out of the international horrors of some of the more prominent heroic figures to be celebrated by the poet laureate in glowing verse, by the historian in panegyric prose and by the artist in enduring bronze.

With the millions dead already and the millions yet to die, with the vast armies of maimed, halt and blind to challenge the world's care, the individual would seem too obscure in the ranks of the millions to arouse any divine afflatus of ecstasy. There will be no "eternal camping ground" of fame for the millions of the dead and few monuments for any of them or the survivors.

True, this nation or that may erect some monuments to the great chiefs who, from the vantage of comparative security, have directed the millions to the shambles, but will the ages to come look back upon them with that admiration and wonder with which the past has thrilled to a Caesar's message of victory or to the sigh of an Alexander? The thing of the present seems too enormous, too ghastly in its modernity, to permit of hero worship in the future.

No chance now for any such figures as a Napoleon at Lodi, a Nelson at Trafalgar, a Wellington at Waterloo with his "Up, guards, and at them," a Frederick the Great defying Europe, a Paul Jones, "just beginning to fight," the Marshals of France defying death on scores of great fields, a Washington and his generals forging a great nation out of war, a Tromp sweeping the seas and a thousand other great figures of the wars of centuries upon whose ghosts the world still gazes with bated breath.

"Here died Wolf, victorious!" It was a little war and a little battle, but it transferred Canada and there was chance for distinction. In these wars are men of iron and blood, of wonderful courage and reckless exposure of life, yet indeed; but so many millions of them and so suddenly obliterated! Small chance for lasting glory of the individual; the thing is too big.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

THE DUTIES OF CITIZENSHIP

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quired, character and service. Perhaps the first obligation developing upon the citizen is to bring to the nation sterling character. This is fundamental because character determines the quality of the service. Our government is simply a reflection of the character of the citizens.

The time might come, too, when this nation would find it necessary in the defense of national life and national interests to call upon them to protect it from a foreign foe.

In the discharge of their duties it would be necessary to act with intelligence. They should take time to inform themselves as to the affairs and policy of the government. To vote unintelligently was worse even than not to vote at all. Evil conditions existed here and there and they but reflected lack of interest and lack of intelligence on the part of the citizens. They could not exist if the individual citizens did their duty intelligently.

In conclusion, Professor Franke congratulated the new citizens upon becoming citizens of Montana. He then paid a very eloquent tribute to this state.

The new citizens had listened to Mr. Franke's remarks so intently that they were oblivious of their surroundings at the close, and burst into applause, which did not seem to be in the least out of place.

BULGARIA WILL SOON OCCUPY TERRITORY CEDED BY TURKEY

LONDON, Sept. 9.—(9:48 a. m.)—Premier Radoslavoff of Bulgaria stated in an interview with the Sofia correspondent of the Post that the agreement for the cession of the Bledag hatch railway to Bulgaria by Turkey has been concluded and that the occupation of the ceded territory will begin 10 days hence, in the presence of Bulgarian and Turkish officials.

STEPHENSON HOME FROM COAST

Times Are Quiet in the Puget Sound Cities—Vancouver, British Columbia, Holding Up Well.

Dr. W. A. Stephenson, wife and son, have returned from the sound country, where they spent their vacation, visiting Wenatchee, Spokane, Seattle, Bellingham, Anacortes, Vancouver, B. C., and other points. The doctor found things pretty quiet in all these towns. Seattle, while apparently busy and prosperous, is in reality dull, but its immense Alaskan trade is proving very valuable to it.

SOME HEAVY ROADS. Charles Tyler, who was in the city yesterday, reports that the recent rains have made Sure Enough hill roads very bad, and almost impassable.

JUDGE AYRES

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the outcome of the action. The Montana Lumber company has brought suit against Guy L. Scott for the sum of \$187, alleged to be due on account.

PASSES WORTHLESS CHECK BUT SHOWS ONE MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCE.

It has been no path of roses of late for the men who have issued worthless paper of various kinds. The excuse of an error made in calculation, which resulted in a bank overdraft, has not always been accepted as bona fide, and a number of individuals have been made to suffer the consequences of their acts by serving in the county jail. Luther Goodwin, with a misdemeanor charge launched against him, that of issuing a worthless check, drew a light fine of \$20 in Judge B. H. Foley's court Saturday, as he convinced the judge that there was at least one mitigating circumstance. It seems that Goodwin and his sister had a joint account in a Tennessee bank, and the sister had drawn out more money than Goodwin had anticipated. This left his end short, and so a check issued by him was refused payment. This led to his arrest.

Petty Theft Charged.

Eugene Beka was placed under arrest Saturday upon complaint of Mrs. Bertha Brooks, charged with a misdemeanor, the alleged theft of a grip.

Juvenile Case.

Leonard Vogel, a 16-year-old lad, alleged to be a delinquent, has been put in charge of the sheriff office, pending an investigation of his case.

New Suits.

The Fergus County Hardware company, inc., Saturday filed an action in the district court against V. M. Zweiber and the Masonic and Odd Fellows Building society, owning a lot and fraternal building in Hobson. The amount involved is \$97, alleged to be due for hardware purchased by Mr. Zweiber and used in the construction of the building.

The same plaintiffs, through their attorney, S. W. Penneck, have also filed an action against William K. O'Neill and Margaret O'Neill, to recover \$128, alleged to be due on account. The plaintiffs allege that Mr. O'Neill has transferred title to some land owned by him to Mrs. O'Neill and ask for an attachment on the land.

Joseph Schiltz Brewing company, through its attorney, S. W. Penneck, Saturday filed an action against O. C. Mack for \$1,043, alleged to be due on account.

Judge R. Lee Word of Helena presided in the district court Tuesday on the motion to quash the restraining order in the case of Denkle Bros. against the Bank of Fergus county, an action brought for an accounting. The matter was argued by John A. Coleman for the plaintiffs and O. W. Belden for the defendant and was taken under advisement. Judge Word allowed the parties until September 15 to file briefs and will announce his decision from Helena, as he returned home.

Formal Orders.

In the case of Millie Conway against Thomas M. Conway, the demurrer was overruled.

In the case of Lulu K. Nelson against Thomas H. Nelson, the order to show cause in regard to the custody of a minor child was vacated.

Asks for Damages.

M. T. Rooney has brought suit against H. S. Woodward and the First National Bank of Hobson to secure the cancellation of a mortgage for \$10,000 and promissory notes for the same amount and for damages. The plaintiff sets out in his complaint that in March last he applied to Mr. Woodward to arrange for a loan of \$10,000, and gave him the notes and mortgage for the amount. The next day, however, he became dissatisfied with the terms and, calling at the bank, instructed Mr. Woodward to proceed no further in the matter and revoking the authority given him and offering to pay him for his services to that time. It is alleged the defendant, Mr. Woodward, declined to return the notes except on payment of \$1,000, which he would have been entitled to. It is asked that the notes and mortgage be delivered into court and adjudged null and void. The plaintiff asks for \$1,000 for the expense he has been put to; for \$3,000 damages because of being hampered and obstructed in mortgaging the property and for \$5,000 exemplary damages as punishment to the defendants in withholding the notes and mortgage. Blackford & Hulton are Mr. Rooney's attorneys.

Over a Contract.

Paul Tabor has brought suit against James Higgins to recover \$1,000 damages because of the alleged failure of the defendant to carry out the terms of a contract with regard to the operation of a tract of farm land.

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Mr. Hamilton did not like the tone of the man's conversation, nor his demeanor, and finally he said: "Well, you had better be going," and slapped Fish's horse to start the animal. At this juncture Fish drew a revolver and fired two shots, the first at Mr. Hamilton. The bullet went through the heel of the shoe, just grazing the foot. The second shot he fired at Mrs. Hamilton, missing her.

For Misdemeanor. Joseph Zlakick was brought in from Windham yesterday, to serve a term of 60 days upon a conviction for a misdemeanor.

Some Orders. In the case of the Barteldes Seed company against the Montana Hardware company, the demurrer to the complaint was sustained.

In the case of d'Autremont against McDonnell, the demurrer was overruled.

The demurrer to the complaint in the case of C. W. Green against Will Gordon was overruled.

In the case of J. P. Barnes against S. S. Hobson et al., the demurrer was sustained.

The case of Brooks against Tullock was set for September 8.

The order to show cause was dissolved in the case of Lauretta M. Gerry against A. E. Elijah.

Divorce Granted. A decree of divorce was granted in the case of Susie Conklin against Charles F. Conklin, a decree of divorce was granted on the grounds of extreme cruelty and the plaintiff was given the custody of the two small children. The parties were married in Grand Rapids, Mich., in 1907.

Cornelia A. Krapp has brought suit against Mrs. C. McCollum et al., to recover \$602 and interest. Belden & DeKalb represent the plaintiff.

The Oregon Mortgage company has brought suit against Mary A. Marcellus et al., to recover \$1,500 on a secured note, while Robert Livingston has brought suit against the same defendants to recover \$4,800. J. A. Walsh represents the plaintiffs.

Important Suit. Henry J. Cooper has brought an action against Ira A. Payne to have a contract annulled and a note for \$5,000 with a chattle mortgage securing it, set aside. The plaintiff sets out in his complaint that in September, 1914, he and the defendant entered into a contract with the Cook-Reynolds company for the purchase of a tract of land in section 12, township 17 north of range 12 east, at \$28,000, of which \$4,800 was paid down; that following this the plaintiff and defendant entered into an agreement for the operation of the land and that the defendant has failed to keep his part of this agreement; that on July 30, last, the defendant by falsely representing to the plaintiff that he was executing a lease on his interest to procure funds and without any consideration, induced the plaintiff to sign what was in fact an assignment of his interest in the agreement or contract with the Cook-Reynolds company; that at the same time and as a part of the scheme, the plaintiff was, through misrepresentations, induced to sign a note for \$5,000, this being secured by a chattle mortgage. The plaintiff asks that the assignment of his interest in the Cook-Reynolds contract be set aside, that the chattle mortgage be satisfied and discharged, and the note cancelled and delivered to the plaintiff. Belden & DeKalb are the plaintiff's attorneys.

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Business Cards section containing advertisements for Axel Refer, Ralph J. Anderson, Drs. Stryker & Taylor, Edgar G. Worden, J. G. Smith, and others.

Sudden Death of Mrs. Hessig. Lewistown woman who was taking care of baby near Garnell drops dead.

Had Little Child in Her Arms. Suddenly, and without warning, while carrying the ten-day-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Wormley of the Garnell country, Mrs. Albertina Hessig of Lewistown was stricken with an attack of heart failure, which proved fatal.

High School Teachers Picnic. Members of Faculty Spend Holiday in Beautiful Lime Kiln Gulch. The members of the high school faculty enjoyed a delightful picnic at Lime Kiln gulch Monday, all of the instructors going along.

Russians Retreat. VIENNA, Sept. 8.—(Via London, 10:25 p. m.)—In the fighting near Podkamen, on the Russo-Galician frontier, and Radziwlow, in Russia, the Russians have been forced to retreat on a front of about 56 miles, according to the official communication issued by the Austrian war office today.

Homesteads—Relinquishments. If you have a good homestead or relinquishment for sale advise full particulars. Prefer two or three adjoining. Jay Jacobs, Bank-Electric Bldg., Lewistown.

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