

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the regular quarterly session of the board of county commissioners of Fergus county, Montana, beginning on the first Monday in December, as per statute provided.

Board called to order at 10 o'clock a. m., December 4, 1916. Present: Charles D. Allen, chairman. E. D. Barney, commissioner. B. F. Moulton, commissioner. F. R. Cunningham, clerk.

Privileges granted for preparing premium list for county fair: F. E. Race and Earl McGinnis were granted the exclusive privilege of preparing and printing the official premium list for the first annual Fergus county fair.

A petition containing the names of more than 50 qualified electors, residents of the territory proposed to be incorporated, was received asking that the following described territory, viz:

Parts of sections twenty-seven (27), twenty-eight (28), thirty-three (33), and thirty-four (34), all in township fifteen, north (15N) of range twenty-three, east (23E) Montana meridian, in Fergus county, Montana, to-wit:

The west half of the southwest quarter (SW 1/4 SW 1/4) section twenty-seven (27), the southeast quarter (SE 1/4) section twenty-eight (28), the north half of the northeast quarter, the north half of the south half of the northeast quarter (N 1/2 NE 1/4, N 1/2 SE 1/4), section thirty-three (33) and the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter, the north half of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter (NW 1/4 NW 1/4, NW 1/4 SE 1/4), section thirty-four (34), all in township 15 north, of range 23 east, Fergus county, Montana, containing 420 acres, more or less, according to the government survey thereof.

That the number of wards to be created in the proposed municipal corporation is two (2) and the boundaries of the wards to be created are as follows:

First Ward. All of that portion of the proposed town of Grass Range, Fergus county, Montana, north of the center line of Fourth street included in the SW 1/4 section 27 and the SE 1/4 section 28, also that portion of the NE 1/4, NE 1/4 section 33 and the NW 1/4, NW 1/4 of section 34, all in township 15 north, of range 23 east, Montana meridian, as shown by the map hereto attached, shall comprise the first ward.

Second Ward. All that portion of the proposed town of Grass Range, Fergus county, Montana, north of the center line of Fourth street included in the NE 1/4 section 33 and the NW 1/4 section 34, township 15 north, of range 23 east, Montana meridian, as shown by the map hereto attached, shall comprise the second ward.

Resignations and Appointments. The resignation of Frank J. Hazen, as trustee of the Fergus county high school, was presented and accepted. F. R. Cunningham was appointed a member of the board of trustees of the Fergus county high school to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Frank J. Hazen.

Constable Bond Approved. The bond of Geo. Curtis, constable in and for Flat Springs judicial township, was filed and approved. Instructions to Clerk Reclosing Old Road. The clerk was instructed to notify John Goets and George W. Conrad, both of Flat Willow, to open the old road running through their respective places, complaint having been made of their action in closing said old road.

Portion of Old Road Abandoned. The following described road, i. e., that portion of the old Ubet to Lewistown stage road, lying between the following described points, viz: A point south 57 degrees 50 minutes east, 367 feet of the quarter corner to sections 10 and 15, township 14 north, range 17 east, and the center of section 11, township 14 north, range 17 east, was declared abandoned, and the following described territory, viz: Beginning at a point south 50 degrees 50 minutes east, 367 feet of the quarter corner common to sections 10 and 15, township 14 north, and running east 170 feet, thence north 48 degrees, 15 feet, 1,041, thence north 86 degrees, 15 feet, 1,103, thence north 67 degrees, 30 feet east, 1,054, thence north 24 degrees, 45 feet east, 390, thence north 53 degrees, 377, thence north 69 degrees, 377, thence north 53 degrees, 15 feet east, 320 feet, thence north 3 degrees, 05 feet west, 239 feet, thence north 2 degrees, 30 feet west, 795 feet to the center of section 11, township 14, range 17, to intersect with old road, road to be 40 feet wide, reclaimed road to be a county road in lieu thereof. This change alludes to road petition No. 536.

That portion of the old road running north and south between sections 9 and 10, township 14 north, range 17 east, was declared abandoned and the following described territory, viz: Beginning at a point 300 feet north of the NW corner of section 10, township 14 north, range 17 east, and running thence southeast to a point 367 feet southeast of the quarter corner common to sections 10 and 15, township 14 north, range 17, running through the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 and the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4, of the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 and the SW 1/4 of section 10, township 14, range 15, road to be 40 feet wide, was declared a county road in lieu thereof. This change alludes to road petition No. 537.

REGARDS HOLDING COUNTY FAIR. In the matter of the holding of a county fair, it was decided to appoint a board consisting of five members to manage the said fair. Such appointment to be for a period of one year. The appointees are as follows:

- B. F. Hills, Coffee Creek. Odlin J. Romundstad, Fergus. Thos. Nicholson, Hobson. Amos Snyder, Becker. C. L. Wentworth, Lewistown. It was decided to allow the member of said board a compensation of \$5 per day while in actual session, and 10 cents per mile for each mile actually traveled to and from the meetings. L. D. Blodgett was appointed secretary of said board at a salary of \$50 per month, to date from and after Jan. 1, 1917. Board adjourned to 10 o'clock a. m., Dec. 5, 1916. All members present. Bills were allowed as follows: General Fund. Dr. A. W. Deval, Nov. salary, \$275. Montana State Agricultural college, November salary, \$100. H. E. Geis, registering electors, \$9.75. L. W. Highley, registering electors, \$11.75. L. H. Holt, registering electors, \$11.75. G. I. Kirk, registering electors, \$12.25. Frank Meredith, registering electors, \$6.25. A. A. McDermid, registering electors, \$1.75. C. W. Niswanger, registering electors, \$14.25. A. W. Oke, registering electors, \$4.50. Fred J. Sherman, registering electors, \$2.25. J. F. Vanek, registering electors, \$8. Winters & Sullivan, plumbing court house, \$29.15. Edw. Brassey, justice fees, \$19. H. H. Foley, justice fees, \$37.50. H. N. Klinefelter, justice fees, \$10. P. W. Korsch, justice fees, \$7.50. A. W. Benz, slaughtered horses, \$70. J. J. Dobson, constable fees, \$16.20. C. E. McCarty, constable fees, \$3.50. F. A. Skelton, constable fees, \$11.40. J. R. Townsely, constable fees, \$3.40. G. R. Creel, coroner fees, \$34.90. G. R. Creel, coroner fees, \$5.00. G. R. Creel, coroner fees, \$1.50. H. B. Gibson, transcripts, \$14.69. M. M. Holzman, transcripts, \$5. W. J. Zabel, transcripts, \$25.65. Dr. A. E. Myrick, post mortem, \$25. G. A. McFarlane, defending prisoner, \$50. Geo. Wright, juror fees, \$1.50. G. A. Woodcock, witness fees and autopsy, \$26.50. L. Yall Day, witness fees, \$1.50. Jos. Wherley, witness fees, \$1.50. Albert C. Anderson, witness fees, \$1.50. Geo. Harris, witness fees, \$3.00. O. E. Nelson, witness fees, \$1.50. R. R. Rowley, witness fees, \$1.50. J. D. Sellers, witness fees, \$1.50. N. O. Miller, witness fees, \$1.50. Jno. Hemphill, witness fees, \$1.50. Western Houghton, witness fees, \$1.50. A. J. McDonell, juror's fees, \$1.50. Jno. McMillan, juror's fees, \$1.50. Geo. Susick, witness fees, \$2.50. Dan Micevick, witness fees, \$2.50. Louis Morgan, witness fees, \$2.50. John Hopkins, witness fees, \$2.50. Ed. Tresch, witness fees, \$3.70. Andrew Leslie, witness fees, \$3.90. Frank Degner, witness fees, \$4.50. Barney Dagner, witness fees, \$4.50. Jno. H. Larson, witness fees, \$3.10. Bert Replogle, witness fees, \$4.30. W. M. Osborne, juror fees, \$1.50. E. J. Newberry, witness fees, \$1.50. C. S. Osborne, witness fees, \$1.50. Clarence Rung, witness fees, \$1.70. Henry Null, witness fees, \$1.70. J. L. Jensen, witness fees and autopsy, \$26.50. Bert Clark, witness fees, \$1.50. L. A. Brown, witness fees, \$1.50. E. D. Jenkins, witness fees, \$1.50. Gordon Hughes, witness fees, \$1.50. Eugene L. Reinor, witness fees, \$1.50. Hilger Herald, publishing notices, \$2.50. H. A. Stewart, constable fees, \$24.25. S. H. Garey, registering electors, \$50. S. H. Garey, justice fees, \$22.50. Fergus County Argus, paper for election, \$1.00. Grogan Robinson Lumber company, coal court house, \$15. E. S. Smith, juror fees, \$1.50. Dr. J. J. Jensen, professional services, \$10. Mercantile company, supplies clerk court, \$40.50. Montana Hardware company, supplies janitor and surveyor, \$11.80. K. E. Hodges, supplies, etaoi K. E. Hodges, supplies, \$2.10. Otto Anderson, election expense, \$8.54. C. L. Anderson, election expense, \$67.50. Mrs. N. Bolanger, election expense, \$1.00. Jno. R. Balding, election expense, \$13.57. Mary E. Bean, election expense, \$10.1. Wm. Bragg, election expense, \$3.70. Aaron E. Cleveland, election expense, \$3.90. Frank Connelly, election expense, \$3.3. P. R. Cunningham, election expense, \$21.50. C. F. d'Autremont, election expense, \$2.10. Denton Mercantile Co., election expense, 75c. Mortimer Donner, election expense, \$18.20. M. M. Dryden, election expense, \$6. D. A. Fisher, election expense, \$10. E. S. Frost, election expense, \$7. C. W. Furcher, election expense, \$7.15. C. T. Gadsden, election expense, \$1.88. Grogan-Robinson Lumber Co., election expense, \$11.40. Alfred Hoyle, election expense, \$19. Lem Hubble, election expense, \$3. F. Jewell, electric expense, \$20.63. Judith Basin Mercantile Co., election expense, \$16.07. F. A. Green, election expense, \$7.35. D. N. King, election expense, \$5.

- W. M. Kojetin, election expense, \$3. Ernest Linse, election expense, \$6.98. Magges Mercantile Co., election expense, \$2.50. Royal J. Miller, election expense, \$3.62. Montana Lumber company, election expense, \$1.05. S. K. Myrdal, election expense, \$10.50. McCain Johnson Lumber Co., election expense, \$4.95. McCain Johnson Lumber Co., election expense, \$8.75. C. W. Niswanger, election expense, \$29. S. B. Norcutt, election expense, \$11.31. Fred J. Richards, election expense, \$3.50. O. J. Romundstad, election expense, \$2.66. F. B. Scovel, election expense, \$1. Richard Sjarda, election expense, \$4.50. G. E. F. Smith, election expense, \$13.81. Amos Snyder, election expense, \$16. S. A. Warner, election expense, \$4.40. C. L. Warren, election expense, \$9.47. G. O. Washburn, election expense, \$3.25. J. B. Washburn, election expense, \$4.50. Ira Wilbur, election expense, \$2.50. W. E. Williams, election expense, \$5.50. Earl Wineman, election expense, \$1.89. Mrs. S. E. Wilson, election expense, \$2. Lem Hubble, election expense, \$12.50. S. L. Lewis, election expense, \$5. K. Mathews, election expense, \$5. T. R. Murray, election expense, \$15. A. J. Pease, election expense, \$10. Straw Imp. Assn., election expense, \$10. Chas. Young, election expense, \$10.90. G. Foley, expenses to Miles City, \$42.05. Geo. Foley, court bailiff, \$9. F. Tulock, mileage, \$55.50. F. Tulock, board prisoners, \$492.50. F. Tulock, transportation, \$60. F. Tulock, transportation, \$88.50. F. Tulock, postage, \$1. F. Tulock, board prisoners Windham, \$5.75. F. Tulock, mileage, \$162.62. Fergus County Democrat, blanks, \$10. Fergus County Democrat, books, \$283.80. Fergus County Democrat, supplies, \$189.35. Fergus County Democrat, job work, \$267.90. Fergus County Democrat, advertising, \$4.50. Lella M. Baker, expenses, \$77.50. G. C. Berry, expenses, \$17.30. L. C. Bolles, expenses, \$14.25. Jas. L. Martin, postage, \$2.90. J. Edw. Miller, expense, \$30.95. S. L. Ramey, expense, \$11.20. H. C. Tilzey, expense, \$3.35. F. A. Wright, expense, \$5. F. A. Wright, express and stamps, \$7.85. O'Leary & Wells, car expense, \$46.10. City of Lewistown, November water bill, \$15.75. Lewistown Furniture Co., merchandise court house, \$15.35. Fergus County Hardware Co., supplies court house, \$5c. Allen Shoe Co., supplies court house, \$70.05. Walter Cox, coal, \$26.40. Brew Coal Co., coal, \$115.49. Jos. Plovonich, wood, \$7. Bowman & Sigvardt, hauling garbage, \$10. Chas. Lehman Co., merchandise at jail, \$11.55. Polmar Electric Co., repairing lights, \$1. City of Lewistown, November water bill, \$24.35. H. C. Brown, clothing for prisoners, \$152.5. Montana Lumber Co., coal jail, \$4.05. Roy Enterprise, publishing notices, \$2.50. Winnett Times, publishing notices, \$3. Judith Basin Star, publishing notices, \$15.50. Western Union Tel. Co., November service, \$17.10. Mountain States Tel. & Tel. Co., November service, \$112.95. Continental Tel. Co., November service, \$2.25. Allen & Robinson, rent scales building, \$30. Central Transfer Co., cab hire, \$2.50. Thos. Ryan, livery hire, \$8. A. A. Trapp, slaughtered horses, \$20. S. K. Myrdal, posting notices, \$3. Henrietta von Tobel, typing Dr. Deal, \$1.65. Windham Mercantile Co., supplies, \$90. Forbes Wiseman, iron for jail, \$10. Jno. Ferns, justice and coroner's fees, \$5. F. B. Scovel, cab service, \$1.50. W. H. Smith, defending dependent children, \$50. Dr. H. K. Wilson, examinations, \$10. Seiden Drug Co., supplies, \$5.50. Bridge Fund. C. J. Foran, bridge work, \$225. Ed. W. Dougherty, bridge work, \$62.50. M. M. Dryden, bridge work, \$95. F. C. Pinkelner, \$10.50. G. F. Hamilton, bridge work, \$50. Geo. F. Knouse, bridge work, \$16.75. Mulroney Bros., spikes, \$5.35. Ed. Nashmet, bridge work, \$13.50. Montana Lumber Co., bridge plank, \$32.80. Basin Lumber Co., bridge plank, \$25.25. Basin Lumber Co., bridge plank, \$34. W. A. Akely, bridge plank, \$24. Mulroney Bros., spikes, \$5.35. C. M. & St. P. Ry., freight charges, \$2.40. Montana Lumber Co., bridge plank, \$42.35. Montana Lumber Co., material, \$142.85. Montana Lumber Co., bridge plank, \$113.75. Montana Lumber Co., bridge plank, \$71. McCaull Webster Electric Co., bridge plank, \$61.15. Security Bridge Co., bridge at Weede, \$2166.24. W. H. Barney, labor and material, \$8. Bridge Fund. Tom Pratt, November allowance, \$10.

- Oliver Jutrus, November allowance, \$15. Henry Johnson, November allowance, \$10. Harriet Brunner, November allowance, \$20. Mrs. Nellie van Hying, November allowance, \$20. John Dallas, November allowance, \$10. Margaret Laverdure, November allowance, \$10. Mrs. Mary Rickards, November allowance, \$17.50. Mrs. Maggie LaTray, \$20. Susie L. Mowatt, November allowance, \$17.50. Mrs. Mary Spesock, November allowance, \$20. Richard Mitchell, November allowance, \$10. Mrs. Paul Baughman, November allowance, \$10. Mrs. Dora Simmons, November allowance, \$10. Laura Moore, November allowance, \$20. Laura Moore, October allowance, \$20. Mrs. J. R. Blair, board children, \$42.75. Mrs. Paul Baughman, board children, \$28.50. Family Grocery, merchandise Tafola family, \$15. Richard G. Guest, merchandise for poor, \$5. Family Grocery, merchandise for Schouander family, \$7. Power Mercantile Co., merchandise outside poor, \$25. Mrs. Paul Baughman, care of children, \$46.50. Mrs. James Jobb, board dependents, \$53.05. Richard G. Guest, board John Kiska, \$8.15. Florence Crittendon Home, keep Jessie Spencer, \$10. Reed-Miller Co., merchandise Mrs. Baker, \$28.35. Lewistown Dairy, milk Baker family, \$3.10. O. Downing & Co., rent McDonough, \$7. G. W. Jordan, rent Tom Pratt, \$36. Montana Lumber Co., coal outside poor, \$13. C. Louch, refund poor tax, \$2. R. G. Rowe, refund poor tax, \$2. Central Transfer Co., cab hire, \$50. E. P. Durnen, auditor, transportation fund, \$49.40. Abel Bros., meat county farm, \$5.75. Chas. Lehman Co., balance due county farm, \$1.80. Lewistown Co-operative Assn., merchandise county farm, \$130.10. Power Mercantile Co., merchandise county farm, \$186.05. Boston Store, supplies county farm, \$1.75. Brew Coal Co., coal county farm, \$92. Montana Flour Mills, merchandise county farm, \$14.05. Montana Flour Mills Co., wheat county farm, \$16.50. Montana Lumber Co., posts county farm, \$2.70. F. B. Scovel, cab hire county farm, \$9. Lewistown Furniture Co., merchandise county farm, \$1.70. The Leader, merchandise county farm, 75c. Fergus County Hardware Co., merchandise county farm, \$21.55. Montana Hardware Co., merchandise county farm, \$5.60. K. E. Hodges, merchandise county farm, \$6.15. Yellowstone Chemical Co., insecticide, \$60. Lewistown Dairy, milk Baker family, \$3.75. The Bootery, shoes Baker family, \$6.60. The Leader, merchandise dependents, \$23.50. Dunsmore & Kuzara, merchandise Mrs. Hoffman, \$22.65. Grogan Robinson Lumber Co., coal Mrs. Geary, \$7.50. Winters & Sullivan, plumbing county farm, \$30.35. Road Fund. W. H. Cullington, road work, \$222.50. Ed. W. Dougherty, road work, \$234.35. Fred Griffith, road work, \$47.05. G. F. Hamilton, road work, \$53.75. G. D. Kidder, road work, \$482.05. J. C. Mack, \$117.35. Ed. Nashmet, road work, \$86. Duncan McClelland, road work, \$25. N. A. LaFrance, culvert work, \$12.50. A. N. Nebel, road work, \$23. Oscar Asbjornson, culvert work, \$7. E. W. Dougherty, road work, \$175.40. Joe Eveland, viewing roads, \$3. C. J. Foran, viewing roads, \$41. David Foreman, road work, \$41. A. A. Hendricks, road work, \$25. Neil J. Kring, road work, \$5.15. J. E. Lammell, viewing roads, \$3. N. J. Littlejohn, culvert work, \$31.05. R. T. Martin, road work, \$17.50. O. W. Hunter, dragging roads, \$78. Jno. W. Miller, dragging roads, \$27.50. E. E. Moritz, dragging roads, \$15.85. R. Noll, dragging roads, \$5.60. E. E. Owen, dragging roads, \$47.50. Richard Royston, dragging roads, \$20.73. Thos. Ryan, dragging roads, \$19.50. Frank Shannon, dragging roads, \$40. A. D. Wansley, dragging roads, \$43.75. Peter Weinheimer, dragging roads, \$51.85. Buffalo blacksmith shop, blacksmith work, \$3. F. E. Selby, blacksmith work, \$3.50. Prouet & Ahrendt, blacksmith work, \$1.15. Jas. Vorell, blacksmith work, \$4. R. G. Rowe, refund road tax, \$2. Mulroney Bros., dynamite, \$18.85. Peiguns County Hardware Co., powder and fuse, \$18.50. Owensboro Ditcher and Grading Co., 2 graders, \$95. A. L. Rasmussen, supplies, \$35.80. Wilson & Falk, erecting signs, \$12. W. H. Flanagan, road work, \$32. Leo Hilliard, road work, \$73.35. B. P. Melchert, road work, \$69. B. P. Melchert, road work, \$1.268. E. C. Whittaker, road work, \$19.50. B. P. Melchert, road work, \$168. Fred Rector, road work, \$30. Fred Rector, road work, \$24. Dr. P. P. Attix, November salary, \$45.83. Mike Gurnett, November salary, \$125. Hong Sing, November salary, \$50. Contingent Fund. R. C. Poland, cash advanced, \$63.35. C. H. Harmon, work treasurer's office, \$1. S. W. Barnes, work treasurer's office, \$4.50. E. M. Izzard, extra work county superintendent, \$10.50. Mirtel E. Humphries, extra work county superintendent, \$4.50. Fred Schuler, helping surveyor, \$4.50. T. F. Toomey, helping surveyor, \$30. O. J. Romundstad, helping surveyor, \$6. O. W. Anderson, special deputy, \$6. Jno. M. Beatty, special deputy, \$72. Frank Griner, special deputy, \$6. Mrs. Chas. Griner, special deputy, \$6. Jos. Marshall, special deputy, \$30. B. F. Geary, helping surveyor, \$15. Harry Eddy, work county superintendent's office, \$38. B. F. Moulton, commissioner's salary, \$96. C. D. Allen, commissioner's salary, \$128. E. D. Barney, commissioner's salary, \$112. F. R. Cunningham, November salary, \$187.17. A. T. Miller, November salary, \$150. A. J. McIver, November salary, \$125. W. W. Wheaton, November salary, \$125. B. A. Turner, November salary, \$125. M. M. Seifert, November salary, \$125. Anna Hansen, November salary, \$100. R. G. Poland, November salary, \$250. G. J. Gosch, November salary, \$150. Goldie G. Sheldon, November salary, \$125. E. P. Durnen, November salary, \$145.83. W. W. Durnen, November salary, \$125. C. W. Riddick, November salary, \$187.50. Albert Pfautz, \$150. M. J. Martin, November salary, \$229.17. Alvin Martin, November salary, \$125. H. L. Linn, November salary, \$125. H. B. Gibson, November salary, \$200. F. Tulock, November salary, \$291.67. L. P. Slater, November salary, \$150. Guy Tulock, November salary, \$125. Dan B. Crowley, November salary, \$125. Pat McErnerney, November salary, \$100. G. R. Slocum, November salary, \$100. Jas. Lane, November salary, \$100. C. E. Whitcomb, November salary, \$100. H. Hendricks, November salary, \$50. Jno. Bufka, November salary, \$50. Chris Swans, Jr., November salary, \$45. F. M. Peterson, November salary, \$100. F. A. Wright, November salary, \$104.17. R. E. Dockery, November salary, \$125. C. E. Sawade, November salary, \$75. M. H. Huffine, November salary, \$150. J. A. Blevins, November salary, \$100. L. M. Baker, November salary, \$125. F. A. Walsh, November salary, \$100. J. E. Miller, November salary, \$182. H. C. Tilzey, November salary, \$182. S. L. Lamey, November salary, \$94.60. G. C. Berry, November salary, \$128. Marguerite Haller, \$100. Virginia Pleasant, \$100. Gertrude Gurnett, November salary, \$125. Mame Anderson, November salary, \$100. Vivian J. Lane, November salary, \$110. Grace S. White, November salary, \$36.67. Cora A. Ha'oran, work clerk of court, \$43.75. Neils D. Fradd, work clerk of court, \$62.50. L. C. Bolles, November salary, \$100. Bills Disallowed. Bills were disallowed as follows: A. E. Moulton, refund poor tax, \$2. A. E. Moulton, refund road tax, \$2. M. A. Harney, road expense, \$60. Board adjourned to 10 o'clock a. m., Dec. 6, 1916. Board met as per adjournment, all members present. Road Viewers Appointed. Road viewers were appointed as follows: Beginning at a point on section line between sections 4 and 9, township 17 north, range 19 E., which is the end of crowned road, running east from Hilger, thence due east along said section line to near the intersection of Deer Creek, thence northeasterly across said creek, following the course of the Armella telephone line to intersect the present road at top of bench east of Deer Creek. J. Edw. Miller, S. L. Ramey and J. M. Stafford on a road proposed to run as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of the NW 1/4 of section 14, Twp. 21, range 17, and continuing due north for a distance of two and one-half miles along the section line to the north edge of the township line. J. Edw. Miller, Edw. Hilliard and S. L. Lamey on a road proposed to run as follows: Beginning one-quarter mile north of section 30, Twp. 18, range 19, from the Hilger and Winifred county road east one mile, thence north 1/2 mile, east one mile, south 1/2 mile, east one mile, following the natural course and also the railroad right of way to Roy Junction. Viewers Reports Approved. Viewers reported unfavorably on the following described road petition, said report was approved: Beginning at the northeast corner of section 9, Twp. 12, range 26 east, thence north 1/2 mile, thence east 1/2 mile, thence north 1/4 mile, thence east 1/4 mile, thence northeasterly along bench for about 1/2 mile to the main Winnett-Flat Willow road. Viewers reported favorably on the following described roads, said reports were approved: On a road proposed to run as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of SW 1/4 SE 1/4, section 34, Twp. 15 N, range 23 east, and running due east one mile and thence south 1/2 mile to the SE corner of lot 3 of section 2, Twp. 14 N., range 23 east. On a road proposed to run as follows: Beginning at the center of the north half of section 14, Twp. 14 north, range 24 east, running thence one-fourth mile, thence north one-half mile, thence east on the quarter line three miles. On a road proposed to run as follows: Beginning at a point on the section line common to the NW corner and the SW 1/4 of section 23, Twp. 17 north, range 24 east, running thence due east one and one-half miles, thence southeast to the southeast corner of section 19, Twp. 17 north, range 25 east, thence due east one-half mile to connect with the graded road, thence to be established as a new road, and abutting the road commencing about the center of section 23, Twp. 17 north, range 24 east, running thence northeasterly about one-half mile, thence due east about three-fourths mile, thence southeast about one-half mile, thence east to the southeast corner

LEWISTOWN WAY PROVES RIGHT

FARMERS GRATEFUL FOR AID CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS GIVING THEM.

TOWN-COUNTRY FEELING THE BEST

That the so-called "Lewistown way" of co-ordinating country and city welfare and working for the best interests of the former population of the county as well as the city resident, is the right way is proven on frequent occasions by the results accomplished and the appreciation expressed in various quarters. The Lewistown Chamber of Commerce has been conducting along broad and liberal lines the past few years, and the result has been gratifying. That the best of feeling prevails between the country resident and the local chamber is shown in many ways. That is as it should be. The many efforts along original lines of the Lewistown Chamber to aid the farmer has won wide recognition and is referred to as the Lewistown way. Yesterday a representative of the Democrat dropped into the office of the chamber to call on Secretary L. D. Blodgett. In opening his mail Mr. Blodgett came across the following self-explanatory letter: Merino, Mont., Dec. 12, 1916. Chamber of Commerce, Lewistown, Montana. Gentlemen:— This is the time of the year when I am accustomed to square up accounts. I feel I have one to square with you. I have received substantial assistance from your office in securing efficient field help both for myself and my neighbors. I want to take this opportunity to thank you in behalf of both employers and employees for the brotherly assistance you have freely rendered us all, at your own expense. Accept our thanks. Gratefully yours, B. T. SIKES.

Always Busy. While only there a few minutes, several matters came up for the attention of Mr. Blodgett. For instance, one rancher came in and took out a membership in the chamber, stating that he should have done so long ago. He paid the nominal fee of \$10 and said that through the medium of the Farm Bulletin, published by the local club, he had sold over \$1,000 worth of horses. Three men came in looking for positions, and two of them were directed to work. Another farmer came in and asked for a man to do chores on his ranch, and thus the third man inquiring is likely to find a place. Just as the Democrat man was leaving the office a prominent rancher inquired of Mr. Blodgett as to where he could buy a carload of Marquis wheat. If such is in the market you can bet that Secretary Blodgett will see that the prospective buyer and seller become acquainted with each other.

GEORGE M. FOWLER HERE ON A VISIT DURING THE HOLIDAYS. George M. Fowler, a former Lewistown resident, but now a mining engineer employed in a responsible position by the Anaconda Copper Mining company at Butte, arrived here Saturday to spend a few days visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. Fowler has just made a trip into the Salmon City, Idaho, section on some expert examination of copper properties. During the past few months he has been called to many mining sections of the northwest to make reports on properties. Mr. Fowler is a graduate of Fergus high and of the Butte school of mines. He has numerous friends in this city who are pleased to see him on his periodical visits.

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