

NEWS IN MONTANA

Events Happening in Various Parts of the State.

SEES FINISH OF CUTWORMS

State Entomologist Says Tiny Parasites Are Completing Work of Destruction.

Because of the work which myriads of tiny parasites are now doing in destroying army cutworms which are threatening damage to the wheat crop in many scattered localities in Montana, Professor R. A. Cooley, state entomologist, is telling anxious inquirers that there is little probability of the recurrence of the cutworms in grain fields next season.

The eggs of the parasite which attacks the cutworm are laid on the body of the worm. When they hatch the tiny insects burrow their way into the body of the worm and emerge only when the body is devoured.

Professor Cooley has counted 800 of these parasites, about one-twelfth of an inch long, emerging from the body of one full grown cutworm. Very few of the cutworms will escape from the pupa stage into the moth stage to lay eggs from which worms might hatch out next year and for this reason there is little probability of the recurrence of the cutworm pest next year.

FRENCH SELECT BILLINGS

Will Make it Horse Buying Headquarters for Mountain District.

After trying a half dozen cities of Western America agents of the French war office have chosen Billings for headquarters for their horse buying operations in the Rocky mountain district. The city's railroad facilities and proximity to the best sources of supply are said to have been the determining factors in the choice.

Under a reorganization effective this month a trainload of animals suitable for army use will be shipped from Billings every week. If enough horses can be secured shipments will be made more frequently.

From Billings the animals are shipped to Galveston, Newport News, New Orleans and other cities on the gulf and Atlantic coast, where they are loaded on French liners bound for European ports.

FRENCH ABROGATE CONTRACT

Montana Horse Buyers File Attachment on \$8,000 in Bank.

Following the receipt at Great Falls recently of a telegram from New York stating that the French government has abrogated its contract for horses for army purposes and the contract to supply 10,000 horses which was held by former United States Senator Fred T. Dubois of Idaho and others, an attachment suit involving about \$8,000 was filed by Dubois and his associates.

The money, alleged to belong to F. Merton Sons company of Washington, D. C.; Otto G. Raymond, W. H. Lynn, Leon Stearns and M. N. Biden, the latter of New York, was attached in the Conrad bank by the sheriff.

RAIL CREWS GET FULL TIME

Northern Pacific Shops Provide Men With Six Eight-Hour Days.

The Northern Pacific shops at Livingston have gone on full time, according to an announcement by Shop Superintendent Thomas Jackson. The statement means eight hours a day and six days a week for the men.

For the past two years the locomotive department, including machinists, boiler-makers, pipefitters and their helpers have been working on a schedule of five days a week and eight hours a day.

Road traffic, especially in the Northern Pacific passenger service, has increased and according to Trainmaster Fred Bastrup it is hard to get crews to handle trains.

BOZEMAN'S CREAMERY LEADS

Has High Score of 97 Per Cent in State Contest.

At the fourth monthly butter scoring contest for the creameries of the state, conducted by Professor G. L. Martin of State college, the Bozeman Farmers' creamery won first place with the remarkably high score of 97 per cent. The Gallatin creamery of Manhattan and the Clyde Park creamery tied for second place with a score of 94 per cent. The Stevensville creamery took third rank and the Culbertson creamery fourth.

MONTANAN SHOTS ANOTHER

Both Draw Guns on Sight in Saloon in Mining Camp.

Bob Lily shot and killed Guy Hamilton at Whitcomb, a mining camp in the Little Rockies.

It is alleged Hamilton had threatened to shoot Lily on sight. When Hamilton entered a saloon Lily was there. Both reached for their weapons and drew, Lily getting quicker action. Lily is in the Phillips county jail at Malta.

ENGLAND AWAKES TO HER WAR TASK

Change in Cabinet Evidences a New Regime.

To appreciate the real meaning of the recent cabinet crisis in England it is necessary to go back to the history of the months. Indeed the years, that preceded the outbreak of the present war and recognize the central fact that for some years Great Britain had been governed by a party or a coalition of parties whose leaders utterly misunderstood the Europe in which they lived.

For years Lord Roberts and a number of the most eminent of British statesmen asserted loudly that the



WINSTON CHURCHILL (ABOVE) AND LORD FISHER.

Germans were preparing for war. They filled the press with their appeals to their own countrymen to prepare. Lord Roberts' speeches, read now, seem to have almost the character of prophecy. But to all this Liberal-Labor-Nationalist leaders and journals turned a deaf ear or responded with derisive criticism. Then came a rude awakening.

That the storm should break about Winston Churchill is not surprising. His temperament, his personality, inevitably brought him into conflict with the professional naval officers, of whom Lord Fisher is the most eminent. Lord Fisher's resignation from the admiralty stirred up British public opinion against Churchill.

The recent cabinet crisis in England is final evidence that the British people are at last awake to the meaning of the German war. It means a stronger, sterner, more uncompromising spirit in the conduct of the war. This is the point of view of the new cabinet.

IN THE DARDANELLES.

Allied Ships Make Slow Progress Against Mines and Big Forts.

It is slow work along the Dardanelles for the allied fleets. That shark of the deep, the submarine, lurks about, the waters are heavily mined, and the ships are constant targets for the forts



Photo by American Press Association.

DAMAGE DONE BY TURKISH SHRAPNEL.

that guard the way to Constantinople. The illustration shows an officer's cabin in on a British ship that has been riddled by Turkish shrapnel. There is but little sleep along the Dardanelles and will not be until Constantinople is taken or the allies are driven out.

JESS WILLARD WILL BE WATCHED

In Next Bout Fans Expect to See Great Fighting Machine.

THEY MAY BE DISAPPOINTED

Average Ringsider Fails to Realize Pugilists' Troubles—Patrons of the Sport Are Prone to Mistake Ring Generalship For Cowardice.

When Jess Willard enters the ring again it will be interesting to note how his new honors affect his fighting style. Willard always has been inclined to wait his opponents out instead of forcing matters. When he was merely one of the white hopes this was held to be a fatal fault, although Johnson, an even less aggressive man, was considered perfect.

It is hardly likely that Willard will change his style to any great extent, but no doubt the point of view regarding his tactics will change. At any rate it has never been the fashion to criticize the champion heavyweight, on the principle that the king can do no wrong, no doubt.

Willard proved in his battle with Johnson that he has a very useful style for fights over the long distance. In ten rounds to no decision he may not show up any better than he did before, but the memory of his showing at Havana will prevent him from being roasted as he was after most of his early battles.

As a matter of fact most of the flood of adverse criticism that Willard was compelled to suffer was a result of a common mistake. Very few persons are able to appreciate the difficulties that confront the novice boxer. As a rule, when he fails to tear in regardless of consequences, ringsiders at once suspect his courage. If a better understanding existed of the game from the boxer's point of view fight followers would be a great deal more sympathetic.

When to attack and when to defend is something that can be learned only by actual practice in the ring. The first lesson the novice learns by bitter experience is to conserve his strength. Once he becomes exhausted through overexertion he is lost, no matter how much natural skill he may possess.

That deadly tired feeling is the one thing that all boxers fear. According to observers of the war there are few cowards in the world. Certainly there are few cowards in the ring; for if a man lacked courage he never would elect to follow such a strenuous sport long enough to reach a stage where he began to attract attention. But no matter how courageous he may be, no boxer who once has become thoroughly exhausted ever cares to repeat the experiment.

That is why so many hang back when it is apparent to the outsider that a little more exertion would bring victory. He is not afraid of his opponent's blows, but he would be more than foolish to neglect the warning given by overtaxed heart and lungs. The least mistake on the side of overconfidence is likely to lose a bout already practically won.

BAILEY NEW CHAMPION.

Husky Youth of Maine University Sets Mark With Hammer Throw.

College athletes still are talking of the new mark made in the hammer throw at the fortieth intercollegiate track games at Philadelphia recently.



Photo by American Press Association.

H. P. BAILEY OF MAINE.

when H. P. Bailey of Maine threw the hammer 165 feet three-quarter inch, breaking the old record of 164 feet 10 inches, held by John De Witt of Princeton.

Athletic experts predict Bailey with proper training will in a few years come pretty near equalling or better the world's mark.

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