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WIN SERIES FROM HAVRE

"Gastown" Professionals Lose One and Forfeit One.

BENSON TWIRLS FINE GAME

Saturday's Game Copped by Locals by Score of 6 to 5. Havre Leaves Field in Sunday's Game.

By winning the first game on Saturday and getting the next game when Havre forfeited, Glasgow won the big end of the three game series scheduled to be played between the baseball pastimers of the "Gas" city and the locals.

Havre's professional baseball club, claiming the championship of Northern Montana, came down Saturday, confident from the time they landed here that they had the series "sewed up in a sack." In this they were sadly disappointed, as they departed for their native haunts Sunday evening, carrying the sting of a 6 to 5 defeat on Saturday and forfeiting the other two games of the series to Glasgow.

"Umpire baiting" seems to be a long suit with the Havre ball players, and they took advantage of every opportunity to rush out on the field, when apparently dissatisfied with a decision. It was apparent to the crowd that witnessed both games that unless the Havre boys could have their own way, they wouldn't play, and this was clearly demonstrated in the tenth inning of the second game of the series on Sunday afternoon when Captain Gallogly led his men from the field, forfeiting the game to Glasgow. Another game was to have noon, but the Havre team refused to be played at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

While the games were marred to a degree by the rag chewing, they were sensations from the first man up to the last man out in the ninth and local fans were treated to seeing a pair of games that for excitement outclassed anything ever seen in the local park.

Saturday's game was a pitching duel between Cadreau and Comartin, with Cadreau having the edge although he allowed one more hit than his opponent. Fourteen Havre men swung thrice at the ozone, attempting to connect with the Chief's elusive offerings, while Comartin had only three strikeouts.

But for one bad inning, there would have been no question whatever, about the outcome of the game. In the fifth inning an error and three hits netted Havre four runs, putting them in the lead. Up until this inning they had only been able to connect safely for one bingle off Cadreau and after this almost fatal frame, they only got two hits and one run.

Glasgow was the first to score in Saturday's game, getting one tally in the opening round. After Havre had scored four runs in their half of the fifth Glasgow came right back and put two over the pan, when Jobst lifted one over the left field fence for a home run, scoring Movold ahead of him.

In the eighth inning Havre added another score and in their half of the same inning Glasgow did the same when Movold was hit by Comartin and Herstrom hit for two bases, scoring Movold.

With Havre one run ahead when Glasgow went to bat in the ninth, things looked rather dark, but before the inning was over two runs had come in and the game was over. In the exciting frame, Tappan, the first man up was out, White to Gallogly, Slette was sent in to bat for Grace and reached first on an error by White. A dispute arose over this decision but despite the protests of the Havre players, it was not changed. Cadreau was given a free ticket to first, and McCoy hit one in front of the plate, Slette being thrown out at third, McCoy getting safely to first on the play. Movold hit a hot one to Comartin, who failed to handle it, and also filled the bases. With two men out, and two strikes on Jobst, he cracked out a single to right field, scoring Cadreau and McCoy.

Two games were scheduled to be played between the teams on Sunday afternoon, but the Havre team left the field in the tenth inning of the first game, forfeiting to Glasgow and refused to go back to play the last one.

For seven innings both teams had

been hurling air tight ball. Benson pitched the best game of his career, unable to score both Benson and eer, getting nine strikeouts and allowing but five hits, while the locals got to Lefty Needham's shoots, and curves for ten safe bingles.

Although Glasgow had managed to get six safe hits in the first seven innings, and three of these in one inning, they were unable to score. Havre scored in the eighth inning when Herman singled, Gallogly doubled scoring Herman.

Glasgow almost scored in the same inning when with two down Herstrom reached first on Gallogly's error, Chouninard singled, Benson was purposely passed, filling the bases. Motz was put in to bat for Bretzke and hit to Ingersol who threw him out at first.

In the ninth inning Slette was put in to bat for Grace and fanned. Hurly connected safely, and reached third when McCoy singled. Movold struck out, but Jobst again came to the rescue with a hit, Hurly scoring and McCoy being called out at the plate when he was apparently safe.

In the tenth inning Herman struck out. Gallogly was given a pass to first and stole second. Comartin flied out to Movold, Harrington hit an easy grounder down the third base line and was hit on the elbow on the throw to first, Gallogly going home on the play. At this stage of the game the umpire instead of calling Harrington out at first for running out of the line, the umpire insisted on Gallogly going back to third. Although seemingly getting the best of the play as it was, Havre refused to continue the game and the umpire (Continued on page 6.)

LODGE ELECTS OFFICERS

Rebekah Delegates from Lodges in Second District Met Here.

Delegates from the Rebekah lodges in the second district comprising, Sheridan, Valley and Phillips counties were in the city Wednesday, attending the meetings here, called for the annual election of officers.

A meeting was held in the lodge rooms on Wednesday afternoon and it proved very interesting and instructive. It was very well attended, there being four delegates from Hinsdale, one from Malta, and two from Havre present, besides the large number of Glasgow Rebekahs. The Scooby delegation were unable to get here in time for the meeting but sent in their report.

The officers elected at the meeting were as follows:

President—Mrs. Rose Hoffman, Glasgow.
Vice-President—Mrs. Leah Blumenthal, Malta.
Secretary—Mrs. Powell, Glasgow.
Conductor—Mrs. Ballard, Hinsdale.
Chaplain—Miss Mabel Tucker, Malta.

Inside Guardian—Mrs. Emily Whitbread, Glasgow.

Outside Guardian—Mrs. Hulda Johnson, Glasgow.

When Mrs. Shoemaker, the retiring President turned over her office to the newly elected President, she was presented with a set of beautiful silver teaspoons, the presentation being made by Dr. Cora Pippenger.

At 5:30 the meeting adjourned until 7:30 when it was opened by the Hinsdale lodge. At the close of the business session in the evening, the Odd Fellows were invited in and the remainder of the evening was spent at cards and social games. A splendid banquet was served, for the Odd Fellows and the visiting delegates.

The delegates in attendance were: Mrs. W. Ballard, Mrs. Margaret Hanson, Mrs. Chas. Ashford and Miss Mary Schultz of Hinsdale; Mrs. Blumenthal of Malta, and Mrs. Kirkland and Mrs. Ruede of Havre.

MURDER RUMOR UNFOUNDED

Sheriff C. W. Powell received a hurry-up call from Nashua late Sunday afternoon, the report being that a murder had been committed near there, but upon investigation it was found that only an accident had occurred, Mrs. Herbert, the wife of a homesteader, living 16 miles northeast of Nashua having been shot in the thigh. Both Mr. and Mrs. Herbert declared the shooting was accidental. Mrs. Herbert was taken to the Deaconess Hospital and Herbert was kept in custody one day and then turned loose as Mrs. Herbert would not change her story that it was an accident.

RACING WILL BE FAIR FEATURE

Many Fine Strings of Horses Coming to Compete.

GOOD PURSES FOR WINNERS

With Big Event But a Month Away Horsemen are Getting Ready. Promises to be Best Ever.

The Valley County Fair racing program has been made up and it promises to be one that will give the patrons of the fair interesting and exciting entertainment during a good portion of each day.

There will be a big string of fast running horses from all parts of the state, also some from the Dakotas, here to show their speed. Already there are two strings being worked out on the track at the fair grounds, being put in the pink of condition. Then there will be an endurance relay race, a novelty race, pony race, as well as motorcycle and auto races each day. This offers enough variety of speed attractions to please every taste, for the farmer's horse will hold equal attention and privilege with that of the hot blooded jumper.

The purses will be of sufficient size to warrant the best efforts of every contestant, assuring those in attendance seeing a tussle in every event. The Fair Association will see to it that every race is run on its merits, thus preventing any disappointments. The list of purses will be published within a short time. Everyone who has a horse and wishes to enter any of the races should file application in the office of the secretary at once.

Following is the schedule of races:

Monday, September 6th— $\frac{1}{4}$ mile dash, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile dash, 3-4 mile, endurance relay race, motorcycle race, auto race.

Tuesday, September 7th—3-4 mile 3-8 mile and 5-8 mile dash; boys' $\frac{1}{4}$ mile dash, second heat of endurance relay race, motorcycle and automobile race.

Wednesday, September 8th— $\frac{1}{4}$ mile dash, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile and one mile Derby; Novelty race, last heat endurance relay race, motorcycle race, and automobile race.

FALSE CROP REPORTS

Discrediting Articles Appear in Northwest Farmstead.

(By S. C. Moore)

Following are two items given under the heading "Montana" and appearing in the Northwest Farmstead, giving a general resume of farming and crop conditions in the state:

Northwest Farmstead, July 31.

"Doubtful Crops in Valley"

"Weather has been cold and not enough rain to keep crops in good condition. Everybody is watching the crops with anxiety. Land values are at a standstill. Some dairying is being done in Glasgow."

Northwest Farmstead, August 7.

"Gophers Drawback in Glasgow"

"All small grains are a light crop in Valley County, owing to late frosts and dry weather. Some of the grain has been cut for hay. Hay of kinds is very light, but stock is in fair condition. Some land is being sold for \$2500 for 160 acres, but very little is changing hands. Gophers have destroyed corn and grain in the field. Many have been poisoned, but they are still numerous. Eggs are 20c per dozen, butter 30c per pound, wheat \$2.50 per 100 pounds."

The publishers of the above weekly who claim the farmer as their particular friend and in whose interests the weekly is printed has either grossly misrepresented facts intentionally, or been misinformed by unscrupulous parties, or else the editor of the particular department under which the item appears is extremely ignorant.

Apparently the daily newspapers never reach his desk or he is too busy compiling the reports for this column to permit of keeping posted as to actual conditions in the state which the item pretends to represent. If the reports of other counties and states, appearing in the same issues, miss the mark as far as they do regarding this locality as regards crop conditions it is to be regretted. Such misrepresentations of conditions are hurtful to any community and should be stopped. The management of a farm journal not keeping its columns free from untruths can only blame itself if

subscriptions fall off and interest in the issue cannot be maintained.

We, in Valley County are willing to stand before the world upon our reputation as a crop producing district, even under what is termed adverse conditions by other districts. Wheat, oats, alfalfa, corn, flax, barley and all farm products are produced in Valley County every year.

In 1914—a dry year for this section—good crops were harvested. Corn averaged 25 bushels to the acre, many farmers threshed 25 bushels of wheat to the acre, and other grains returned yields in proportion. The quality of Valley County products were good enough to carry off 16 premiums from the State Fair at Helena last fall.

The growing season of 1915 was backward and dry in March and April but May, June and July, have been anything but dry. The above report states that "Late frosts and dry weather will cause light crops in small grains." There were no late frosts, and the following statistics taken from the records of J. P. Sternhagen, U. S. Weather Observer at Glasgow, show the season has been anything but a dry one.

Total rainfall per month:
March17
April14
May 4.57
June 2.87
July 3.17
Total for five months.....10.92

We grant the season has been backward, that crops will be at least two weeks or more later in harvesting than in 1914. We do not admit a dry season as the cause, but a wet one. Rains have delayed ripening of small grains to the extent that threshing will run late into the fall and winter.

But, Oh such grain! Never were farmers more joyous or optimistic over prospects as Valley County farmers are to-day. They each and every one wear smiles of the brightest hue, their chests are expanded in just pride, anticipating the big yield of the harvest just beginning and predictions of 35 to 45 bushels of wheat per acre are common, 100 bushels of oats to the acre is expected, with barley, and flax in proportion. Alfalfa never grew more luxuriantly or yielded heavier than this year, the second crop of which is just being cut. Blue joint hay will yield a heavy crop and is just now being cut—later than usual—but with wonderfully large returns. Corn here, as in nearly every corn state, is backward, and why—not because of dry weather—there has been too much rain for a big yield yet Valley County will harvest a good corn crop.

And so we of Valley County take exceptions to such wrong reports as appear in the two issues of the weekly and most emphatically deny it. As to gophers—we have them, but they are fast being exterminated, and will be a forgotten pest soon. The damage done by them, except in isolated cases, is but of slightest consequence. A farmer who is a good one will get rid of them.

To the editor of the "Montana" column we turn thumbs down as Nero did of old. He is not worthy to continue in the responsible position he holds, and in slang phrases should "be canned." If it is impossible to at least have some knowledge of the general conditions existing in the state which his report covers, let him ask for information from the proper sources. With State and Federal reports published every week and month it isn't a very hard job to keep posted on the facts if one desires.

WILL SHOW "EASTLAND" FILMS

Glasgow people are to see the films of the Eastland disaster. Manager A. J. Bishell of the Orpheum Theatre yesterday arranged for the presentation of the films at the Orpheum on Friday evening, August 6th.

The films of this horrible boat tragedy have the distinction of being legitimate pictures of an awful story and probably are the first thing of the character yet shown on the screen. It happened that a moving picture operator was at the wharf for purpose of getting what were expected to be some very happy scenes as something like 7,000 excursionists loaded on to go for a day's sail on the lake and picnicking. His task was changed from one of pleasure to that of photographic recorder of the greatest inland water tragedy yet to occur.

COMMISSIONERS ISSUE BONDS

County Board Provides for Taking up of Warrants

WILL BENEFIT THE COUNTY

Financial Condition Will be Placed on Better Footing, Eliminating Discounting of Warrants.

For the purpose of placing the county's finances in a sound condition, and to remedy the discounting of warrants, the County Commissioners at their regular meeting Tuesday decided to bond the county in the amount of the registered warrants now outstanding.

As the county warrants are now being discounted five per cent, it works a hardship upon many of the people who pay out cold cash and are paid with these warrants that are discounted, entailing a loss to them.

As the financial condition of the county was none too good at the first of January, 1915, and there was no relief in sight, the discounting was unavoidable. By taking up the registered warrants in the Road, General and Bridge funds that are now drawing six per cent interest with the money received from the bonds, the finances will again be placed in a healthy condition.

The proposition of Mr. J. W. Hyer representing Keeler Bros., of Denver, was accepted by the commissioners to furnish the bonds at 5 1/2 per cent, payable in twenty years and redeemable after 15 years.

On deciding to take this course to better the financial condition of the county, the Commissioners adopted the following resolutions:

"Whereas, our Road, Bridge and General Funds were found to be in such condition on the first Monday in January, 1915, that our warrants were being discounted, a condition heretofore unknown in the history of Valley County, and as a result all persons having claims against Valley County are being unjustly used in that in many cases claims were actual cash has been paid out in incurring expenses have been paid in warrants that have been discounted, be it therefore

RESOLVED, That in order to remedy this state of affairs and take up registered warrants which were drawing six per cent interest, we, the Board of County Commissioners of Valley County, Montana, deem it to be the best interests of the taxpayers to issue funding bonds at a lower rate of interest than our warrants are drawing, and take up the outstanding warrants, and be it therefore

RESOLVED, That the proposition of Mr. J. W. Hyer, representing Keeler Bros. of Denver, Colo., to purchase from \$100,000 to \$135,000 funding bonds at 5 1/2 per cent, payable in twenty years and redeemable after 15 years as shown below be and the same is hereby accepted."

By selling these bonds, the debt of the county will not be increased, but will be merely changing the form of debt from warrants drawing 6 per cent to funding bonds at 5 1/2 per cent interest and will do away with the discounting of the warrants.

Several other matters also came up before the Board at this meeting. The appointment of H. H. Beebe as special deputy sheriff by C. W. Powell, without pay, was approved, and the board approved the action of the County Superintendent of Schools in transferring Sections 19, 20, 29, 30, 31, 32, Township 34 north, range 39 east, and sections 25, 26, 35, and 36, Township 34 north, range 38 east, from Districts 1 and 18 to School District 14.

Wednesday and Thursday the Board was kept busy on road matters, many persons interested in getting new roads or in protesting against petitions appearing before the Commissioners.

DECISIONS FAVOR SETTLERS

Two decisions that were rendered before Judge Bourquin in the Federal court a few days ago are of interest to settlers whose title to land may be affected by technical non-compliance with the law. In each of these cases it was brought by the government agents who alleged the entryman had not lived up to the requirements, but the testimony failed

to convince the court that the allegations were well founded.

One of the suits affected a homesteader who made final proof on a tract of land and who failed according to the government inspectors to make continuous residence upon the land. It developed that the entryman was unable to make a living from the land, and that he was compelled to go away and work for others, and Judge Bourquin held that under such conditions the entryman did not forfeit his right to the lands.

Judge Bourquin also cleared up a point in the homestead law regarding fencing. The court held that if an entryman swore his land was all fenced and the entryman used natural obstructions for some of his fence, he was justified in using the expression in making final proof.

In another case affecting a desert entry upon which final proof was made six years ago, the government bringing suit to cancel the patent for alleged failure to meet the requirements of the law, Judge Bourquin also gave a decision in favor of the settler. After reviewing the testimony, the court dismissed the suit with these remarks:

"An examination of the land and the ditch on the claim six years after the final proof on the claim had been made, when conditions could have radically changed and in fact did change, is no basis for a decree of cancellation of the patent for failure to irrigate the land, and that defendants testimony needs to establish that such a system was constructed prior to final proof."

RETURNS FROM CAMP

After Week Spent at Camp Greenan at Saco Local Company Returns.

After a most profitable week at Camp Greenan in Bjornberg Park, near Saco, Co. G, Second Infantry, National Guard of Montana broke camp Monday morning, and returned to their home stations. The officers and members of the company are anxiously awaiting the report on the encampment, as a favorable report from him will very probably mean the company going to the state fair in Helena in September.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday were spent in rifle practice and many good scores were made on the range. Out of sixteen men in the Saco detachment of the company, four of these qualified for sharpshooters, while four others qualified for marksmen. Private Wm. Long, scored highest, making 273; Sergeant J. M. Adams, the only Glasgow man qualifying for sharpshooter was second with 255; Private Dorris of Saco was third with 254, Private Crutchfield fourth with 253 and Private Shortridge fifth with 250. This shooting is remarkable in that it was the first time many of them had ever fired the Springfield rifles. Sergeants King, Woodley and Belzer and Privates Richardson and Hoffman qualified for marksmen.

Thursday forenoon the company was given a thorough course in extended work under the direction of Lieutenant Hoffman and the work done was satisfactory. In pitching the shelter or "pup" tents, the members of the company put them up in three minutes flat. In striking tents and rolling blankets it took the company just three and one half minutes. This excellent work was due to the instruction work given by Lieutenant Hoffman and Captain C. E. Ecker.

Thursday afternoon was spent on the rifle range and on Thursday evening close order drill was again given over and a marked improvement was noticeable.

Friday morning was given over entirely to the men of the company, who had made a total of 40 on all ranges the day before. These men were given an opportunity by Lieut. Hoffman of shooting for a record, with the results given above.

A military hop was given in the big open air pavilion Friday evening, and many people from Hinsdale, Beaverton and Saco attended. The dance was one of the best social affairs of the camp and was thoroughly enjoyed by the visitors and members of the company alike.

The target range erected for the encampment will remain a permanent fixture at the camp in order that the members of the Saco detachment may have a chance to get some rifle practice during the next two months. The members of the company are trying hard to make the rifle team that will go to Helena in September for the state shoot.