



PROGRAM FOR FARMERS PICNIC A SPLENDID ONE

GOOD TIME IN THE EVENING FOR FARMERS TOMORROW; PROGRAM INCLUDES PARADE, SPORTS, SPEAKING, BALL GAME AND DANCING

A splendid program has been prepared for the amusement of the farmers who will be in attendance at the big farmers' picnic tomorrow. The program will start with an automobile parade at 10 a. m. to the fair grounds, where the picnic will be held. Included in the forenoon events will be a tug of war between the north country and south country farmers. All of the sports on the program will be pulled off between 10 a. m. and 12 m., when lunch will be served. At 1 o'clock the speaking will start with J. N. Tittmore, national president of the American Society of Equity; J. M. Anderson, president of the Equity Co-Operative Exchange at St. Paul, and Wm. Burlingame, state president of the Montana Union of the American Society of Equity, as principal speakers.

A special feature of the day will be the baseball game between the Wolf Point and Glasgow teams. These teams are evenly matched and a good game is assured. The game is scheduled to start at 6 o'clock sharp. A big dance will be held in the Firemen's hall in the evening.

The program for the day is as follows: Begins at 10 a. m. with farmers' automobile parade.

Wheelbarrow race—First prize \$2, second \$1.

Girls' 50 yard race, 16 years and under—First \$1, second 50c.

Boys' 50 yard race, 16 years and under—First \$1, second 50c.

Sack race, free for all boys—First \$1, second 50c.

Pie eating contest for boys—First \$1, second 50c.

Tug of War, 10 men team, north country vs. south country—prize \$10. Lunch at 12 o'clock.

Speaking at 1 p. m. by speakers of national prominence.

Baseball at 6 p. m., Wolf Point vs. Glasgow.

Big dance at Firemen's Hall in the evening.

RAIN NEEDED IN STATE TO PRODUCE FAIR CROP

Rains in Some Sections Were Most Beneficial to Spring Wheat—Winter Wheat Hurt.

Helena, June 18.—While more rain is needed in Montana to produce normal crops of grain this season, reports from county agricultural agents in seventeen counties for the week ending June 14, received by Chas. D. Greenfield, commissioner of agriculture and publicity, indicate that during that week there were rains in different parts of the state which were most beneficial to spring wheat. There seems to be little question but that the winter wheat crop will be considerably below forecasts made early in the season, but recent rains give brighter prospect for late sown grain.

Reports as to range conditions are fairly favorable, and except in one county, livestock is reported to be in good shape. The reports from the different counties follow:

Sheridan county—Practically all seeding completed. More flax will be put in if good rain comes but now too dry to break. Crops beginning to show effects of dry weather. Winter rye is shooting. Crops still looking good.

Richland county—Weather favorable to crops, two light showers covering the greater portion of the county. Wheat looking better than it did last week. Pasture is still good on the range.

Prairie county—A few local showers but not enough to be of value. Winter wheat suffering from hot winds, heading out short. Spring wheat still holding its own. Corn crop not in danger of dry weather as yet. Flax looking well.

Rosebud county—Weather warm with a little rain Thursday. Winter wheat prospect about 50 per cent. Much winter rye is being cut for hay. Spring wheat still promising, fair crop if good rain comes.

Stillwater—Weather very dry greater part of week. Local showers on Thursday. Fall crops poor. Will have one-third crop if rain comes next

week. Spring crops poor stand, slow growth. Pasture short.

Lewis and Clark—Cloudy threatening weather first half of week with local showers. Late sown spring grain coming nicely where local showers fell.

Fergus—Several local showers brighten crop prospects. Winter rye generally being cut for hay.

Valley—Local showers with cooler weather cause grain to come out in good shape. Showers generally covered county. Hay crop will be short, but range conditions still good.

Choteau—Good rains have fallen, giving hope for late spring wheat. Late sown spring grain and flax have good prospects if rain continues. Hay will be short.

Missoula—Fall wheat in good condition but spring grain needs rain within ten days. Hay short but good quality.

Flathead—No rains, cool windy days. Severe frost in upper valley. Rain is badly needed. A fine winter wheat crop, but heading out short. Spring wheat looking good.

Phillips—General rains throughout county improved crop conditions considerably. Much grain being cut for feed.

Ravalli—Weather fairly cool. Light showers helped dry land grain a little. Irrigated grain doing well.

Dawson—Recent rains helped spring crops but more is needed. Grasshopper and cutworm damage in several communities. Hail also did damage in one locality.

Yellowstone—Hot dry weather still prevails. A few light, local showers of little value. Dry land winter wheat practically destroyed. Corn is at standstill but with later moisture will produce good crop.

Gallatin—Weather generally warm and dry with a few cloudy days. Dry land grain suffering noticeably. Winter wheat heading short. Irrigated crops doing well.

Hill—Spring crops greatly benefited by rains and now make rapid growth. Benefit temporary and more rain will be needed soon. Native grass very short. Winter wheat and rye poor. Livestock in poor condition. Heavy rains needed before crop can be assured.

SUPREME COURT UPHOLDS MONTANA TAX LAW

Validity of house bill No. 30, the taxation measure providing for the classification of property, passed by the recent legislature, was upheld by the Montana supreme court in an opinion handed down Wednesday. Associate Justice W. L. Holloway wrote the opinion, which was approved by Chief Justice Theodore Brantly. Associate Justice C. H. Cooper dissented.

Decision of the court was reached in a friendly suit instituted by David Hilger against W. A. Moore, treasurer of Lewis and Clark county, in which Mr. Hilger asked that the treasurer be ordered to accept payment of tax based upon the provision of the new law.

House bill No. 30 was enacted as a result of recommendations made by a commission composed of Charles R. Leonard of Butte, chairman, William Lindsay of Glendive and David Hilger of Lewistown, which had conducted a two-year investigation of taxation problems in Montana.

This law distributes all taxable property into seven distinct classes, the kind of property constituting the first six classes being specifically enumerated. The seventh class includes all property not included in the other classes. For the purposes of taxation the bill provides "a percentage of the true and full value, of the property of each class shall be taken." The percentage is 100 per cent in class 1, 20 per cent in class 2, 33 1-3 per cent in class 6 and 40 per cent in class 7.

JOHN PERSHING MILLER PASSES AWAY TUESDAY

John Pershing Miller, ten months old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Miller, residing at Glentana, passed away at the Deaconess hospital Tuesday morning. The little one had been ailing for some time, having contracted the Flu last fall, which left him in a very weakened condition.

The child was brought in to the

local hospital last week and everything possible was done in an effort to improve his condition but without avail. The burial took place in the local cemetery Wednesday morning. The sympathy of many friends is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Miller in their bereavement.

GRAIN RED CROSS HOLDS WELCOME CELEBRATION

The local chapter of the Grain Red Cross held a very successful homecoming celebration in honor of the returned soldiers from that community last Tuesday evening.

The service flag was dedicated with five gold stars and forty-two blue ones. Rev. F. E. Henry of Glasgow officiated at the exercises and Miss Rose Peterson delivered the welcome home address in a very able manner. Excellent music for the occasion was furnished by the Shamrock farm bureau orchestra.

Refreshments were served to about 400 people.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO GET GERMAN CANNON

A bill was introduced in the senate of the United States recently by Senator Walsh of this state asking that the secretary of war be authorized to donate to the Glasgow Chamber of Commerce one captured German cannon or field piece, same to be placed beside the memorial monument that will be erected here in honor of the soldiers who lost their lives in France.

UNLAWFUL TO KILL DEER IN COUNTY THIS YEAR

State Legislature Passed Law Against Killing Grouse, Prairie Chickens, Sage Hens or Deer.

An important change in the game laws of Montana which many people are not familiar with, is contained in a bill which was passed by the last session of the legislature. The provisions of the bill are as follows:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful to shoot, kill, capture or wound, or cause to be shot, killed, captured or wounded, within the county of Valley, county of Sheridan, or county of Roosevelt, Montana, before the first day of October, 1921, any grouse, prairie chicken, sage hen, fool hen, pheasant, partridge or deer.

Section 2. Any person who violates any of the provisions of this act shall be punished accordingly.

Section 3. All acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 4. This act shall be in full force and effect on and after its passage and approval.

SPLENDID RAIN LAST WEEK IN AVONDALE VICINITY

On Monday four prominent farmers of Grain were in the city and reported a fine rainfall in their vicinity last week. They were Frank Garbe, who was making final proof on his homestead, J. A. and S. W. Weber and Jacob Tween.

The Courier acknowledges a pleasant call, and while in conversation with them, they stated that the crop prospects about Grain and Avondale were good; that the last rain had soaked into the ground to a depth of five inches. However, they dwell upon the fact that the safest and most profitable thing for this country was diversified farming, one making the remark that he was milking five cows and his checks on the cream were from ten to twelve dollars a week. They are expecting to buy more stock in the near future.

WOLF POINT BALL TEAM DEFEATS LOCALS 5 TO 3

The local boys were defeated by Wolf Point last Sunday by a score of 5 to 3, the game being played on the Wolf Point diamond.

This makes the second game that the locals have lost this season, the score being the same both games.

Spaulding twirled for Glasgow and pitched a good steady game, but was not afforded very good support. The playing of both teams was fairly ragged.

The local boys are not discouraged as the result of their defeat and have taken hold of their practice work with renewed energy, being determined to even up the score when Wolf Point plays here tomorrow and Sunday.

HUT COLLAPSE KILLS NONE

Brest, June 18.—A check of the casualties caused by the collapse of the roof of the Knights of Columbus hut at Pontanezen Monday night shows the injured numbered only 40 and that there were no deaths. A number of American soldiers were buried in the debris.

2C POSTAGE EFFECTIVE JULY 1

Return to Old Rate Will Save Local People Hundreds Each Year.

STATE CAPITOL WILL SAVE \$10,000 YEARLY

It is Estimated that Total Reduction to All People of Montana by Reason of Change Will Run Into Tens of Thousands.

Hundreds of dollars will be saved the residents of Glasgow yearly as a result of the return to the 2 cent letter rate by the United States post-office department on July 1st.

Ten thousand dollars a year will be saved in the Montana state capitol's postage bills as a result of the change.

This gain to the taxpayers of \$10,000 does not take into consideration the great saving that will be made in the postage bills at the various state institutions throughout the state. Persons in a position to make a careful estimate believe that the saving in these institutions will equal the sum saved at the capitol.

Again, taxpayers are the principal correspondents of the state officers. They, of course, pay their own postage on messages to the capitol, and, consequently, reduction in mail charges will mean an added saving on state correspondence to the taxpayers directly of an amount equal to that saved at the state capitol and at the various state institutions—say \$40,000 a year for all.

These savings duplicated proportionately in every business house and institution in the state and nation, give the acute reader some idea of the difference in postage bills that will result from the return to the pre-war rate of 2 cents for letters and 1 cent for post cards.

IN JUSTICE COURT.

H. H. Spence, who had a hearing before Judge G. W. Rapp recently, was dismissed as the evidence against him was insufficient to justify the charge.

J. W. Ratzliff was tried on the charge of attempting to steal a colt and was found not guilty.

The case of John Racyo, who is being held on a grand larceny charge, was indefinitely postponed. Spence and Ratzliff are farmers living near Lustre, and Racyo has a stock ranch east of Avondale.

One of the county papers stated in a recent issue that Spence and Racyo were tried and bound over to the district court under \$1000 bail and were committed to the county jail, which was a mis-statement of facts.

LOCAL PASTOR LEAVES TO ENTER NEW FIELD

Rev. F. E. Henry, Pastor of Congregational Church, Appointed Superintendent Northern Dist.

The pastor of the Congregational church, Rev. F. E. Henry, announced to his people last Sunday that he had been appointed to succeed Superintendent C. K. Stockwell, recently deceased. He said that he had been urged to accept the position for some time but only lately had felt that he could accept.

This new work, the superintendency of the Congregational churches in northern Montana, will include about fifty churches and missions, extending from Plentywood to Missoula and beyond. It will require a change of residence to Great Falls, to which place Mr. Henry plans to move his family about the first of September.

He will continue his pastoral duties here through the summer as usual, in town and country, except during his four weeks vacation. The church plans to call a successor early in the fall.

Mr. Henry came to Montana six years ago following a nervous breakdown in one of Iowa's larger churches. Taking up a homestead near Plentywood, he preached in that place and in other missions. After four years, the stations numbered twenty with ten Sunday schools.

A two years' pastorate in Glasgow has seen a similar extension in the country, where a dozen school houses have been visited regularly through the summer months. The church in town has doubled in membership, debts of long standing and large in

the aggregate have been paid and the salary increased \$200, in spite of crop failures and removal of the railway shops and division.

Rev. Henry has made a large number of friends during his residence in Glasgow who, while sorry to see him leave here, will be pleased to learn of his promotion.

MRS. OSCAR P. HOVIND DIES IN WISCONSIN

Mrs. Oscar P. Hovind died in St. Joseph's hospital, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, on June 16th of acute peritonitis, the result of an operation for child birth. Mrs. Hovind gave birth to a daughter on the 12th day of June, 1919, and seemed to recover rapidly from the operation attending its birth, but passed away in perfect consciousness on the 16th. The baby girl is thriving and every indication points to robust health.

The funeral was held from Chetek, the parental home of Mrs. Hovind, and where they had been residing, Mr. Hovind assisting in the business of Mr. P. A. Poe, Mrs. Hovind's father. Mr. Hovind was planning on coming out to his homestead north of Nashua for some time, having made preliminary residence on the land in April and May and had returned to Wisconsin for his wife and baby. The funeral was very largely attended as Mrs. Hovind was a life-long resident of Chetek, Wisconsin, and many were the beautiful floral offerings sent by sorrowing relatives and friends.

Opal, as the intimate friends of hers in Glasgow knew her, was a lovable woman, devoted to her husband as he was to her, and the blow to the husband is sadly hard in this beginning of their married life. As residents of Glasgow, they were ever in the forefront of public endeavor both in church and social life, and there is no tribute too beautiful to womanhood and especially to Mrs. Hovind, that her life was sacrificed in giving birth to another, thus, the life of sacrifice was being the exemplification of the Christ life was fulfilled.

Very conspicuous and beautiful were the floral tributes sent to Chetek by the Lutheran Ladies' Aid, the Odd Fellows and Masonic lodges, all of Glasgow, as well as the individual floral tributes sent from Glasgow. Through the agency of the Glasgow papers, Mr. Hovind extends his profound regard for these beautiful remembrances sent from Glasgow, until such time when more personal recognition is made of these kindnesses.

ARMY PLANES TO GIVE EXHIBITION FLIGHT HERE

The officials of the air service are endeavoring to work out a plan to send five airplanes into cities of the northwest on a recruiting mission and according to tentative plans exhibition flights will be given at Glasgow, Havre and Glendive the latter part of July.

At the same time a high power plane will be sent on a transcontinental flight, making only one stop between New York and San Francisco, the stop to be made at Kansas City. The purpose of this trip is to make a flight equal in length to the flights recently made across the ocean.

On the return trip of this plane it will fly across the state of Montana.

MAKES NEW AIR RECORD FOR WOMEN FLYERS

Paris, June 13.—Announcement is widely known French aviatrix, driving the small biplane in which the late Jules Vedrine landed on the roof of a department store here last January, has reached an altitude of 15,700 feet. Reports of her flight have been checked by a commission appointed by the French aero club and she is given the record for height attained by women fliers. The level she reached is over a thousand feet higher than the best record made by Ruth Law, who has heretofore held the women's altitude title.

HAIL STORM BEATS DOWN 1100 ACRE FIELD OF WHEAT

Destruction by hail of 1100 acres of wheat near Hardin has been reported to E. C. Bowman, chairman of the state board of hail insurance, and he has gone to Hardin to make a personal appraisal of the damage.

This is the first loss reported to the board this year, and it presents the unusual feature of only one ranch being visited by the hail. It is also remarkable that the storm which destroyed this field brought rainfall which will aid in saving other plantings.

Hail insurance will be accepted by the state board only until June 20 under the new state law. The amount written this year has been curtailed by the dubious outlook for winter wheat in some sections, farmers not caring to spend money on insuring crops which were doubtful, Mr. Bowman says.

MURDER AND SUICIDE AT POPLAR SUNDAY

HARRY CAIN, WELL KNOWN MAN, KILLS HIS WIFE, THEN COMMITS SUICIDE WHILE IN A FIT OF DESPONDENCY

Deputy Sheriff Harry Cain of Roosevelt county and wife, both well known residents of Poplar, are dead as the result of pistol wounds inflicted by the former while in a fit of despondency last Sunday afternoon, both being shot through the temple, the latter dying about two hours afterwards and the former the next morning.

Coroner A. W. Gustafson was called to the scene of the terrible crime Monday forenoon and held an inquest over the remains, at which time but little light was shed on the tragedy or its causes. No one was present at the time the deed was committed and when discovered both were still alive, but remained unconscious to the end. Mrs. Cain was lying on the bed and apparently was unaware of any danger when the fatal shot was fired. Cain sat in a chair a short distance from the bed and when discovered his body was still in an upright position with the gun laying at his feet.

Both were well known and respected people and the terrible affair has spread a pall of gloom over the community in which they were so well known. Four children survive them, the oldest being about twelve.

WOLF POINT WILL CELEBRATE

Elsewhere in this issue appears the announcement that our neighboring town of Wolf Point will put on a big celebration on July 4th and 5th. They have very fittingly called this a Victory celebration and to commemorate the day will stage a Victory parade which will be followed by patriotic speaking and music. The day will be brim full of entertainment, consisting of athletic sports, a ball game, broncho busting, dancing, etc. For the convenience of out of town visitors a rest room will be provided. This celebration is under the auspices of the Wolf Point Commercial club, which has the reputation of being a live organization and will no doubt put on a good show.

FEDERAL BUILDING BILL MAY PASS THIS SESSION

Congressman Riddick Informs Secretary Jones that Every Effort Will Be Made.

Secretary Jones is in receipt of the following letter from Congressman Carl Riddick in which he states that he will put forth every effort to secure an appropriation for the erection of a federal building here this year:

House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., June 14.

L. E. Jones, Secretary Chamber of Commerce, Glasgow, Montana.

My dear Mr. Jones: Referring further to your letter concerning bill for federal building at Glasgow, permit me to advise you that I talked with colleagues today who are on the public buildings committee, and they informed me that an effort will be made to put through an omnibus building bill during the present session, in which case I shall leave nothing undone to secure appropriation for building at Glasgow. Many of the members of this committee are close personal friends of mine of long standing and will keep me fully informed as to what is necessary in order to get results. As the matter progresses and definite information is needed I will keep in touch with you and will appreciate the co-operation I am sure I will have from you and other public spirited citizens of Glasgow.

Cordially yours, CARL W. RIDDICK.

FREIGHT RATES MAY BE INCREASED SHORTLY

Washington, D. C. June 14.—There are reports at the capitol that Director General of Railroads Walter D. Hines is contemplating an immediate general increase in freight rates. These rumors place the figure at 15 per cent.

Legislative action in the house and senate, it is thought is responsible for the reports. The director general

has been placed in an embarrassing position.

The deficit from government operation to the end of the calendar year, when the roads will be returned to their owners, is estimated at \$1,200,000,000. Mr. Hines asked the house appropriation committee for this sum and was given \$900,000,000.

While the house committee was limiting Mr. Hines to about two-thirds the sum he sought the senate voted to restore its rate making power to the interstate commerce commission. There seems to be no doubt the house will pass this measure in due time.

Only one way is left to get the remaining \$450,000,000 which Mr. Hines says will be needed before the end of the year. Rates must be increased. It is not imagined that the interstate commerce commission would order an increase in rates without a thorough investigation of the subject. Such a study would require months and government operation would come to an end before any conclusions were reached.

For this reason, it is being suggested at the capitol Mr. Hines is likely to order an increase in rates before congress takes the power from him. In his speech before the senate on Wednesday Senator Kellogg of Minnesota pointed out that the railroads are in a bad way financially and that the increased cost in operation brought about since the government began operating the roads has come to stay, for the most part.

Turned back to their owners under pre-war conditions, Senator Kellogg predicted half of them would be in the hands of receivers within sixty days. The property involved he said would be \$200,000,000.

MILLION PEOPLE IN U. S. USE NARCOTIC DRUGS

Washington, June 13.—That nationwide use of narcotic drugs for other than legitimate medical purposes, is steadily increasing despite vigorous efforts in the enforcement of the federal law, was discovered by the treasury's special investigating committee which submitted a final report today.

The number of drug addicts in the United States was estimated to be in excess of 1,000,000.

The committee found that imports of opium into the United States have increased twice as fast as the growth in population. Imports of coca leaves from which cocaine is made have grown steadily.

Enough opium is consumed in the United States every year, the report stated, to give every man, woman and child thirty-six doses. A minimum estimate of the value of habit forming drugs used was given as \$20,000,000.

BILL INTRODUCED TO STOP BOMB OUTRAGES

Heavy Penalty Provided for Display of Red Flag at Any Meeting Place or Parade.

Washington, June 12.—As the result of bomb outrages menacing the government of the United States, Senator Harry New of Indiana has introduced a bill in the senate to deal with the "reds" with the utmost severity.

Under the bill it is provided that the display, exhibition or appearance of a red flag, red banner or red emblem, or a black flag, banner or red emblem at any meeting or parade, held for the purpose of political discussion is declared unlawful. The display of any such flag, banner, or emblem in connection with the American flag is also declared unlawful. The advocacy by speech or writing of the overthrow by violence or any other unlawful means of the representative form of government now secured to citizens of the United States by the constitutions of the United States and the several states is declared unlawful. Organizations having as their object the overthrow of the government by violent means is also declared unlawful. Any person convicted for violation of these provisions of the bill are under its provision to be fined \$5000 or imprisoned for five years or both.