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INTERESTING MEET AT BILLINGS JANUARY 8

NORTHERN MONTANA WILL BE WELL REPRESENTED AT THE SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MONTANA HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION TO BE HELD AT BILLINGS JANUARY 8TH AND 9TH—SPECIAL CAR FOR THE NORTHERN DELEGATES WILL LEAVE WOLF POINT JANUARY 6TH.

Northern Montana is preparing to send a good sized representation to the annual meeting of the Montana Highway Improvement association which will be held in Billings on January 8th and 9th. A special car will leave Wolf Point on January 6th and will pick up delegations from Mondak, Poplar, Wolf Point, Glasgow, Bowdoin, Malta, Harlem, Lohman and Chinook. It is possible that they will be joined at Havre by a bunch of good roads boosters representing the Rotary club or a good roads association from Hill county.

The following delegates from northern Montana have notified L. E. Jones, secretary of the Glasgow chamber of commerce and secretary-treasurer of the Northern Montana Development association, of their intention to attend:

Scott Hart, county surveyor of Roosevelt county.

O. T. Stennes, who will represent the Northeastern Montana Good Roads association.

R. E. Patch, Roosevelt county commissioner.

R. M. Connor of the Poplar commercial club.

O. M. Christenson and L. E. Jones of the local chamber of commerce.

S. J. Vaabinder, Bowdoin.

R. E. Richardson, Malta.

R. V. Bottomley of Harlem, who will represent the Northern Montana Development association.

W. R. Baird of the Harlem Development association.

F. B. Polly, representing Blaine county.

H. B. Brooks of the Chinook chamber of commerce.

C. R. Hauke of Chinook, representing the Milk River Valley Development association.

A. S. Lohman, representing Lohman and Blaine county.

It is understood that R. V. Bottomley of Harlem and O. T. Stennes of Wolf Point will represent northern Montana on the program. The programs were mailed from Billings and up to the time of going to press had not been received at the local chamber of commerce. It will be published in the Courier next week.

During the past year the Montana Highway Improvement association directly and through the large number of subsidiary organizations throughout the state have established a spirit of co-operation that will soon make good roads in every section of Montana a reality. The various members in the different localities of the state have exhibited every desire to further the aims of the organization and have worked in harmony to accomplish the one great purpose of the organization as a whole.

The Ten Commandments for good roads which was adopted by the Montana Highway Improvement association and Eastern Montana Good Roads association are interesting enough to be again reproduced:

1. Thou shalt have no other roads before thee except highways, broad, level and permanent.

2. Thou shalt not spend thy people's money in building highways until thou hast secured a deed and title to the right-of-way.

3. Thou shalt remember always that the shortest distance between two points is a straight line, and build thy highways accordingly.

4. Thou shalt not build culverts and bridges far above the grade of the roadway, for if thou doest, when the multitudes bump against them they will bemoan thy lack of intelligence, and curse thee.

5. Thou shalt not build roads of gravel and thus waste the substance of thy people. Road bond issues are not thy heritage only, but the heritage of future generations, and if thou waste it on temporary construction thine own children will rise up under the burden of debt and call thee stupid and without vision.

6. Thou shalt mark thy highways plain and often, so that the wayfarer thereon, though a fool, shall find his way.

7. Thou shalt not make the turns in thy highways a right angle turn, thereby endangering the lives of thy

people and wasting their tires and gasoline.

8. Thou shalt avoid the deadly railroad crossing in the construction of thy highways as a menace to thy people and their children.

9. Thou shalt give always support and sustenance to the good roads organizations of thy country, for they are thy benefactors.

10. Thou shalt vote always for road bond issues and cause thy neighbor to do likewise, for only by so doing can highways be built for thy use and comfort.

FIRST DANCE OF AMERICAN LEGION

January 14th is Date Set for First Dance of Local Legion Post.—Program Will be Interesting.

The first dance to be given by Valley Post No. 41 of the American Legion is scheduled for Wednesday, January 14, at the Firemen's hall. The ball is given for the public in general as well as for the ex-service men.

The committee in charge, which is composed of Chairman F. H. Gucker, Ted Hanson, Fred Weigel, B. A. Patton and Ben H. Johnson, met Monday evening and completed arrangements for the securing of the orchestra, decoration of the hall and the general publicity work. All ex-service men in this section of the county will be notified. Although definite plans have not yet been formulated, the program will be interesting.

The committee, in addition to their duties as floor managers on the night of the dance, will endeavor to increase the membership of the local post by personal solicitation. There are still a large number of available members in the vicinity of Glasgow who have not yet had the opportunity of affiliating with any post and it is hoped that a large number of them will attend the dance on the 14th.

All ex-service men are urged to attend in uniform.

CONSTITUTIONALITY OF ORDER NO. 4 INVESTIGATED

Order No. 4 issued by the Montana Trade Commission providing for cost tags on all merchandise sold to retail merchants is now before Federal Judge Bourquin. The merchants of the state secured a temporary injunction restraining the commission from putting its order into effect. The plaintiffs are now seeking a permanent injunction.

The regular term of federal court opens in Helena on January 5 and it is assumed that the decision will be forthcoming shortly after that time. Attorney M. S. Gunn, for the petitioners, said the law violates the 14th amendment to the constitution of the United States, and he held that no power lies in the states to fix prices on property or labor. The petitioners also pleaded that the law creating the trade commission and under which order No. 4 is issued has no requirement for uniformity of prices on merchandise but leaves prices to the will of the commission.

Mr. Gunn also said the proposed order would affect interstate commerce and hence would be invalid. The law also conflicts with the state anti-trust act, Mr. Gunn said, and furthermore, it violates federal acts forbidding search and seizure except under certain conditions.

TORVALD HAS SOLUTION FOR H. C. L. PROBLEM

Nashua, Mont., December 30, 1919
Hon Yosef Vetstone,
deputy gem varden,
Glasgo, Mont.

Dear Ser: Es ys ar da bes gem varden ve gat rown here ay taught ay wud tek op a little metter af in tres tu oil gude scandinavs en des part af da stat.

Acors, ve ar ben truble vid de hay coes af livving sem es ennyluddy else en looteefisk en solt harrang es ben goen op tu beet hal ever sence da var vas commenset, en anudder teng

ay ken tal yu det snoos hesen ben goen doun tu much tu. But acors yu heven ennyteng to du vit da snoos pruppengda.

Oll da farmmers op en dese pars hev oll ben gude leegers en hev wretten pust daited sheks yust es pust daited es ennybuddy else en es gatten tu be taim ve ar gatten sum teng fer ar haard ern monne.

Now mester Vetstone vat ay vud lake tu hev yu du es tu gat bessy on des looteefisk en solt harrang en see ef yu kent gat da guvermint tu fex et op saa ve ken hev a looteefisk en solt harrang hetchery sum vare en da Milk Rivver en dis vill du Moore gude es ennyteng dey cud du.

Jur fren
TORVALD KJEIL NITTEDAHL,
p. s. say mester Vetstone vy en hal es da texes saa hay en Nort Dakota.

NEW THEATRE OPENED.

The new Liberty theatre being erected in Wolf Point by Onstad and Severson opened its doors Monday night of this week. It is claimed to be one of the best picture show houses in this section of the state, and was constructed at a cost of over \$52,000.

The building is 50x140 with a 25-foot ceiling. The parquet floor is saucer shaped, which affords the best possible view from each of the 602 seats. There are 48 seats in the lodges in the rear making a total capacity of 650.

ATTORNEY MAY LOSE LICENSE.

John Francis Sullivan of Butte is named in a petition filed in the supreme court by C. E. Pew, as chairman of the state executive committee of the American Legion, in which the petitioners ask the court to appoint a commissioner to investigate charges against Sullivan made in a report of Silver Bow members of the legion and attached to the petition.

Sullivan took the bar examination some time ago and later when he appeared before the draft board, it is said, claimed exemption on the grounds that he was under age. Later his license to practice law was revoked.

Early this month Sullivan again took the bar examinations and was granted a license by the supreme court.

I. W. W.'s SENTENCED.

Twenty-seven members of the Industrial Workers of the World were found guilty by a federal jury at Kansas City, Kan., of conspiracy against the government, and within two hours afterward Judge John C. Pollock began to call up the convicted men for sentence. Taking each man separately Judge Pollock gave all an opportunity to make statements, and imposed the sentences, ranging from three and one-half to nine years in prison.

POISONED WHISKEY CAUSES DEATHS IN EAST

Wood Alcohol in Christmas Whiskey Causes Death and Blindness—Several Arrests Made.

As a result of drinking Christmas cheer alleged to contain wood alcohol, from 75 to 100 persons in Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York have either died or become totally blind.

Five men have so far been arrested by the internal revenue department in connection with the sale of the poisoned liquor and are being held on charges of homicide. It is understood that one of the biggest roundups of bootleggers and illicit liquor manufacturers ever made in this country is impending and no doubt a large number will find themselves in the toils of the law as a result. A liquor dealer, druggist and undertaker are so far involved.

The federal American societies of experimental biology which was in session shortly after the expose was made, will recommend that the sale of wood alcohol be controlled by the government.

The investigation discloses that over 20 barrels of the wood alcohol whiskey were shipped into Hartford, Connecticut, and evidence has been brought forth in several other cities which indicates that the operations of the gang were quite extensive. Even Chicago had its little death list. It is difficult to say just how many communities will be affected until the internal revenue department has had an opportunity of going over the entire situation thoroughly.

JUDGE RHOADES RESIGNS.

Hon. W. B. Rhoades, judge of the district court of the eighteenth judicial district with his home in Havre, late last night mailed his resignation to Gov. Stewart to take effect on February 1st. Judge Rhoades states he will move to Great Falls and enter the law firm composed of Ex-Governor Norris and George E. Hurd.

THE BIG FIVE IS ENJOINED

Meat Packers Must Confine Themselves to Meat and Provisions Business Only.

COMBINATION IS DISSOLVED

Must Dispose of Holdings in Steel Yards, Cold Storage Warehouse and Other Interests Not Related to Packing Business.

The government's anti-trust suit against the great meat packers, begun at President Wilson's direction last summer as part of the fight on the high cost of living, has been compromised under an agreement by which the packers will confine themselves hereafter to the meat and provision business.

An injunction decree by which the packers have acceded will be entered in the federal courts to make the agreement binding. Under its terms the "big five"—Swift, Armour, Morris, Wilson and Cudahy—have agreed: To sell under supervision of the United States district court, preferably to the livestock producers and the public, all holdings in public stockyards.

To sell, under the same supervision and in like manner, all their interests in stockyard railroads and terminals.

To sell, under the same supervision and in like manner, all their interests in market newspapers; dispose of their interest in public cold storage warehouses except as necessary for their own meat products.

To forever dis-associate themselves with the retail meat business.

To forever dis-associate themselves with all "unrelated lines," including wholesale groceries; fresh, canned, dried or salt fish; fresh, dried, evaporated or canned fruits; confectioneries, syrups, soda water fountain supplies, etc., molasses, honey, jams, jellies and preserves, ices, sauces, relishes, etc., coffee, tea, chocolate, cocoa, nuts, flour, sugar, rice and cereals, with an exception to be noted; bread, wafers, crackers, biscuits, spaghetti, vermicelli, macaroni, cigars, china, furniture, etc.

To forever abandon the use of branch houses, route cars and auto trucks, comprising their distribution system, for any other than their own meat and dairy products.

To perpetually submit to the jurisdiction of the United States district courts under an injunction forbidding all the defendants from direct or indirectly maintaining any combination or conspiracy with each other or any other person or persons or monopolizing or attempting to monopolize any food products in the United States, or indulge in any unfair practice. The decree further provided the jurisdiction is perpetually retained by the courts for the purpose of taking such other action, or adding at the foot of the decree such other relief, if any, that may become necessary or appropriate for the carrying out and enforcement of the decree.

Two years are given to comply with the decree, which affects 87 corporations and 48 individuals.

"In general," said Attorney General Palmer's official announcement, "this decree prevents the defendants from exercising any further control over the marketing of livestock. It forever prevents them from any control over the retailing of meat products. It eliminates them from the field of meat substitutes, with the exception of eggs, butter, poultry and cheese, which are left for future consideration and therefore the price of meat is within the control of the people themselves. It places the conduct of these great aggregations of capital immediately under the eye of the federal court with reference to their business practices.

"But, greater than all, it establishes the principle that no group of men, no matter how powerful, can ever attempt to control the food table of the American people or any one of the necessities or component parts of it.

"The department of justice, having in mind the necessities and interests of the people in this critical reconstruction period, feels that by insisting upon this surrender on the part of the packing interests it has accomplished more for the American people than could have been hoped for as the result of a long drawn out legal battle."

THREE MORE COUNTIES NEEDED TO REFER LAW

Three counties have as yet to file petitions to refer the preferential presidential and the new state primary laws to the voters at the next general election, according to the records in the office of Secretary of State C. T.

Stewart. The total signatures to these petitions, which have come in from 22 counties, to refer measures known as referendums numbers 15 and 16, are 16,949 for No. 15, which was passed by the special session as senate bill 32, and No. 16, senate bill 30, which has 16,817 signatures.

The law requires 15 per cent of the votes cast for governor at the last general election to refer a measure to the voters, from a majority of 26 of Montana's 51 counties.

The counties which have submitted petitions complete on both these measures are Blaine, Dawson, Fergus, Flathead, Glacier, Hill, McCone, Missoula, Musselshell, Phillips, Pondera, Ravalli, Richland, Roosevelt, Sanders, Sheridan, Teton, Toole, Treasure, Valley, Wheatland and Wibaux.

JAMIESON AND MURRAY WIN IN FEDERAL COURT

In the case of Xavier Servel vs. Jamieson and Murray of this city, which was tried in federal court at Great Falls the fore part of the week, the jury after being out nine minutes brought in a verdict for the defendants.

This is the fourth time this case has been tried, the last time being in September, at which trial the jury disagreed. The suit was brought some time ago by Servel charging the defendants with breach of contract.

FORT PECK INDIANS WILL FORM COMMERCIAL CLUB

Citizen Indians of Fort Peck Take Steps to Organize for Mutual Benefit.

Poplar, Dec. 31.—What is declared to be the first institution of its kind in the United States will be created in this city shortly when the citizen Indians of the Fort Peck reservation organize a commercial club, or chamber of commerce.

Prof. E. J. Peacore, principal of the Indian school here, Gus M. Hederich, Alvin Warrior and other leading Indians are back of the movement. There are between three and four hundred citizen Indians on this reservation and they will be organized into a body which will later affiliate with the state and national organizations of commercial clubs. It will be non-political and it is understood that it will address itself particularly to the work of irrigation and better farming methods. Hederich, one of the originators of the plan, leaves for Washington tomorrow morning where he will explain the proposition to the Indian administration and ask for its endorsement and at the same time suggest that if it works out here successfully that it be carried out on other reservations. Hederich is the Indian who attained wide publicity all over the west a few years ago through a bitter legal fight he waged to be made heir to a vast estate of a well known white man of North Dakota whom he claimed was his real father.

Other leaders in the movement, which is said to be one of the biggest attempted by Indians, are graduates of Carlisle and other Indian schools who are members of what is known as The Returned Students' Association.—Great Falls Tribune.

FIREMEN'S DANCE WAS BIG SUCCESS

New Years Ball Largely Attended—Novelty Dances Feature Evening's Entertainment.

Between 350 and 400 people attended the annual firemen's ball New Year's eve. A regular meeting of the firemen will be held next Tuesday evening at which time the reports of the various committees in charge of the dance will be read. Owing to the fact that those in charge of the ticket selling campaign have not yet been able to report the committee is not able to state just how financially successful the dance really was.

At any rate, it was a success from every other angle; the hall was beautifully decorated and the music was all that could be desired. The orchestra put on several special numbers that were much appreciated. The "bubble" dance is especially deserving of mention. While the orchestra was playing "I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles," the crowd of dancers were blowing the real rubber bubbles which had been distributed by the firemen a few minutes before. The various assortment of colors made a very pleasing sight in the dim light.

The dancing was dispensed with for a few minutes and during the recess Douglas Hall in a few well chosen remarks, thanked the patrons of the dance and introduced Major M. D. Hoyt. Major Hoyt told something of

A. W. MAHON RESIGNS AS STATE ENGINEER

GLASGOW OFFICIAL IN STATE HOUSE WHO HAS BEEN STATE ENGINEER AND MEMBER OF THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION SINCE MARCH, 1911, RESIGNS TO DEVOTE HIS TIME TO PERSONAL BUSINESS AFFAIRS—HAS PROVED A VERY POPULAR OFFICER—GOV. SPEAKS HIGHLY OF HIS WORK.

The history of the department and the various trials and tribulations they were necessarily made to experience, and the benefit they had proved to the town in securing an insurance rate which was fully twenty per cent lower than before the organization of the department. He completed his talk with a clever little story aimed principally at Sam Grossman.

Supper was served at Alosp's until a late hour, after which the dancers danced some more. It is the opinion of all who attended that that evening was a highly successful one.

ORGANIZE OIL COMPANY.

A new oil company known as the Midwest Oil & Refining company, has been organized at Mondak by Joe Walsh, well known railroad man of this city, J. C. Dwyer, formerly of this place, J. E. Redmond and Bert Milligan of Mondak. The new company is incorporated for \$50,000, of which \$400 has been subscribed.

Development of oil fields is given as the purpose of the new concern.—Bainville Tribune.

NORTHWEST UNIT FORMED.

The counties of Blaine, Choteau, Hill and Liberty will hold a meeting next Monday, January 5th, to establish a unit to co-operate with the Northern Montana Development association which was formed in Glasgow December 20th.

This will be the third unit in the association. The first unit was formed in Glasgow and the second will be formed at Poplar tomorrow.

S. J. SMALL DIES.

Samuel J. Small, a well known newspaper man of North Dakota, died last Saturday after a brief illness. For the past twelve years Mr. Small has been connected with newspaper and commercial club work in Judith Gap and Lewistown, this state.

FEDERAL HOSPITAL AT FORT HARRISON

Institution at Helena Conducted by Federal Health Service Will Treat Mental Diseases.

Helena, Dec. 31.—The hospital for the treatment of mental diseases which is being opened at Fort Harrison here by the United States health service is to be a permanent institution, with work in sight for it for the next 50 years at least, Dr. A. S. Pendleton, officer in charge, told the members of the Helena Rotary club today. The hospital, with 150 officers and attendants and employees, will care for 300 patients, men who have been incapacitated in the world war.

Going into detail on the plans for changing the fort into a hospital, Dr. Pendleton said that the two barracks buildings would be converted into the hospital proper, at an expense of \$75,000 up. He could not estimate the time of the opening of the institution, saying that it would be in operation as soon as possible. Twelve cars of supplies from the army have already arrived and a group of 50 are to be received.

There will be one nurse or attendant for every five patients and one occupational expert for every 20 cases. The hospital will positively not be an insane asylum, the doctor declared.

COOPER WINS CASE AGAINST GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY

The jury in the case of Ralph Cooper of Opheim against the Great Northern returned a verdict of \$5000 for the plaintiff. Cooper sued for \$15,000 damages for injuries received from falling timbers while at work on a bridge near Troy.

After the verdict was rendered, counsel for the railroad company made a motion to enter judgment for the defendant notwithstanding the verdict. An order staying the entry of the judgment until argument on motion could be heard was then made by the court.

Archie W. Mahon, state engineer and a member of the highway commission from Glasgow, has handed his resignation to Governor Stewart for both places. The resignation for the office of state engineer is to take effect on April 1 next. The resignation as highway commissioner is to take effect January 15. Mr. Mahon made his retirement from the highway commission take effect on January 15 in order that his successor might participate in the meeting of the commission on that date and familiarize himself with its affairs and consider the program for 1920.

Archie Mahon was first appointed state engineer by former Governor E. L. Norris in March, 1911. He was reappointed by Governor Stewart in March, 1915, and again in March, 1919. His term of office wouldn't have expired for three years. Mr. Mahon has served continuously since his first appointment. Governor Stewart has accepted the resignation, with the following remarks: "I regret very much to see Archie Mahon quit. He was highly efficient and dependable. The state loses a good and faithful officer."

Mr. Mahon's letter of resignation to Governor Stewart follows:

"December 31, 1919.

"Hon. S. V. Stewart, Governor of Montana, Helena, Montana.

"My Dear Governor: It is my earnest desire to devote my time to personal business affairs during the coming season and I have the honor to tender my resignation as state engineer, to take effect on April 1, 1920.

"As acceptance of either business proposition I have under consideration would rightfully bring up the question of residence in the district I represent on the state highway commission, I also tender my resignation as a member of that body to take effect January 15, 1920.

"My object in submitting these resignations at this time is to permit my successor on the highway commission to familiarize himself with its affairs and participate in the meeting of the commission to be held on January 15, to consider the program for 1920.

"Permit me to express to you my deep appreciation of the personal consideration and co-operation you have at all times accorded me and to extend to you my best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

"Very sincerely yours,

"A. W. MAHON."

ROYAL ARCH MASONS ELECT OFFICERS FOR YEAR

Glasgow chapter No. 17 R. A. M. held their annual election and installation of officers on Saturday evening. The following officers were selected to serve the chapter for the ensuing year:

D. S. Williams, high priest; Walt Baynham, king; Gordon Jamison, scribe; L. E. Jones, captain of host; D. E. Parsons, principal sojourner; Harry Hess, royal arch captain; C. W. Powell, master third veil; George Magruder, master second veil; George Alsop, master first veil; T. M. Patton, secretary; R. M. Young, treasurer; W. W. Hurd, tyler.

CANADA TO BE AIR POLICED.

The province of Alberta, Canada, has under advisement the establishment of an air service in the Rocky mountain region for the carrying on of government work such as policing, forestry patrol, surveying and photography. Figures have been arrived at which illustrate that work of this nature can be carried on economically.

A number of aerodromes are planned for the east slope of the Rockies and the territory covered will reach from the international boundary to Fort Vermilion.

INFLUENZA IN JAPAN.

News dispatches state that the influenza epidemic which caused so many fatalities in the United States and Europe a year ago this winter, has spread to Japan.

The medical authorities there are profiting by the experience of the nations who suffered from the plague a year ago and are taking every precaution possible.