

WONDERED WHERE SHE FOUND ALL THE WORDS

Husband and Wife Have Little Argument Which Nets City \$40.

There's one husband in Butte who shows his place at home. "You know the woman is bound to have the last word," J. D. Hargest said, explaining in police court a disturbance alleged to have been committed between him and his wife from Thursday afternoon until Friday morning.

SILVER BOW CLUB TO GREET INFANT YEAR

The usual New Year's reception and dance will be held this evening at the silver bow club. Dancing will start at 8 o'clock and will last until the wee hours of the morning.

JAMES R. EVANS IS BACK FROM THE CONGO

James R. Evans, a Butte boy and graduate of the School of Mines, is home after residing in the Belgian Congo for nearly three years. He brings back some interesting details about the war in the Congo.

DETAINED BY POLICE FOR INVESTIGATION

Two more men have been detained by the police for investigation of their war time conduct. Frank Peterlin was taken into custody by Patrolman J. Quigley to determine whether he has met draft requirements.

CAMPAIGN FOR BETTER CARE OF THE MILK

A campaign to educate housewives throughout Montana on better care of milk will be launched, says J. R. Ward, Butte veterinarian, who read a paper on "Sanitation and Care of Milk in Homes" at the annual meeting of the Montana Dairymen's association in Whitehall last week.

GROUND GLASS FOUND IN CANS OF TOMATOES

Warnings have been received here for people to watch out for ground glass in canned goods. It is reported that the dangerous stuff has been discovered in cans of tomatoes shipped to army posts.

GERMAN AGENTS UNDER SUSPICION IN BUTTE

German agents in Butte are suspected of interfering with the distribution of questionnaires. Many have been lost and it is said that secret service men are on the trail.

MISTAKEN FOR MEDICINE.

Mrs. Carl Mitchell of the Park block took iodine last night for cough medicine through error and was rushed to the emergency hospital in a serious condition.

ATTENTION, ALL EAGLES.

Social tonight. All Eagles and lady friends are invited to attend. Meeting 7:30. Social 9 p. m.

ACCIDENT UNAVOIDABLE.

The inquest on the bodies of Fred T. Greene and Miss Jessie Wharton was concluded late Saturday afternoon. The testimony showed that the accident was unavoidable and that the members of the Northern Pacific train crew were not to blame.

CLEANS THE BLOOD TONES THE NERVES

The gratifying results attending the faithful use of the new medicinal combination, Hood's Sarsaparilla, before eating and Peptin after eating, are seen in purer blood, stronger nerves, improved condition of the whole system.

REOPENING OF DISTRICT DISCUSSED BY COUNCIL

Conditions in City Said to Be Bad From a Moral Standpoint.

Reopening of the Butte segregated district was discussed at the city council meeting Saturday night by Alderman Charles Swanson, who stated that he believed such action to be the only solution of the vice situation. His appeal followed a report by Alderman Steven Fletcher of numerous complaints from throughout the city that conditions on the street at night were very bad from the moral standpoint.

Use of the auditorium in the public library was granted to the Butte chapter of the Red Cross on resolution by Alderman P. T. Mahoney. A petition was presented by H. A. Galway, chapter chairman, saying present quarters in the Hennessy building were too small for the growing work.

COMPLETE REDECORATION OF EMERGENCY HOSPITAL

Painters have completed redecoration of the emergency hospital in the city hall and started renovating and repainting the health office. A coat of white enamel is being applied and under direction of Dr. W. C. Matthews additional equipment is being added to the laboratory.

Results of bacteria tests on milk from dairies supplying Butte will be made hereafter, Dr. Matthews announced. Only butter fat and solids figures have been given.

APPOINTED TO ATTEND THE AVIATION SCHOOL

Bernard B. Robinson, Butte high school graduate and formerly employed as painter for the Butte Electric Railway company, has been appointed to attend the officers' aviation school to seek a commission. He will report soon at the University of Texas for training.

Mr. Robinson enlisted Aug. 1 in the marine corps and later obtained appointment to enter the third reserve officers' training camp of the army with the Leland Stanford university unit. He decided to try for the aviation commission, however.

WANTS CONGRESS MEMBERS TAXED

Prior to enlistment with the marines Mr. Robinson was a junior in the California university.



F. J. GARRETT

Representative Finis J. Garrett of Tennessee is out for the repeal of the provision of the war tax law exempting the salaries of congressmen. Garrett thinks it is in extremely bad taste for the lawmakers to vote themselves a privileged class.

W. E. REYNOLDS IS BACK FROM THE EAST

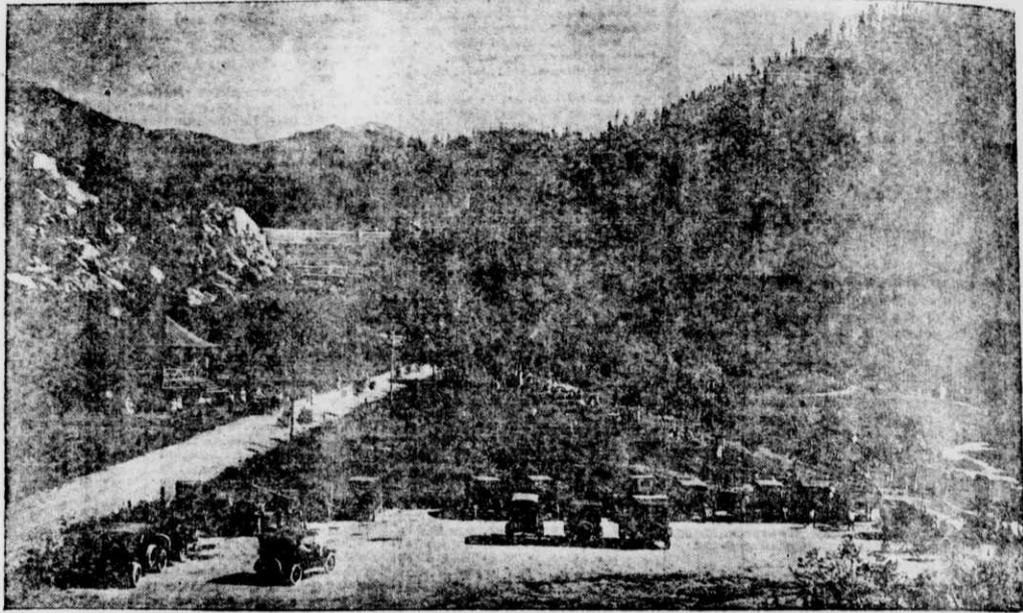
W. E. Reynolds of the firm of Reynolds and McDowell has returned from a trip east, where he was successful in floating a proposition to finance the Polar mine, near Dillon. Mr. Reynolds reports that Lieutenant Governor McDowell, who is at present in the east, will go to Washington Jan. 3 for the purpose of promoting the bill for the relief of homesteaders who have not made title to their lands.

HOLIDAY RATES

The R. A. & P. railway will run special trains New Year's eve and New Year's night, leaving Anaconda 8:35 p. m., 8 p. m. and 11 p. m. Returning, leave Butte 7:45 p. m., 9:45 p. m. and 12:05 a. m.—Adv.

HER TURN. "Are you going to the whist club this afternoon?" "No, it's my turn to stay away and be talked about."

BUTTE'S WATER SUPPLY IS UNEXCELLED



Butte Water Company's Basin Creek Reservoir and Basin Creek Park (Just Below.)

Mahomet commanded the mountain to come to him. When the mountain showed a disinclination to move at his word, Mahomet showed his wonderful power by commanding the mountain to remain where it was until he went to it. And they thought Mahomet was wonderful.

The Butte Water Company didn't go to the trouble to make any commands. They went to the mountains first, and then commanded the mountains to send to Butte their choicest streams, their purest waters, their best stocks of aqua pura merchandise. And the mountains obeyed, with the help of a few engineers and workmen.

It doesn't appear such a wonderful accomplishment to the water faucet opener of the Mining City. He simply stands in front of the water faucet, waves a cup and declares he's either from Oregon, Washington or Kansas. Lo and behold, the turning of the faucet handle brings into his cup a portion of the Highlands—cool, clean and clear. It's so simple. He doesn't think of the miles of water mains, the huge reservoirs, the monstrous dams, the purring power plants and the small army of humans who all jump to his service as he turns an inanimate faucet.

A number of years ago, when a water company began to creep from the incubated shell of progress and civilization in Butte, it was simply a question of drinking the water of nearby Silver Bow creek or going into the mountains after water. You've seen Silver Bow creek? Well, the company backers saw it too, and they started for the mountains. They began the collection of choice waters of the range much as a careful botanist obtains floral specimens, analyzing, testing, classifying each one separately. They dammed the Big Hole river above Divide and they stopped the waters of Basin creek behind a huge concrete dam.

The water supply of Butte is in no need of a public health survey. Few cities of America drink waters from a source as high as that where Butte's supply originates. Eight thousand feet above sea level, where snows cling to protected ravines the year round and where cold winds sweep when Butte is sweltering in the heat, the rivulets creep from the snow banks and become brooks, and brooks creep downward through the purifying beds of fern and moss until they become creeks, and the creeks flow into the huge lakes back of dams. From snow bank to reservoir there is never a possibility of contamination, the streams flowing between protected and pine clad banks and past no human habitation.

And of this sort of water there is plenty. There are the two Basin creek reservoirs with a capacity of 345,000,000 and 60,000,000 gallons respectively, the South Fork reservoir with a capacity of 13,500,000 gallons, the West Side reservoir with a capacity of 14,000,000 gallons, the Moulton reservoir with a

capacity of 260,000,000 gallons and a High Service reservoir back of Walkerville with a capacity of 3,000,000 gallons. Combined into a total it sounds like a congressional war appropriation and it represents the stock in trade of the Butte Water company.

The original water company of the city, named the Silver Bow Water company, was organized and owned by W. J. Clark, H. L. Frank and others. It was sold in 1891 to the City Water company and again the same year changed to the Butte Water company. In this year the system was rebuilt and the Basin creek supply was developed. Early the next year the Big Hole extension was added to the company's holdings and the Moulton supply was purchased from the Moulton Mining company. The Moulton supply was developed in 1907. The property is now under the management of Eugene Carroll, vice president. Mr. Carroll was the engineer who planned and devised the system in Butte, and his work has been the source of praise from some of the most prominent engineers of America.

The company's motto of cleanliness has made the reservoir sites pleasure places for Butte people. At the reservoirs the company has done some wonderful landscape gardening and the walks and roads near these places are models for the country. The lawns are set with beds of flowers and shrubs, trees. The power plants and other buildings are brick, substantial and clean. In the power plants and pumping stations the company has avoided refuse and dirt with the earnestness of a Quaker avoiding sin. "Cleanliness," it is said, is the code word of the company. All waters are sterilized in the reservoirs and recently the company began to install a mammoth sterilizing plant at the Big Hole station.

Some of the wonderful record of the Butte fire department is owed to the efficiency of the water system. Not long ago the fire department in a test carried simultaneously in three parts of the city, threw three two-inch streams of water to a height of more than seven stories. This would make it possible to effectively fight fire in three parts of the city at one time, using three heavy streams in each place strong enough to carry to Butte's higher buildings. This is equal to the capacity of ten steam fire engines. The water system is arranged so that the power of the higher reservoirs may be coupled any time with that of the lower ones, insuring a double supply. During the Symons store fire in 1905 there were 15 streams of water working at the same time, and since that year the water company has increased the capacity of efficiency of its plant.

The policy of the Butte Water company has been liberal at all times. When the United States and Germany were declared at war and the United States began urging its citizens to cultivate "back-yard gardens," the water company at once offered free water for use on the gardens. Manager Eugene Carroll has at all times offered the use of the company and its employees to the government for any kind of use, and himself has been a leader in patriotic movements of Butte and Silver Bow county.