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HELLO CENTRAL

The Montana Star Telephone Co. Now a Producing Line. Tuesday's Meeting.

Part of the Stockholders of the Montana Star Telephone Company held a meeting in Stephens Hall Tuesday afternoon, but not enough stock was represented, either by actual holders or by proxy, to do business, so the meeting was adjourned subject to call by President I. L. Brooks.

As directors are to be elected for the ensuing year and reports of officers are to be made and other important matters to come before the stockholders' meeting, the next meeting should have a full representation. It takes 101 shares present or represented by written proxy to make a quorum to transact business, and owing to the fact that the stockholders and directors from Poplar and Wolf Point were not represented, the meeting lacked a few shares of the requisite number. If any of the Stockholders cannot attend the next meeting they should send a written or signed proxy by some member who can attend with instruction as to voting, etc.

The line to date is completed from Culbertson to within a short distance of Redstone, with pay stations at Homestead, Medicine Lake, Plentywood and perhaps other points, and has connection with the local exchange of the Great Northern Telephone Co. at Culbertson thus enabling Culbertson people to telephone to any of these pay stations. The income from the line for the month of December, 1908, was approximately \$50.00, which will of course be increased rapidly as the patrons get used to using the line.

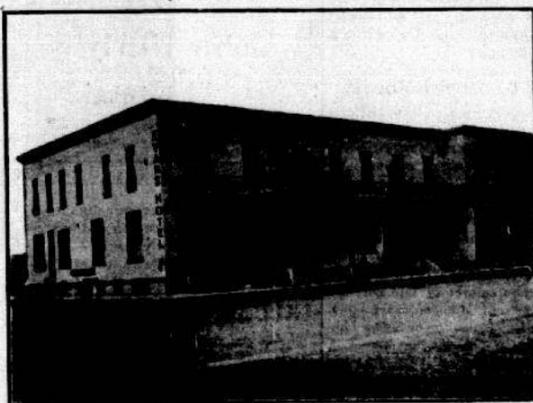
A crew of ten men are still working at the Redstone end of the line, though the cold weather of the past two weeks has caused them to stop work more or less. However the line will be completed to Redstone as quickly as possible, and it is thought that two weeks of fair weather would see it finished.

In an informal discussion by the stockholders present at the meeting Tuesday it was thought advisable to put in an exchange at Culbertson and connect with the business houses and residences here so that a much larger income can be secured for the line. Most of the business houses and a number of residents have already signed an agreement to put in the phones as soon as the Culbertson exchange is established.

The Montana Star line so far as completed is one of the best in the country, the poles and wire used being of the best and the other equipment being up to date and first class in every respect. The line is costing somewhat more than was estimated at first, but the income of the line when complete will be amply sufficient for a good return on the money invested. The officers and directors have done yeoman service in getting the line completed as far as they have and deserve great credit. Expenses have been kept down as much as possible and all the work on the line has been well done so that the cost of maintenance and repair will be small in the future and the net income will be greater than for a line poorly constructed.

County Officers.

Monday morning, Jan. 4, the old and new county officers entered upon their 1909-10 term of office, and only three changes took place this year in the entire court house force. J. T. Farris, of Hinsdale, took his seat at this time as a member of the board of county commissioners in the place of R. L. Cornwell; Miss Lillian D. Harris was duly installed in her new position as county superintendent of schools in the place of Mrs. Faye Goettel, and Attorney Thomas Dignan has taken up the duties of his office as county attorney to fill the position that has been so credibly conducted the past two years by Attorney J. L. Slattery. W. B. Shoemaker, as clerk and recorder, C. C. Beede, clerk of the district court, Lyman Barnes, county treasurer, S. C. Small, sheriff, James Fox, county assessor, W. H. Mann, county surveyor, Andrew Davidson, of Malta, and Win McBride, of Culbertson, as commissioners, all held over from last term and merely settled themselves into their work for the coming two years with a look and feeling of contentment that denoted complete satisfaction with their surroundings. Last, but not the least in importance, is Julius Listoe, who has proven himself one of the best janitors the court house has ever had, and he, of course, has been retained in his position for the coming year. -Valley County News



THE EVANS HOTEL, C. S. STAFFORD, PROPRIETOR.

The new Evans-Hotel was opened to the public on the first day of October, 1908, and was a success from the start. It is steam heated and has its own gas light plant and is modern in every respect throughout. It was built of white pressed brick and is ventilated by the most improved methods. The hotel cost \$35,000 and the furnishings about \$10,000. It gives the best accommodations to the traveling public of any hotel this side of Minot, N. D.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS

Entertain the Woodmen boys Tuesday evening; Installation of Officers.

The Royal Neighbors royally entertained the Woodmen boys Tuesday evening at the Masonic Hall with delicious eatables and interesting speeches.

The first on the program however was the business of the meeting, the installation of officers, the ladies electing theirs as follows:

Royal Neighbors: Past Oracle, Miss Lily Dale; Oracle, Miss Ebel Singleton; Vice Oracle, Mrs. J. E. Bewick; Receiver, Mrs. Geo. Bain; Recorder, Mrs. G. H. Coulter; Chancellor, Mrs. Lena Ford; Marshal, Miss Clara Larson; Inner Sentinel, Rose Freeman; Outer Sentinel, Mrs. J. H. Brenna; Manager, Mrs. Bert Bowers. The Woodmen boys followed: Woodman officers: Past Council, Geo. Runnels; Venerable Council, J. E. Bewick; Worthy Advisor, R. C. Stanfield; Clerk, G. H. Coulter; Banker, David Watson; Escort, Jas. Forsyth; Watchman, John Simpson; Sentinel, Wm. Stahl; Manager, John Sandvig; Camp Physician, Dr. Johnson.

Speeches were then in order and there were many responses in which the boys thanked their kind Neighbors for the very pleasant evening they were spending in their midst and now and then a comical story was told producing much merriment, the ladies contributing largely to the amusement of the evening. They were now reminded of a hungry feeling not being noticed before and were all ushered into the capacious dining hall where the good things spread before them quickly disappeared.

After all had had their appetites appeased they once more congregated in the main apartment and a number of amusements were soon in progress. It was a late hour when at last order was called and all were dismissed and allowed to go home and to dream of more such pleasant evenings in the near future.

The Pure Food Law.

Secretary Wilson says: "One of the objects of the law is to inform the consumer of the presence of certain harmful drugs in medicine." The law requires that the amount of chloroform, opium, morphine, and other habit forming drugs be stated on the label of each bottle. The manufacturers of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy have always claimed that their remedy did not contain any of these drugs, and the truth of this claim is now fully proven, as no mention of them is made on the label. This remedy is not only one of the safest, but one of the best in use for coughs and colds. Its value has been proven beyond question during the many years it has been in general use. For sale by Valley Drug Co.

The Royal Neighbors Lodge meets the first and third Wednesday evenings in each month at Masonic Hall in the S. S. Moen block. Mrs. G. H. Coulter, Sec. if

Furnished coats \$20.00 up to \$100.00 at The Big Store.

Bulletin on Dry Farming About to Appear.

Bulletin 74 of the Montana Experiment Station under title of "Dry Farming Investigation in Montana" is now in the printer's hand and will be ready for distribution in the very near future. This bulletin contains the results of all dry farming experiments conducted so far in the dry farming sub-station in the State. The authors are Alfred Atkinson, Agronomist and J. B. Nelson, Superintendent of dry farming sub-stations.

On the first page of the bulletin is a statement of the six conclusions drawn from a study of the data contained. In brief these conclusions are:

1. That the dry lands of Montana may be made to pay profitable returns when properly handled.
2. That Fall sown crops yield better than Spring sown ones and that Turkey Red Fall wheat gave the highest yield of all crops tested.
3. That light seeding, from 3 to 5 pecks per acre is better than heavier seeding in the case of the grain crops.
4. That planting grain each alternate year with a properly tilled fallow between brings greater total returns than growing grain every year.
5. That it pays to keep a summer fallow tilled properly to prevent weed growth and maintain a moisture conserving mulch.

The discussions presented covers the yields harvested at the Sub-stations in the different parts of the State; the relative yields of different grains tested and other points of interest along dry farming lines. Every dry farmer should write to the Experiment Station at Bozeman and get a copy.

Plentywood Items.

From the Herald, Jan. 8, 1909.

Robert Chapman made final proof on his homestead last Monday.

The telephone crew will move to Redstone as soon as the weather condition will permit.

Herl Casper and Blanchard Dreyden have gone to Glasgow to get their citizenship papers.

Peter Marron has returned from a holiday visit with his folks at Culbertson.

A brand new baby daughter has made its appearance at the home of John Williams. Mother and child are getting on nicely.

The school trustees met yesterday and decided to move the old school house, near Fala's place, to town and use until the new building which is to be 22 by 48 feet, can be completed.

W. R. Jarvis who is just back from Culbertson, informs us that he met the superintendent of the G. N. surveying crew at Medicine Lake and that they expect to be here in the future if the weather permits.

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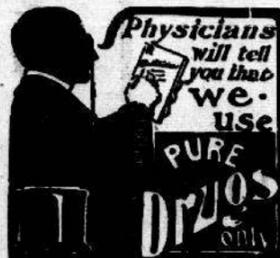
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