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The First National Bank of Culbertson

A BIG SURPRISE

Valley County is a Revelation to the Business Men of St Paul.

The St. Paul Jobbers and Manufacturers Association arrived here in a body on their special of nine Pullman coaches at 9 o'clock last Thursday evening and spent about an hour looking over the town. They all declared that Culbertson presented the appearance of about the liveliest and most up-to-date city of its size that they had visited on their trip through Dakota, Minnesota and the Treasure State, and that it undoubtedly had a bright future.

Paul N Meyers, vice president of the wholesale paper house of Wright, Barrett & Stillwell Co., called at the Searchlight office and in the course of conversation said: "Our firm has a large and growing business in Montana and we thought we knew something about the development of the country, but this visit has certainly been a pleasant surprise to us, as the development has far exceeded our expectations. The fact that Culbertson has four large grain elevators and so many enterprising and prosperous business men shows something of what the future will bring when the farmers now settled here have had time to properly cultivate their holdings."

"Many of us have been frequent visitors in Montana and we believed that we were fairly well acquainted with the progress which has been made in its development in the past year or two," said Kenneth Clark, president of the Merchants National bank of St. Paul, to K. O. Slette of the First National Bank of Culbertson.

"This trip has opened our eyes. Rapidly as we believed the state has gone forward, its actual development has been infinitely greater, and judged by the strides which have been made in the past two years, during the next five years the state's population will be easily trebled; its natural resources will be developed and exploited; manufacturing will follow to take care of the growing trade and instead of being known in a vague way as a large state where there are big mines and stock ranches, its true character will be realized as one of the most favorable commonwealths in the union. Montana today is one of the most prosperous states in the country and this prosperity is founded upon the upon the most substantial basis—agriculture. Say what you will, the agricultural states are the most favored and there the greatest possibilities lie. But in addition, Montana has mineral, coal and water power; raw products, if you please, and the means with which to turn them into the market in their finished states. I know of no other place where the future is so brilliant as right here in this state."

"What is the feature of our trip through Montana which has impressed us most?" queried George W. Koehler, senior member of the firm of Koehler and Hinrichs, importers, wholesale dealers and manufacturers of fancy groceries, and butchers' and packers' supplies, hotel and restaurant supplies, and other departments. "Astonishment at our ignorance of what has been done and is still being done by you Montanians," he continued. "We had an idea that stockraising and mining were your chief industries, but every place we have been so far, with the exception of Butte, we have found the small farmer and fruit grower dominating the situation. The home of the settler is on almost every quarter section, and many signs of

prosperity are patent to the eye. Almost overnight, it seems to us, Montana has forged ahead and taken its place in the agriculture sisterhood.

"This is truly a marvelous state. Fruit in the western Montana, mining in the central part and agriculture wealth in the eastern, with water power and other things necessary for industrial development, thrown in for good measure. Its future possibilities can be foretold by no one, they are too immense. For the manufacturer who wants to get a foothold and build up a big business, and for the settler, I know of no better place to go to than Montana."

G. W. Tanner, J. Z. Bruegger, I. L. Brooks, C. L. Folkestad, Dr. H. D. Edmonds, A. W. Huxsol, K. O. Slette, Verne Bostwick, the two Culbertson editors and other business men of the city, each held receptions in their respective places of business and received the callers who were specially interested in his line of business. The big fellows from St. Paul all regretted the fact that a longer stay and a daylight visit to the town was impossible. As it was they doubled the time allotted in the program for Culbertson.

The St. Paul Jobbers had their own special band with them and their music filled the air. One of the musicians found an old friend J. F. Kehoe of the Phonix Cafe, and the two men had a pleasant visit.

The big special pulled out about 10 o'clock and did not make another stop until they reached Devils Lake.

BUMPER CROPS

The Outlook in Eastern Montana Was Never So Rosy for Bumper Crops.

The new settlers as well as the old ones in the vicinity of Culbertson, Homestead, Medicine Lake, Dagmar and Redstone are all jubilant over the outlook for big crops of grain this summer, and the probability is that it will tax the four big elevators in Culbertson to their fullest capacity to take care of it.

A trip through the country north and east of Culbertson is a revelation to the eastern man who comes to Montana expecting to see the farmers engaged in "dry" farming. We have had lovely rains on an average every other day for the past three weeks, with intervals of hot weather and sunshine, which makes an ideal condition for the growing of crops.

Thousands of acres of crop were seeded on new breaking in eastern Valley County this spring, and the owners of the claims are all wearing smiles that won't come off.

Another condition new to Culbertson has been made evident on the last few weeks. Many of the new settlers brought blooded cows from the east and are bringing hundreds of pounds of the finest kind of separator butter to town, which our merchants are taxed greatly to take care of. This is the finest time in the history of Culbertson that our merchants have more than enough butter and eggs to supply the local demand, and are now obliged to ship these products to other points.

All this tends to show that Valley County is fast developing into a country of diversified farming. The old time rancher and the picturesque cowboy will soon be relics of the past.

With the harvesting of the crops this year, of present indications are fulfilled, every new settler will have a bunch of money to invest in a new house, a new barn, or some other needed improvement to his homestead.

While Culbertson has enjoyed a full measure of prosperity in the past seven years since the Searchlight was started, the prospect for the future indicates that the measure will now bubble over to such an extent that no individual in this favored community need feel the pinch of poverty.

Boy's Life Saved.

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BASE BALL

Culbertson Wins From Ray, N. D. Score 2 to 0 at that Place Sunday.

Last Sunday the Culbertson Base Ball Team went to Ray, N. D. and defeated them by a score of 2 to 0. Ray team, composed of nearly all salaried ball players, is one of the fastest teams in the State, having defeated Minot, Williston, Stanley and Tagus.

The Culbertson people may well be proud of their ball team as it is composed entirely of home boys who play for the love of the national game. Not a player receives remuneration for his services and willingly donates his time and ability which surely merits the support of the town and vicinity.

The game was fast from the start being a shut out until the 8th inning when Culbertson scored two runs on two hits and a passed ball.

The Culbertson battery, Slette and McCormick, played an excellent game, Slette allowing only three hits. His control was perfect and he had oceans of speed left when the game was over.

The entire team played almost errorless ball and landed on Lefty Doran for several safe ones.

Culbertson		Ray	
Slette	pitcher	Doran	catcher
McCormick	catcher	Finks	1st base
D. Edmonds	1st base	Gaylord	2d base
Dean	2d base	Johnson	3d base
R. Edmonds	3d base	Reth	short stop
Albright	short stop	Thompson	left field
Sively	left field	Berg	center field
Bostwick	center field	Fosse	right field
Catlin	right field	Riffe	

Hits off Slette 3, off Doran 6. Base on balls off Slette 1, off Doran 8. Struck out by Slette 12, by Doran 8. Hit by pitched ball by Doran 1.

Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Culbertson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Ray	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First National Bank, at Culbertson in the State of Montana, at the close of business June 23, 1909.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$113,837.36
Overdrafts, secured & unsecured	934.59
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	6,500.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	273.50
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	17,913.91
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	2,422.09
Due from State Banks & Bankers	9,868.61
Due from approved reserve agents	5,455.78
Checks and other Cash Items	795.96
Notes of other National Banks	200.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	47.60
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, viz: Specie	7,677.40
Legal tender notes	170.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of cir)	325.00
Total	\$176,420.81

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Surplus fund	2,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	281.42
National Bank notes outstanding	6,500.00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$3,993.65
Demand certificates of deposit	599.92
Time certificates of deposit	45,573.47
Cashier's Checks outstanding	2,562.35
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed	10,000.00
Total	\$176,420.81

State of Montana,) ss. County of Valley,)
I, I. O. SLETTE, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I. O. SLETTE, Cashier.
Correct—Attest:
J. E. PETERSON }
G. W. TANNER } Directors.
K. O. SLETTE }

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th day of June, 1909.
H. H. DALE, Notary Public in and for State of Montana, my Commission expires Nov. 25th, 1911; residing at Culbertson, Montana.

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