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## County Division

From The Valley Co. News  
Malta is now taking steps toward becoming a county seat. In the recent division of Chouteau county, it was so managed by a Chouteau county statesman owning much of the land in eastern Chouteau and Western Valley counties, that Chinook was an easy winner over Harlem. To form the proposed new county of which Malta is to be the county seat, about a thirty mile strip will be cut off from Blaine county and the west end of Valley county will be sliced off at a point about five miles west of Hinsdale. It appears that after being in the game for a number of years, the east end is going to be last to get county division. This is sure to be the case unless enough broad gauged men get together down there, forgetting the fight about the location of the county seat, and combining for the benefit of all concerned. There is every logical reason for cutting off the east end, while it appears that from an economical standpoint Malta and Saco could afford to stay with the old county a little while longer.

Kentucky Left Draft Drills at Tanner & Best's.  
45th

## Mass Meeting

A non-partisan meeting of the citizens of Culbertson is hereby called to meet in Tanners Hall next Friday evening, March 22, 1912, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the coming municipal election.

By order of committee.

## Otto Waldo Married

Otto Waldo, who has a fine claim a few miles north of Culbertson, sprung a surprise on his neighbors last week when he brought home a wife from Havre.

Mr. Waldo and Miss Annie Henning were married in Havre on March 11, at the home of the bride's parents. The license was the first one issued by the clerk of Courts of the newly created Hill county. Albert Zelt, formerly a resident of Culbertson was a witness to the ceremony.

Otto Waldo has been a settler in Eastern Valley County for the past six years and has made good. He intends to build a new house on his claim this summer. Mr. Waldo and his bride have the best wishes of the Searchlight.

Children are much more likely to contract the contagious diseases when they have colds. Whooping cough, diphtheria, scarlet fever and consumption are diseases that are often contracted when the child has a cold. That is why all medical authorities say beware of colds. For the quick cure of colds you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

## DISTRICT COURT

March 6.—The case of the Nichols Shepard Company, of Fargo, N. D., against John L. Johnson, K. O. Slette, I. O. Slette and J. E. Peterson, came on trial today, and the parties were represented by Messrs. John Hurly, of Glasgow, and H. R. Turner, an attorney of Fargo, N. D., who specializes in this kind of cases of this character.

The cause of action upon which the plaintiff company sued the defendants was the execution of three certain promissory notes by the defendant Johnson, aggregating approximately three thousand dollars, the first of which, for about seventeen hundred dollars, was indorsed by the defendants K. O. Slette, I. O. Slette and J. E. Peterson, who are sued as joint guarantors of the first note.

The defense interposed by defendants, who were represented by Messrs Hurd & Lewis, of Glasgow was that of the failure of the plaintiff to comply with the terms of the contract upon which the notes were given, which was the furnishing of a traction engine, which the defendants allege was defective in respect to the representations made by plaintiffs agents as to the horse power the engine was capable of developing, as well as the number of plows, etc. which it could pull.

Upon motion of the attorneys for the defendants the court granted a non suit.

MARCH 8th.

The suit for damages arising out of a fire started by sparks from an engine on a branch line of the Great Northern between Plentywood and Bainville in the east end of the county, was the case in which Peter Marron alleges that the Great Northern railway company through the negligence of its employes, destroyed a number of tons of hay which the plaintiff had stacked upon his premises, as well as the destruction of certain pasturage by the same fires. The amount sued for by the plaintiff was in the neighborhood of \$900. The defendant railway, represented by Mr. E. L. Bishop, Great Falls endeavored to show, by the evidence of its employes, among whom were engineers Weldy and Clarke, that due care was exercised by said employes to prevent fires being set, evidently for the purpose of showing that the fires must have had some origin other than that pleaded by plaintiff. The jury however, found for the plaintiff in the sum of \$700.

Defendants demurrer to plaintiffs complaint, in the case of Lewis Wedum Co vs Phoenix Insurance Co., was overruled and defendant given until March, 30, 1912 in which to answer.

In case of Marie Jones against Charles Jones set for trial March 13, 1912 court vacated the setting.

MARCH 11th.

The suit of the American Live Stock & Loan Co. vs the Great Northern Ry. Co., for the alleged failure of the defendant to furnish cars for the transportation of about 140 head of cattle from Malta to Chicago, was an action forming one of six actions of a similar character. The cause of action was based upon the order of Mr. L. E. Kaufman, as manager of the Helena Pool, comprising the American Live Stock and Loan Co., the Conrad Price Cattle Co. firm of Stadler & Kautman, the Empire Cattle Co., the firm of Preuit & Phelps, of which J. I. Phelps, of Helena, is the surviving partner. L. E. Kaufman individually, ordered stock cars for the transportation of about 1000 head of cattle. The plaintiff alleges that it is injured by the failure of the defendant to furnish the cars at the time specified in the

order, by reason of which the cattle of the plaintiff were held at what is known as Alkali Creek some miles distant from Malta, and that by reason of their being held at that point and the nature of the water which they were obliged to drink and the lack of proper grazing and feed, the cattle depreciated in value to an amount in the aggregate of nearly \$18000.00. The amount for which the plaintiff in the one action of the American Company sued was \$1726.55 for the shipment of 140 head; separate actions having been filed by the individual members of the Helena Pool to total the full number of cattle to be shipped. The plaintiff was represented by Geo. E. Stiles, Esq., a prominent lawyer of Minneapolis and I. Parker Veazey, Jr., of the firm of Veazey & Veazey of Great Falls, represented the defendant company. The jury returned their verdict in favor of the plaintiff at 1:30 o'clock the morning of the 14th.

Upon motion of Plaintiff counsel the case of T. E. Thompson, vs James K. Stephens, Sheriff was dismissed.

In the matter of the estate of Alfred P. Goss, on motion of honorable T. E. Crutcher, the court ordered the issuance of a citation for the appearance of Effie P. Goss, the administratrix, in order that she might account for property of said estate.

In the matter of the estate of Delilah C. Reed, testimony was offered on probate of will, and the hearing continued to April 1st, for further proof.

The court vacated the setting in the case of Ellen C. Sadler vs the G. N. Ry. Co., set for Monday, the 11th.

MARCH 14th.

The trial of the case of W. H. Taylor, of Saco, against the Malta Merc. Co., for the return to plaintiff of the shearing plant levied upon by the Sheriff of this county, on behalf of the defendant and against one C. R. Buffington was begun this morning, plaintiff claiming title to said property by virtue of a certain bill of sale given by said Buffington to plaintiff. Testimony on behalf of plaintiff was practically closed at the adjournment of court this evening.

Correction: In last week's issue a mistatement was made in connection with the action taken in the case of John Mortenson vs Carl Ruder, which was that said case was dismissed without prejudice, whereas it should have been "dismissed with prejudice."

MARCH 6th.

The setting of the case of Frank Lampman vs. B. W. Brockway, for March 7th, was vacated by the court.

Setting was also vacated in the case of Rogers Lumber Co., vs. Lewis Hartness, et al, set for this date.

Defendants' motion to strike the second amended complaint in the case of Citizen's State Bank vs. Geo. Balfour and Oscar Perry, and motion to dismiss was taken under advisement by the court.

The demurrer to the complaint in the case of J. L. Gardner vs. George Hettinger, et al, was taken under advisement by the court.

MARCH 12th.

In the case of State of Montana vs. John Hayfield, charged with unlawfully receiving stolen property, the defendant was arraigned and appeared in court, together with his attorney, J. L. Slattery, Esq., and the court ordered his appearance Friday, March 15th, 1912, for the entry of his plea.

Bartle Hayfield, charged with grand larceny, also appearance, in person and by J. L. Slattery, Esq. his attorney, and was arraigned. He was likewise given until Friday morning at ten a. m. in which to plead.

## Valley County Fair

The action of the county commissioners of Valley County in making an appropriation of \$1,000 for a county fair is commendable, and it places that rich section of the state on a par with other progressive counties. The appropriation was made on the petition of residents of the county, indicating that the people of Valley are willing to pay the expenses of the fair. The citizens of Glasgow have arranged to give a site, and as it is the county seat, and the business men of that town are progressive and wide awake, there is no doubt it their offer is accepted the Valley county fair will attain a position in a few years that will entitle it a front rank in Montana.

There has been a large immigration into Valley county in the past three years and a great amount of land has been put under cultivation. Not only has it been proved that Valley can produce crops that are found in other sections of the state, but it is so favored climatically that products which cannot be matured in other and more moun-

tainous sections can be grown in that section of Montana. What the fair means to Valley county is well told by the Valley County Independent, which says:

"The Valley county fair means that our farmers can plan on planting and growing premium stuff for exhibit this fall; it is an incentive for our stock men to breed up their livestock to produce prize stock; it means that our people are going to get together and see what one another is doing in the combined efforts for advancement in business trade and farm life. It means prosperity for the farmer because he is not going to permit his neighbors to outdo him in the production of farm stuff as prize winners at a public exhibition. It means that farmers are going to get together, compare notes and all profit by the experience of those who have been successful. No better nor more far reaching project could be taken up at this time for Valley county than that of bringing to a successful completion the arrangements for a county fair."—Helena Record.

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