

# The Ekalaka Eagle

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## COAL QUESTION IS SETTLED

The following letter in regards to the recent coal mine trouble is self explanatory.

"Helena, Mont.

November 23, 1909

Mr. W. H. Peck,  
Ekalaka, Montana.

Dear sir:

Mr. Sharp of this division before leaving for the west asked me to take up the question of your petition and 56 other residents of Ekalaka, Montana for permission to take and mine coal from the NE1-4, NE1-4, Section 33, Township 2 north of Range 58. There does not appear to be any law governing this matter that would permit you people to mine coal but owing to the evidences and conditions set up in your petition we have decided to permit you to take coal from this land on a royalty basis, for this winter at least.

Mr. Church, Mineral Inspector reports to us that from present indications, the coal situated in this subdivision is in pockets and not as coal is commonly found in this western country, that it is possible use by opening up the coal on this land that it will develop and determine the extent and value of the veins not only upon this subdivision but upon adjacent lands. Assuming that Mr. Church's report is correct we take the position that if the extraction of coal from this subdivision would be of service to the Government in further determining the extent and value of veins in that vicinity, that we would be authorized to permit you to mine coal on a royalty basis. Mr. Church recommends that we extract a royalty of 10 cts per ton from you people for the coal mined and extracted from this ground.

You are therefore notified that so far as this office is concerned that you have our permission to continue operating the coal mine in this subdivision; that you will keep an accurate account of all coal mined and that you will remit to this office a royalty of 10 cents per ton every 30 days.

You may so advise your co-petitioners and if it is agreeable to you people, please advise us.

Respectfully,

John G. Skinner,  
Special Agent.

## SHORT SHOTS

Lou and Joe Arpan were in town from their ranch.

By a ticket to the Firemen's dance and help a good cause along.

A. W. Lucas pays the highest cash price for hides, furs, and pelts.

Mrs. Frank Simpson and son of Baker are visiting with Mrs. T. J. Martin this week.

You can get all the wood you want from Donley at \$2 per cord delivered anywhere you want it.

## REGULAR MEETING HELD TUESDAY

The regular meeting of the Ekalaka Fire Department was held in the I. O. O. F. Lodge rooms Tuesday all active members, except 5 being present. The general routine of business was gone over after which, two new members, Jack Ewalt and John Oliver were admitted as active members. The committee appointed at the last meeting to look into the purchasing of a fire engine failed to make a report and the same was laid over. Vice President Peck introduced a communication from one of the prominent engine companies of the country which was read, which gave figures prices and all other desired information for the purchase of an engine. This company will have a special representative visit this department on next Tuesday evening at which time a special meeting has been called by Fire Chief Daly. Mr. Daly requests that not only the active members but also the honoary members be present at this meeting and help decide on the material to be purchased for fire protection for our own town. It is with regret that we failed to note the presence of several citizens at the meeting Tuesday evening. It was the desire of the department that these gentlemen be present then especially when such an important question as that of fire protection was to be decided upon. Before taking any final steps the matter it was therefore decided to call all members both active and honoary, to meet in the Lodge rooms on Tuesday evening. It is to your interest to be present, you pay a special 10 mill fire tax and have a "say" a coming.

The committee on entertainment reported securing the hall for Christmas eve, and had decided to give the First Firemen's Annal Ball. Tickets were given each member to sell and the work of making it a grand success was commenced. In all towns a fire company is always the most liberally patronized on occasions of this kind and nearly every one buys a ticket whether they need it or not. The receipts go for a good cause and when a member calls on you with a ticket show him your heart is in the right place and buy one.

## FOR SALE---A SNAP.

We have among our list of property for sale, one complete sawmill consisting of one 35 h. p. boiler, one 25 h. p. engin, one planer, one shingle mill and packer. Bunk house, work shop Cook shed, stable, corrals, 2 wagons, sleds, chains, etc. \$2000 buys the entire outfit if taken at once. One of the best mill propositions in eastern Montana. If you are interested call and see us.

Inland Real Estate Co.  
Office in Eagles Nest.

## J. F. DIVINE SELLS OUT

The Range Gazette at Camp Crook made mention in its issue of last week, the sale of J. F. Divine's Gent's Furnishing Store to Gorden Hughes. The news of the change came as a suprise to Mr. Divine's many friends in this territory and it is certainly with regret to the people of Camp Crook that he had decided to sell out.

Mr. Divine who is well and most favorably known throughout the entire country had been a prominent and forcible worker for the betterment of the Little Missouri town and his intended departure from there will be keenly felt. He has been in business in Camp Crook for over three years, first operating a general merchandise store in partnership with Ed. Lake, which establishmnt was consumed in a big fire of last year. After the fire Mr. Divine sold his remaining interest to L. A. de Belloy and then embarked in his present business.

Gorden Hughes the new proprietor, needs no introduction to the people of this country, having been a resident and an ardent worker of Crook for many years. The Eagle wishes Mr. Hughes success in his new adventure. He takes active charge on January 1st when Mr. Divine expects to leave Camp Crook.

## TIE CREEK MARRIAGE

Horace G. Lantis familiarly known as "Tie," and Miss Callie Aamstrong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs Marion Armstrong of the Long Pines, left yesterday for Buffalo with the avowed intention of getting married. As they were not expected home till late today, the Gazette is unable to say positively that the happy event has been consummated; under the circumstances, however, it is pretty certain that the two young hearts have been made to beat as one, and that upon their arrival here Mr. and Mrs Lantis will be receiving the congratulations of a host of friends.

Mr. Lantis recently filed upon a homestead, about six miles north of town, where they will soon take up their permanent residence. The Gazette joins with their many friends in extending best wishes for a long life of wedded bliss. - Gazette.

## COMMERCIAL HOTEL TO OPFN

Having purchased the commercial Hotel I wish to announce that the same will be opened to the public on Friday morning December 10. Good accomadations and service is assured and a share of your patronage is solicited.

Yours Resp.  
Gus Malmquist.

## APPLES

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT?

Tho the apple crop is short we have the nicest lot of cooking and eating apples this year that has ever been in town. Don't forget to take a box home with you.



YOURS FOR BUSINESS

W. H. PECK

Ekalaka . . . Montana

## LET US

Fit you out with a new suit of Clothes this fall. We have all the latest styles, and at prices from

\$12.50 to \$25

We carry a full line of Gents Furnishing, and would be pleased to have you call in.

The R. C. Charters Company.