

## LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

### Interesting Happenings In And About the Town

County Commissioner T. A. Fitzsimmons of Calumet was an Ekalaka visitor Tuesday morning.

Harry Longfield of Albion and Manager Moran of the Garage at Alzada were Ekalaka visitors Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. E. O. Colvin are enjoying a visit from their daughter Mrs. Swift and her daughter Mable, of Kenosha, Wis.

Pure white 47 gravity kerosene, Penn. oils and greases, wholesale and retail. Baker Auto Co., J. W. Zook, Owner, Baker, Montana. 35-38

P. C. Cornish, E. H. Trandum, Bob Lowry, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hughes and Miss L. Vine Donovan of Baker attended the big hop at Jess Grant's Saturday evening.

H. W. Geyer, manager of the Great Western Marble Works of Miles City is drumming up trade in this section this week and conferring with his agent here, C. K. Putnam.

County Attorney Chas. Dousman of Baker was called to the Piniele neighborhood the fore part of the week to look into some justice court cases. He was taken over by Al. Olsen.

Lost—Black leather covered note book, containing surveyor's field notes, on either the Baker-Ekalaka road, the Camp Crook-Ekalaka mail road or the Hiscock-Ekalaka timber road. Finder return to this office and receive reward. 35tf

Cashier H. B. Albert of the Ekalaka State Bank spent Friday and Saturday in Miles City attending the annual meeting of the Montana Bankers Association. He went overland with Frank Downer who went to Miles on business.

Lige Townsend and Bill O'Shaughnessy of the Fairplay of Alzada stopped over in Ekalaka Saturday night. They came up with Undersheriff Frank Evans and one Sawyer who before Justice O'Shaughnessy was handed a sentence of thirty days in jail for disturbing the peace.

Do you want some real cattle? We have bought the entire herd known as the "Ole Markuson cattle," and will sell them in large or small bunches. Call on us if you are in the market for good cattle. The prices will be high enough.—Grant & Fuqua, Ekalaka, Montana. 35

For Sale—A good milch cow.—E. T. Pickering.

Miss Dora Sweeney is a guest at the Sweeney residence.

W. Ped Akers of Webster was an Ekalaka caller Saturday.

Miss Opal Lane left Saturday for Miles City to take a stenographic course in the Montana Institute.

Mrs. Jack Pickard and daughter Geneva left Friday for Miles City where Miss Geneva will enter High School.

For Sale—100 bushel of Old Pearl beardless winter wheat, at \$1.35 as long as it lasts.—Dr. G. A. Baker, Ekalaka. 35-37

Mrs. Burvee and two sons returned Thursday from Camp Crook where the boys were operated upon for throat trouble.

Mrs. Al Hardy and two children of Tee Dee passed through Ekalaka Friday on their way to Box Elder where they will visit relatives.

Mrs. Florence Parrish, daughter of Mrs. Libby Weaver returned to her home in Geraldine, Montana, Tuesday after a few days visit here.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin F. Carey, Sr., father and mother of the Carey boys here spent several days here visiting the fore part of the week. They came from their home in Belfield, N. D. and were accompanied by Father Hohenberger and C. Hill also of that place.

Teachers examinations were held August 24 and 25 under F. L. Funkenbusch. Following are those who took the examinations at Ekalaka: Mabel Ellis, Floyd Ellis, Katherine Taylor, Rose Winchell, Minnie Mumedy, Kate Bradshaw, Lima Griffin, Mavis McGilvery, Mabel Berg and Ora Moles.

### W. H. Peck Company Going

As will be noticed by the W. H. Peck Co. announcement on the back page of this issue, this company has decided to go out of business in Ekalaka. In speaking with the manager of this popular store, Mr. Peck said, "We are sorry that conditions are forcing us to take this step, and there is but one way for us to save ourselves and that is to close out. We are going to sell everything in the store without regard as to its value, the fixtures included and if possible the buildings and real estate. This is not just a "scare sale" to clean up old stock of goods, but a genuine closing out sale. A recent advance of 10 per cent in our insurance rates has forced us to quit and we're going to quit."



### Our Shetland Pony Contest

Several of the Fallon County boys have already entered their name and by next Friday when the Ponies will be here and the contest on in earnest the number will gradually increase. Each boy who enters is given 2000 free votes and then a certain number of votes for each subscription he turns in. Owing to the rush of work in the mechanical department of the Eagle we have secured Mr. Jack Sheldon to go out and help the boys get started and he will be on the job after Monday. We are very desirous of having all the boys turn in their names at once. It isn't going to last long and to win a pony, saddle and bridle is not going to be so hard. Let all the boys interested enter their names at once. The following is the standing of the candidates yesterday noon:

EKALAKA DISTRICT	
Booth Davis	4,036
Melford Holt	2,000
Jake Taylor	10,225
Tom Urban	8,000
Leslie Perkins	2,000
Paul Sammon	6,000
COUNTRY DISTRICT	
Earl Simpson, Calumet	8,000
Raymond Yale, Sawmill	4,100
J. Cecil Trier	2,000
Hal Snow, Sawmill	2,000
Alf Trandum, Webster	5,050
Wilton Newbury	2,000
Jimmie Owens, Big Hill	2,000

### Election Returns

The election returns have been very slow in coming in, there being eight precincts yet to hear from at the time of going to press today. The democratic returns on the county ticket show Bob Lowry a winner over E. H. Trandum and Horace Sparks 10 votes in the lead of W. P. Akers. The balance of the democratic candidates had no opposition. On the republican ticket Cornish has a big lead for county attorney, Sharpless Walker for district judge and F. C. Bunn for county clerk. Dean Howell of the southern district has a lead of 16 votes over Jas. Munro for the short term commissioner job and Judge Williams left Edie Booth a long way in the rear for representative. Jess Grant polled the majority vote over John Oliver for precinct committeeman. George Boggs has a lead of about 52 votes over Henry Viles for the sheriff nomination. George Hough is at present only ten votes in the lead of W. W. Palmer for the treasurer nomination. For the six year term as commissioner T. F. Schofield will win, having now a vote of 312 as against 241 for W. I. Maxwell, his nearest competitor for the nomination. The following are the precincts yet to be heard from: Ridge, Piniele, Albion, Johnson's ranch, Climax, Capitol, Buck's, Midland, Sykes, Bradshaw, Mill Iron and Tee Dee.

### The Primary Election

Another primary election has passed and gone into history and we hope for Montana it is the last of its calibre. That the 1916 primary appealed to the voters any better than that of 1914 would certainly be casting a reflection on the progress and intelligence of the Montana voter. To us the whole affair is a failure, a frost, and the sooner the law is repealed or fired into the state capitol furnace the better satisfied the majority of the voters will be. We do not know as yet just how many of the 3823 registered voters went to the polls but we would guess that about one-fifth with a little exertion managed to show up. They voted in every manner, shape and form, some voting every ballot, some just two and now and then a ballot showed up looking like a Bulgarian bill of fare. In Ekalaka, a strong democratic center, nearly everyone voted the G. O. P. ticket and their reason we believe was just. Some information started spreading early in the day that Baker and the north end were set on putting over their man for commissioner—which by the way in some respects comes above the presidency in Fallon County—and Ekalaka not to be double crossed in such a fashion proceeded to put on her fighting duds and lined up nearly solid on voting the G. O. P. ticket just to see that she got a fair deal and a county commissioner for the central district, regardless of his politics. This method of gaining our ends of course is poor political practice, a black eye to our sincerity to the state ticket and may cause some of our good G. O. P. friends to hint that the whole bunch has gone republican. But don't let this little matter—a result of the present republican primary system—startle you. The central district of Fallon county will get a commissioner, so will the southern section and the November election is going to cause an awful added expense to the taxpayers for pencils to mark down the largest democratic majority ever recorded in the history of this part of the country that the early day republicans took away from the Indians.

### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the W. H. Peck Company are selling out their entire stock of goods at Ekalaka and that all open accounts and past due notes must be paid on or before October 1st, 1916, and all notes as they mature must be paid at maturity. (Signed) W. H. PECK. 35-39 WILLIAM MOWBRAY.

### County Fair Progressing

Everything is getting along nicely with the arrangements for the coming Fallon County Fair to be held on Sept. 19-20. Superintendent Wm. Gerner of the agricultural department reports a lively interest being taken in all parts of the county for this year's exhibit. Mr. Gerner has been in nearly every part of the county boosting the fair, especially the livestock and agricultural part and finds that much enthusiasm prevails. In talking with the program committee we learn that many new sporting events are to be added before the opening day. It has been decided to enter a ladies relay race upon the program with a good purse. There will also be a Shetland pony race between the ponies to be given away in the Eagle contest. The race track has been put in fine condition and repairs have been made on the fair ground buildings. While much is yet to be done to complete all arrangements for the fair all committees are busy and everything will be in readiness by the opening day.

### Grant's Dance Big Success

No matter whether it's a public auction sale, a French inspection, an Italian rejection or a common horse race, whenever Jess Grant announces that something is going to be pulled off, the crowd begins to gather. While Jess is not very strong for the dancing game he took one long chance on accommodating his neighbors and friends last Saturday evening with a barn dance at his ranch north of town, and the result is known to some five hundred people who attended. The lowest count made of the autos there was 120 and several claimed the number at 128. These, along with many wagons, buggies and saddle horses, brot a big enough crowd that outside visitors were inclined to believe that a mobilization of Fallon County residents had been called. Elliott's orchestra of Ekalaka assisted by W. Ped Akers of Willard furnished the music and a big time was had. At midnight a big lunch was enjoyed by everyone and about daybreak the dance ended. Jess' friends are wondering what he is going to do next, but it's dollars to doughnuts that this year's fair will not find him lacking with something new.

### Card of Thanks

We wish to thank all those who so kindly assisted us during the sickness and death of our little daughter, especially those who brought flowers. Mr. and Mrs. Jack McPherson.

**September 5th**  
**School Children and Parents**  
 Have you given it a thought? We have and we are amply stocked to supply you with all your needs, such as tablets, inks, pencils, pens and holders, school bags, pencil boxes, note books, and in fact all the school sundries needed and of the best quality.  
 ALSO, While they last, we are going to give to you, a ruler, a pencil tablet and a blotter free, see that you get yours.  
**The Ekalaka Drug Co.**

**SOMETHING DOING**  
 Watch The  
**Play House Posters**  
 Do you realize that the pictures shown here are of the same high class as those shown in the larger cities.  
 Clean, clever comedies and delightful dramas featuring some of the brightest stars in the movie firmament.  
**Watch The Posters**

Equip your boy or girl with the thing every school child should have.  
**Our school supplies represent the best to be had any where, and we can save you money**  
**The Reliable Drug Store**  
 The Penslar Store S. A. Holt, Ph. G.