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## Retires from First National

### C. Ed Lukens Sells Stock to S. L. Potter of Shelby

At a semi-annual meeting of the directors of the First National Bank of Cut Bank, Tuesday afternoon, an important transfer was announced; the sale of the stock in the institution possessed by C. Ed Lukens to Samuel L. Potter of Shelby, who has been a stockholder in the bank since it was taken over by the interests now in charge. Mr. Potter, by this transfer, becomes the owner of a majority of the shares of stock in the First National. At a subsequent election of officers Mr. Potter was elected President of the board of directors. The Pioneer Press understands that Mr. Potter and family are contemplating moving to Cut Bank and making their permanent home here.

The First National is a very conservative institution and the Pioneer Press understands that there will be no change of policy under the Potter regime.

The following officers were elected: Samuel L. Potter, President; Martin Jacobson, first vice president; P. H. Buckley, second vice president; R. L. Taft, Cashier.

## Naming the Farm

Arthur Belyea has caught the fad of naming the ranch and has named his Kaubla Kahn, after a historic city in France. Fine idea. And by the way, to encourage this sentimental and practical innovation the Pioneer Press hereby publishes a list of appropriate names for ranch homes:

Airy Knoll	Jaqueminet Lodge
Airy Hill	Jersyland
Airy Mount	Hazelnook
Arrowdale	Kenilworth
Breezy Point	The Knolls
Bannerland	Lyndale
Branching Brook	Lakeside
Clover Crest	Maple Grove
Cloverdale	Morning Glory
Cedarcroft	Northwood
Deepdale	North Star
Daisy Meadow	Oakland
Dairy Downs	Overview
Eagle View	Plainview
Excelsior	Pinehurst
Forest Hill	Rockwood
Fountain Home	Robins Lane
Glendale	Sunny Slope
Graceland	Sunny Side
Grand View	Willow Dale
Hope Station	Willow Copse
Hayercroft	The Willows

The fast mail train on the New York Central road, a few days ago, drawing seven all steel mail cars and two Pullmans, ran three miles in one minute and 51 seconds. The first mile was made in 38 seconds, the second in 37 and the third in 36, the fastest time ever made in the world on a steam railroad.

O. I. Grina has asked the Pioneer Press to announce that the Big Red Shed has twine enough to tie all the sheaves of golden grain in the Cut Bank community. Mr. Grina reports big sales in haying machinery and a few more Deering binders during the week.

Ten million dollars assessed valuation for Teton county and our lands just beginning to pass to patent. We have a mighty county—a mighty good, rich county, whose resources are nearly all still latent.

Mrs. Martin Jacobson has been quite ill during the week.

## Barnes Show Better'n Ever

Capt. Stonewall and the greatest act in the world today his performing sea lions which juggle flaming torches, play ball and ride Arabian horses while performing, Mlle Martha Florine and her beautiful spotted persian leopards and South American pumas, Herr Louis Roth and his royal bangal tigers and young nubian lions, and many many features which go to make a two hours of amusement.

And the gorgeous street parade which will eclipse anything of its kind which has ever been seen here.

Mr. Al. G. Barnes extends a hearty welcome to his friends who have followed his successful career from its inception many years ago. Be sure and come to town early and see the street parade at 10:30 a. m.

From the show which has amused the audience heretofore it has now grown to the proportion which takes 35 extra length cars to convey it around the country, 300 wild animals, 250 employes, acres of tents for the numerous departments, 150 horses for the monster street parade, three big arenas in the main tent the center of which contains a mammoth steel arena where all the wild animals acts there place, two military bands and the cleanest show which which the amusement lovers of Cut Bank care to see.

Among the many favorites which will be seen again are Mayor Bob Thornton and his performing Russian and sable bears, Mlle. Mercedes and her group of African lions, Mlle Barnes presenting "Nero," the only lion that has been trained to perform while retaining his seat on the back of a swiftly running horse. Bigger and better than ever before the Al. G. Barnes Big Three Ring Wild Animal Show will exhibit at Cut Bank for one day on Tuesday, Aug. 15th.

This show which for years has been played in this country and which has won such an enviable reputation with the press has been making strides towards the top of the ladder until today they command first place as the only real wild animal show in the world.

There are more wild animals displayed under the tents of the Al. G. Barnes Circus than all the combined shows in the world.

Mrs. Romain Chasse left Tuesday for an extended visit with old friends and relatives at her former home in northern Maine. Mrs. Chasse will visit at Boston and other larger points on the north Atlantic seaboard as part of her trip. It is twenty years since Mrs. Chasse has seen her old home and her many friends in Cut Bank are hoping that the trip will prove a most enjoyable one.

One or two small fires were discovered in the forests near Columbia Falls last week but they were soon under control of the watchers. It is said that the danger of forest fires in the state this year is no nearly so great as last season.

R. A. Saffel, foreman of the Horseshoe outfit, was a business visitor here last Friday. Mr. Saffel stated that the cattle in this big outfit were putting on fat rapidly and would be in fine condition for the September roundup.

Miss Celia Gaston of Conrad is a guest of Miss Kathleen Sullivan this week. The girls were school mates at Helena during the last term at Sisters' school.

## EUGENE ELY AND THE CURTISS AEROPLANE AT SAN FRANCISCO.



Progress in the science of aviation has advanced by wonderful leaps and bounds, and remarkable achievements in aviation are being accomplished almost daily. The Curtiss aeroplanes and aviators have been well represented in all these records, and one of the most famous feats in flying is illustrated above. Eugene Ely in a Curtiss machine successfully alighted on the United States battleship Pennsylvania in San Francisco harbor in January, 1911, and is shown in the picture just as he is leaving the man-of-war on his return flight to the aviation grounds at Tanforan Park, eight miles away.

Two aviators, including Ely or some other Curtiss bird man equally skilful, will fly every day during the Spokane Interstate Fair, Oct. 2 to 8, and will daily illustrate every dangerous feat and death defying trick known in the art of aviation. Those who saw Bud Mars fly at the Spokane Interstate Fair last year will know what to expect from two aviators contesting for liberal prizes and operating the very latest designs of aerial craft.

## Not a Snakeologist

In his innocent, artless way the editor of the Pioneer Press last week stated that there were no rattlesnakes in this section of Montana. The Pioneer Press was not in the post office ten minutes when Alex Munroe sought out the editor to tell him he was an amusing tenderfoot and offered to take him out and show him snakes of all colors and sizes with from one to a couple of dozen robust rattles. The news man had about concluded that Alex was either a member of the Ananias Club or that he had badly mixed his brand of mountain dew when along comes Donald MacRae with tales of big rattlers near his sheep camp. Mac stated that the varmints were as plenteous as fleas on a mongrel pup and Joe Crevlin was there to back up his every statement, so there was nothing to do but gracefully retract. In this connection and while on the subject it might be stated that J. P. Johnson Mixer, is our most accomplished snake story teller and Johnson is another to assert that the Pioneer Press is no authority on snake matters.

## 'Fat Year' Says Pat

Pat Buckley, monarch of all he surveys in the Sweet Grass country, was a visitor here Monday evening and when approached by the Pioneer Press man delivered himself after the following fashion: This is a fat year in this section of Northern Montana, me boy. Whenever you see the buffalo grass headed out at this season you can make up your mind that there will be good grain crops and fat cattle and sheep for market. I have been in this section for twenty one years and have seen good and bad years, mostly good; but this is one of the very good ones. In our country grass is fine, grain is promising and everybody is feeling happy and hopeful."

Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson of Bombay were shopping here Monday.

Wm. Yunc of Kalispell looked over his fine fields of grain northwest of town the first part of the week.

## Will Build a Grain House

### Peterson and Lewis Will Begin Work at Early Date

"We have definitely decided to build an elevator in Cut Bank and it will be ready to receive grain inside of sixty days" said Mr. Peterson of Minneapolis, member of the grain firm of Peterson & Lewis.

Mr. Peterson, in company with R. L. Taft and D. B. Donahue, drove out yesterday morning to look over the grain fields in the vicinity of Cut Bank. The situation looked good to Mr. Peterson and he was frank to say so.

Another representative of an elevator company whose name the Pioneer Press has not been able to learn is now looking over the crops in the community and it is stated that his firm has serious intentions of building a grain house here this autumn.

Another matter that has occupied the attention of one or two local business men is that of freight rates on grain from this point to the twin city terminals. The following letter from W. P. Kenney, traffic manager of the Great Northern Railway, is self explanatory:

Mr. Daniel Whetston,  
President Commercial Club,  
Cut Bank, Montana.

Dear Sir:—  
Referring to your letter of the 21st. in regard to rates from Cut Bank on grain.

I have written this date to Mr. Rasmussen who also took the matter up with me. Mr. Rasmussen stating that the rate on grain from Cut Bank was 45 cents. Thinking possibly you are under the same impression, would suggest that you ask our agent to show you page 117 of our tariff 22600, which he has on file, which names a rate of 33 cents from Cut Bank to eastern terminals. The rate from Kalispell is 40 cents, so you will see you have seven cents over Kalispell.

Yours truly,  
W. P. Kenney.

Wanted—A girl for housework on ranch 4 miles from town. Inquire at Pioneer Press.

## Showers and Sunny Days

### Weather of the Week is Most Propitious for Growing Grain

As one enthusiast who has forty acres of fine oats north of town put it when discussing the situation, "I tell you we have a glorious crop in the Cut Bank country this year."

The adjective is not too strong. The crop situation continues to improve daily. Cool days, an occasional shower to moisten the grain and the earth's surface, just enough warm sunshine to assure proper development and filling; these are the conditions that have prevailed since the last crop report of the Pioneer Press.

"If conditions continue like this for two weeks more we shall thresh 80 bushels of oats to the acre" said Russell Bickett to the writer one day this week. Others are talking in a similar vein. Wheat, oats, flax and other small grains are advancing rapidly toward maturity.

Perhaps the editor of the Pioneer Press and the local crop enthusiasts are looking thru colored glasses? Listen to the following from a strictly unprejudiced outside source. Let this man talk. Who is this man? Mr. A. M. Shaw, one of the staff of Great Northern Railway experimental farm supervisors. Mr. Shaw has been all over Montana this season and is in position to speak authoritatively.

Cut Bank, Mont., July 30, '11.  
Editor Pioneer Press:

Had intended staying here tomorrow and planned a personal call, but received a wire to leave on No. 44.

I came in on No. 1 and have been out to see the experimental farm conducted by Mr. D. L. Hope. I found it in excellent shape. In fact it is one of the finest stations in the state, both from a crop standpoint and the manner in which it has been conducted. Mr Hope certainly should be given credit for the very careful manner in which he has carried out instructions. The outlook at present is for a large yield of all grains grown and there also is as fine a stand of alfalfa as could be desired. In fact the crops generally in the vicinity of Cut Bank are better than at any other point farther east along the main line of the Great Northern Railway. Alfalfa, durum wheat, white hullless barley, Abundance oats, speltz and corn, one acre each, are growing on the local farm and all are looking fine. Hope to be able to return at a later date and to stay longer.

Yours truly,  
A. M. SHAW.

## Wreck at Whitefish

In a collision in the yards at Whitefish, on Wednesday morning Harry Crane, a switchman, was killed. Peck Forcum and Fireman Knapton were in the wreck but were not seriously hurt.

A bold gang of bank robbers looted the safe of the First National Bank of Harlem at an early hour Monday morning and were making away with the money when the marshal of the town took a shot at the fellow who was carrying the money and killed him dead. The others escaped, but are being pursued by posses from Harlem and other towns. The robbers are thought to be survivors of the old Kid Cur-ray gang.

"Sod is a little dry but I am turning lots of it over these days. My plow lays are sharpened every day. Come see the work I am doing.—Geo. T. Berns. It