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Act Extending the Homestead Laws

Act is Published Responding to Numerous Inquiries

During the past session of congress statutes were passed extending the 320-acre homestead law to the following cases:

1. Where an entryman has made final proof and still resides upon his original entry, an additional homestead entry for adjoining land which, with the original entry, will not exceed 320 acres, is permitted. The land embraced in the entry must be designated as required by law, but residence thereon is not required, though the requirements of the law in respect to cultivation must be complied with.

2. Original or additional entries will be received for lands not designated under the enlarged homestead act, provided it is shown by the applicant that the land is of the character contemplated by law.

Phosphate lands—By the act of January 15, 1915, locations of phosphate deposits under the placer mining laws are declared valid, even though the lands were withdrawn from disposition subsequent to the locations.

Another recent law of general interest is that which provides that where the land embraced within a homestead entry within a reclamation project was believed to be capable of irrigation, but afterwards ascertained to be non-irrigable, except as to 20 acres or less, the entryman may relinquish and make another homestead entry for a unit within the same irrigation project, upon which new entry he shall be entitled to credit for such residence as he may have maintained on the original entry.

The lands of the abandoned Fort Assiniboine military reservation, approximating in area 200,000 acres, will be opened to entry after they have first been classified as agricultural, timber, mineral or coal in character. Agricultural lands will be subject to entry by actual settlers only, who must pay for the lands at the rate of \$1.25 per acre, in four equal annual instalments, in addition to the lawful land office fees and commissions. The date of the opening has not yet been fixed.

Pacific Bill—Trotting Stallion No. 59176, will stand for service at Ohlinger's feed barn on Tuesday of each week.—A. A. Riggs, Ethridge Mont.

Believe a Market Good Farm Bonds

Helena, May 28.—Though eastern bond houses believe a higher interest rate than 5 per cent would be justified on Montana farm mortgage loans, they believe they will be able to find a market for the \$100,000 issue the state is now ready to sell.

State Treasurer W. C. Rae returned home last evening from Chicago, St. Paul and Minneapolis, where he took up with bond houses the matter of handling the farm mortgage bonds. "The outlook is favorable," said Treasurer Rae.

Fire totally destroyed the barn on the Chas. Shaffner ranch northwest of the city Sunday evening about eleven o'clock. Mr. Shaffner is absent, doing bridge work, and Mrs. Shaffner did not notice the fire until it had gained considerable headway. The origin of the fire cannot be accounted for.

M. F. Brown this week sold his pool hall to Jerry Flynn of Glasgow. Mr. Flynn is well known to a number of Cut Bank people, especially the railway boys, as he was in railway service on the High Line and from Havre east for a number of years.

We violate no confidence when we state that Cut Bank and environs will contribute more than one bride for the witching month of June. And that leads up to the matter of nifty announcements—which is a specialty of ours for June.

While stretching barbed wire on his ranch near Ethridge, Tuesday, Col. Ed. Buckner had three fingers on his right hand nearly severed. He will not be able to use the member for some time.

Advices from Conrad are to the effect that Mrs. Fred Lotz is now rapidly recovering from her illness and will soon be able to return to her home here.

Gus Anderson and Leo Hilla spent Decoration day at Glacier Park.

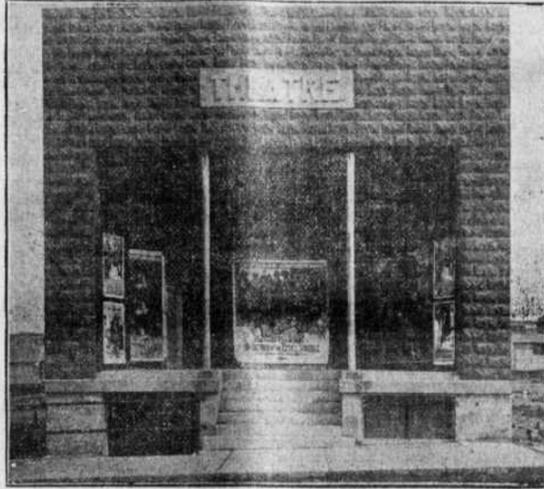
Mrs. Fred Adams and little son returned this week from a visit of several weeks in Spokane.

Mrs. H. Halvorson and little sons Walter and Harvey went down to Great Falls yesterday.

The aged mother of Perry A. Davis has been quite ill during the week.

A couple of horse buyers will be at Baltic yards Saturday, to purchase horses for cavalry and artillery use.

Enterprising Electric Theatre Management to Have Bigger and Better Film Service, Starting Tonight



The management of the Picture show has made arrangements with the United Film Service for the very newest and highest grade of film service, being on the circuit with the Rex Theatre at Great Falls. They will begin to show this high grade service tonight, and every Friday and Sunday they will run these big 5-reel programs in high grade Comedies and Dramas. Beginning June 9th, the great serial, "The Perils of Pauline" will open with the first instalment. This is a 40-reel production and is different from any serial shown here, as it has several comedy parts. The forty reels will be divided in 11 instalments giving a full show each series.

After this the show will begin at 8:30 and on Sunday nights the first two reels of the show will be repeated, so that anyone coming late, or after 9:10, may see the full 5-reel program.

Beginning with this high grade service the Electric will show only three nights in the week—Wednesday, Friday and Sunday.

Proclamation On Extension Postal Stock Shipments Savings Privileges

The following proclamation by Gov. S. V. Stewart, relative to the disease known as foot and mouth disease, has been received by the Pioneer Press:

The importation of cattle, sheep or other ruminants, and swine into Montana is prohibited from all states in the United States with the exception of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Utah, Idaho, Wyoming, Nevada, Colorado, Arizona, California, New Mexico, Texas, North and South Dakota, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Louisiana.

The importation of cattle, sheep, other ruminants, and swine is permitted from the Dominion of Canada and the Republic of Mexico.

Cattle, sheep and ruminants, also swine from free areas in Iowa and Kansas, and from the states east of the Mississippi in which no foot-and-mouth disease has existed since Nov. 1st, 1914, may be shipped into Montana only on special permit issued by the State Livestock Sanitary Commission, Helena.

Provided that all shipments of cattle, sheep, other ruminants, and swine must be accompanied by a health certificate, as provided by the Montana Livestock Sanitary Board regulations.

More 'Mont. Mist'

June made her debut in somber clouds and incessant rainfall and at press time the "Montana Mist" was coming down in torrents. Weather Observer Thomas reported at 3 o'clock yesterday that over a half inch had fallen up to that time.

Ye Old Farmstead Down to Minute

I remember, I remember, the house where I was born—the little window where the sun came peeping in at morn. You'd hardly know the old place now, for Dad is up-to-date and the farm is scientific, from the back lot to the gate. The house and barn are lighted with bright acetylene, the engine in the laundry is run by gasoline; we have silos, we have autos, we have dynamos and things—a telephone for gossip and a phonograph that sings. The hired man has left us—we miss his homely face—and a lot of college graduates are working in his place. There's an engineer and fireman, a chauffeur and a vet., 'lectrician and mechanic—Oh, the farm's run right, you bet! The little window where the sun came peeping in at morn now brightens up a bath room that cost Dad a car of corn. Our milkmaid is pneumatic and she's sanitary, too, but Dad gets fifteen cents a quart for milk that once brought two. Our cattle came from Jersey and the hogs are all Duroc, the sheep are Southdown beauties and the chickens Plymouth Rock. To have the best of everything, that is our aim and plan; for Dad not only farms it, but he's a business man.

Pertaining to Bridges

Hereafter, every time a Montana county desires to construct a bridge costing more than \$200, it must obtain plans and specifications from the state highway commission and have the work of construction done under the supervision of that body. Before the contractor is paid for his work, the bridge must be accepted by the commission. The legislature last winter passed a highway law, vesting the commission with this authority. The commission has appointed W. C. Kyle as superintendent of bridge construction. He will be the commission's representative in all bridge matters. Mr. Kyle is a bridge builder of long experience.

You can't reap a bumper crop unless you get your harness put in order at the harness shop.

For Sale—a good half section relinquishment.—Bruce R. McNameer.

Wanted—Position by young man, on ranch. Moderate wages. Box 215 or Pioneer Press.

To Exchange—Good Square Piano, for horse or breaking. Call at second house east of old postoffice site.

Conrad Pupils In A Pleasing Play

Cut Bank People Pleased With the Amateur Production

In speech, action and stage discipline the Conrad high school pupils evinced talent much above the average of amateurs, in their production of the "Village School Ma'am" here on Monday evening and Cut Bank people did not spare appreciation of the histrionic efforts of the young folks, as generous handclaps and ripples of laughter came at frequent intervals.

The action of the little story of the city-bred school ma'am amid rural scenes and among indolent, prying and gossipy rural folks moved swiftly along, with a wealth of ludicrous and half-tragic incidents, to a rather conventional climax, in which everyone was excessively happy and in the rendering of this story the players interpreted their roles with a skill and ease befitting experienced stage people. The petite Miss Buzzell, as the country school ma'am, was constantly in the spotlight and rose to every situation with dignity and spirit. Arnett Thompson and Ralph Hendrehan gave the story the proper backwoods atmosphere in the roles of lazy Sam Alcott and Hosea Clegg, the old soldier, and Merle Hanks and Eva Kettlerude kept the gossip buzzing about the school ma'am and her love affairs, accentuating these roles with action and make-up entirely befitting their parts. Robert Kelly, the town dealer in prunes and clothespins, was nicely fitted in physique and speech for the part of the tender and final successful wooer of the teacher, the victim of the dark plottings of the villainous "drummer," Jas. Graham, alias Frank Leech. There were a number of flashes of exceptional talent in the acting of Charlie Watts and Esther Lee, in the parts of Tad and Posie, and their appearance always provoked gales of mirth. Ida May Alcott, sentimental and lovelorn, was well interpreted by Agnes Thompson and Ralph Bruner was the smug and sanctimonious minister, Rev. Flick, to the manner born.

The specialties were very clever and the musical selections on piano and violin, by Mrs. A. D. Johnson and Mr. Rachac, pleased the audience. Mrs. Frank Gillan, who directed the play, captured her auditors with her vocal talent and responded to an encore. A dance followed the performance and the young folks of both towns made merry until far into the following morning.

LOOKING AHEAD

Prepare the ground now for trees you wish to plant in 1916.

Arrange to have your cows freshen in the fall when the price paid for butter is from 20 to 30 per cent more than in spring and summer months, and do your dairying in the winter when there is not much else to do.

Break a few acres in June for fall rye so as to have hog pasture early in 1916. Bacon at 20c per pound will pay well for the rye crop. Learn to home-cure bacon and hams.

A few good sheep will help to lessen the cost of meat next winter and will also destroy many noxious weeds and increase your income at shearing time.

By looking ahead to these and other simple advantages, you will prove to your banker that you are in Montana to build a permanent and profitable ranch and your credit will be established.

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JOHN S. TUCKER, Pres. F. H. WORDEN, Cashier

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