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## An Intricate Legal Point is Involved

### Question of Ownership of Certain Crops is a Sticker

Who is the owner of a crop of wheat that was sown last year, on a farm under lease, which did not grow last year but lay in the ground all last summer, fall and winter, only to spring forth this spring, grow, thrive and mature into a fine grain crop?

Solomon had little trouble in deciding the ownership of the baby, but the wise ancient might have to scratch his head and cogitate if this knotty one were put up to him. Anyhow, the question is too deep for the laymen concerned, it seems, and at least three or four cases to decide the point will be taken into court by local residents. There are in all about seven of such cases in the community but we understand that two or three have been settled.

Last season being an exceptionally dry one here, wheat sown in a number of fields never sprouted. The owners or tenants on several of such places did not plow the land or disturb it in any way and when spring came this year it was noticed that the grain was shooting up at a great rate. The grain on these fields is fully as good as on those sown this spring. In a case where a tenant sowed the grain last season under a one-year lease and received no crop but in the year following a crop from the grain he sowed matured, there seems to be a very intricate legal point as to ownership and seems the court will have to thresh it out. The Pioneer Press has been told that a case of this kind was decided at Billings some time ago, in favor of the tenant who sowed the grain the previous year.

Major and Mrs. McFratridge of Browning and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie McFratridge and baby of Blackfoot were among the Sunday visitors in Cut Bank. Editor McFratridge stated that preparations for the First Annual Blackfeet fair had begun. A grand and bandstand were being erected on the grounds and bids for concessions were being solicited by advertisement. The grain crop on the reserve was a little late, he stated, but with favorable weather would mature before the fair date and the garden and stock exhibits would doubtless be large. A good sporting program was practically assured. The fair dates are Sept. 14 and 15.

## Big Athletic Program

In order the those who wish to compete for prizes offered by the fair association, the committee on arrangements and program desire it to be known that the program will consist of athletic sports for men and women, boys and girls, such as running 100-yard dash, relay races, potato races, tug-of-war, tepee race, good horse races, bucking contest, etc. There will also be a baby show and prizes will be offered for the prettiest, the healthiest and the heaviest baby for its age. No baby entered must be over two years of age. Separate prizes will be awarded the full blooded Indians and others competing in this Contest. All babies, however, must be of Indian blood.

Everybody should prepare to enter these contests.—Review.

## Walker Went to the Sun

Paul E. Walker, a lawyer in the service of the Rock Island, has the distinction of being the first person to reach the summit of Going-to-the-Sun Mountain, in Glacier Park. He was accompanied by A. Brewster, head of the transportation outfit. Going-to-the-Sun Mountain is the only peak in the park that had not been ascended. It is 9,594 feet in height and its walls are almost perpendicular. Mr. Brewer is reported as saying that the scope of vision from the top of this mountain is the most marvelous in the American or Canadian Rockies and stretches over a circle perhaps three hundred miles in diameter.

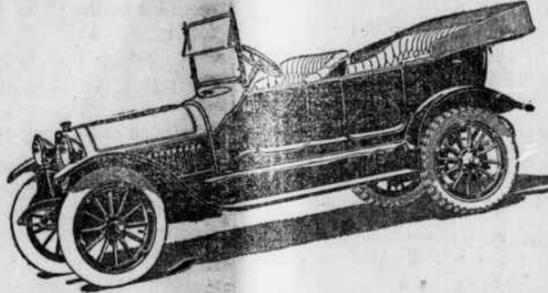
The editor of the Conrad Observer, in a recent issue, stated that a test of the length and quality of twine shipped in for the Equity and twine shipped in for Conrad dealers had been made and the result was unfavorable to the Equity twine. Last week the poor editor received such a dry-picking from several intellectual Equity members that it is highly improbable that he will stretch his neutrality in the future when such matters are under consideration.

Another severe hail storm swept over the section around Joplin late last week. The country around Galata also suffered slightly, as did the Gold Butte section.

The Conrad Independent states that S. A. Seelman, former teacher in the Browning school, has been elected to teach at the Agency town again this year.

Free ticket on a \$5.00 hat with every 25c purchase of anything in my line. Mrs. B. B. Lotz Milliner.

## Farmers, Make a Try For This Car To Be Given to the Montana Farmer Who Has Best Bushel of Wheat



A number of farmers in the community have evinced a desire to compete for the Studebaker auto offered by the Montana State Fair management for the best sample of Montana wheat. For their benefit we publish in condensed form the rules to be followed:

Cut your grain by hand, close to the ground. Grain should be thoroughly dried before putting in bundles.

There must be five sheaves, not less than three inches in diameter at the base of the head and tied in three places.

One bushel threshed wheat is required.

The Sheaves must be from the same field as the threshed grain and of same variety.

Wheat of any variety eligible.

Entries close on Sept. 11th.

All grain for display must be well packed and the heads of the sheaves should be wrapped with cheesecloth, to prevent kernels from dropping off. Shipments to be sent the Secretary and prepaid, by express. All exhibits are returned by the railroads free upon proper identification.

The Pioneer Press now has a number of circulars containing the rules, with blank form applications for entry. Those desiring to compete may call and secure one of these forms.

## Some Confused as to Hunting Status

### Tribune Article Causes a Furore Among the Huntsmen

An article in Sunday's Great Falls Tribune relative to the Montana game laws caused a furore among Cut Bank disciples of the hunt. This article contended that while the federal laws set Sept. 1st as the date of the hunting season an amendment or something to the game laws of this state passed by the last legislature specified that only counties in eastern Montana which the Tribune named could shoot ducks on Sept. 1st, and that in the western part of the state, in which this county was included, Sept. 15th was the date.

Druggist J. E. Thompson took this matter up with Game Warden Carruth of Havre, who does not seem to put much stock in this interpretation, as he declares that he will be on the firing line himself on the morning of September first.

I have made arrangements with an eastern loan company and will be able to secure loans on farms in this section. Bruce R. McNamer.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bird Grinnell of New York City who have been in the park for several days were callers in Browning Friday, Mr. Grinnell is the Editor of Forest and Stream. He is a warm friend of the Blackfeet Indians and probably knows more about them and their Country than any other man. He is thoroughly familiar with the Rocky Mountains and was the first to suggest several years ago, the establishment of the Glacier National Park. Mr. and Mrs. Grinnell visit the park annually.—Review.

## Kane-O'Connell

The marriage of John E. Kane and Miss Rose O'Connell occurred at the Catholic church here on Wednesday morning at nine o'clock, Rev. Father F. C. Greven performing the ceremony. The bride was attended by Rose Chasse and Peter Ruetten was groomsmen. Mr. and Mrs. Kane will make their home in Cut Bank, Mr. Kane being employed as engineer on the switch engine. John has been a resident of Cut Bank for a number of years and is well thought of by his fellow railroaders and the public generally. Mrs. Kane formerly resided in Williston, N. D., where the groom formed her acquaintance. The Pioneer Press, on behalf of the community, extends good wishes to Mr. Kane and his bride.

## Catholic Services

There will be Catholic services in Cut Bank Sunday. Services the first and third Sunday in each month. The following is the order of services: Morning mass at 8:30. High mass at 10:30 a. m. Christian doctrine at 2 p. m. Mass daily at 9 a. m.

## The Local Market:

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| Spring Wheat | 79   |
| Winter Wheat | 76   |
| Durum Wheat  | 80   |
| Flax         | 1.38 |
| Oats         | 22   |
| Barley       | 32   |
| Rye          | 72   |

Monday evening Chief Richards arrested Charles Nequette, who was trying to force entrance to the Northern Bar, by a rear window. The offender is from the Reservation, we understand.

Mrs. Adam Parchem, aged 19 years, died at her home west of Shelby Aug. 24 of peritonitis. Funeral services were held at Shelby Thursday conducted by Undertaker Bomboy of this city.

## Won Important Decision

A decision was rendered this week in the suit instituted by the government against James Nanstiel in which the charges alleged that fraudulent testimony had been submitted by the defendant in regard to residence on the land at the time of making final proof. In dismissing the suit Judge Bourquin said: "Continuous residence required by the homestead law does not demand continuous presence on the land. Good faith is the chief requirement, and that, in a man of defendant's situation, is consistent with extensive absence from the land. The laborer is not to be denied a homestead because necessity constrains him to work off the land."—Big Sandy Sentinel.

## Buckleys to Falls

P. H. Buckley, well-known pioneer sheepman and banker of Sweet Grass, is in the city with his family making arrangements for the building of a home in Great Falls.

Mr. Buckley owns the double corner at the southeast corner of Third avenue north and Elventh street, and the building will be erected there to cost in the neighborhood of \$6,000. Work is to commence upon it at once, so that Mr. and Mrs. Buckley and the family may move to Great Falls as early as possible in the school year that the children may attend the Great Falls school.—Leader.

## Gas at Conrad

Upon closing down the drilling machine on the property of the Pondera Gas Oil company just east of town last Saturday night, the men employed had suspicions that there was gas in the well, and one inquisitive individual dropped a lighted piece of waste down the casing, and the report came up that gas had been struck and that their ideas were correct. The explosion moved the platform and the frightened men started across the ranch at top speed.

Chas. Barron, who has charge said gas would be struck by Saturday or early Monday, and his prediction came true. The drill is still working and it is the expectation to strike a good flow of gas before the week is ended.—Observer.

Paul Kline yesterday purchased 20 head of white-face cattle from Austin Miller and will take them to his ranch, which is an ideal stock ranch.

Rev. W. A. Replogle will conduct Presbyterian services at the local church Sunday at 11:30 a. m. and 8 p. m. Rev. Replogle is stationed here temporarily.

## List of Jurors for Septemb'r Session

### Number of Cut Bank Men Among Those to Serve

The following is the list of trial jurors subpoenaed to appear in the district court on September 23, 1915. Arnett, Nicholas, Cut Bank; Burrows, Carlos, Gilman; Butcher, C. L., Dupuyer; Bakke, Andrew, Cut Bank; Buck, R. S., Cut Bank; Bilbro, I. N., Conrad; Callison, Lloyd G., Cut Bank; Cook, Tom, Fairfield; Castle, J. I., Conrad; Elliott, Frank M., Brady; Edwards, Geo. M., Cut Bank; Edward, Fred L., Cut Bank; Fuller, H. L., Conrad; Gage, W. A., Conrad; Gutshall, J. H., Bynum; Gist, John A., Blackleaf; Goodrich, J. A., Conrad; Griffith, Robert C., Conrad; Halgrimson, Edwin, Cut Bank; Hansen, Earl J., Brady; Hanes, Aslak, Fairfield; Hagen, N. E., Conrad; Heum, Walter, Conrad; Jacobs, A. E., Walter; Jonit, Frank, Williams; Johnson, Arthur D., Conrad; Johnson, Albert, Choteau; Kaspersma, John, Conrad; Kropp, August, Brady; Knowlton, Ora, Blackleaf; Lee, E. A., Conrad; Miller, Frank, Dupuyer; Moore, Wm. H., Dupuyer; Malone, Robert L., Agawam; Markle, Ed. J., Dutton; Mains, D. F., Valier; Miles, S. R., Dutton; Peterson, Nels, Conrad; Parkerson, A. W., Dupuyer; Reiding, A. P., Farmington; Shawver, Chas. A., Porter; Schuren, Frank W., Cut Bank; Tippet, Alba, Conrad; Van Belle, Arie, Porter; Wiprud, O. T., Dutton.

## Work on Coulees

A crew of men with teams are now at work reducing the grade on south side of the Stauffer Coulee. A new bridge now spans the stream and the dirt from the south hill is being hauled down to the bridge approach, which raises the grade at the bridge about three feet and cuts down the grade on the south side considerably. The improving of this coulee road is a timely piece of work. It was in no condition to haul heavy loads over and in a short time a great portion of the big grain harvest out north will be hauled that way. The improvement will surely be appreciated by the Headlight farmers who travel this road. Commissioner Jacobson has general supervision of the work and Andrew Teterud is "boss of the works."

Farm loans on farms in the Cut Bank section can be arranged by calling on Bruce R. McNamer.

## THIS YEAR



puts the final stamp of approval on the Cut Bank country. Get some of it while you can. It will go to \$50.00 an acre in 5 years. Two good relinquishments to sell.

**Bruce R. McNamer**  
Real Estate & Insurance  
CUT BANK, MONT.

## RECEIPT AND RECORD

There is a bumper crop this year and the season should net you several hundred dollars. Before paying your bills deposit your money in the bank and pay by check. That may mean a considerable saving to you and you will have a receipted bill and record of all payments.

We can also serve you in many other ways

## Farmers State Bank

John S. Tucker,  
Pres.

F. H. Worden,  
Cashier