

CITY AND STATE.

From Saturday's Daily.

Born, on Saturday, June 15, 1907, to the wife of George R. Davis, a daughter.

If weather conditions are favorable, shearing will commence Monday at the Benton Sheep company plant.

Mrs. John W. Tattan has gone to Great Falls, in response to word that her daughter-in-law, Mrs. J. J. Tattan, is quite sick.

Mrs. J. J. McGraw, who has been visiting with her parents at Heron, S. D., for several weeks past, returned home this morning.

Notice of location for the Wild Horse placer claim, in the Little Rockies, has been filed in the county clerk's office by Logan Davis.

"Hobo Pete," a well known character of Havre, returned to that place this morning, after having served thirty days in the county bastille.

Contractor George Sherry has a large force of men at work constructing flood water sewers for the municipal authorities. Cement pipe will be used to carry off the water.

The Fort Benton baseball boys have been challenged by the Havre team to play a game in Havre on Thursday, June 27, when the Eagles' convention will be in session in that city. The challenge will be accepted.

A big stack of lumber from the dismantled bonded warehouse on Baker street, is being made into a raft to be floated down the Missouri river. Its destination is the I. F. Churchill ranch about thirty miles below town.

The wilful desertion of a band of sheep will be the charge against a herder named F. F. Holbright, who has been arrested and will be prosecuted in the Teton county courts. He is alleged to have put a band of Charles Pearson's sheep in a corral and deserted them, the outfit being found three days later suffering from hunger and thirst to a degree that caused them to eat the wool from each other. The matter has been taken up by the state bureau of protection to children and animals, of which Otto Schoenfeld is in charge.

A special rate of a fare and one-third has been secured by the Montana State series, Fraternal Order of Eagles, over the Great Northern, Montana Central and Northern Pacific roads for the state convention of Eagles to be held at Havre, June 25, 26 and 27. Tickets for the occasion will be issued upon the certificate plan. In going the traveler pays full fare and it is necessary to obtain certificates when buying tickets, as same must be signed by the state secretary of the Eagles in Havre, in order that the rate of one-third fare for the return trip may be secured.

Husbandman: There was a big bunch of settlers in Great Falls last week giving testimony as to the character of the bench lands lying between Smith river and the Missouri. The shameless manner in which these poor settlers are being treated is enough to drive them into Canada. A special agent files an objection to the settler getting a title on the ground that the land is non-desert in character and they have got to go to the expense of proving the character of the land. It is a criminal proceeding, and unworthy of a government claimed to be administered in the interest of the poor and oppressed. All lands in Montana are desert in character and require irrigation to make them produce a crop one year with another.

From Monday's Daily.

The Butte newspapers report a light snowfall in that city Friday morning.

Born, on Monday, June 17, 1907, to the wife of William Witt, a daughter.

H. C. Evers, who came in today from Big Sandy, reports shearing operations in progress at that place.

Charles Lepley, accompanied by his wife and son, left yesterday on a visit with friends in Iowa and Vermont.

Rev. J. N. Chesnut is attending the annual convention of the Montana Episcopal diocese, which is being held in Butte.

J. W. Haigler returned this morning from Alhambra Springs, where he has been confined the past two weeks with rheumatism.

Frank McGowan arrived in town Saturday with his traction engine which will be used to run a shearing plant for C. H. Ragland on the Teton.

Miss Lena Ludtke, who has been making this city her home for the past year, left Saturday for the Shoukin where she will spend the summer.

Mrs. E. R. Russell, of this city, who attended the annual convention of the Epworth League at Bozeman, was elected superintendent of the Junior League.

Several members of the Barbwire roundup are in town today making arrangements for the work of the season. The roundup will commence tomorrow.

F. S. Page, representing the Vandusen & Barrington livestock commission firm, arrived from St. Paul yesterday, and is interviewing local stockmen in regard to the shipments they will make this season.

From Tuesday's Daily.

J. W. Lenning left today on a visit with relatives in Indiana.

George Dutton arrived from Chester today, on a short business visit.

H. C. Riechers and wife left yesterday on a visit at Alhambra Springs. Attorney R. E. O'Keefe, of Chinook, is attending to business in the district court.

Peter Nilson and A. G. Hill have filed in the district court notice of their intention to apply for citizenship.

A marriage license has been issued at Great Falls in favor of Gustav Holst and Katie Schuler, both of Chinook.

John Bews, of Chinook, secured final citizenship papers in the district court today. Mr. Bews is a native of Scotland.

Congressman Charles N. Pray returned this morning from Minneapolis, where he attended the reception to Secretary Taft.

Arrivals from the Sweet Grass hills country bring word that the Laird Bros. wool clip has been sold to F. R. Peters at 22 cents.

A private letter from Mondak reports a fierce hail storm in that part of northern Montana a few days ago. The hail drifted on the railroad track to such a depth as to temporarily delay passenger traffic.

Articles of incorporation were filed in the county clerk's office today by the Harlem Telephone company, with a capital stock of \$3,000. The incorporators are P. E. Woodbury, J. L. Ressler and H. G. Bosley.

An attractive souvenir booklet for the Eagles convention at Havre has been issued by members of that order. There is every indication of a big attendance of Eagles at Havre on June 25 and two following days.

H. L. Healy, of Butte, is among the business visitors in town. In the early eighties Mr. Healy was cabin boy on some of the Missouri river steamboats that came to the head of navigation, and is now renewing some of his old-time associations.

Advices from Choteau indicate that the Teton county authorities are breaking up a gang of horse thieves. At the trial of C. M. Roberts, charged with receiving stolen horses, one of the members of the gang turned state's evidence and implicated the defendant and others.

Anticipating a Coal Famine.

The state board of railroad commissioners is of the opinion that a coal famine threatens Montana citizens next winter, and advises that a liberal supply of fuel be secured during the summer and fall months. This is not pleasant news to many householders who find it difficult to "pay the freight." They would prefer to receive the fuel and pay for it at the time it is needed. It would be much more satisfactory to them if the railroad commission would require the coal dealers and others to furnish the fuel several months in advance of its consumption, and wait for their pay until the rains on the coal pile commence.

The circular issued by the commission, however, makes no mention of this feature of the situation, its contents being to this effect:

"The railroad commission of Montana having completed an investigation into the coal supply now in sight and to be available for the use of citizens of this state during the winter months of 1907 and 1908, and such inquiry having resulted in the showing that a coal shortage exceeding that of the past winter is not only possible but probable unless steps are taken to avert it, the railroad commission issues this circular for the purpose of warning and advising the people of Montana to put in their coal supplies early."

"The constantly increasing traffic of the railroads, calling for greater quantities of fuel for engine consumption, will largely cut down the supply of coal that has heretofore been offered commercially through the coal companies controlled by the railroads."

"The population of this state is growing, and more fuel, both coal and wood, will be required the coming winter than ever before."

"With a view of averting a fuel famine, this commission earnestly advises the people of Montana to arrange for their fuel requirements as early as possible."

District Court Proceedings.

The June term of district court commenced today (Tuesday), the morning session being devoted to civil business. Judgment was entered in the following suits:

Price vs. Frey, for \$729.59 and costs.

Hedges vs. Frey, for \$98.90 and costs.

Lee Cam vs. Frey, for \$188.10 and costs.

Bogy Mercantile Co. vs. H. Winter, for \$139.52 and costs.

Hopkins vs. Frey, for \$1,717.44 and costs.

Judgment by default was entered in the suit of W. Truith vs. John H. Rube for \$396.25, with interest and costs.

AMONG OUR NEIGHBORS.

A Grist of Items Gathered From Our Northern Montana Exchanges.

Chinook Opinion: J. H. Tharp went to Box Elder the first of the week to make arrangements for sugar beet contracts among the ranchers of that locality. Several hundred acres are expected to be cared at that place.

Glasgow Review: The big Great Northern reservoir, at Bowdoin, will be completed next Tuesday. In dimensions it is 900 feet long, 500 feet wide and 14 feet deep. At different times 4000 men were employed on the job.

Glasgow Review: Another batch of Dakota homesteaders arrived in Glasgow Thursday evening. They are filing on the bench lands north of town and say that a whole swarm of people from that section will come to Glasgow between now and snowfall.

Calbertson Searchlight: A new postoffice has been established at Dagmar, about 40 miles north of Calbertson, and F. E. Madsen, who has done so much in organizing the colony, was appointed postmaster, according to a letter received from Senator Dixon by Postmaster C. S. Stafford, of this city.

Conrad Observer: The traction engine for the Teton Co-operative Reservoir company was unloaded from the car this week. It was steamed up and given a run about town and is now being held waiting the arrival of a grader and 15 wagons, which will be set up and hauled to the works near Bynum by the traction engine.

Glasgow News: This part of the country was the recipient of a very heavy rainfall Friday night. The rainfall in torrents but was nice and warm and was not injurious to stock. A small section of track was washed out about three miles from Nashua, on account of a small cloud burst, but no serious damage was done.

Hinsdale Homestead: J. M. Nelson left Wednesday evening for Dubuque, Iowa, where he goes to take possession of a river boat which he has contracted for. He will bring the boat up the river arriving at the nearest point to Glasgow about the middle of July. He will then establish a freighting business up the Missouri river, running his boat between Milk river and Kismet during the summer.

Lewistown Argus: A. T. Goodspeed has been engaged by the parties interested in the new town of Windham, on Sage creek, to lay out the townsite and will begin the work next week. The main street is to be 80 feet wide and the other streets 60 feet. Windham, with the development of the big coal mines in that vicinity, promises to become quite a town within the next year.

Havre Herald: Cecil Sleson, aged three, ran-sacked his father's barn on the farm eight miles from Gildford and investigated the many bottles used for veterinary purposes and he drank some carbolic acid. The child, in agony, was hurried to Havre by his father, and was promptly ministered to by Dr. A. M. McKenzie and cared for at the home of Mrs. S. K. Hudson in the east end. The boy died this morning after suffering excruciating pain for two days.

Havre Herald: Three hundred and eighty soldiers and 327 horses departed Monday from Fort Assiniboine. Their destination is Fort Des Moines, Iowa. Their conveyance is directly to St. Paul, via the Great Northern. There is nothing left now at Fort Assiniboine but the costly buildings, the records, eighteen members of the Sixth infantry on detail from Fort Harrison, the hospital and signal corps, numbering in all exactly thirty men, including Captain J. J. Boniface, adjutant, who is still stationed there.

Glasgow News: The stockmen generally feel that the dipping order, under the circumstances, is a gross imposition but they intend to go through with it this year as required. At the Hinsdale meeting Dr. Knowles was asked if he knew of any scab in this district and admitted that neither he nor any of his deputies had seen any but that they were acting wholly on the order of the federal authorities. He also admitted that it was their duty to turn back any shipment of cattle where a single animal showed any sign of the disease, but that in the shipment of thousands of cattle last fall not a single carload was refused permission to proceed to market. This move this season will probably satisfy the federal officers as far as this district is concerned and the stockmen consider the easiest way out of it is to "come through."

Military Posts in Montana.

The superiority of Fort Assiniboine over all other military posts in Montana, in point of accommodations and the reserve in which it is located, appears in the official roster of troops in the department of Dakota. It gives these particulars regarding the several military posts in Montana: Fort Assiniboine was established May 9, 1879. Area of reservation, 220,000 acres. Quarters for 36 officers,

and barracks for 730 enlisted men. Six cavalry stables for 60 horses each, and one stable for field, staff and band horses. Two quartermaster's stables for 100 animals each.

Fort Harrison, established December 13, 1892. Area of reservation, 1,040 acres. Quarters for 19 officers and barracks for 288 enlisted men. One quartermaster's stable for 48 animals; no cavalry stables.

Fort Keogh, established August 28, 1876. Area of reservation, 57,600 acres. Quarters for 27 officers and barracks for 390 enlisted men. Five stables with accommodations for 460 horses. Two quartermaster's stables, one for 72 and one for 88 animals.

Fort Missoula, established June, 1877. Area of reservation, 2,777 acres. Quarters for 15 officers and barracks for 240 enlisted men. One quartermaster's stable for 72 animals; no cavalry stables.

Sheep and Wool Gossip.

The only sheep deal reported in this locality the past week was the purchase of an outfit of yearling wethers from H. Jappe, of Big Sandy, by C. H. Ragland, at \$3.25 per head, and lambs at \$2.50, for October delivery in each case. Mr. Ragland also bought the Jappe wool clip at 20 cents.

Conditions in the local market are similar to those reported from Boston; there has been comparatively little trading, but prices are firm. Several deals are pending, one-fourth of a cent being in some cases the extent of the difference between the views of the parties to the negotiations.

It is understood there have been several wool sales in Valley county, but particulars are not yet available. The Gibson & Carpenter clip is said to have sold at Glasgow at 21 1/2 cents, and the Edgar & Jamison clip at a little less than that figure.

In its weekly review of wool market conditions, the Boston Commercial Bulletin says:

Domestic wools are quiet, largely, it is believed, because of the absence of desirable supplies, old wool having been closely picked over and the receipts of new insignificant. There is not the selection on hand to afford a large movement. The new wools so far received in any quantity have sold steadily. Those from Arizona are about cleaned up, while included in the current week's business is a comparatively fair quantity of spring Texas stock. The great bulk of the territory wool left from the old clip is clothing wool, for which the demand does not run beyond the small lots needed for the current necessities of consumers.

There are plenty of buyers of wool at the prices prevailing in the various producing sections. Manufacturers are playing a more prominent part than in former years, and in several instances they have paid the grower the highest prices of the season. They are particularly active in the fleece wool states—Ohio and Michigan—having bought freely of fine wool in Michigan at as high as 26c and of medium at 28c/29c, while in Ohio they have exceeded 30c for medium wool in several instances and bought fine at as high as 27c for wools running to staple. At the Shaniko, Ore., sales this week worsted mills bid freely and bought largely, paying up to 22 1/2c landed for the well known Baldwin clip and correspondingly high prices for others. Idaho wools are moving freely at 18c/19c for clothing and 19c/20c for staple. Wyoming clips are selling at 19c/21c, and in Montana there has been further business at 20c/22c.

The Heyn Elite Studio.

According to the Great Falls newspapers, the new photographic studio of Louis Heyn in that city is the finest in Northern Montana. Everything from the reception to the dark room has been fitted for convenience in doing photographic work. The operating room is large, so that many figures can be easily grouped and long focus lenses can be used. It has the north light which is always best and ground glass to soften the lighting. New scenery has been added and every accessory is present to insure finest possible work. One finds besides electric lighting apparatus for night work. This has been added largely for the convenience of those who may be in the city for an evening and who do not wish to remain.

Besides an attractive waiting room there is a ladies' dressing room opening into the reception and operating room. Everything in the equipment of the gallery would lead to the conclusion that the Elite expects to add materially to its already large patronage.

LEWISTOWN, June 17. — Reports have been received here to the effect that Harlowton, one of the principal points on the Montana railroad, was practically destroyed by fire today. As far as can be learned, only one store and the passenger depot were saved. It is not known how the fire originated, but a high wind was blowing at the time and carried the flames from building to building and made the fire impossible to control. Harlowton has become quite an important commercial town recently, on account of the Milwaukee making it the junction point of its new line with the Montana railroad.

The Public Lands Convention.

HELENA, June 15.—According to United States Senator Carter, the friction which it has been alleged will be manifested between President Roosevelt and many of the delegates to the Denver land convention is but a dream of the newspaper correspondents. Senator Carter returned today from Washington, and he was asked if there was any truth in the published statements to the effect that President Roosevelt was taking such a great interest in the results of the Denver convention that, in order to prevent any policy being advocated that would be in opposition to that for which he stands, he would try through the presence of members of his cabinet to control the convention.

"Apparently an erroneous impression concerning the attitude of President Roosevelt is abroad," said Senator Carter. "The convention has been called at the initiative of the Colorado legislature. Some papers have announced that the president is determined to send two cabinet officers and a number of subordinates to take charge of the convention and direct its work. I have read such statements, and while in Washington took occasion to tell the president that in my opinion the meeting of the western men would not passively submit to direction and dictation by federal officials. The president disclaimed any responsibility for the published reports and specifically stated that Secretary Garfield of the interior department and Secretary Wilson of the agricultural department and others would go to Denver to answer any questions which might be propounded and give such information as they could concerning the administration of the laws and proposed changes thereof.

"On this basis it was a pleasure to assure the president that all the gentlemen representing the executive department would be most cordially received and counseled with. I do not understand the convention will assemble with a view of assailing the administration, but only for serious conference and full and free consideration of the numerous proposals to amend the existing laws."

Oriental Limited is Wrecked.

MINOT, N. D., June 15.—Seventeen persons were injured in the wreck of the eastbound Oriental limited on the Great Northern railway west of Palermo this morning. Nine cars plunged down a 20-foot embankment and all but the mail car burned. Engineer James Longevan went down with the engine, but escaped injury. Fireman Nolan jumped and hurt his foot. The wreck was caused by a broken rail.

The injured include: T. J. Skull, Seattle, injured on head and body; William Johnson, Saskatchewan, injured on head and body; Kawanish, a Japanese, en route to New York, injured internally.

Holding Up Helen Gould.

NEW YORK, June 17.—According to a statement made public today, the letters asking benefactions from Miss Helen Gould aggregate \$2,000,000 a week. They range for a request for a set of false teeth to \$1,000,000 to establish a colony.

A movement is on foot among music lovers of this city to make the orchestra leader, Kallenborne's, music a permanent feature in New York. For this subscriptions from wealthy persons would be necessary. Miss Gould was one of those consulted. She encouraged Mr. Kallenborne, but incidentally cited the fact that this was not the only thing she was asked to encourage.

Then she gave him an itemized list of requests for donations for a week. In the week referred to Miss Gould received 231 requests for money outright. Out of these, 199 left the amount to her good will and discretion.

Miss Gould was asked in that week for \$5,000 to help to form an anti-saloon league in Idaho. She received 43 requests for aid for churches, 27 for educational institutions and 26 for libraries. More than 30 was for help charitable institutions. Four persons, presumably young women, wanted Miss Gould to help them buy trousseaus. Eleven persons wanted pianos and 12 wanted Miss Gould to buy their inventions.

Following are some of the other wants: Bibles, bicycles, a farm and three cows, one invalid's chair, enough pillows to supply a regiment, one set of teeth, five sewing machines and fifteen railway tickets.

LEGAL BLANKS.

Table listing legal blanks for sale: Water Rights, for recording 50; Water Rights, for posting 25; Chattel Mortgages 75; Real Estate Mortgages 75; Satisfaction of Mortgage 50; Warranty Deeds 50; Quit Claim Deeds 50; Bills of Sale 50; Quartz location for recording 50; Quartz location for posting 50; Assignment of brand 30; Promissory Notes, per book of 100 75; Receipt Books, with stubs 50.

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Ranch for Sale.

A well located ranch on the Teton, about twelve miles from town. Good stock ran in, and plenty of hay. It consists of 600 acres of deeded land, all fenced, with log house and other buildings. Good water and plenty of cottonwood timber. School close to ranch.

I. MARCOTE, Fort Benton.

Notice to Contractors.

Sealed proposals will be received by the county clerk of Chouteau county, Montana, up to the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. July 15, 1907, for a steam heating plant for the court house and jail, or for court house and jail separately; also chimneys necessary for said plant with privilege of thirty days trial before accepting plan. Bids should be addressed to the county clerk and marked on the outside to indicate their nature. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. By order of the board of county commissioners.

W. R. LEET, County Clerk. Fort Benton, Montana, June 11, 1907.

Notice to Contractors.

Sealed proposals will be received by the county clerk of Chouteau county, Montana, up to the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. July 15, 1907, for the following work: Placing oak floors in different parts of the court house and painting the floor of the court room. Plans may be seen at the clerk's office. Bids should be addressed to the county clerk and marked on the outside to indicate their nature. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. By order of the board of county commissioners.

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Sealed proposals will be received by the county clerk of Chouteau county, Montana, up to the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. July 15, 1907, for the furnishing and placing of two public scales of five or seven tons capacity, one at Fort Benton and the other at Havre, Montana. Scales shall be provided with glass or open front. Bids should be addressed to the county clerk and marked on the outside to indicate their nature. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. By order of the board of county commissioners.

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Sealed proposals will be received by the county clerk of Chouteau county, Montana, up to the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. July 15, 1907, for the construction of a steel or combination bridge across the Big Sandy creek about six miles from Havre, Montana. Said bridge to consist of one span 100 feet long and approaches, and 18 feet in width. Bidders to submit their own plans and specifications. Bids must be accompanied by a certified check for 10 per cent of the amount of the bid. Bids should be addressed to the county clerk and marked on the outside to indicate their nature. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. By order of the board of county commissioners.

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Sealed proposals will be received by the county clerk of Chouteau county, Montana, up to the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. July 15, 1907, for the furnishing and placing of 100 tons of hard, square rock around the piers of the Missouri river bridge. Rock to weigh 100 pounds per cubic yard. Also for repairing the ice breakers just above said bridge. Bids to cover all of above work and work to be completed by August 30, 1907. Bids must be accompanied by a certified check for 10 per cent of the bid, and should be addressed to the county clerk and marked on the outside to indicate their nature. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. By order of the board of county commissioners.

W. R. LEET, County Clerk. Fort Benton, Montana, June 11, 1907.

BENTON LODGE, No. 59, I. O. O. F.

Meets every Wednesday evening at Odd Fellows hall. Visiting members are cordially invited to attend. HENRY HAGEN, N. G. W. W. HARRISON, Rec. Sec.

BENTON LODGE No. 25, A. F. & A. M.

Regular communications of the above lodge are held at 7:30 p. m. on the first and third Mondays of each month. Members of sister lodges and sojourning brethren are cordially invited to attend. J. W. HAIGLER, W. M. W. W. HARRISON, Sec'y.

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Rates: Minimum price for any abstract or continuation, including certificate, \$5.00. When more than one entry is made per entry. Mining properties and properties described by metes and bounds, \$1.00 per entry. Water right filings shown only on request. Orders for abstracts given prompt and careful attention.

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