

CITY AND STATE.

From Wednesday's Daily.  
Clothes pins 1 cent per dozen at The Fair.

Boss of the Road overalls 65 cents at The Fair.

Mennen's Talcum powder, 15 cents at The Fair.

Send your watch and jewelry repair work to D. G. Lockwood's jewelry store.

Mrs. C. H. Ragland arrived today from California, on a visit of a few days.

John Ross, a well known resident of Denton, is among the business visitors in town.

Ed. Goyette is receiving congratulations over the birth of a daughter, which took place last evening at St. Clare hospital.

Word was received from Lewistown today, announcing the birth of a son to the wife of John B. Rauch, formerly of this city.

A marriage license was issued by the clerk of the district court today to John Fitzpatrick and Grace P. Hunnewell, both of Chester.

Chas. H. Green and family have moved into their handsome new residence on Main street, which was recently completed by Contractor Geo. Sherry.

John Neubert returned today from Chicago, where he attended the marketing of a beef shipment for the Barbwire roundup. The cattle were in good condition and sold at satisfactory prices.

The new forms of quartz location blank required under the new law can be obtained at the River Press office. The new form must now be used in making quartz locations.

Frank Swain, who assaulted a fellow prisoner in the county jail a few days ago, had a hearing before Justice Kinder yesterday, and was given a sentence of six months.

A suit to foreclose a real estate mortgage has been filed in the district court by T. C. Power & Bro. Ltd., against Lawrence Papan and others. The mortgage was given to secure a promissory note of \$500.

The county clerk's office is sending out certificates of election to the candidates who received a majority vote on November 3. The receipt of a certificate will end the anxiety of any candidate who is in doubt as to the result of the political contest.

Northern Montana ladies demand New York styles. The Fair knows it and The Fair keeps a resident buyer in that fashion center all the time. Today they are showing styles that little Montana stores will show next spring, and their prices are eastern prices.

It is reported from Collins that the saloon of Ben Feist was entered Monday night by a masked robber, the till was robbed of \$75 and the man escaped. The proprietor was alone in the saloon and when the man entered, whipped out a gun and ordered the proprietor to throw up his hands.

J. W. Woodcock, of the Shonkin, who is in town today, reports that the petition for the establishment of the Shonkin postoffice has been sent to Washington. Mr. Woodcock also states that it is proposed to extend the Highwood telephone line to the Shonkin valley, and secure wire connection with this city.

Will A. Campbell, an Omaha newspaper man who is gathering transportation data for the Missouri river navigation congress, was among the arrivals from the west today. A meeting will be held at the council rooms this evening, at 8 o'clock, at which matters of interest to business men will be discussed, and to which all citizens are invited. Mr. Campbell will be present at the meeting, and will give an outline of the plans of the organization which he represents.

From Thursday's Daily.  
You can do better at The Fair, Havre, Montana.

The best grade one-buckle overshoes \$1.50 at The Fair, Havre.

W. L. McClelland, of Chinook, arrived today on a business visit.

Charles J. Kops, of Great Falls, is among the business visitors in town.

William Knight, of Hill, who is in town today, has filed in the district court a declaration of his intention to become an American citizen. The applicant is a native of Scotland.

The railroad depot at Havre had a narrow escape from destruction Tuesday night, when the roof of the building caught fire. The flames were extinguished by the local fire department.

The will of the late W. S. Evans, formerly of this city, who died recently at Calbertson, has been filed for probate in the district court of Valley county. The estate is valued at about \$45,000.

To further extend its trade among its Benton customers The Fair store will, during November and December, pay the railroad fare to Havre of any of its customers whose purchases amount to \$35 or more.

Business at the county treasurer's

office is improving, the receipts having been increased by a large number of tax payments the past few days. Taxes will become delinquent after Monday, November 30.

It is announced from Great Falls that I. Parker Veazey, the well known attorney of that city, has resigned the position of general counsel for the Great Northern in its Montana business. The resignation will take effect January 1.

The members of the Junior Guild will hold a rummage sale Saturday afternoon and evening at the Masonic hall, at which a large assortment of useful and fancy articles will be offered at bargain prices. Everybody is cordially invited.

The last livestock shipments of the season are being made from this point today, the Great Northern officials having given notice that after November 20 no shipments will be received except at owner's risk. Several small outfits of cattle from the Shonkin and Marias were loaded today, and shipments of mutton were also made by the Benton Sheep company and the Northwestern Livestock company.

Several residents of northern Montana have been notified of their appointment by Governor Norris as delegates to the Rivers and Harbors congress, which will meet December 9 at Washington. The list includes David G. Browne and F. E. Stranahan, of this city; W. M. Bole and C. M. Webster, of Great Falls; E. T. Broadwater and S. Pepin, of Havre; and several citizens of Valley county.

From Friday's Daily  
Don't be absent minded. Remember that The Fair sells for less.

J. E. Templeton returned today from Helena, where he has been visiting the past week.

If wise investment is the conquest of poverty then The Fair is the guide to prosperity.

Don't pay more than \$2.10 for the best four buckle overshoe. The Fair sells them for that.

Mark Cockerill, the well known Marias stockman, is among the business visitors in town.

Thirty-four ladies' tailor made suits, worth up to \$27, are now on special sale at The Fair at \$16.50.

A. W. Kingsbury arrived from Great Falls today, to look after his livestock interests in the Big Sag country.

The Fair store, of Havre, will meet or beat the prices of any catalogue house or will refund your expense of coming to Havre.

It is reported from Helena that the damage suit of W. D. Smotherman against the Great Northern, has been dismissed in the federal court, a settlement having been effected.

Among the documents filed in the county clerk's office are several affidavits of representation work on mining claims in this county, which must be placed on record before the end of the year.

Among the crops threshed by the Braithwaite outfit in this vicinity are those of the C. H. Boyle ranch, about three miles above town. The oat crop averaged forty bushels, and the alfalfa seed about thirteen bushels to the acre, without irrigation.

Articles of incorporation have been filed with the secretary of state by the Dakota Western Telephone company, of Calbertson, of which residents of Valley county and North Dakota are the incorporators. The company proposes to build a telephone line from Palermo, N. Dak., to Havre, Mont.

Lewistown News: Rufus Thompson and Robert Woodman have returned from the Little Rockies where they went to inspect some mining properties. Mr. Thompson took samples from his mine, the Alabama, which gave assay returns as high as \$400 per ton. The ore was from an open cut. Development work on the Alabama will be actively pushed.

Among the criminal cases before the district court of Valley county is that of Ralph Briggs, who is charged with the murder of Amos Carroll near Malta, several weeks ago. The dead body was found near the Carroll residence with two bullet holes in the back, and the accused, who is said to have had a grudge against Carroll, was arrested on suspicion. The defendant has entered a plea of not guilty.

A dispatch from Bozeman announces the death of Herbert English, son of J. D. English, of Big Sandy, who was attending the state agricultural college at Bozeman. He was a victim of diphtheria, which has been prevalent in that locality the past few weeks. In order to prevent the further spread of the disease, the agricultural college and public schools of Bozeman will be closed until the end of the month.

BUTTE, Nov. 11.—Pat Gordon today confessed to derailing an Oregon Short Line train at Silver Box February 19, last, and was sent to the state penitentiary for five years. Gordon tried to wreck a passenger train at the same place the same night by piling ties on the rails. He was drunk and cherished a grudge against a minor employe of the road at Silver Box.

BOOSTING FOR WATERWAYS.  
Agent of Missouri River Navigation Congress Predicts Cheap Transportation.

A reduction of from sixty to seventy per cent. in the transportation charges upon Montana products shipped to eastern points, and a proportionate saving upon freight brought into Montana, is predicted by Will A. Campbell, of Omaha, a newspaper writer and agent of the Missouri River Navigation congress, who is among the visitors in town. This economy will be effected through the federal policy of improving and making navigable our inland waterways, of which the Missouri river is one of the largest and most important.

Mr. Campbell, who is an enthusiast upon the subject of water transportation, is gathering data regarding transportation matters in Montana, and has already secured a large amount of instructive information. He finds that many of the Montana products now shipped by railroad, the cost of transportation by water would be less than one-third of the present rate, and when the cheaper method of shipment shall become available, the saving in cost of transportation will revert to the shipper.

In discussing the benefits that will accrue to the general community from this economy to be effected by river transportation of the products of Montana mines and farms, and the supplies imported from the east, Mr. Campbell says:

"In the three weeks which I have worked in the state the natural resources, the farms, mines and ranges have astonished me, and they will surprise business men from every part of the United States, who do not now realize that Montana is soon to offer a surplus grain crop to feed the hungry world, so vast that James J. Hill will have less trouble tunneling under mountains than he will pulling his trains through piles of Montana wheat and oats.

"At present Montana is one of the best customers in the world. The amount of merchandise, machinery and products of eastern factories being shipped into the state passes all understanding, but the people are paying a terrible tax in transportation charges.

"After no little trouble the traffic experts of your railroad commission and of several big wool and mining companies agreed with me that the consumer or shipper is now paying 19 1/2 mills per ton per mile on the average for transportation in Montana. The average cost to the shipper in the United States is 7.8 mills per ton per mile, while the average cost to the shipper of transporting all classes of freight on lakes and rivers of the United States is 8 (eight-tenths) on one mill. In other words, Montana shippers are paying a transportation charge on the average twenty times as great as the average water rate.

"This ought to be convincing evidence that any community in the state can afford to pay the tax necessary to improve the Missouri river, but they cannot long afford to pay the tax of high transportation charges, waste and indifference.

"This is no dream nor project which western business men are promoting, but it is a policy—a plan continental in its scope and it is necessary and sure."

Missouri River Navigation Congress  
A local branch of the Missouri River Navigation Congress was formed at a meeting in the city hall Wednesday evening, at which Will A. Campbell, agent of the parent organization, was present. The purpose of the movement is to gather data as to the volume of traffic that is tributary to the Missouri river, and to assist in every possible way in demonstrating the merits of that stream in connection with inland waterways improvement that will be undertaken by the federal authorities.

Mayor F. E. Stranahan opened the meeting with a brief address in which the possibilities of river transportation were discussed, and the plans of the government were outlined. He was followed by Mr. Campbell in a speech which related largely to the amount of Montana traffic handled by the several railroads, the cost of transportation, and the saving of freight that could be effected by shipping certain products by the Missouri river route. In some cases the reduction, it was stated, would amount to over 50 per cent.

At the close of Mr. Campbell's remarks there was an informal discussion, in the course of which Col. J. H. Rice stated that the freight rate on wool from San Francisco to Boston is 75 cents per cwt., compared with the rate of \$1.75 paid by Montana shippers. The California rate is due to water competition.

It was decided to form a Fort Benton branch of the Missouri River Navigation Congress and organization was effected by electing the following officers: George H. Stevens, president; W. K. Harbor, secretary; F. A. Flanagan, treasurer.

It was moved and carried that the chair appoint a committee of three to solicit membership in the organization

and the chair appointed W. S. Towner, Lee Sedgwick and F. A. Flanagan for that purpose. The membership roll was signed by most of the citizens present. The meeting, which was well attended, was adjourned subject to call of the chairman.

Taft is a Tough Town.

TAFT, Mont., Nov. 18.—It is unwise for a man to show as much money as a \$10 bill, either here or in Grand Forks on the Idaho side of the range, unless he is willing to take a chance with the thugs and crooks who have infested these places. The lawlessness of this camp passes description. The scum of the earth is gathered here. Crooked gamblers, yeggmen, ex-convicts, sporting denizens and secretaries form three fourths of the population.

At St. Joe two fine steamers of the Red Collar line were burned to the waters edge in the same night and the crew and passengers lost everything. The boats were looted while they were burning.

Gambling games are run wide open on the ground floor. Reputable people whose business demands their residence here will not keep their families at Taft. At a mass meeting, held recently, it was decided to petition the legislature for state police on a system similar to that now in use in Nevada.

Deputy Sheriff Sawyer, while admitted to be one of the most efficient fighters of bad men, is entirely without help and unable to cope with existing conditions.

MISSOULA, Nov. 17.—Senator Ed. Donlan of this city, late republican candidate for governor of Montana, admits his defeat for that office by Edwin Norris, and estimates that the plurality of the latter will be about 800 votes.

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Bucks for Sale.  
On or about August last will have for sale 500 yearling bucks, good shiners and good stock for range bred. Have some two-year-old Oregon, also some select bucking bucks. Any of the above will be sold extremely low considering quality. Apply to A. K. FRESCHOTT, Helena, Mont. or Geo. G. Hill, Chester, Mont. W. H. SCOTT, Conrad, Mont.

For Rent or Sale.  
A desirable ranch property, consisting of about 2,000 acres of deeded land with improvements, is offered for rent for a term of years, or will be sold at fair valuation. Plenty of hay, range and everything necessary for a good sheep or cattle ranch. Address: J. R. MORRISON, Landrocky, Mont.

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. of December 15, 1908, for the lighting, adjusting and painting of the following bridges—the painting to consist of two coats of red mineral paint, to be done in a good, workmanlike manner: Teton river bridge, Marias river bridge, Missouri river bridge, Dodson Milk river bridge, Havre Milk river bridge, Zurich Milk river bridge, Chinook two Milk river bridges. 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, Mont., Nov. 14, 1908.

Notice to Creditors.  
Estate of Edwin Kenison, deceased.  
Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administratrix of the estate of Edwin Kenison, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four months after the first publication of this notice, in the said administratrix at the law office of F. E. Stranahan, at Fort Benton, in the county of Chouteau, state of Montana.

LOUISA C. KENISON, Administratrix of the estate of Edwin Kenison, deceased. Dated November 14, 1908. F. E. Stranahan, attorney for administratrix. First publication Nov. 14, 1908.

Notice to Creditors.  
Estate of Prior Smith, deceased.  
Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Prior Smith, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four months after the first publication of this notice, in the said administrator at his office at Broadside postoffice, in the county of Chouteau.

WILLIAM M. O'BRIEN, Administrator of the estate of Prior Smith, deceased. Dated November 17, 1908. W. S. Towner, attorney for administrator. First publication Nov. 18, 1908.

Order to Show Cause.  
In the matter of the estate of Daniel Griffin, deceased.  
Walter J. Griffin, the administrator of the estate of Daniel Griffin, deceased, having filed his petition herein praying for an order of sale of the real estate of said decedent for the purposes therein set forth.

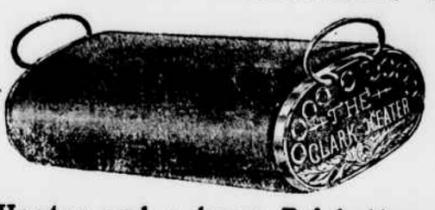
It is therefore ordered by the said court that all persons interested in the estate of said decedent appear before said court on Thursday, the 23 day of December, 1908, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the court room of said court, at the court house in Fort Benton, county of Chouteau, to show cause why an order should not be granted to the said administrator to sell so much of the real estate of the said decedent as shall be necessary.

And that a copy of this order be published at least four successive weeks in the River Press, a newspaper printed and published in said Chouteau county.

JNO. W. TATTAN, Judge of the District Court. Dated November 5, 1908. First publication November 7, 1908.

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