

CITY AND STATE.

From Wednesday's Daily.

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

Patrick Murphy and his niece, Miss Murphy, of Kansas City, left today on a trip to the Pacific coast.

Lee Sedgwick was among the departures last evening, his destination being the Alaska Yukon exposition at Seattle.

Suit has been commenced in the district court by W. J. Wellwood, of Landusky, against Ed. Moore, to recover an indebtedness alleged to be due on a promissory note.

Ed. Larock, of Harlem, a well known sheepman of that locality, is among the visitors in town. Mr. Larock reports that shearing at Harlem has been delayed by frequent rains.

The sale of real estate acquired by the county for taxes, which was advertised for July 10, has been postponed to July 15, on account of the absence of the chairman of the board.

The Episcopal church Sunday school picnic, which was to have been held tomorrow at the W. R. Embleton ranch, has been postponed on account of the unfavorable weather conditions.

The well recently drilled on the bench land farm of Captain Geo. H. Stevens was equipped with a pump and windmill yesterday, and is now furnishing a supply of pure, soft water to settlers in that vicinity.

The Kalspell newspapers report that E. E. Day, treasurer of Flathead county, has turned over to the county \$637.67, interest which he has collected on county funds deposited with the various banks. The Chouteau county plan is growing in popular favor.

D. A. Cromley has commenced suit in the district court against the Great Northern Railway company to recover the sum of \$500 and costs of suit. The plaintiff claims that amount as compensation for twenty head of cattle which he alleges were killed on the railroad near Yantic.

The repairs on the Teton tunnel, which have been in progress since the cave-in of February 15, have been completed, and the surplus timbers and other material are being shipped to Mitchell. It has been a tedious and difficult job, but the tunnel is now in better shape than when it was first constructed.

O. G. Skylestad and E. M. Kennedy, county commissioners, arrived today with the intention of going down the Missouri river on the steamboat Baby Rose, for the purpose of inspecting a proposed county road from the river to Landusky. Owing to the delay in receiving clearance papers for the steamboat, the trip will be postponed.

It is reported from Belt that a recent hail storm did considerable damage in that vicinity, crops being beaten down and badly cut to pieces and in some places ruined completely. Garden truck in the town was pelted into the ground and destroyed, while every window on the north side, the direction from which the storm came, was broken. It is estimated that a thousand windows were broken, the force of the wind and the dashing hail being so great that the people were compelled to hold their doors.

From Thursday's Daily.

Mrs. John McClelland, of Judith, who arrived today, is under treatment at St. Clare hospital for a severe attack of rheumatism.

C. W. Ryder, of Boston, who represents the well known wool firm, Crimmins & Peirce, of that city, is among the business visitors in town.

Wm. DeLosier, city marshal, is making daily roundups of persons who appear to need discipline at the hands of the police magistrate. Six offenders were marched to jail this morning.

There is general complaint among ranchers that the alfalfa hay crop has suffered from recent heavy rains. In some cases the first crop of alfalfa was cut about two weeks ago, and is not yet dry enough to put in stack.

Colin Ward, who arrived last evening from the west, brings word that the dam of the enormous reservoir built by the Conrad Investment company near Conrad, was partly destroyed yesterday. The reservoir was designed to irrigate several thousand acres of land.

Chouteau county maintains her place near the head of the list of gold producing counties in Montana. The receipts of gold at the United States assay office in Helena last month included \$54,511 from Chouteau county, an amount exceeded by only one other county in Montana.

A transaction in Milk river ranch property is recorded in a deed received at the county clerk's office, by which L. V. Boggy, of Chinook, transfers a tract of 160 acres to Ensign S. Sweet, for \$3,600. The property is located about 4 1/2 miles west of Chinook, and is known as the Alex Clyde place.

The number of automobiles in this locality was increased today by the arrival of three new Petrel machines for Dr. E. M. Porter, who will retain

one of them for his own use. The local auto experts gave the machines some test runs soon after they arrived, and express themselves as well pleased with their work.

A suit against Thomas S. Carter and James Thornhill, executors of the will of the late John T. Throop, of Landusky, has been commenced in the district court by Mrs. May Schweiz. The complaint states that plaintiff has a claim of about \$382 against the estate, consisting of a board bill and other items, which the executors decline to pay.

An official certificate of inspection of the new steamboat Baby Rose was received today by Captain Crepeau, these papers forming the final chapter of the red tape government regulations that have delayed the steamboat's maiden trip down the Missouri river. The cargo was being loaded this afternoon and will be completed tomorrow, the start for lower river points to be made early Saturday morning.

From Friday's Daily  
H. J. O'Hanlon, of Chinook, who was among the arrivals today, confirms the report of recent wool sales in that market at prices averaging about 23 cents.

Several wagonloads of young people left this morning for the W. R. Embleton ranch on the Teton, where the St. Paul's church Sunday school picnic is being held this afternoon.

Andrew J. Moore, generally known as "Jack" Moore, who is charged with shooting and attempting to kill his wife about six weeks ago, was arraigned in Justice Kinder's court today. The defendant having entered a plea of not guilty, a preliminary hearing of the case was set for July 19.

The prospective big wheat crop from dry land farms in the Judith basin is attracting the attention of Minneapolis flour mill operators. According to the Minneapolis Journal, they will erect eight elevators this season in the Judith basin country, each to be of a capacity of 25,000 to 30,000 bushels.

Advices from Great Falls report that the remains of Charles Waters, the Highwood boy who died from injuries received in a street car accident, were shipped yesterday to Payallup, Wash., for burial. The parents of the unfortunate young man are living at Payallup, and wish to have interment made at that place.

Articles of incorporation were filed in the county clerk's office today by the Workmen's Co-operative Coal company, of Havre, with a capital stock of \$3,000, in shares of \$1 each. The incorporators of the concern are W. L. Bruner, R. A. Ramsey, A. Neitzel and Charles R. Davis, each of whom is the owner of twenty shares of stock in the company.

A miscellaneous cargo of freight is being loaded today on the Baby Rose and the barge that will accompany her down the Missouri river, the shipments including a variety of merchandise billed to various points between this city and Round Butte. One of the consignments is a J. I. Case portable steam engine of 25-horsepower, which is being shipped to Carlberg & Larson, of Sneath, and who will use it to operate a centrifugal irrigator pump.

New Railroad North From Poplar.

Increased railroad facilities for settlers located in the northeastern part of Valley county are promised in a proposed branch line of the Great Northern, running north from Poplar to the international boundary. The project is outlined in a dispatch from Helena which says:

That the Great Northern railway intends to invade the territory of the Canadian Pacific for its occupation of territory the Great Northern considered its own, was indicated today by the filing with Secretary of State A. N. Yoder of a copy of a resolution recently passed by the board of directors providing for the building of a branch line, leaving the main line at Poplar, Valley county, and extending northward to the international boundary, a distance of 80 miles. R. I. Farrington, second vice president, signed the document.

The opinion is held by some that this move of the Great Northern to penetrate the rich wheat fields of western Canada is a retaliatory move to prevent the Canadian Pacific from carrying out its plan for extending the Soo line across Montana along the Missouri river and thence southward to Great Falls, surveys for which are said to have been partially completed.

MILES CITY, July 6.—David B. Kelsey has surrendered to officers as the slayer of Charles Kent, a cowboy, at Moorehead, Mont., July 1. Kelsey came in on horseback while the officers were investigating the affair at Moorehead. The coroner's jury found the killing was without justification, but Kelsey alleges self-defense. Kent and a bunch of cowboys took possession of Kelsey's house during the rainy weather and damaged a music box. Kent offered to settle, but Kelsey wanted too much. Kelsey went to the ranch of A. N. Hotchkiss and shot at Kent. He missed the first time, but the second bullet took effect in Kent's neck, killing him.

MONTANA NEWS BRIEFLETS

A Budget of Readable Short Items From Various Parts of the State.

DILLON, July 6.—Judge Everton J. Conger, one of the best known men of this part of the state and famous as the man who led the bunch of soldiers during the Civil war who captured J. Wilkes Booth after the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, was probably fatally injured at the fair grounds here by being run over by an automobile driven by Sheriff Gasman.

HELENA, July 5.—Three of the four horses attached to a bus full of people were killed by lightning tonight just as the party of picnickers reached the Northern Pacific yards here. The party was composed of 15 people who had spent the day celebrating at Canyon Ferry. When nearing the city a sudden thunderstorm arose. The bolt which killed the horses did no injury to any of the occupants of the carryall.

VIRGINIA CITY, July 5.—One of the fiercest hailstorms ever seen in Southern Montana passed over the lower Ruby valley this afternoon, doing untold damage to growing crops, beating the alfalfa, which is about ready to be harvested, down to the ground and flattening all the grain fields. The track of the storm was about two miles wide, traversing the thickest settled portion of the valley. After the storm had passed some of the hailstones were measured, the largest being one and a half inches in diameter. Stones of this size fell throughout the entire area of the storm.

BUTTE, July 6.—That a foul murder was committed in Butte within the past 48 hours, the evidence of the crime being hidden, was brought to light by boys at play yesterday morning. In chasing their baseball, which had fallen through a crack in the covering of the long unworked Mary Louise mining shaft, in the alley between Arizona and Wyoming streets, they stumbled upon the dead body of a man on a bulkhead 12 feet below the surface. The hands and feet were bound with cord and the mouth was gagged. Blood blotched the enveloping sheet where it was tied about the face. An old bed quilt was wrapped about the body and over all was spread a mattress.

BUTTE, July 6.—Railroad men expect that between 40,000 and 50,000 people from the east and southeast will pass through Montana within the next 30 days to register for the opening of the Flathead, Coeur d'Alene and Spokane reservations.

HELENA, July 6.—Wm. McClammy was given 60 days in jail and fined \$100 by Judge Hunt today for introducing liquor on the Fort Peck reservation. Tillie, a Chinese cook, pleaded not guilty, to committing the same offense on the Flathead reservation and was released on bail furnished by two prominent bankers.

KALISPELL, July 6.—Considerable damage, which is not yet estimated, was caused early this morning by lightning which demolished the cupola of the Missoula Mercantile elevator and set fire to some grain bins. The night watch succeeded in controlling the flames until the fire department arrived. The thunder crash which followed the stroke awoke the entire city.

HELENA, July 6.—Attorney-General Albert J. Galen today replied to a query by County Attorney W. H. Trippett of Deer Lodge county as to whether county commissioners can be compelled to pay for the care of children sent by the district court of the county to non-state institutions for the care of dependent children. In his opinion the attorney-general declares that counties sending such children are obliged to defray the expenses of caring for them, as required by the state law.

BUTTE, July 6.—Seven "dope" fiends, poor unfortunates of the lowest character, were arrested today for the murder of James Jones, alias John Redmond, alias Jack O'Brien, a young mechanic whose body was found in an abandoned mine shaft yesterday. Jones had been beaten to death, apparently, with the bare fist. The police think the "dope colony" killed him for the few cents he had in order to buy cocaine. Jones had been out of work and hanging around a dive in the red-light a few nights ago.

BUTTE, July 7.—Thomas Mulholland, aged 13, a newsboy, died today of tetanus, following an injury due to the premature explosion of a toy pistol while the boy was celebrating the Fourth of July. The gun was supposed to have been "not loaded" when the accident occurred.

Floods in Missouri Valley.

OMAHA, July 6.—A rain storm caused a heavy flood damage along the Missouri valley. Council Bluffs suffered seriously last night from a flood and numerous washouts up the river occurred in the smaller towns. In the vicinity of the Missouri valley, 25 miles north of Council Bluffs, the entire valley is under water.

In Omaha many washouts are reported and two suburban car lines were put out of commission temporarily. Crops on lowlands are almost entirely destroyed.

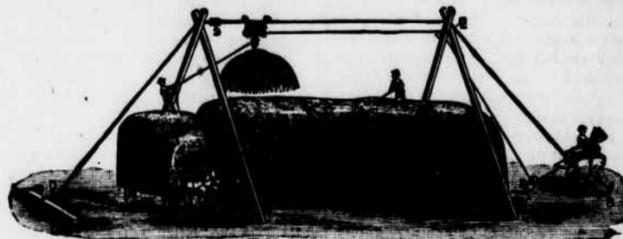


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BENTON HARDWARE COMPANY

Notice of Annual Meeting.

The regular annual meeting of stockholders of the Benton Hardware Company will be held on Friday, August 13, 1909, at 8 o'clock p. m. at the Stockmen's National Bank, for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year, and transacting such other business as may be necessary.  
LOUIS D. SHARP, Sec. and Treas.  
Jno. V. CARROLL, President.

Notice of Annual Meeting.

The regular annual meeting of the Benton Sheep company will be held on Tuesday, August 10, 1909, at 8 o'clock p. m., at the office of the secretary and treasurer.  
F. E. STRANAHAN, Sec. and Treas.  
A. E. McLEISH, President.

Bids For Cement Walk.

Sealed bids for the construction of a cement walk of about 2,300 square feet will be received by the undersigned until noon of July 17, 1909. Specifications may be seen at the postoffice. Bids to be marked on the outside "Bids for cement walk," and addressed to the clerk of School District No. 1, Chouteau county, Montana. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.  
By order of the board of trustees of School District No. 1, Chouteau county, Montana.  
GEORGE W. CHANE, Clerk.

Notice to the Public.

All those who are indebted to Wallace E. Chase are requested to settle their accounts as soon as possible. Goods will hereafter be sold for cash only, at reduced prices.  
H. J. WACKERLIN, Trustee.

Bids for Building Sidewalks.

Sealed bids are hereby invited from contractors for the furnishing of material and the building of sidewalks by the city of Benton for whom owners who fail to build their sidewalks after notice. Bids shall be presented to the city clerk and shall specify the width of walk and material to be used; contract to run for one year. Bids will be opened July 15, 1909, at 12 o'clock m. The city reserves the right to reject any or all bids.  
JOHN F. MURPHY, City Clerk.

Strayed or Stolen.

I will pay \$5 per head for information leading to the recovery of two bay mares and one black mare, bearing 6/8 brand on left shoulder, one of which also has 1/8 on left shoulder and left thigh, or \$10 per head if brought to my ranch on Big Sage creek.  
E. M. PACKER, Taylor, Mont.

Estray Horses Found.

Found in my pasture June 23d, one pair of horses, one gray and the other bay, branded on right shoulder thus: [mark]. Owners please remove and pay for this advertisement.  
E. B. FISHER, Lunenburg, Mont.

A Great Opportunity.

An extraordinary opportunity for man and wife, man to work on farm (irrigated), woman to take charge of kitchen. Everything needed on farm and in kitchen furnished. Extra fine inducements offered to the right parties by giving proper interest in results of farm and giving facilities for accumulation of stock and taking care of same, with opportunity of securing land for future use. On account of age and health, am compelled to withdraw from active life. Address L. C. care of River Press. Answer without delay.

Shearing Plant for Sale.

A complete shearing plant of ten shears, located about 2 1/2 miles from the Benton depot, for sale cheap. Apply to THE CHASE STORE.

For Sale.

Thirty head of horses from yearlings up, also one well bred three-year-old Hereford bull. Call or address MRS. HERMAN MAY, Warrick, Mont.

Bulls for Sale.

Two gateway bull calves, one a year old, and one 18 months old, all of them registered. Will sell reasonable if taken soon. Address Alex. Ross, Ada, Mont.

Ranch for Lease.

Will lease my ranch on the Missouri river, about fourteen miles above town. Good range adjacent. Address WILLIAM FINKE, Fort Benton.

For Rent or Sale.

A desirable ranch property, consisting of about 1,600 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, Landusky, Mont.

Bulls for Sale.

For sale, a few head of yearling Hereford bulls, which can be seen at my ranch at Lost Lake. For particulars address J. O. PATTERSON, Fort Benton.

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