

CITY AND STATE.

From Saturday's Daily.

E. B. Gesche, of Dunkirk, arrived today on a business visit.

Earl Sedgwick, who has been on the sick list the past week, was taken to the Sanitarium today for medical treatment. The patient is believed to be suffering from an attack of typhoid fever.

Peter Christiansen and a force of men arrived from Missoula today, to commence work on a new bridge across the Shonkin at the Pat Connolly place, for which O. E. Peppard was awarded a contract last month. The structure will consist of an 80-foot span.

It is announced that reduced rates for sleeping car accommodations will go into effect on the Great Northern the coming week, pursuant to an order made by the interstate commerce commission. The rate on lower berths to St. Paul will be about 50 cents less than heretofore, and on upper berths there will be a reduction of about \$1.80.

The residents of the northwestern part of Chouteau county are making a strong effort to secure legislation by which homestead entries in that locality may be subject to commutation. The change will require an act of congress, for which a bill has been introduced by Representative Pray, and a committee will go to Washington to urge favorable consideration of the measure.

From Monday's Daily.

Advices from Washington announce that Richard R. Keaster has been appointed postmaster at Highwood, vice J. R. Baker, deceased. Another appointment is that of James Starbuck as postmaster at Valier, Mont.

The Chinese New Year was ushered in at midnight Saturday by the usual firing of firecrackers, and for the past two days the Celestials have kept open house, entertaining their friends with various kinds of Chinese delicacies.

Mrs. C. E. Sheldon, who has been in ill-health for the past two years, died this morning at 7 o'clock at her residence on upper Main street. Death was due to heart trouble. Deceased leaves a husband and two children to mourn her loss.

R. R. Belcher and Foster Rickey and wife arrived last evening from Lewiston, Idaho. Messrs. Belcher & Rickey are here for the purpose of re-opening their moving picture show, which will take place this evening at the Baker opera house.

Jere Sullivan and W. K. Harber left yesterday for Helena, to represent this locality at a hearing before the legislative committee to which the Chouteau county division bill has been referred. Delegations from other parts of the county will also attend the hearing.

John M. Moss, of Malta, an old-time resident of this vicinity, is a visitor in the city today. Mr. Moss is engaged in horse raising near Malta, and states that the new settlers are getting so numerous in his section of Valley county that he has concluded to retire from the business, and is now selling off his range stock.

A big bunch of Hill county boosters went to Helena yesterday, to interview the legislative committee on new counties, the delegation consisting of E. T. Broadwater, C. F. Morris, H. W. Stringfellow, H. E. Delaney, E. C. Carruth, Thomas McKenzie, A. J. Broderick, J. J. Holland, T. J. Troy, F. Chestnut, A. J. Wright, A. Grimmer and Archie Rose. Each member of the delegation wore a white satin badge on which was inscribed "Hill County."

From Tuesday's Daily.

J. E. Templeton and wife, of Helena, are visitors in the city today.

Attorney W. F. O'Leary, of Great Falls, is in the city today on court business.

Deputy Assessor A. E. Lewis, of Chinook, arrived this morning to begin preparations for the season's work.

The funeral of the late Mrs. C. E. Sheldon will take place from the Methodist church tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Maurice L. Taylor, of Carter, and Mr. Dover, of Box Elder, were received at the Sanitarium today for medical treatment.

Having received a fresh supply of white goods to fill in sizes, the muslin wear sale will continue until Feb. 5th only, at The Toggery.

A dispatch from Washington states that the committee on judiciary of the senate has voted to report favorably the nomination of Judge W. H. Hunt to be an additional United States circuit judge to serve on the commerce court.

Jesse Long and H. I. Dally, of Palouse, Wash., G. W. Paige, of Garfield, Wash., and J. A. Starner, of Moscow, Idaho, arrived in the city last evening, having been summoned to appear in the case of the state of Montana vs. Paul Freeze, charged with murder, which will come up for trial in the district court tomorrow.

Great Falls Leader: T. E. Lowery, C. D. Lowery and R. B. Lowery, all of this city, today filed articles of incorporation of the Western Machinery company. The concern has a capital stock of \$35,000, divided into 350 shares, of the par value of \$100 each. Of the total shares 100 are designated as preferred stock and the remainder as common stock. The company is organized to do a general machinery and implement business in this city. Each of the incorporators has subscribed \$200 for two shares of stock each. T. E. Lowery is manager of the Lowery Engineering company.

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District Court Jurors.

The citizens of Chouteau county who have been summoned as trial jurors for the present term of district court are required to report for duty Wednesday morning, when the trial of criminal cases will begin. The list of trial jurors is as follows:

- Anderson, Dan, Havre.
- Austin, H. P., Chinook.
- Anderson, Haas, Big Sandy.
- Brechbill, F. M., Lloyd.
- Bingham, Nelson H., Laird.
- Boyer, Stephen, Warrick.
- Buckley, James J., Chinook.
- Bright, Alfred G., Hill.
- Bossout, Frank, Havre.
- Demars, Joseph, Havre.
- Gladden, James W., Beatrice.
- Gough, A. C., Ghester.
- Green, Chas. H., Fort Benton.
- Hiles, Wm. E., Chinook.
- Hartfield, Julius, Highwood.
- Johnson, W. B., Highwood.
- Kremer, Henry, Chinook.
- Karel, Ed., West Butte.
- Kinread, Thomas, Chester.
- Lowe, Fred J., Carter.
- Liddle, Harry S., Chinook.
- Larson, Peter, Harlem.
- Lucke, Lou, Havre.
- Lindblom, Chas., Harlem.
- Lehmann, Frank, Highwood.
- Luke, Martin K., Chinook.
- Lyons, F. E., Big Sandy.
- Lamey, John E., Havre.
- Lee, J. P., Fort Benton.
- Meier, Henry, Fort Benton.
- Mack, R. W., Big Sandy.
- Morris, Robert F., Zurich.
- Murray, J. Morgan, Highwood.
- Maurer, Herman, Lytle.
- Mandeville, Ben H., Shonkin.
- McFarlane, W. D., Havre.
- Nolan, James, Fort Benton.
- Oswood, Jacob E., Hill.
- Pugsley, L. D., Chester.
- Petrie, George, Harlem.
- Rice, J. L., Fort Benton.
- Rehal, S., Chester.
- Smith, J. F., Riedel.
- Smith, Bret H., Chester.
- Sharples, N. A., Chinook.
- Sanderson, Geo. T., Havre.
- Starke, C. C., Gold Butte.
- Stewart, Ed., Ada.
- Thompson, R. L., Virgelle.
- Taylor, L. B., Lloyd.
- Tucker, Sid, Harlem.
- Turner, Clyde E., Harlem.
- Uebelmann, Louis, Fort Benton.
- Volmer, C. H., Havre.
- Wald, M. L., Chinook.
- Williams, J. P., Fort Benton.
- Wells, Sam, Hill.
- Wiltner, Wm., Havre.
- Westfall, Arnold, Fort Benton.
- Young, August, Havre.

The first criminal case on the docket is that of Paul Freeze, the defendant being charged with murder.

Prizes For School Pupils.

The Toggery, H. G. Sullivan proprietor, has offered two fine prizes to the students of the Fort Benton high school and eighth grade. These prizes consist of a party dress to the girl making the highest general average in her studies during the last semester of this year, and a suit of clothes to the boy making the best general average. The choice of the dress and suit is to be made from the stock of the Toggery, and not to exceed forty dollars each in value.

The school authorities have ruled that students must carry complete work as prescribed by the course of study to be eligible to enter this contest. The girl and boy receiving the highest general average for recitations and examinations, will receive a certificate from the city superintendent certifying to that fact and these certificates will be honored on presentation at the Toggery.

The students are entering the contest with great enthusiasm, because this is the best prize ever offered the students of the school.

Death of Woman Lawyer.

BUTTE, Jan. 27.—Mrs. Ella Knowles Haskell, an attorney of national reputation, died at her apartments in the Napton block this morning after an illness extending over one week.

The deceased was 45 years old and leaves a father and step-mother in Massachusetts. Fifteen years ago Mrs. Haskell came to Montana and took up the study of law and was largely instrumental in getting a bill through the Montana legislature admitting women to practice law in the state. Some ten years ago she removed from Helena to this city and ever since coming here enjoyed a lucrative practice in her profession.

Havre Promoter: E. C. Tolley left Wednesday night for Washington, being one of the delegates chosen to look after the matters of scrip and commutation. The other members of the committee will join him within a few days.

AMONG OUR NEIGHBORS.

A Grist of Items Gathered From Our Northern Montana Exchanges.

Chinook Opinion: It is reported here that a movement has been started at Malta in favor of a new county to be formed by cutting a piece off the east end of Chouteau county and the west end of Valley county, to be called Phillips county, with the county seat at Malta.

Lewistown Democrat: Game Warden Tom Berkin last Thursday arrested a man named Fred Brown in the Lake Basin country, north of Roundup, for violating the game laws. Brown was caught in the act of killing deer out of season. He was brought to Roundup and was assessed \$100.

Chinook Opinion: Harry Hays, clerk at the Montana Hotel for a few weeks recently, pulled out on the morning train going east Monday and took with him \$150 of other people's money. He took the money in the hotel till and some money that was left with him by a laboring man that evening.

Malta Enterprise: Howard Wharton, who recently arrived in Malta from Richland, Mo., is looking the country over and will try to find government land in one body large enough to locate a colony of thirty Missouri families. This is certainly a commendable undertaking and we trust Mr. Wharton's efforts will be successful.

Inverness Index: A number of horses belonging to dry landers, which have been in the care of a certain ranchman northwest of here, are reported missing. The owners are rather anxious about them, as they do not know whether they died or were "rustled" into Canada. A peculiarity of the case seems to be that only the best animals are missing.

Conrad Observer: Visitors in Conrad last week from Porter's bench twelve miles southwest of town reported that a number of homesteader's cabins in that section had been broken into during the cold spell of the week before and ransacked. They reported that a horse belonging to Geo. C. Pendroy was hitched up and drove into Conrad, where it was found in one of the livery stables.

Glasgow News: A man claiming to come from Washington, who, was traveling on foot through the country north of here, going from house to house sharpening saws and doing other little odd jobs at the different ranches, was caught out in a snow storm on the prairie and became lost. As he could not find a house for shelter, he got down in Woody coulee and dug himself into a hole in the snow and camped for the night.

Chinook Opinion: A suit to recover money lost in a gambling game was tried before a jury in the justice court Friday. The case was transferred here from Havre. Owen Sherry had brought the action against Thos. Lamey, proprietor of the Sideboard saloon of Havre to recover \$250 that he lost in a stud poker game in the latter's place. The jury, after hearing the evidence, brought in a verdict for the plaintiff, giving him \$150.

Valerian: J. E. Cashman was in town yesterday from his farm south of Valier and booked many orders for alfalfa seed—native grown upon his land last season. The sample is excellent, in fact it could not be surpassed in any country. Mr. Cashman has 21,000 lbs. grown on 70 acres of land, which is an average of 300 lbs. to the acre. Alfalfa seed is worth 20 cents a pound and Mr. Cashman will realize \$60 an acre, or \$4,200 from his crop.

Would Retain Historic Names.

Great Falls Leader. Old-timers in Montana—the men who are familiar with early life in mining camps and cow outfits, on hills and prairies—are greatly incensed against the United States forestry and geological officials, who are rapidly doing away with the historic names of mountains, hills, lakes, creeks, rivers, valleys and other landmarks and giving them new, more refined and perfectly meaningless names.

This changing of the old names, which means so much to the men familiar with the history of the state, is especially noticeable in western Montana and in the Flathead country above all others. In that region in the past few years forestry and geological survey men, who are absolutely unappreciative of the real significance of the old names, have changed the names of hundreds of places, giving them new names that mean nothing to anyone.

"Nigger prairie," where the first colored man lived in Montana, is a case in view. Nigger prairie is in the Flathead region. Its old name meant much to the pioneers. Its new name, which may be more "refined" conveys no rich fund of story when it is mentioned.

The old-timers want the old names. As one old-timer, recently put it to The Leader, "they do not want some eastern dud who knows nothing about the west to come out here and, assuming a superior knowledge of western needs, change the names, which are

typical of the west and mean so much to us, for some eastern name that means nothing to anyone but mayhap sounds well. Why, these old names are everyone of them foot-notes of history."

So strong have the old-timers made their kick against the attempt to do away with the old names that two representatives, Messrs. Byrnes and Grubb, have prepared and will soon introduce in the legislative assembly resolutions memorializing congress and protesting against the practice of changing the old historic names of places.

Commission Form of Government.

A change in the method of conducting the business affairs of municipalities is proposed in bills that have been introduced in the twelfth assembly, the supporters of the new plan claiming that it is far superior to the custom now followed. One of these measures, of which Senator Edwards is the author, is to this effect:

The bill provides that any city of more than 4,000 population may, by a majority vote at an election called for the purpose, decide to adopt the commission plan of government. It is then provided that three aldermen shall be elected by the city at large, who shall have in their hands the whole matter of governing the city, appointing officers and subordinates and the like. The three aldermen are to be elected every two years.

Any citizen may be a candidate on filing a petition signed by 25 citizens. These candidates shall be then voted on at a primary election and the nominees at the primary election shall be voted on at the regular election, the three receiving the highest votes to be the aldermen. The three shall elect one of their number to be mayor, but in case they do not agree, then the one receiving the highest vote at the election shall be mayor.

The salary of each alderman shall be \$3,000 in the largest cities and scaling down to \$1,500 in the smaller cities, according to population. The candidates for aldermen are prohibited from giving bribes or promises of office to any person in order to bring about their election.

Any city can rescind the commission plan by a majority at a special election, which shall be called on petition of 25 per cent. of the voters and then will revert to the present method of government. The chief difference from the Iowa law is that in the Iowa plan there are five commissioners instead of three.

Notice of Hearing.

In the matter of the estate of John A. Nelson, deceased. Notice is hereby given, that the will of John A. Nelson, deceased, has been produced and filed herein; that the petition of Franc E. Nelson, of Havre, Montana, for the probate of said will has been filed herein; that Saturday, the 11th day of February, A. D. 1911, at 10 o'clock a. m., be and the same is, hereby set by the clerk of said court as the time for hearing said petition by the said court or judge, at the court room of said court, in the court house at Fort Benton, Montana.

That said notice of said hearing is given by said clerk by publication of the same in the Daily River Press, a daily newspaper, printed and published at Fort Benton, in said county and state, for at least ten different days of publication consecutively, and that a copy of this notice be mailed to heirs resident of Montana.

Dated January 30, A. D. 1911.
C. H. BOYLE,
Clerk of the District Court.

Sheriff's Sale.

In the district court of the Twelfth judicial district of the state of Montana, in and for the county of Chouteau.

Joseph F. Valdon, plaintiff, vs. Samuel Spaulding, and Georgia Spaulding, a corporation, E. C. Carruth and Alfred H. West, defendants.

To be sold at sheriff's sale on the 25th day of February, 1911, at 2 o'clock p. m., at front door of the county court house in the city of Chouteau, state of Montana, the following described property:

All the right, title and interest of the above-named defendant, in and to all of lot numbered eleven (11), in block numbered nine (9), of the original townsite of Havre, Chouteau county, Montana, according to the official plat and survey of said townsite on file and of record in the office of the clerk and recorder of said Chouteau county, at Fort Benton, Montana, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, and the rents, issues and profits thereof.

Dated this 1st day of February, A. D. 1911.
GEO. BICKLE, Sheriff.

By CHAS. CRAWFORD, Under Sheriff.
H. E. Hammond, attorney for plaintiff.

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Serial No. 09148. Non Coal Land.

Notice for Publication—Isolated Tract

United States Land Office at Great Falls, Montana, January 27, 1911.

Notice is hereby given that, as directed by the commissioner of the general land office, under provisions of Act of Congress approved June 27, 1906 (34 Stat., 517), we will offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, at 11 o'clock a. m., on the 7th day of March, 1911, at this office, the following described land: Lots 2 and 3, section 15, township 21 north, range 8 east, Montana meridian.

Any persons claiming adversely the above described lands are advised to file their claims or objections, on or before the time designated for sale.

E. L. BARNES, Register.
C. A. WILSON, Receiver.

Notice for Publication—Isolated Tract

Serial No. 08462. Non Coal Land.

United States Land Office at Great Falls, Montana, January 30, 1911.

Notice is hereby given that, as directed by the commissioner of the general land office, under provisions of Act of Congress approved June 27, 1906 (34 Stat., 517), we will offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, at 11 o'clock a. m., on the 7th day of March, 1911, at this office, the following described land: Lots 2 and 3, section 15, township 21 north, range 8 east, Montana meridian.

Any persons claiming adversely the above described lands are advised to file their claims or objections, on or before the time designated for sale.

E. L. BARNES, Register.
C. A. WILSON, Receiver.

Notice for Publication—Isolated Tract

Serial No. 011092. Non Coal Land.

United States Land Office at Great Falls, Montana, January 29, 1911.

Notice is hereby given that, as directed by the commissioner of the general land office, under provisions of Act of Congress approved June 27, 1906 (34 Stat., 517), we will offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, at 11 o'clock a. m., on the 7th day of March, 1911, at this office, the following described land: NW 1/4 section 5, township 24 north, range 9 east, Montana meridian.

Any persons claiming adversely the above described land, are advised to file their claims or objections, on or before the time designated for sale.

E. L. BARNES, Register.
C. A. WILSON, Receiver.

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