

CITY AND STATE.

From Saturday's Daily.

George Powell, of Harlem, was received at the Sanitarium yesterday, for medical treatment.

A petition for naturalization was filed in the district court today by Joe P. Kenny, of Savoy, a former resident of Canada.

John C. George, of the Marias, who is among the visitors in town, reports satisfactory crop conditions in that locality. Mr. George has seeded a large acreage to winter wheat.

A large number of young people attended an enjoyable dance at Odd Fellows hall last evening. The guest of honor was John McCauley, who will leave for the east in a few days.

Marriage licenses have been issued by the clerk of the district court to Charles B. Brown, of Galata, and Flora E. Smith, of Kansas; and to John Thackeray, of Havre, and Annie M. Laughnan, of Kremlin.

Constable John Bridges arrived from Dodson today with R. R. Burdick, who had been committed to jail for sixty days on a charge of peddling without a license. The defendant has appealed the case to the supreme court, and furnished bonds for his appearance.

The Montana livestock assessment for 1911, according to returns received by the state board of equalization, amounts to \$35,139,471, a decrease of about two million dollars compared with the total of last year. Custer county is the leading livestock county, Chouteau being second on the list.

A suit has been filed in the district court by Robert Cook against James McGuire, to obtain a dissolution of partnership an accounting of the business transacted. The parties were associated in the purchase of a Percheron horse valued at about \$3,000.

Among the deeds received for recording in the county clerk's office is one which conveys title to the William Witt ranch property, on the Missouri river southwest of here, to C. N. Dickinson, of Great Falls. The property comprises about 1,430 acres, and the purchase price, according to the deed, was \$20,000.

According to advices from Glasgow, a cowardly ruffian who attempted to assault Mrs. Jas. Anderson, wife of a railroad employe located near that city, met with a strenuous reception. Mrs. Anderson threw him into the creek, and before he had recovered from his surprise and squeezed the water out of his clothes, the woman's neighbors arrived and escorted the fellow to jail.

Official notice has been received of the appointment of Archibald Gray, formerly of this city, as general freight agent of the Western Pacific railroad, with headquarters at San Francisco. Mr. Gray has been in the employ of the Great Northern for a long term of years, and his advancement will be gratifying news to a large circle of friends in this part of Montana.

From Monday's Daily.

Thomas Murray Spencer, the "drummer poet," was among the arrivals today.

Attorney John C. Duff, and Chas. A. Rose, of Havre, arrived today on district court business.

C. P. Niles arrived from Chinook today, on a visit with his daughter, Mrs. W. R. Leet, of this city.

A marriage license has been issued at Great Falls to Louis Jorgenson and Lena Jacobson, both of Big Sandy.

The preliminary hearing of Horace Wilson, arrested on a charge of shooting a horse, was held before Justice W. A. Ragan, at Big Sandy, a few days ago, and resulted in the dismissal of the charge. There was no evidence connecting defendant with the outrage.

R. H. Clarkson, of Chinook, is among the farmer residents of that locality who have been embarrassed by an excessive rainfall. Mr. Clarkson informs us that he has a field of grain that remains uncut, the soil being too muddy to work a binder, and he may be compelled to postpone the harvest until the ground freezes.

A fire in a large barn located near the George L. Overfield residence called out the fire department yesterday afternoon, but the structure was all ablaze before effective work could be done. Some vehicles were removed from the building before it collapsed, but a large quantity of hay, harness and other property were destroyed. The fire is supposed to have been started by children playing with matches.

Congressman Charles N. Pray returned today from a visit to Malta, Chinook and other Milk river points, where he was in conference with a number of citizens who are affected by the government irrigation project. Senator Jos. M. Dixon accompanied Mr. Pray on the trip, the object of the conference being to secure accurate knowledge of the status of affairs connected with reclamation work in that part of northern Montana.

David G. Brown and Jere Sullivan returned today from Helena, where

they attended the services commemorative of the life and public career of the late Senator Thomas H. Carter. The services were held in the auditorium yesterday afternoon, and were attended by several hundred Montana citizens from various parts of the state. An impressive oration was delivered by Senator Lee Mantle, who paid eloquent tribute to his former senatorial colleague.

Sheriff Bickle arrived today from Billings with a man who gives his name as Stanley Miller, who was arrested in eastern Montana last week, and against whom a charge of grand larceny has been preferred. It is understood, however, that the prisoner is suspected of complicity in the Harlem bank robbery of several weeks ago. The defendant was given a preliminary hearing this afternoon before Justice Kloder, who designated October 26 as the date for his examination.

From Tuesday's Daily.

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Miss Chemidlin left yesterday on a visit with friends in Great Falls.

James Saunders, of Havre, is under treatment at the Sanitarium, for appendicitis.

A recent marriage in Great Falls is that of William Sheetz and Blanche Newman, both of Chinook.

The Ecklund photographic studio on Bond street will be open Saturday and Sunday, October 21 and 22.

The members of St. Paul's auxiliary will meet with Mrs. W. K. Harber Thursday afternoon at three o'clock. M. C. Morrow, who has been visiting with relatives here the past two weeks, left today for his home at Cascade.

E. C. Moody, of Pleasant Valley, who is among the visitors in town, has brought his family from LaCrosse, Wash., to their new home.

An outfit of about 500 head of stock cattle owned by W. S. Kingsbury was forded across the Missouri river this afternoon and driven to the stockyards. They form part of the purchases recently made by Pacific coast operators.

E. E. Brunskill and D. E. Brunskill, of Hawarden, are among the visitors in town. Mr. Brunskill reports good crop returns the past season, the yields averaging nine bushels of flax, 54 bushels of oats and 18 bushels of wheat.

The announcement that registration for the Hill county election will close at 5 p. m. October 20, is bringing a rush of applications to the county clerk's office. About 1800 names have already been entered in the great register, most of them being those of residents of the proposed new county.

Arrangements for a harvest festival, to be given in the opera house Friday afternoon and evening, October 20, have been completed by the Ladies' Aid, of the Methodist church. Prizes will be awarded for the best displays of vegetables and farm products, and an oyster supper and musical program will form part of the entertainment.

A shipment of about 1,200 head of young cattle was made from Big Sandy yesterday by McNamara & Marlow, the outfit having been purchased by feeders of the Big Hole basin, in Beaverhead county. This practically closes the McNamara & Marlow cattle holdings in the Bear Paw country, and it is understood their extensive pastures in that locality will be stocked with sheep.

Excavation work was commenced yesterday for an extension of the Methodist church building. It is proposed to add eighteen feet to the front of the main building, with cement basement underneath, and to add a wing on the north side to correspond with the one on the south side. These extensions are necessary in order to provide more audience room and the better accommodation of the Sunday school. The added rooms are to be provided with folding doors so that they may be separated from the audience room for class purposes. Pastor Donaldson, assisted by a building committee, is pushing the work energetically.

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HELENA, Oct. 14.—Judge Carl Rasch is no longer judge of the United States district and circuit courts of the district of Montana. At midnight tonight his resignation took effect and Montana now has no federal judge, nor, in the opinion of lawyers, is likely to have one until December.

Judge Rasch was busy today disposing of many matters. He granted the motion for a new trial in the cattle stealing case from the Blackfoot Indian reservation against Charles Mitchell and Walter Peterson, Melvin and Oscar Peterson were acquitted at the trial. The principal grounds on which the motion was granted were that the three indictments returned against the defendants should not have been consolidated for purposes of trial.

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Suspected of Bank Robbery.

The authorities have reason to believe that Stanley Miller, the man arrested in Dawson county last week, and who was brought here Monday by Sheriff Bickle, is one of the bandits who made an unsuccessful attempt to rob the First National bank at Harlem on July 31. The prisoner protests his innocence of any connection with that affair, and claims he was in another part of Montana at the time of the attempted robbery, but it will be necessary to produce evidence to controvert certain facts that appear to justify his arrest.

J. A. Hatch, cashier of the Harlem bank, is said to have identified the prisoner as the man who compelled him and his assistant to throw up their hands and stand against the wall while another of the bandits was gathering the plunder. Mr. Hatch had a good opportunity to study the features of his unwelcome visitor during this embarrassing situation, and while the face of the bandit was covered with a growth of beard at the time, his general appearance made such a vivid impression upon Mr. Hatch's memory that it will not soon be forgotten. Marshal Laawell, who killed one of the robbers in the bank building, is also said to have identified the prisoner as one of the gang.

The testimony of these witnesses is strong evidence against the prisoner, but it is probable there will be further developments within a few days.

To Nominate Hill County Officers.

Official notice has been issued by J. Lee Sedgwick, county clerk, that a special election will be held Monday, November 20, to vote upon the question of forming the new county of Hill, locating its county seat and electing the first public officials of the new county. The privilege of voting at this special election is restricted to residents of the twenty-six precincts located in the proposed new county.

The officials to be elected consist of three county commissioners, a sheriff, treasurer, clerk of the district court, clerk and recorder, county attorney, assessor, county surveyor, superintendent of schools, public administrator, and a coroner.

There is said to be keen interest in the selection of some of these officials several applicants aspiring to the positions. Arrangements have been made for a non-partisan or citizens convention to be held at Chester next Saturday, October 21, at which it is proposed to nominate a complete ticket that can be supported by members of all political parties. This plan is calculated to avoid partisan strife and result in harmonious action among the voters.

The Passing of the Range.

The announcement that the Conrad Circle Cattle company, one of the oldest and largest livestock firms in northern Montana, will retire from business, is another incident in the progress of events—the passing of the range. The company disposed of most of its cattle some time ago, and recently distributed a dividend of \$110,000 among its stockholders, its remaining property consisting principally of extensive land holdings in Alberta.

The business of the Conrad Circle company dates back to 1882, when the Benton and St. Louis Cattle company was organized in this city by the Conrad brothers, its herds being grazed on the Marias range and on the north side of the Canadian boundary. The brand of the company, a circle on the side of its cattle, caused the concern to be more generally known as the "circle outfit."

The Benton and St. Louis company, after a successful career of about twenty years, was reorganized as the Conrad Circle Cattle company with practically the same ownership as that of the pioneer firm, its business operations covering the same field. The livestock holdings of the company varied from year to year, occasionally amounting to upwards of 20,000 head of cattle, and the concern ranked as one of the largest livestock firms in the northwest. Since its organization in 1882, the beef sales of the company have amounted to millions of dollars, and the profits of the business have placed several of its fortunate stockholders on easy street.

In the early eighties, John Harris of this city was foreman of the outfit, and subsequently became a director of the company and manager. James Townsend, of this city, was in charge of the range herds several years ago, and was also interested in the business affairs of the firm. The retirement of the company is an incident in local history that awakens recollections of the early-day livestock industry in this part of Montana.

Still Waiting For Water.

The residents of the Milk river valley propose to make one more attempt to secure water from the government irrigation project from which they expected to derive benefit during their lifetime, but which at the rate of progress witnessed since its commencement seven years ago will not be completed until most of them have passed to the great beyond. Conferences at



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which Senator Dixon, Congressman Pray and a large number of interested parties were in attendance, were held at Malta and Chinook last week, the result being arrangements for a meeting to be held at Chinook on Saturday, October 28.

The necessity for active work on the part of Milk river residents is suggested by the rumor that part of the four million dollars apportioned to the Milk river project may be diverted to some other undertaking unless more rapid progress is made upon the former. There has been very little work done on the Milk river project the past season, according to the settlers affected, while the maintenance of a large number of reclamation service employes adds to the cost of the project, and will be a charge against those who ultimately receive the water. The Dodson dam, constructed for the storage of the flood waters of Milk river, is the only visible feature of the project that has been completed after several years operations.

Complaint is made by the settlers that after signing contracts by which they bind themselves to the terms proposed by the reclamation service, but which do not guarantee anything on the part of the government, they are now asked to attach their signatures to new contracts. The latter require a more minute description of the lands in 40-acre tracts, and will cause further expense and trouble to the settlers. The meeting of October 28 is called for the purpose of discussing the various matters connected with the undertaking.

List of Trial Jurors.

The citizens whose names were drawn for jury service at the term of district court which opens November 1, have been notified to appear on that date. The following is the list from which juries will be selected: Avery, Frank; Birke, Herbert F.; Cowan, W S; Davis, Edward; Early, Fred; Fey, John G; Greenwood, H; Hollen, Andrew K; Jorgenson, J M; Kimball, Alfred J; Lincke, Hugo; Miller, S A; Ness, Olaf O; Parcell, H S; Rourke, James; Rasmussen, Geo; Riegel, Elmer E; Ruhe, Detlif; Stevertson, Henry; Smith, James W; Scott, Bert J; Wackerlin, Geo; Beaulieu, L N; Crepeau, Chas; Chapman, W V D; Demars, Frank; Embody, Carl M; Gibbs, Porter T; Hicks, Henry; Jameson, A W; Kearful, John H; Kuhr, Lewis F; Lacy, Thomas; Nadeau, Ulric; Perkins, A; Pohlod, Michael; Rasmussen, J D; Rehal, Joseph; Stearns, W H; Simpson, Ernest; Shaw, Carl; Wackerlito, H J; Woodcock, John.

To Irrigate Prickly Pear.

HELENA, Oct. 13.—Plans for irrigating 40,000 acres in the Prickly Pear valley under the new state district law are being formulated here, and the probability is that work on the first unit of 8,000 acres will be started early in the spring. The water is to be pumped by the power plants on the Missouri, and it is said they make a very favorable rate.

Under the plan there will probably be five or six districts created. There will be three units in the irrigation system, one reclaiming about 8,000 acres, another 10,000 and still a third a like amount. There are also 10,000 acres on what is known as the Spokane bench which will be brought under the project if the first proves successful.

Notice For Publication.

United States Land Office at Lewistown, Montana, October 13, 1911.  
Notice is hereby given that PETER JOHN HENDRICKSON, of Hawarden, Montana, who, on September 10, 1910, made homestead application, serial No. 011954, for NW 1/4, NE 1/4, SW 1/4, NW 1/4, section 10, township 21 north, range 14 east, Montana meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Chas. H. Boyle, U. S. commissioner, at his office at Fort Benton, Montana, on the 15th day of November, 1911.  
Claimant names as witnesses: Scott Guthrie, Herman Engellant, Henry Hagen, Andrew Ford, all of Hawarden, Montana.  
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