

CITY AND STATE.

From Wednesday's Daily
See Sheldon before you buy that new wagon or farm truck.

Attorney R. E. O'Keefe, of Chinook, arrived today on district court business.

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

An announcement of interest to the ladies appears on the seventh page of the River Press.

Lloyd G. Smith, a well known resident of Chinook, is among the business visitors in town.

Articles of incorporation have been filed with the secretary of state by the Ebaugh Mining company, of Chouteau county, the capital stock of which is \$500,000.

Advices from Havre report that the Bull Hook saloon at that place was the scene of a holdup Monday evening. Two masked bandits turned the trick, and secured about \$50 worth of plunder.

A decree of divorce has been entered in the district court in the suit of Susie A. McDonald vs. Frank R. McDonald. A divorce was also granted today in the suit of A. A. Bernoske against Ida Bernoske.

A news item from Havre says an executive order signed by President Taft, opening Fort Assiniboine reservation and giving instructions to the register and receiver, has been received at the local land office.

The suit of Henry Cuert against John Arbogast, to recover the value of cattle sold by the latter, was decided by a jury in the district court in favor of the plaintiff. The plaintiff was awarded judgment for \$1,186 and costs amounting to \$108.50.

Pacific coast mutton operators are beginning to realize that the northern Montana market is a good locality in which to secure part of their supplies. Hensen Bros., of Chinook, sold four carloads of mutton wethers a few days ago to the Benson Commission company, of Portland, Oregon, at \$3.50 per head.

Great Falls Leader: Notice of a motion for a new trial in the case of James Lenihan vs. Michael B. Casey was filed in the district court this morning by Victor R. Griggs, attorney for Casey. The motion will be heard by Judge Leslie next Monday. Lenihan will be represented by F. E. Stranahan and F. A. Carnal.

From Thursday's Daily
Attorney D. L. Blackstone, of Chinook, is among the visitors attending district court.

Mrs. George Bickle returned yesterday from a visit with friends in Spokane, Wash.

Thos. Murphy has opened a shoe repairing shop opposite the postoffice. Prices reasonable.

The Fort Benton postoffice has been designated as a postal savings bank, to be ready for business January 2.

Mrs. E. Morris arrived from Helena today on a visit with her sister, Mrs. David G. Browne, of this city.

W. S. Chemidlin, of the Great Northern claim agent's office at Great Falls, is among the business visitors in town.

Several local members of the Mystic Shriners left today for Helena, to attend the annual festivities of that popular organization.

Jacob Fiel was received at the county jail today to serve ninety days for petit larceny. The prisoner stole a diamond brooch from a house in Havre in which he was working as a paper hanger.

Henry Evers, of the Northwestern ranch, reports that the recent spell of mild weather is very acceptable to farmers in that locality. Plowing is in progress on the Northwestern and adjoining ranches.

Stanley Miller, the Harlem bank robber suspect, was arraigned in the district court yesterday afternoon, and pleaded not guilty to the charge made against him in the information. The court appointed Attorney H. S. McGinley to defend the accused.

In the suit of the First National bank of Culbertson against W. P. Farrell and Chas. Farrell, which was called for trial in the district court today, the defense failed to put in an appearance. Judgment by default for the full amount of the promissory note, attorney's fees, etc., was rendered in favor of plaintiff.

Montana farmers who intend to raise flax next season may obtain valuable information regarding flax culture by corresponding with officials of the Montana experiment station at Bozeman. Instructions as to the best methods of raising flax may be obtained free of charge by addressing M. L. Wilson, of the Montana experiment station at Bozeman.

Geo. T. Sanderson, of Havre, who was among the arrivals today, reports that several "sooners" have located on land within the Fort Assiniboine military reserve in anticipation of its being opened to settlement. It is believed, however, that no rights whatever are acquired by squatters who attempt to secure locations by such premature action.

Reuben Godfrey, who was brought from Big Sandy a few days ago to receive treatment for pneumonia, died at the Sanitarium today. Mr. Godfrey had been a resident of northern Montana for more than 20 years, having engaged in the sheep business near Big Sandy in the early nineties, and had a wide acquaintance among residents of the Bear Paw country. He was an industrious, law abiding citizen, and enjoyed the respect and friendship of his neighbors.

From Friday's Daily
Julius Lehfeldt, of Big Sandy, is visiting with Fort Benton friends.

The Chinook postoffice is one of those designated for postal savings banks, to be in operation the first week in January.

The remains of the late Reuben Godfrey were shipped to Big Sandy last night, the funeral services to be held at that place.

Declarations of their intention to become American citizens have been filed in the district court by Charles J. Casey, of Havre, and George Lovatt, of Chester.

The report of the Benton State bank, which appears in this issue of the River Press, is worthy of attention. The exhibit shows a satisfactory increase in business.

At today's session of the county commissioners Dr. C. J. Latta, of Chinook, was appointed secretary of the county board of health, the appointment to take effect January 1.

H. Lohse, of Judith, who is among the business visitors in town, brings word that the Frank Chittum family arrived at Judith in their houseboat a few days ago, after a perilous trip among floating ice in the Missouri river.

For the first time, it is said, since the passage of the bankruptcy law, a Montana Chinaman has taken advantage of its provisions in the federal court at Helena a petition in bankruptcy has been filed by Charlie Wang Luk, proprietor of the Chicago cafe, at Havre. The Chinaman gives his liabilities at \$589.50 and his assets at \$1,280, the greater part of which, however, are of doubtful value.

Faten Livestock On Beet Pulp.

BILLINGS, Dec. 5.—The feeding of beet pulp, sugar beet tops, sugar beet syrup and alfalfa, has become an important industry in the Yellowstone valley, and the largest single stock-feeding outfit in the state is at the local sugar factory, handled by Charles O'Donnell, David Pratt and Frank O'Donnell. They are fattening 4,000 cattle and 20,000 sheep. The feed lots cover nearly 160 acres.

Immense quantities of alfalfa and straw feed are used in connection with the beet pulp. Alfalfa is also ground and mixed with the beet syrup to make a balanced ration for both sheep and cattle. All of the stock is being brought to a high finish and finds a ready market, mostly to the west or Pacific coast.

One of the features of the feed lots this winter is a shorthorn steer from off the range, which weighs 2,150 pounds, and which they expect to bring up to 2,500 by spring.

In addition to the cattle and sheep at the sugar factory there are about 5,000 cattle and 50,000 sheep on alfalfa in the valley, while many more are expected in before winter comes. Among the larger feeders are Hesper farm with 8,000 sheep; Rea Bros., with 9,000 sheep; J. B. Long with 6,000 sheep.

Estrays Must Be Inspected.

HELENA, Dec. 5.—Estrays can be shipped from Montana only to market points where the state maintains inspectors, decided the state board of stock commissioners at its meeting here yesterday.

The state maintains inspectors at St. Paul, Sioux City, Omaha and Chicago, so when estrays are found in shipments from Montana to those points, they will be permitted to go, but when found in shipments consigned to any other point, it will be the duty of the inspector or sheriff inspecting the shipment at loading point, to cut out and turn back estrays.

This question arose in connection with the increasing number of livestock shipments from Montana to Pacific coast points this season. The board divided the state into fourteen districts, the same as last year.

Will Test Seed Grain.

BOZEMAN, Dec. 6.—Prof. H. F. Patterson of the department of agronomy at the Montana State College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts, is planning for the convenience of the farmers of the state to establish a sort of clearing house for information regarding seed grain in this state. He has been constantly in receipt of inquiries for some time past from the farmers of the state as to where they could secure seed grain adapted to their localities. He proposes that all the seed firms, or grain dealers, or farmers who have seed grain to sell in this state shall send him samples for examination and testing. The amount which can be sent for a two-cent stamp is sufficient. If the samples sent him are satisfactory, he will hold the information and send it out on inquiry to those who write him. This service is offered without charge to those concerned.

MONTANA NEWS BRIEFLETS

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

HELENA, Dec. 6.—The hotel committee has concluded all arrangements for the acquirement of the site of the new \$500,000 hotel at the southeast corner of Main and Grand streets. The deed of the property will be passed in a few days.

BOZEMAN, Dec. 5.—Gambling in all its forms must stop in Bozeman or there will be wholesale arrests according to a statement given out by County Attorney Smith. "There is too much card playing for prizes, and too much playing of pea pool by boys for money," he said.

BUTTE, Dec. 5.—The Montana state board of dental examiners has inaugurated a campaign against "bush whackers" of the profession; that is unlicensed and illegal practitioners. The board met yesterday in Butte and formulated a campaign which contemplates immediate prosecutions and more stringent regulations in the future.

KALISPELL, Dec. 5.—Estimates of conservative sportsmen place the number of deer killed during the hunting season in Flathead county at more than 3,000. Never before in the local annals of forest sport has a parallel occurred. The causes that contributed largely to the slaughter of deer were the heavy snows of two weeks ago which drove the game into the valleys in large numbers, and the fact that hundreds of hunters have killed in excess of their legal limit, which is three, some killing as many as to 30 to 50.

BOZEMAN, Dec. 5.—Considerable interest attaches here to the failure of the Northern Pacific railroad to pay taxes amounting to \$5,000 on lands aggregating 100,000 acres in Gallatin county. There is a difference of opinion between the officials of the road and the county officers concerning the valuation of the land and the Northern Pacific refuses to pay. The taxes have been entered up as delinquent and will go through the regular course of such property.

BUTTE, Dec. 6.—By an unanimous vote a jury returned a verdict in favor of the city in the suit brought by Chris Biskey to recover \$6,000 damages for injuries sustained by a fall on a slippery iron door in the pavement.

BOZEMAN, Dec. 6.—Robert Ritchie, one of Belgrade's well known citizens, who, on September 2, shot Edward Harkins while the latter was sleeping in Ritchie's barn at Belgrade, has been surrendered by his bondsmen and put in jail. Harkins still lives.

GREAT FALLS, Dec. 6.—James Moninger, aged 17, and Edward Garrity, aged 19, were brought to the city today from Belt, having been bound over to the district court to be tried for burglary. The boys are members of good families in Belt.

HELENA, Dec. 6.—After a long executive session, W. E. Harmon, secretary of the state board of education, announced that E. H. Renisch, superintendent of the State Orphans' home at Twin Bridges, had been entirely exonerated of the charges of brutality and inhumane treatment preferred against him. After being cleared, Mr. Renisch presented his resignation, to take effect March 1, 1912.

BIG TIMBER, Dec. 6.—Sheriff Falgout has returned from a fruitless chase after Mel Jowell, the murderer of Deputy Sheriff Bramm. The last heard of the fugitive he was seen near Glasgow in Valley county. He had abandoned the two horses he was known to have been skulking in this part of the state and was riding a fresh mount. He was also said to carry two rifles and a revolver and was well supplied with money.

HELENA, Dec. 6.—Too old to work and too proud to go to the poorhouse, George Garkong, who claims to be 93 years old, was found half frozen last night in the basement of an old building on Main street. He was hustled to the county jail and revived, and today well fed, freshly shaven and garbed in new clothing the old man danced a jig for joy. Arrangements to care for him during the winter have been made.

National Irrigation Congress.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—Every important nation on earth is represented in the National Irrigation congress, opened in Chicago today, to continue through the week. It is expected that the congress, with the added attractions of the livestock show, the land and irrigation exhibition and grand opera, will attract several hundred thousand visitors during the next five days.

The congress was organized 19 years ago and was directly responsible for the passage of the Roosevelt reclamation act in 1902, which permitted the expenditure by the government of \$60,000,000 in the reclamation of arid lands and in the creation of thousands of farm homes. The government has already provided for an additional expenditure, through the department of the interior, of \$48,000,000 during the next four years, which means \$1,000,000 per month.

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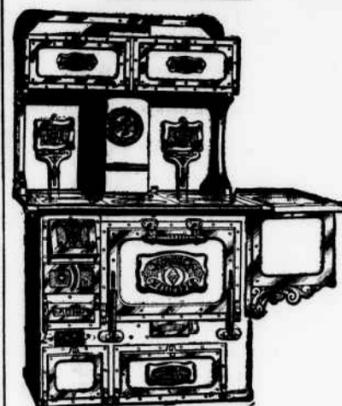
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