CITY AND STATE.

From Saturday's Daily.

Mrs. R. Kelly was received at St. Clare hospital today for medical treatment.

Citizenship papers were issued in the district court today to Miss Lottie M. Upham, a former resident of Canada.

Arrivals at the Sanitarium today were Ernest Vian, Vic Schauenberg and Sam Johnstone, who need medical treatment.

Among the departures for Helena today were Misses Agnes Draw, Florence Coffin and Margaret Morton, who expect to secure clerkships in the legislative assembly.

The application of muscular motive power to a snow shovel is recommended by physical culturists as a splendid form of exercise. Now is a good time to indulge in that class of recreation.

Judgment for plaintiffs was given in the district court today in a suit of McNamara & Marlow against Fred Runyan. The suit was brought to recover an indebtedness of about $690.

The county officials-elect, with the exception of county treasurer, will begin their terms Monday, the first Monday in January. The new term of county treasurer begins the first Monday in March

Articles of incorporation have been filed with the secretary of state by the Felton and Olson company, which will engage in the general merchandise business at Lloyd. The company has a capital stock of $25,000.

Great Falls Tribune: D. M. Sovereign of Belt creek, is one of the successful ranchers of the Belt creek country and last year he raised more than ten tons of potatoes. At the rate of yield of the past year with potatoes selling at only 80 cents the 100 pounds, Mr. Sovereign says his land is returning him about $55 an acre for the labor performed and the rent.

An attempt to make "easy money" by rolling a drunken man for about $30 was not a profitable undertaking for Chas. E. Jenkinson, Randall Freeman and W. F. Morden. They have been held in jail several weeks awaiting trial for robbery, and when arraigned in court today the prisoners pleaded guilty. Judge Tattan gave Jenkinson a sentence of 3½ years and Freeman and Morden, three years.

While most local residents were sleeping peacefully this morning, the weddings bells were ringing for the marriage of Hildia B. Nottingham and Beulah E. Hall, of Shonkin. The ceremony was performed at 5:30 a. m. at the Grand Union parlors by Rev. C. M. Donaldson, and was witnessed by Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Nottingham and Mrs. Geo. H. Stevens. Following the service a delightful wedding breakfast was enjoyed, after which the young couple took the train for Great Falls where they will visit a few days with Mr. Nottingham's parents.

From Monday's Daily.

John Whittal, of this city, was taken to the Sanitarium yesterday for medical treatment.

Several local residents left today for Helena, to attend the opening of the legislative session and the inaugural ball.

The three men sentenced in the district court Saturday were taken to Deer Lodge yesterday, and delivered to officials of the state prison.

The Lonetree stage due Saturday evening arrived here last night, 24 hours late, the deep snow between here and Lonetree making the trip a hard one.

A recent marriage at Great Falls is that of Lawrence H. Ling, of Havre, and Mary E. Ward, of Kankanna, Wis., the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. A. Martin, of the Methodist church.

Last night was the coldest of the season, according to the record kept by Jere Sullivan, voluntary, observer for the U. S. weather bureau, the government thermometor registering 24 below zero. The minimum temperature Saturday night was 19 below.

John Golden, a stranger without visible means of support who was making himself at home in a local business building, was arrested yesterday, and in Justice Kinder's court today was given a 30 day sentence for vagrancy.

In the district court this afternoon, Judge Tattan made an order re-appointing E. R. Russell court stenographer. Mr. Russell has held this position and given efficient service since the twelfth judicial district was formed, some ten years ago.

Oliver Moore, who was taken to St. Clare hospital a few days ago to receive treatment for pneumonia, died yesterday from the attack. Mr. Moore had been a resident of this locality about twenty years, his mother removing from this city to Huntington, Oregon, in the nineties. The deceased, who was about forty years old, had a large acquaintance in this part of northern Montana.

The changes in the personnel of Chouteau county officials that were made in the election last November went into effect this morning, when the new officials assumed their public duties. The county commissioners met and organized by electing G. C. Ihmsen chairman of the board, and proceeded to take charge of the business relinquished by their predecessors. I. M. Rogers was installed as sheriff; Geo. D. Patterson as clerk of the district court; H. S. McGinley as county attorney; J. Lee Sedgwick succeeded himself as county clerk; Ezra L. Crane took charge of the assessor's office; John S. Culbertson began his term as county surveyor; and Miss May G. Flanagan as county superintendent. Efficient and satisfactory service from all these officials is confidently expected.

From Tuesday's Daily.

See us for toys. Benton Drug company.—Adv.

Thor Rithland and wife, of Loma, were among today's arrivals.

W. A. Ragan, of Big Sandy, is among the business visitors in town.

Ronald Savage was received at the Sanitarium today, for medical treatment.

A. Nixon, of Helena, arrived today from the west, on a business visit of a few days.

The Eklund studio on Bond street will be open Saturday and Sunday, January 11 and 12.—Adv.

J. W. Lenning, superintendent of the Fort Benton public schools, is seriously sick with pneumonia, and is under medical treatment at St. Clare hospital.

W. E. Barrows, of Pleasant Valley, who is in town today, reports that D. D. Pugh recently arrived from Nezperce, Ida., to take up his residence in that locality.

The cold snap of Sunday night brought low temperature at various points in the Milk river valley, 36 below at Havre and 40 below at Chinook being reported.

Miss Flanagan, superintendent of schools, announces that eighth grade examinations will be held in Fort Benton and Carter on January 15 and 16, and at Big Sandy on January 29 and 30.

Opie Read, the celebrated author and humorist, entertained a large audience at the opera house last evening. As a story teller, Mr. Read is without a superior on the lecture platform, and his appearance here in that role was enjoyed by local residents.

The next meeting of St. Paul's auxiliary has been postponed to Friday afternoon. The auxiliary have a cooking sale, with candy and grab bag, on Saturday afternoon, January 11, in the building next the Toggery. Coffee and refreshments will be served.

Geo. E Barkley, of Virgelle, has met with double misfortune the past few days, his house having been destroyed by fire Friday night and his father dying yesterday. The latter was a resident of New York state, and was visiting with his son during the holiday season.

Dr. Kromer, the optical specialist of Helena, will again visit Fort Benton, and will be at the Grand Union hotel January 15 to 19 inclusive, prepared to correct all errors of eye sight. If unable to come to hotel, Dr. Kromer will by special request come to any home in Fort Benton, with no extra charge.—Adv.

Trouble in the Hill county assessor's office has culminated in a charge of grand larceny against James H. Fenton, deputy assessor for the past year, who was elected to the office of assessor at the November election. It is alleged that, as deputy assessor, the accused failed to account for a number of poor tax receipts.

The report for last month issued by the Havre station of the U. S. weather bureau, shows that unusually warm and pleasant weather prevailed and the month was a record breaker inasmuch as it is the only December on record in which the temperature did not fall to or below zero at this station. The mean temperature for the month was 29 degrees, making an average daily excess in temperature of 8 degrees.

Will Elect Senator.

Not for a week and a day after it convenes will the Thirteenth legislative assembly of the state of Montana ballot for United States senator. This, in accordance with the revised statutes of the United States, which direct the procedure for the election of United States senator shall be as follows:

"The legislature of each state which is chosen next preceding the expiration of the time for which any senator was elected to represent such state in congress shall, on the second Tuesday after the meeting and organization thereof, proceed to elect a senator in congress."

Local Grain Quotations.

Tuesday, January 7.

No. 1 Turkey red	59c.
No. 2 " "	57c.
No. 1 Northern	60c.
No. 1 Flax	98c.

Don't laugh at the Iowa man who sent a postage stamp to the treasury department conscience fund. He at least feels better by two cents worth.

AMONG OUR NEIGHBORS.

A Grist of Items Gathered From Our Northern Montana Exchanges.

Harlem News: In a civil action before Justice Minugh on Monday evening, involving a quantity of flax in which Malcolm McGilvra was the plaintiff and Will and Richard Rafter defendants, a jury of six men disagreed for the second time and the case will be tried at the next term of the district court.

Shelby News: Montana legislators will be asked for a herd law of some kind at the coming session. It has got to come, and while the time may not be ripe for the state as a whole it is probably not far away. Fences cost a lot of money, and it is argued that, if the farmer could invest this in stock instead, it would be worth far more to the state.

Chinook Opinion: A recent opinion of the attorney general is to the effect that the county should not pay the premiums on surety bonds for justices of the peace and road supervisors as they are township and district officers. The custom in this county heretofore has been to pay the premiums on such bonds as well as on bonds for the county officers.

Valerian: While digging for water on the farm of A. C. Matticks, five miles northwest of Valier, Chas. Huffman struck a flowing well at a depth of 23 feet. When at that depth, and with no sign of water, Mr. Huffman left the place for an hour and on his return found the water flowing over the top. The water is soft, and it is estimated flows at a rate of 1800 gallons an hour. The well is six feet in diameter.

Conrad Observer: John Wallenstein and son returned home on Tuesday from a trip to Portland, Oregon, where they sold 2200 head of sheep. Mr. Wallenstein said he received over 4 cents per pound for the shipment. In speaking of the trip he said the railroad company lined up to the 36 hour law in going over, but they were 142 hours late coming back, due to washouts in Oregon and snowslides in Montana.

Shelby News: Perry Kennerly, a Blackfoot Indian and a Carlisle graduate, who has been located at Browning and who has been before the federal courts a number of times charged with bootlegging, will remove to Washington, where a fat job has fallen him. He has been appointed a special attorney for Grand Sachem Adams of the Brotherhood of North Americans Indians, and is supposed to do such work as will better the condition of his people. It is hoped he will at least better his own condition.

Culbertson Searchlight: Mr. Jackson, the livery man at Brockton met with an accident Friday while crossing on the ice south of that town. He was crossing with a wagon heavily loaded with lumber, a kitchen range and various other supplies when the wagon broke through the ice. Mr. Jackson jumped from the load as it was sinking, and quickly cut the harness from the horses, which were saved. Uncle Bert Stow, who was crossing at the time, helped save the horses, but the wagon, harness, range, etc., were lost under the ice.

Chinook Opinion: The annual election of the directors of the upper Milk River Water Users' association was held at Chinook Tuesday. There was a large attendance from all points along the line in the upper section, from Dodson to Chinook. The new board chosen consisted of L. M. Veseth, P. M. Bosley, John Acher, Jas. M. Cook, Cal Shuler, J. L. Sprinkle, L. V. Bogy. Engineer Savage was present and gave a short talk but could give no definite assurance as to the methods or terms on which the government would undertake the the job. No definite action was taken by the meeting and the matter now rests with the new board of directors to wrestle with.

Must Live On Homestead.

A news item from Chinook says a case which has been of much interest to many homesteaders, especially those who have business and employment in town, is that of Eva J. Underwood vs. Charles Snedecor. The case was vigorously fought from the local office, through the general land office up to the secretary. The suit was brought on account of non compliance as to residence of the contestee, the entryman having expended a large amount of money in improvements, but had made his home on a rented ranch several miles from his homestead.

Many of the local homesteaders were of the opinion that such a good showing for improvements and cultivation were evident that the contestant could not win out, however, the secretary decided in favor of the contestant, Eva J. Underwood.

The decision reads: "Improvements, no matter how extensive and expensive, do not take the place of residence, which is a prime and essential requisite of the homestead law." This will give many local homesteaders a "hunch," for land in northern Montana is getting valuable, and many newcomers coming in prefer land near town than out several miles, and would not object to contesting.

STATE SECURES LAND.

Montana Acquires Forest Acreage For School Sections.

HELENA, Jan. 2.—Governor Norris has received a telegram from Acting Secretary A. F. Potter of the department of agriculture advising him the agreement had been signed by which the state will acquire a compact body of timber and containing between 400,000 and 500,000 acres, in exchange for its unsurveyed school sections 16 and 36 within national forests. The Montana delegation in congress is working for an appropriation of $25,000 to cover the government's share of the expense of appraising the lands involved in the transfer, and when the Montana legislature authorizes a similar expenditure, the actual transfer will be made.

The consummation of this deal, with the proceedings leading to it, is probably the biggest accomplishment of the administration of Governor Norris, more than a million acres of land being involved, which are worth not less than $20,000,000.

Three or four years ago the department of the interior ruled that when a national forest was created, the title of the state to unsurveyed school sections 16 and 36 was automatically extinguished. The state resisted the contention, and when the government approved the survey of a section near Belton within the Flathead forest, after the forest had been created, the land board directed the state land agent to take possession. The forestry officials resisted, and reports appeared in the newspapers there was a likelihood of the state militia being called out to enforce the claim of the state. The reason the state forcibly took possession of the section was to lay a basis for attacking the interior department's ruling in the United States supreme court.

People Important As Cattle.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—On the theory that the federal government has as much power to protect persons as it has to protect cattle the government in a brief, asks the supreme court to sustain the "white slave traffic act" as constitutional.

Assistant Attorney General Harr quoted the decision of the supreme court upholding the constitutionality of the law against the interstate transportation of diseased cattle.

"Will it be said," asked Mr. Harr, "that congress, if it chooses to act, cannot protect the people of the several states against the introduction of women and girls for debauchery—that the law affords greater security to cattle than to persons?"

Notice of Special Meeting.

Notice is hereby given, that the board of county commissioners of Chouteau county, state of Montana, will hold a special meeting at the court house, in the city of Fort Benton Montana, on the 11th day of January, 1913, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, for the purpose of taking up unfinished business of said board; auditing and paying bills; and hearing and acting on the petition for change of the Big Sandy to Judith road, and such other county business as may regularly come before said board.

Dated January 6, 1913.

G. C. IHMSEN, Chairman.

Attest: J. LEE SEDGWICK, County Clerk.

Notice of Contest.

United States Land Office at Havre, Montana, January 2, 1913.

To William Brown Frame, of Big Sandy, Montana, contestee.

You are hereby notified that

RAY A. IRICK,

who gives Kenilworth, Montana, as his postoffice address, did on Nov. 27, 1912, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your homestead entry serial No. 010321, made September 17, 1910, for the northwest quarter (NW¼) section 34, township 29 north, range 10 east, Montana meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that you have wholly abandoned said land; that you have never established your residence thereon; that you have failed to cultivate any portion of said land; that default has existed for more than six months last past, and does still exist.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken by this office as having been confessed by you, and your said entry will be canceled thereunder without your further right to be heard therein, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically meeting and responding to these allegations of contest, or if you fail within that time to file in this office due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail. If this service is made by the delivery of a copy of your answer to the contestant in person, proof of such service must be either the said contestant's written acknowledgment of his receipt of the copy, showing the date of its receipt, or the affidavit of the person by whom the delivery was made stating when and where the copy was delivered; if made by registered mail, proof of such service must consist of the affidavit of the person by whom the copy was mailed stating when and the postoffice to which it was mailed, and this affidavit must be accompanied by the postmaster's receipt for the letter.

You should state in your answer the name of the postoffice to which you desire future notices to be sent to you.

M. W. HUTCHINSON, Register.

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Alias Summons.

In the District Court of the Twelfth Judicial District of the State of Montana, in and for the county of Chouteau.

Alta I. Frost, plaintiff, vs. Albert L. Frost, defendant.

The State of Montana sends greetings to the above-named defendant.

You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action which is filed in the office of the clerk of this court, a copy of which is herewith served upon you in the county wherein you reside, and to file your answer and serve a copy thereof upon the plaintiff's attorney within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Said action is brought to obtain a judgment and decree that the bonds of matrimony now existing between plaintiff and defendant be dissolved and that the custody of the minor child, Lawrence, be awarded to the plaintiff, and the cause of action is based upon the ground that, on or about the 13th day of September A. D. 1905, the defendant in total disregard of his duties to the plaintiff, as his wife, did wilfully and without cause desert and abandon said plaintiff and ever since has and still continues so to wilfully and without cause desert and abandon said plaintiff and to live separate and apart from said plaintiff without sufficient cause or reason and against her will and without her consent.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 7th day of January, A. D. 1913.

SEAL.

GEO. D. PATTERSON, Clerk.

By E. D. B. SULLIVAN, Deputy.

Vernon K. Lewis, attorney for plaintiff.

First publication, Jan 8, 1913.

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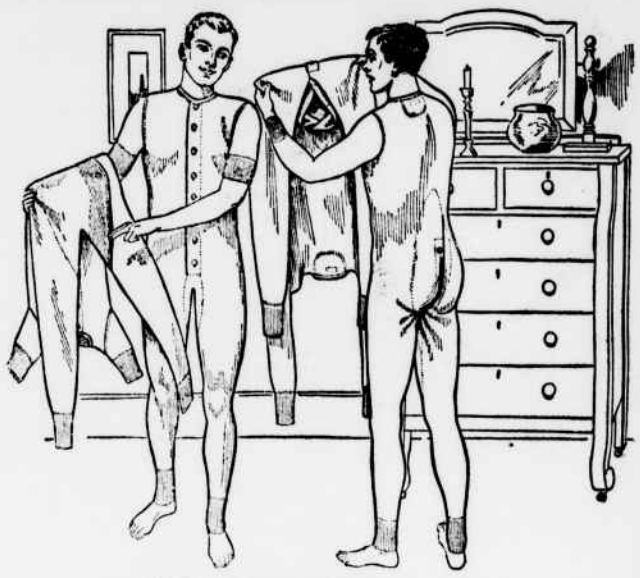

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A nice Overcoat; $15.00 to $30.00 each.
A Smoking Jacket or Bath Robe, $4.50 to $8.50.
A couple of closed crotch Union Suits, $1.50 to $5.00 the suit.
A Hat or a Cap, 75c to $6.00 each.
A few Neckties, 25c to $1.50 each.
A pair of Mitts or Gloves, 75c to $4 00.
A fancy Vest, $1.50 to $4.00.
A fancy Pajamas or a fancy Night Robe, $1.00 to $3.00.
A Sweater, 75c to $6.00.
A Trunk or Traveling Bag. We have them at all prices.
A pair of Slippers, $1.50 to $2.00.
A pair of Dress Shoes, $3.00 to $6.00.
A Silk Muffler, 75c to $2.50.
A Silk Suspender set, 75c to $2.00.
A Collar and Necktie set, leather, $2.50 to $4.00.
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A Suit of clothes, $3.50 upward.
A pair of Pants, 60c to $2.00.
A Sweater, $1.00 to $1.50.
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A pair of Shoes, $2.00 to $3.50.
A pair of Suspenders, 25c to 50c.
A suit of Underwear, 60c to $1.25.
A Belt, 35c to 50c.
A pair of Gloves or Mittens, 50c to $1.00.
A box of Hole-Proof socks, 35c the pair
A box of Handkerchiefs, 5c to 25c. each.
A Necktie, 15 to 50c.

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A box Linen Handkerchiefs, 20c to 60c each.
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A solid Gold Ring, $2.50 upward.
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