

CITY AND STATE.

From Wednesday's daily.
 The Chicago Store is selling out at a great sacrifice.—Adv.
 Charles Brodock arrived yesterday from Clearlake, on a business visit.
 A. H. Thompson, of Box Elder, is visiting with friends in this vicinity.
 Send your watch and jewelry repair work to D. G. Lockwood's jewelry store.—Adv.
 Frederick Nelson, of this city, was received at St. Clare hospital today for treatment.
 Alva Painter and Otto Painter are among the visitors in town from the Hawarden country.
 Robert Cameron arrived from Great Falls today, to attend to probate business in the district court.
 Miss Flanagan, county superintendent, went to Big Sandy today, to hold the eighth grade examinations in the Big Sandy schools.
 A declaration of his intention to become an American citizen was filed in the district court today by Frank G. Schulke, of Virgelle, who is a native of Germany.
 Miss Mary Frenzel was hostess to the "Discard" club at the W. R. Early residence last evening. Music and cards were in order until quite late, after which an elaborate luncheon was served.
 Money to loan on farm lands. Prompt and satisfactory service. Write stating your wants and giving full particulars and description in first letter. U. W. Hammaker, Floweree, Mont.—Adv.
 W. E. Barrows was among the visitors in town today from Pleasant Valley. Mr. Barrows is preparing to engage in the hog raising business on a more extensive scale, his experience during the past year having demonstrated that the industry yields profitable returns.
 The trial of L. M. White and Arthur White, of Carter, on a charge of assault in the third degree, took place in Justice Fisher's court yesterday afternoon, A. H. Stewart being the principal witness for the prosecution. The result of the trial was the acquittal of L. M. White, and a fine of \$25 assessed against his brother.
 A marriage license was issued by the clerk of the district court today to Ray Courtnage, of Big Sandy, and May Langdon, of Great Falls, the wedding taking place in the clerk's office soon after the license was issued. Justice A. C. Fisher performed the ceremony, which was witnessed by a number of the court house officials.
 From Thursday's daily.
 Mrs. A. Pickering, of McGowan, is visiting with friends in this city.
 E. D. Branting arrived yesterday from Graceland on a business visit.
 Arrivals from Carter report that the new school building at that place is nearing completion, and will be ready for use the early part of February.
 A special communication of Benton Lodge No. 25, A. F. and A. M., will be held this evening, for conferring a M. M. degree. Members and visitors are invited to attend.
 The attorney general has rendered an opinion to the effect that county officers are not permitted to write insurance on county buildings, nor can school trustees insure school property in companies of which they are stockholders.
 The local health authorities were notified last evening that a man suffering from small pox had arrived from Geraldine, having covered the distance of thirty miles afoot. The patient was immediately taken in charge and placed under quarantine.
 A number of tracts of real estate upon which the taxes for last year were not paid, were offered at public sale this afternoon by W. R. Leet, county treasurer. The offerings included farm property and town lots, but there were few applications for purchase.
 Ezra L. Crane, who has charge of the registration books for the city bond election on January 30, reports that a comparatively small number of taxpayers applied for registration Monday and Tuesday. The books have been closed until Saturday, January 24, which will be the last opportunity to register.
 Articles of incorporation of the Big Sandy Farmer's Elevator company with a capital stock of \$6,000, were filed in the county clerk's office today. The papers state that none of the capital stock has been subscribed, and consequently there are no stockholders, but Emery D. Hadden, Frank Lloyd and John Knotts are named as directors.
 John Valleux was arrested in the Teton country yesterday by Robert Kennon, stock inspector, and is being held in jail to await a hearing on a charge of horse stealing. The defendant is alleged to have received a horse to be broken and that he sold the animal to a resident of Conrad, the rightful owner being informed that the horse had escaped from the pasture and strayed away.
 From Friday's daily.
 Chas. S. VanAlstine, of Manhattan, Mont., is among the visitors in town.
 Housework wanted by the day or hour. Mrs. Best, Hagen block.—Adv.
 Mrs. T. Gorman, of Havre, returned today from a visit with friends at Highwood.
 A. J. Knowlton arrived today from Seattle, where he has been attending to business matters the past few weeks.
 Miss Julia Crane, of this city, has

been appointed as the Chouteau county vice president of the society of Sons and Daughters of Montana Pioneers.
 Wanted, two hundred hogs, weighing one hundred and fifty or two hundred and fifty pounds, for which I will pay the highest market price. Geo. H. Stevens.—Adv.
 Mayor Green and John Ritch, of Lewistown, left this morning on an automobile trip to Chinook, but trouble with their machine when about five miles from town caused cancellation of the trip.
 About forty members of the Fort Benton whist club were very pleasantly entertained last evening by Mrs. Chas. H. Green, at her home on Main street. The high score of the evening was made by Mrs. J. O. Patterson.
 A marriage license was issued by the clerk of the district court today to Arthur T. Ellwell, of Portland, Oregon, and Pearl M. Beck, of Elkhart, Ind. The wedding took place at the Methodist church, Rev. C. E. Haynes officiating.
 C. O. Vowel, of Butte, formerly proprietor of the Leonard hotel, is reported to have closed a deal for the purchase of the Grand Union hotel in this city. The change of ownership is expected to go into effect about February 1.
 Tomorrow will be the last opportunity to register for the city bond election, and it is hoped every resident property owner will have applied for registration before the time limit expires. Ezra L. Crane will be in charge of the official register at the city hall from 9:00 a. m. to 9:00 p. m.
 The high school basketball team went to Havre this morning to play the high school at that place tonight. A game has also been arranged with the Chinook team tomorrow night. The team consists of Earl Morger, Russell Williams, Howell Harris, Frank Stillman, Jere Reichelt and Geo. Wackerlin. The team is accompanied by William Jacobs, as coach.
Merchants Favor Lower Rates
 Great Falls, Jan. 21.—After a debate, bitter at times and always full of fire, the Montana Retail Merchant's association, late today, voted more than two to one in approval of the state railway commissions' action in promulgating the rate schedule it recently ordered into effect, but which the railroads opposed, and on which they secured a rehearing.
 The matter first came before the committee on resolutions, which wrangled over the question, and finally a compromise was effected in an agreement not to offer any resolution bearing upon it. With that it would probably have remained buried had not Mr. Graham of Helena offered a resolution from the floor that the railroad commission permit of the introduction of general evidence at the rehearing and thus insure a "square deal for the railroads."
 Ex-Mayor Frank Edwards at this point grabbed the bull by the horns and led a fiery attack upon the resolution, addressing the convention at considerable length, and, carrying the majority with him, introduced a substitute commending the commissioners for their action. Graham then sought to repair the damage by withdrawing his resolution, but it was too late and the Edwards resolution was adopted by a vote of 37 to 19.
Duties of County Physician
 Helena, Jan. 21.—When a physician contracts with a county to furnish medical attendance, the term includes surgical services, Attorney General D. M. Kelly today advised G. C. Ihmsen, chairman of the county board of commissioners. Where the contracting physician is unable to fulfill his contract, it is his duty, with the consent of the county, and at his own expense, to employ some other physician. If he fails to do this, the county may employ some other physician and the reasonable expense thereof is a proper charge against the contracting physician and his bondsmen. County no traveling expenses.
 Mr. Kelly holds it is the duty of the county to furnish medical attendance when it is needed to the poor, sick and infirm, classes which are defined in sections 2050 and 2062, inclusive, of the Revised Codes.
Accused of Reservation Murder
 Great Falls, Jan. 20.—Charged with the murder of Tony Faynt at his home on Lodge Pole creek about 35 miles south of Harlem on the Fort Belknap reservation Charles Olercking, 27, and Merlin Shields, 23, both Sioux breeds, are being held in the Cascade county jail to be tried during the term of the federal court, which will open in this city Feb. 16. Faynt, who was a Cree breed, was killed Jan. 12, and the matter was investigated by United States District Attorney S. C. Ford, resulting in the arrest of the two.
 According to the evidence obtained and which resulted in the binding over to the federal court of the two prisoners ill feeling had existed between the trio on account of a complaint which had been filed against the two and which they believed Fyant instigated. The trouble opened with a fist fight between Shields and Fyant after which Fyant barricaded himself in his house. It is alleged that Shields and Olercking then attacked the house with a sledge and an ax, breaking down the door. Fyant, armed only with a stove poker, essayed a resistance, but was knocked down by a blow from the sledge and while he lay upon the floor the blade of the ax was sunk into the back of his head and neck. The two prisoners claim that they were acting in self defense.

MONTANA NEWS BRIEFLETS

A Budget of Readable Short Items From Various Parts of the State.
 Helena, Jan. 20.—National and private banks of Montana are overwhelmingly in favor of the Twin Cities as their first choice for the location of a federal reserve bank for the district that will include Montana, and Chicago as their second choice. This information was secured by the Helena Clearing House association, which sent inquiries to all the banks in the state.
 Butte, Jan. 20.—The new primary law is playing havoc with aldermanic ambitions. Some one has discovered that those who went on record last year as members of the citizen's party cannot this year come out as candidates on either the republican or democratic ticket. This phase of the law is said to apply to both candidates for aldermen and candidates for committeemen.
 Butte, Jan. 20.—That he was lured from his home in Deer Lodge by a pretty girl for the purpose of being robbed of a large sum of money that his conspirators believed he had received in settlement of an \$8,000 damage action in Portland, is the story told by George Newman, a young railroader. The conspiracy, to secure the money fell through in that Newman had not yet received it. As it was he lost \$65, all the money that he had in his pockets.
 Twin Bridges, Jan. 20.—Coming to Montana without a dollar, Fred Schulz has sold out his sheep holdings and several ranches for over \$100,000. Equipped with nothing but his hands, having practically no education, young Schulz began herding sheep and within a few years had a small band of his own which he increased steadily until he owned more than ten thousand and four of the best ranches in the upper valley.
 Lewistown, Jan. 20.—It is reported here that at a depth of 85 feet in a well near Forest Grove a gas cavity was tapped and that oil indications are excellent. Many indications that oil exists in eastern Fergus county have been reported from Gilt Edge, Winnett and the Snowy mountains, and recently in two wells near Grass Range fine indications have been found. An oil drilling outfit is now at work near Winnett, and it would not be at all surprising if to the many resources of Fergus county, oil would soon be added.
 Bozeman, Jan. 21.—Farmers course opened here today with one hundred and fifty farmers in attendance, breaking all previous records. They came from all over the state and it is estimated that during the week the attendance will total over five hundred. It was grange day today and many members attended the business meeting. The horse show was held this afternoon.
 Helena, Jan. 21.—In an order made by the Montana Railroad commission today the date of the rehearing of the distributing rate case is fixed for April 20. The purpose of the rehearing, the order states, is to permit the railroads to introduce testimony along the lines suggested in the arguments at Saturday's conference, and also to permit all persons to show why the rates originally ordered by the commission should go into effect.
 Butte, Jan. 21.—For harrasing a well known woman on the west side whose son is on his death bed, by calling her up on the telephone daily, John Nichols was fined \$50 in police court today. Nichols was adjudged guilty upon the testimony of Chief Murphy. The latter declared that the victim of Nichols is one of the most estimable and one of the oldest residents of Butte, and that she has been compelled to stand Nichols' abuse for the past six months.
 Butte, Jan. 21.—Labor conditions throughout Montana are good, according to a statement made today by T. M. Swindlehurst, commissioner of the state bureau of labor, who is here to investigate allegations that four thousand men are out of work. The commissioner stated that while the mild winter had interfered with logging operations and thrown some of the men out of work in this industry, it has enabled much outside work to be done in other lines. He believes labor conditions in Montana are better than in any state in the country.
 Bozeman, Jan. 21.—Ulric Paulson was fined \$500 by Judge Axtell today for being in possession of firearms without an alien's license. Walter Rasmussen, his partner, was fined \$300 on the same charge. Both men had been previously warned and both pleaded guilty to the charge. They could not pay the fines and were lodged in the county jail to serve out the sentence. In 1908 a warrant was out for the arrest of Paulson on the charge of burglary, but he could not be found, and the charge is now outlawed.
 Great Falls, Jan. 21.—Claiming that Cascade county is indebted to him in the total sum of \$375, as salary connected with a state appointment, J. W. Simon has brought suit against Cascade county for this amount. Simon is made joint plaintiff with A. M. Alderson, who is secretary of state and ex-officio state sealer of weights and measures. Simon was appointed by the state secretary as inspector of weights and measures in the Great Falls district, and started his labors as such on July 11, 1913. He labored three months and then, when the county commissioners declined to pay the salary named by the state secretary, Simon ceased his labors.
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