

CITY AND STATE.

From Wednesday's daily.  
The Chicago Store is selling out at a great sacrifice.—Adv.

Fresh milch cow for sale. Inquire of John Jacoby, Fort Benton.—Adv.

John W. Elmer and daughter are in town today from the Nine Mile country.

Attorney J. N. Thelen arrived from Great Falls today, on district court business.

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

A limited amount of Montana grown seed corn and millet for sale. Address Geo. Tope, Fort Benton.—Adv.

Mrs. Cora Vandervoort, of Flaxton, N. Dak., arrived today on a visit with her sister, Mrs. W. R. Leet, of this city.

A declaration of his intention to become an American citizen has been filed in the district court by Helmer Johnson, of Marias, who is a native of Sweden.

The "Discard Club" spent a very enjoyable time with Miss Elizabeth Morrow last evening, at her home on upper Bond street. Dainty refreshments were served during the evening.

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.

An order was made in the district court today appointing Albert Schoberg administrator of the estate of Ernest L. Schoberg, deceased. The appointee is required to furnish a bond of \$2,200.

The postoffice authorities have been notified that all mail carried by the Great Northern railway will be weighed for a period of 120 days, the weighing to begin today. The average daily weight will form the basis of a four-year contract to be awarded by the department.

The Great Falls newspapers announce the marriage of Miss Mabel McBroom and Leonard Thill, two well known residents of that city who have a large number of Fort Benton friends. Miss McBroom was employed here last summer in the work of transcribing the county records.

George W. Tope, who was among the visitors attending the farmers' institute, presented the agricultural experts with some samples of corn that surprised them. Two years ago Mr. Tope was advised that Minnesota No. 13 would not mature in this part of the country, but he decided to experiment with this variety and produced a crop last season that was equal to anything raised in the eastern states.

From Thursday's daily.

Mrs. W. A. Knight is in town from Carter, on a visit of a few days.

H. B. Nottingham arrived today from Shonkin, on a visit with old-time friends.

Mrs. Chas. Eklund, of Loma, is among the guests registered at the Chateau house.

Mrs. G. Jageron, of Highwood, and Raphael McCrea, of Big Sandy, have been received at St. Clare hospital for surgical treatment.

O. G. Clay, of Hingham, right of way agent for the Great Northern Railway company, is among the business visitors in town.

A declaration of intention to become an American citizen was filed in the district court today by Albert E. Lucia, of Genou, a former resident of Canada.

Fred Browne and wife, who returned last evening from an extended wedding trip, are receiving the congratulations of their many Fort Benton friends. The trip covered a distance of 15,000 miles, and included a visit to the Panama canal zone and several points of interest in the West Indies.

Word has been received from Dodson announcing the marriage of David V. Dutro, a former resident of this city, and Miss Anna T. Vaughan, of Dodson, the wedding having taken place yesterday. Mr. Dutro was in the employ of the River Press a few years ago, and has a large number of friends in this vicinity.

From Friday's daily.

J. M. Neill and wife, of Graceville, are among the visitors in town.

J. B. McCallen, of Hamilton, Mont., was among today's arrivals from the west.

Born, at St. Clare hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred McCrea, of Big Sandy, a daughter.

F. M. Pinkerton, the Great Falls musician, arrived today to fill an engagement at the opera house.

Just received, several carloads of alfalfa hay. Special price from car. T. C. Power & Bro., Ltd.—Adv.

Mrs. V. Pauly, who arrived yesterday from Harlem, has been received at St. Clare hospital for treatment.

A postoffice bulletin announces the appointment of Lee L. Minnick as postmaster at Saco, Valley county.

Francis Hilbig and wife arrived today from Big Sandy on a visit with Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Crawford, of this city.

A number of visitors arrived from

the surrounding country this afternoon, to attend the fancy dress ball to be given by the ladies of the Catholic church.

Geo. D. Patterson, who returned today from a visit to his former home in Baltimore, Md., reports a very enjoyable trip. It was Mr. Patterson's first visit there in twenty years.

A spell of zero temperature in this vicinity last night was a reminder that the winter season is still with us. The minimum, according to local thermometers, was ten below zero.

Cards have been received here, announcing the marriage of Robert McClellan, of Virgelle, and Miss Isador Lamb, of Royal Oak, Mich. The wedding took place about a week ago, at Royal Oak, Mich.

Great Falls Leader: Joe Streng, road representative of Eisenmann Bros. of Boston, has contracted for the purchase of the E. E. Leech clip, that of C. S. McDonald and George S. McDonald and George Miller, paying 16 cents in each instance. The three clips are estimated at not less than 75,000 pounds. The contracts were all made in this city today.

In an information filed in the district court by the county attorney, a charge of murder in the first degree is made against Joseph Moody, who killed the Japanese section foreman a week ago, near the Great Northern depot. It is understood the authorities have secured evidence that tends to discredit the story of the shooting that was related by the defendant at the time of his arrest.

Discussed Farm Topics

The farmers' institute that was held in the court room Tuesday was not so largely attended as some former meetings of a similar kind, the weather conditions not being favorable for travel over the country roads and most of those present came from nearby localities. Three meetings were held during the day, the evening session attracting the largest crowd.

Various farm topics were discussed at the several meetings, the speakers disclaiming any purpose to tell the farmers something new and stating that the object of the institute was to awaken interest in agricultural matters and to encourage the farmers in the work with which most of them are familiar.

At the evening meeting, M. A. Cromwell gave a talk on chicken raising, in which he expressed the belief that a medium sized breed is the best general purpose fowl. Incidentally Mr. Cromwell exposed the deceptions sometimes practiced by dealers who offer pure-bred poultry for sale, and advised that such stock be secured only from reputable firms, and preferably from Montana breeders.

Prof. F. S. Cooley followed Mr. Cromwell with a talk upon beautifying the farm home. The speaker illustrated his suggestions by making a rough sketch on a blackboard, the proper arrangement of the surroundings being considered the important feature.

The uses of plants formed the subject of an interesting talk by S. W. Moore, a West Virginia man, who explained the processes of nature by which one class of vegetation grows and decays to supply conditions favorable to the growth of other kinds of vegetation. The lesson to be learned from this illustration is the necessity of a system of crop rotation that will enrich and not deplete the soil. Mr. Moore declared that the true farmer will take pride in solving agricultural problems instead of looking only at the financial side of his occupation.

The meeting closed with an address on the subject of co-operation, by Mr. Woodridge, who described some of the advantages that can be secured by the farmers working together in various ways.

Silver Bow's Murder Record

Six killings reported in Silver Bow county thus far in 1914; and the year is forty-five days old! Three murders is the record for this month; and bloody and disgraceful record for the county was ten killings; at the rate we are going it will be a larger total for the first sixty days of 1914 than it was for the first seven months of last year!

The record for last year is that two men found guilty of the murdered of Harry W. Shippen are doing time in Deer Lodge; that is the only case of the punishment of the guilty. In six cases the murderers have never since been heard from. For this year's forty-five the showing is one escape, one exoneration by a coroner's jury and three accused men awaiting trial.

If the statistics for thirty representative cities of this county be taken, it will be found that this city and county would be well up to the average had its record for last year been four or five murders. That is to say, we now have our full average quota for this entire year accounted for in the year's first forty-five days.

For today's purpose it is not the aim of the Post to speak of the relation of punishment to crime, or of the question of the percentage of captures of the criminals, or to draw any conclusions or point any morals. We are simply giving the arithmetic of the local situation, especially wherein the record our community is rolling up for the new year is concerned. It surely is a black looking record.—Butte Post.

"I think our servant is planning to go somewhere else to work."  
"What makes you think so?" She seems to be quite contented here."  
"I know, but she told me this morning that her grandmother is not expected to live."—Detroit Free Press.

MONTANA NEWS BRIEFLETS

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

Bozeman, Feb. 17.—Charles Ancency has just returned from Baker City Ore., where he purchased 3,000 head of Shorthorn and Hereford cattle from the Mack & Pullman herd, considered one of the best native herds of Oregon. The cattle will be shipped about the middle of April to the Childs-Ancency ranch to add to the fine stock recently secured from the international stock show in Chicago.

Butte, Feb. 17.—Butte's cold spell cost one life. The return of a death certificate shows that David Loff, aged 40, a laborer, died from being frozen about the hands, feet and face and general exposure five days after being taken to the county poor farm from the city emergency hospital. Loff was found half unconscious on the highway near Elk Park by ranchers, who brought him to Butte. Loff's feet were frozen so that it was necessary to cut the shes off.

Helena, Feb. 17.—A summary of weather conditions in Montana based on about 120 stations of the U. S. Weather bureau shows January to have been an unusually mild and dry month. The temperature for the state as a whole was the mildest for January, with one exception, during the past twenty years. January 1900, was warmer by about two degrees, while the corresponding months in 1903 and 1908 were only a fraction of a degree colder. The only extended period of temperatures generally below the normal was from the 20th to the 26th.

Helena, Feb. 17.—Working on a railroad section in Fergus county was a man who claimed to be an Italian count. In his possession was a beautiful cane. The game warden came along, and the count's solicitude for the cane aroused the official's suspicions. He investigated, and found a 20 calibre barrel in the case of the shank. The mechanism was cunningly fastened in the bone handle. A tiny button proved to be the trigger. The cane was confiscated and will be presented to the local library.

Redup, Feb. 17.—Mrs. Jake Suelly, whose husband was taken to Deer Lodge last week to serve a five-year term in the penitentiary for improper conduct toward his step-daughter, was found dead in the cabin of her homestead by Jeff Holliday, a neighbor, late Sunday evening. From appearances she had been dead for about 24 hours. Her little two-year-old daughter was lying in her bed with the dead body, dressed only in her night clothes and when Mr. Holliday had forced an entrance she complained listlessly to him that she was hungry and cold and "that mamma is asleep."

Billings, Feb. 17.—Twenty-four hours after C. W. Johnson and John Anderson drank wood alcohol by mistake, they became violently ill last night and after a day of agony both died in a rooming house kept by the former. The two men, who are brothers-in-law, and painters by trade, on Monday visited the Mine rescue car stationed here of which Anderson was temporarily in charge, and looking for something to drink found the alcohol which Johnson declared was good to drink. They did not become ill until this morning and not thinking it serious refused to get medical aid until too late.

Phillipsburg, Feb. 18.—Berry Kargacan, single, aged 52, a stone mason, committed suicide early this morning by placing a rifle under his chin and pulling the trigger. Half of his head was blown off. The body was found in his cabin about 9 o'clock today by C. Bokolic, a friend. Ill health is given as the cause of his rash act.

Butte, Feb. 18.—One hundred and fifty electrical experts from all parts of the state and representing many diverse interests gathered in the offices of the Montana Power company here today to discuss electrical developments in Montana. Discussions were led by Max Hejben, general manager of the Montana Power company. The engineers devoted much attention to the use of electricity in hoisting water for irrigation of large tracts and the growing use of power for domestic purposes.

Townsend, Feb. 18.—Hugh Broderick, who last fall purchased 3,000 head of sheep for feeding purposes, has sold the entire lot to coast buyers at a considerable advance over the purchase price. He paid \$3.75 per head and sold at five cents per pound. Something over 600 head of the lot were delivered for shipment yesterday and they averaged 125 pounds per head in weight, which gives Mr. Broderick a net profit of \$2.50 per head on a little over four months feeding.

Miles City, Feb. 18.—O. Hulbert, former agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad at Terry, Mont., arraigned on a charge of embezzlement of \$800 confessed his crime and pleaded guilty. Hulbert was checked out about a week ago by an auditor of the company and since then was in charge of a bonding company, which gave him a chance to raise the amount but which he failed to do.

Great Falls, Feb. 18.—After subsisted at their camp on the outskirts of this city for several months upon the charity of various interested private citizens together with what relief was given them from the poor fund of Cascade county, Chief Little Bear's band of Chippewas and Crees, numbering about 125, are at last being provided for by the government. Chief Rocky Boy and his band of Chippewas also numbering 125, are being cared for in a like manner near Havre, where where they have been camped during the winter.

WINTER IS HERE

... AT LAST ...

and it finds us well stocked with everything from warm underwear and wool socks to overshoes and German socks, blanket-lined overalls and wool shirts, mackinaws and sheep lined coats, and a large assortment of the latest caps.

For rough wear try a pair of our extra heel and tap overshoes in either one, two or four buckle, or for driving or walking a pair of our single sole or light Jerseys will be found to be both light and comfortable.

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