

CITY AND STATE.

From Saturday's daily. W. H. Thomas is in town from Highwood, on a visit of a few days. G. A. Apple and wife, of Carter, are visiting with friends in this city. G. Pribble and wife, of Big Sandy, are among the visitors attending district court. R. A. Lee and G. F. Hickey, of Loma, were received at the Sanitarium today for treatment. Frank Laird, a well known resident of the Sweet Grass hills country, is among the visitors in town. John McClellan, a former resident of this city arrived from Virgelle yesterday on a visit with old-time friends. Theo Evers arrived today from Floweree on a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Evers, of this city. Willis L. Dynes, foreman on the Havre Daily Promoter, is in the city today visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Dynes. Petitions for naturalization have been filed in the district court by Thomas E. Nicholson, of Big Sandy, and Rose A. Shorthill, of Floweree. Capt. Geo. H. Stevens, who attended the big meeting of farmers in Great Falls, reports an interesting and successful convention. The new federation of farmers' societies will enable the members to work together for mutual benefit. Bills are out announcing a dance to be given in the opera house, by the Fort Benton orchestra on Thanksgiving evening, Thursday, Nov. 26. A committee on management and introduction assures all a pleasant time. Dancing tickets, \$1. Spectators free. The dance given at Odd Fellows hall last evening by the Juniors of the county high school was a great success. Class colors and pennants decorated the hall, and an excellent luncheon was served at midnight. There were about fifty guests in attendance. Another change in the map of eastern Montana is reported from that locality. As a result of the recent election the county seat of Fallon county has been changed from Ekalaka to Baker, and the court house and county officers will be located at Baker, as soon as the removal can take place. The trial of Hugh O. Schrammeck, of Big Sandy, on a charge of assault in the first degree, was in progress this afternoon in the district court, a jury having been secured at the morning session. The alleged assault is said to have resulted from a dispute over the division of partnership property. Four offenders were disciplined in Justice Kinder's court today, two of them being advised to leave town or incur a more unpleasant penalty as vagrants. Leslie Rowe, accused of indulging in a pugilistic stunt, was assessed a fine of ten dollars, and Ed Snyder five dollars for disorderly conduct. Some modern ideas and improvements in farm work are being adopted by V. F. Blankenbaker, of Virgelle, who is adding to his plant an alfalfa grinder that has a capacity of about eight tons per day. The machinery was installed a few days ago by W. O. Dexter, of this city, and is now in operation. A news item from Havre says Mrs. D. A. Ring, of Harlem, has filed suit for \$15,000 against Joe Gussenhoven of Havre, for injuries she received in September by being hit by his automobile. Mr. Ring, her husband, has also brought suit against Mr. Gussenhoven for \$5,000 for medical and hospital expenses in connection with his wife's injuries. Harry Crane, the 12-year-old son of Mrs. Geo. W. Crane, has been under the care of an eye specialist in Great Falls the past few days. While a dance was in progress in Odd Fellows hall last week, Harry watched the dancers through a small opening in the door and was accidentally hit in the eye by a BB shot from a bean shooter. The injury was so serious that loss of the eye was feared, but the patient is said to be improving. From Monday's daily. Mrs. F. A. Planagan left yesterday for California, on a visit of several weeks. W. P. Sullivan and wife, of Square Butte, spent yesterday with Fort Benton friends. Mrs. Ever Nielsen arrived yesterday from Box Elder, on a visit with friends in this city. Miss Planagan, county school superintendent, is attending the meeting of the State Teachers' association in Butte. A decree of divorce was entered in the district court today in the suit of Robert B. Peel against Mary E. Peel, in which complaint alleged desertion. The Big Sandy saloon case, otherwise known as the State of Montana vs. Lyons, which was appealed from the justice court, was dismissed at today's session of district court. As a result of trying to make an easy living at the expense of a confiding public, W. J. Dismeter is occupying quarters in the county jail. The prisoner is charged with obtaining money under false pretenses. J. W. Dewire, who was arrested on a charge of disturbing the peace, was fined \$5.00 in Justice Kinder's court today, and Mike Casey, charged with vagrancy, was committed to jail to serve a ten-day sentence. Word has been received from Choteau announcing the death of Charles F. Green, a well known stockman of the upper Teton country. Mr. Green

had been engaged in the livestock business in that locality since 1886. Ernest Holzner, of Teton, is prepared to testify that killing an antelope out of season is an expensive kind of sport. In the district court Saturday afternoon he was assessed a fine of \$200 for violation of the Montana game laws. The trial of Hugh O. Schrammeck, of Big Sandy, ended in the district court today, the jury rendering a verdict of not guilty. The defendant was accused of assault in the first degree, the alleged offense resulting from a dispute as to the ownership of an automobile that had been used in a partnership business. H. N. Ragland suffered a dislocated shoulder, and S. F. Allen escaped with a sprained wrist and other injuries in an automobile accident last evening, while coming from Carter to this city. The driver lost control of the machine, which was overturned by running into a fence. Mr. Ragland stayed out in the prairie several hours while assistance was being sought, and is said to be in a serious condition. Montana merchants and other citizens who are affected by the new "war revenue" law are advised that the first payment of the new taxes, which must be made before December 1, covers a period of eight months only—from November 1 to July 1, 1915. Under this arrangement the tobacco tax to be paid by all firms that sell cigars or tobacco will be \$3.20 for the eight months. The penalty for non-payment is a fine of \$500 and six months in jail. From Tuesday's daily. James Conley is in town today from Big Sandy, on district court business. R. L. Thompson, a well known resident of Virgelle, is among the business visitors in town. For rent, two housekeeping rooms and one room furnished. Apply at Lewis house.—Adv. Charles Lepley left yesterday for Manchester, Iowa, on a visit with friends at that place. Oscar Johnston arrived yesterday from his Arrow creek ranch, to spend Thanksgiving with his family. Attorney Charles N. Pray arrived last evening from Great Falls, on business before the district court. Among the arrivals today were D. E. Williams, a former resident of Big Sandy, and M. A. Barnhart, of Brady. All who have been invited to take part in the "County Fair" will meet at the high school this evening at 7:30 o'clock, when Mrs. Fisk will assign the parts to be taken. A local character familiarly known as "Happy Jack" had an interview with Justice Kinder today on a charge of securing money by false pretenses. The offender was given a jail sentence of fifteen days. Tax payments to a large amount are being received at the county treasurer's office, and it is expected the receipts will increase during the next few days. Taxes become delinquent after Monday, November 30. A news item from Chester reports the suicide of John Lazure, a well known rancher of that vicinity. Despondency due to poor health is supposed to have been the cause of suicide. There will be union Thanksgiving services in the court room Thursday morning, at 10:00 o'clock, to which all are invited. The collection will be applied to the flour fund for the relief of destitute victims of the European war. W. Jacobs announces that the city basket ball team is arranging for a number of games during the season, a game with the Big Sandy team being the first on the list. Practice games with the high school team are also being arranged. According to advices from Havre, a number of business men of that city have prepared a petition to the Hill county commissioners, asking that the new court house be built on a site that is more convenient than the location originally selected. No action in the matter has yet been taken by the board. Busy Night For Burglars. A gang of burglars had a busy time Thursday night according to word received by the authorities from Carter, their operations extending from that town west to Portage. Sheriff Rogers was notified of the matter Friday morning in a telephone call from Carter, and left at once by automobile for the scene of their depredations. The midnight marauders are said to have secured plunder of comparatively small value. They first broke into the Great Northern depot at Carter, stealing two or three small packages and a few railroad tickets, and then entered the office of the Great Falls Lumber company where they found about \$25 in cash and checks amounting to about \$125. From Carter they proceeded to Floweree, where they raided the post office and got away with about \$15 in cash, and at an early hour Friday morning were discovered by a resident of Portage while attempting a burglary at that place, but were scared away by the interruption. The authorities are without a clew as to the identity of the gang, but believe it consists of two or more members traveling by automobile. Aye, There's the Rub. If we had to turn our own grindstones we wouldn't have so many axes to grind.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

AMONG OUR NEIGHBORS.

A Grist of Items Gathered From Our Northern Montana Exchanges Big Sandy Sentinel: John Hoyt who was arrested last week and arraigned before Justice Ragan, on a charge of grand larceny, was bound over to the district court. Hoyt is accused of having stolen a number of farming implements belonging to Wm. Sluggert. Havre Democrat: James Kirk, who resides near Woodpile Coulee, near the Canadian line north of Havre, was thrown and dragged by his horse for about a mile before he was free from the rope. Drs. Almas and Duncan were summoned and went out and attended his injuries. Kirk in addition to having his leg broken was almost skinned alive. Harlem News: Michael Murphy, a well known young man of this city, has been taken over to Canada to stand trial on an alleged charge of horse stealing. During the past two months, Murphy has been confined in the jail at Helena, awaiting extradition papers, and Monday night he was taken to the other side of the line by Officer John Goodrich, one of the mounted police of that country. Big Sandy Mountaineer: It will be of interest to many of the old-timers of this section to learn that Chas. Murray at one time a sheep man here, and who traded his interests here about one year ago for a hotel property and ranch at Lind, Washington, has again made an exchange of possessions, becoming proprietor of a fine fruit ranch near Spokane, to which place he recently moved with his family. Conrad Independent: It is reported that Valler has started a bran new county division scheme all her own. According to the report in circulation, the new scheme contemplates the creation of a new county from the territory contiguous to Valler, and enough of the Blackfeet Indian reservation to supply the needed valuation. Valler is of course to be the county seat. Chinook Democrat: W. C. Blackwood ten days ago was held up at St. Paul with a bunch of cattle on account of quarantine. He bought about fifty head of young steers there while waiting to dispose of his shipment and brought them here, and the same quarantine regulations are now holding the cattle here. Mr. Blackwood expects to be able to remove them to his ranch in a few days. Glasgow Courier: Farmers about Glasgow have raised some very fancy potatoes and in order to secure a two-hundred pound sack of the best potatoes grown in Valley county the Commercial Club will award a premium of five dollars to the grower. The spuds are to be brought to the Commercial Club headquarters by the 25th of November and will be judged by three merchants of the city selected for the purpose. The spuds should weigh at least one and one-half pounds each. Chinook Opinion: Henry Raymond of Phillips killed a calf in self defense according to his claim and is now in jail awaiting trial in the district court for the slaughter of that animal. Raymond killed the calf and afterwards went back and cut off a front quarter and buried the rest of the animal. He was discovered and arrested and brought to Dodson where he admitted to the deed but explained that he was riding along the prairie when a bunch of cattle took after him. Not knowing what might happen if they caught him, he drew up his gun and fired at the herd and the calf was the one that stopped the bullet. Cases Set For Trial. A number of criminal cases were set for trial by Judge Tattan, at the Tuesday session of district court, the dates being as follows: State of Montana vs. Nelson, maliciously killing livestock, Dec. 14. State of Montana vs. James Murphy, grand larceny, Dec. 14. State of Montana vs. J. H. Bell, grand larceny, Dec. 15. State of Montana vs. Roy A. Bell, grand larceny, Dec. 15. State of Montana vs. John Valleaux, grand larceny, Dec. 17. State of Montana vs. Geo. Norcott, grand larceny, Dec. 18. State of Montana vs. W. R. Gragg, assault, Dec. 19. State of Montana vs. C. H. Hartwell, grand larceny, Dec. 21. Civil cases have been set for trial on the following dates: Wm. Chittick vs. Clarence Briggs, et al, appeal, Dec. 7. M. B. Hanford vs. F. H. McGowan, Dec. 7. J. D. Savage vs. Susie A. McDonald, Dec. 8. Clarence Vincent vs. Wm. H. Waldman, Dec. 8. Addie A. Williams vs. I. M. Rogers, Sheriff, Dec. 9. M. A. Strang vs. U. W. Hammaker, Dec. 9. James Patterson vs. John Boehmer, Dec. 11. E. G. Stranahan vs. Anna W. Thrallkill, et al., Dec. 11. Montana Farmers Organize. A state federation of Montana farmers was formed at a meeting held in Great Falls the past week, at which a number of local organizations were represented. This method of providing for co-operative effort among Montana farmers is expected to result in improved conditions throughout the state. Permanent officers were elected as follows: W. V. Talbot of Armington, president; C. S. Norton of Clinton and

I. D. O'Donnell of Billings, vice president; W. J. Rankin of Jefferson Island, secretary-treasurer. Executive committee, A. D. Stillman of Kalispell, B. C. White of Buffalo, Pat Carney of Waterloo, C. H. McDonald of Belgrade, F. S. Putnam of Joliet, Charles McRae of Woodside, James Griffin of Chinook, A. W. Glazier of Rothliemay and Robert Gwinn of Dunkirk. The resolutions strongly favored the teaching of agriculture to boys of the seventh and eighth grades in the country schools and domestic science for the girls with manual training substituted for the city boys; favoring a law allowing 10 or more resident freeholders to form a mortgage loan company on the plan of the Wisconsin law; more economy in all lines of government, especially legislation; a radical revision of the present tax code with a view to encouraging industrial enterprises and favoring a law allowing 10 or more residents to form a corporation for the carrying on of industrial enterprises. Concerning taxation, the resolution goes to the point of urging a change in the constitution. On this point it says: "We demand legislation giving the state board of equalization power to adjust and equalize property values in the various counties to the end that taxation may be just and equitable, and if necessary to secure this end we demand an amendment to the state constitution." The next meeting of the federation will be held in November, 1915, in Lewistown, the time and place of meeting being fixed by the delegates before adjournment. Fort Benton Flour Fund. The committee in charge of the Fort Benton flour fund for the relief of destitute victims of the European war made a partial canvass of the business district Thursday and Friday, and met with a generous response from citizens who were interviewed. The list of contributions received up to noon Tuesday was as follows: Stockmen's National Bank \$100.00 T. C. Power & Bro. Ltd. 100.00 Benton Hardware Co. 40.00 Chateau House 5.00 H. J. Wackerlin 5.00 Benton State Bank 50.00 J. P. Williams 10.00 D. G. Lockwood 5.00 Sharp Bros 40.00 Ward & Morrison 20.00 I. Hunsberger 10.00 Schmidt Bros. & Greely 10.00 C. O. Vowell 10.00 A. H. Davis, Shonkin 10.00 James Bartley 5.00 Benton Drug & J. Co. 5.00 Frank Morger 5.00 E. Davis 5.00 N. T. Chemidlin 5.00 River Press Pub. Co. 20.00 W. K. Harber 10.00 Misses Harber 10.00 E. M. Porter 5.00 Benton Electric Light Co. 10.00 F. E. Stranahan 25.00 J. O. Patterson 10.00 J. J. McGraw 10.00 Green Cattle Co. 10.00 T. A. Cummings & Son 10.00 James Townsend 5.00 H. F. Miller 5.00 J. D. Savage 5.00 LaBarre & Thompson 10.00 Missouri River Lumber Co. 20.00 Charles Lepley 5.00 Jos. Sullivan 5.00 C. W. Schmidt 4.00 R. C. Giddings 5.00 Miss Stocking 5.00 A. O. DeLormier 10.00 John Harris 25.00 Dr. J. F. Murphy 5.00 Malcolm Morrow 5.00 Hans Rudolph 1.00 J. E. Epperson 1.00 C. H. Evers 5.00 A. C. Fisher 2.00 Total, \$683.00 Several other residents of this vicinity have promised support to this charitable effort, and the committee believes there will be sufficient funds contributed in a few days to forward a donation of a carload of Fort Benton flour to the Red Cross relief organization. Additional contributions will be announced as soon as the necessary amount has been secured. Anyone who wishes to assist in the good work is requested to send in his donation as soon as possible to R. C. Giddings, at the Stockmen's National bank or Grand Union hotel; Grant Sharp, at Sharp Bros. store; or W. K. Harber, at the River Press office. Local Grain Quotations. Nov. 24, 1914. No. 1 Northern 95c No. 1 Hard Montana 91c No. 2 Hard Montana 89c No. 1 Oats per cwt \$1.20 No. 1 Flax \$1.16 No. 2 Flax \$1.10 Sheriff's Sale. In the District Court of the Twelfth Judicial District, State of Montana, in and for the County of Chouteau, Caroline F. Ogden, plaintiff, vs. Joseph Pogreba and Josephine Pogreba, his wife, Stockmen's National Bank, a corporation, McNamara & Barlow, a partnership, and Joseph Pogreba Jr., defendants. To be sold at Sheriff's sale on the 12th day of December A. D. 1914, at 2:00 o'clock p. m., at front door of court house in the said county of Chouteau, the following described property: The east half (E 1/2) of the southwest quarter (SW 1/4) of the northwest quarter (NW 1/4) of the southwest quarter (SW 1/4) of the northwest quarter (NW 1/4) of section three (3), township twenty-nine (29), north of range thirteen (13), east of Montana meridian, containing one hundred and sixty (160) acres according to the official plat of the survey of said lands returned to the General Land office by the Surveyor General. Dated this 21st day of November, A. D. 1914. I. M. ROGERS, Sheriff. By C. WILSON, Under Sheriff. Cooper & Stephenson, Attorneys for Plaintiff. First publication November 21, 1914.

4194 The Stockmen's National Bank OF FORT BENTON, MONTANA The Oldest and Largest Bank in Northern Montana Capital, Surplus and Profits over - \$450,000.00 OFFICERS DAVID G. BROWNE, President J. V. CARROLL, Vice President R. C. GIDDINGS, Cashier JAS. HANSEN, Asst. Cashier DIRECTORS Chas. E. Duer John Harris W. K. Harber David G. Browne Chas. Lepley James Townsend John V. Carroll A. S. Lohman F. E. Stranahan THIS BANK IS A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM. We have money to loan on improved farms INTEREST PAID ON TIME DEPOSITS

The Fort Benton Sanitarium Newly furnished throughout, with full up-to-date equipment Graduate nurses and modern medical and surgical treatment Rates from \$8.00 per week up, according to accommodations For particulars address The Fort Benton Sanitarium, Fort Benton, Mont

THE BENTON STABLES LaBARRE & THOMPSON, Props. FAST TEAMS, FINE CARRIAGES AND BUGGIES FOR HIRE. FEED STABLE IN CONNECTION. HORSES BOUGHT AND SOLD. AUTOMOBILE HIRE ALL KINDS OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC COAL Agents for Continental Oil Co. Office of Lonetree Stage WE CONTRACT FOR ALL KINDS OF HEAVY HAULING. ALL ORDERS PROMPTLY FILLED. OUR BUSES MEET ALL TRAINS. TELEPHONE 45-BLK FORT BENTON MONTANA

INSURANCE FIRE LIFE HAIL O. J. WACKERLIN, Agent, - Fort Benton, Mont. (Office over Lockwood's drug store)

BROOCHES are perhaps more widely used than any other form of jewelry with the exception of rings. To meet the demand, we have selected a most varied collection in an infinite variety of designs of great beauty and originality, with most exquisite settings of every kind of precious stones, mounted in 14k. solid gold. D. G. LOCKWOOD, Drugs and Jewelry FORT BENTON, MONTANA

Weekly River Press, \$2 per year