

CITY AND STATE.

From Wednesday's daily. Mrs. Jos. Collier, of Havre, was received at the Sanitarium yesterday for treatment. Send your watch and jewelry repair work to D. G. Lockwood's jewelry store.—Adv. Aug. Swackheim, of the Cascade Milling company, arrived last evening on a business visit. Donald Bell, an old-time resident of this vicinity, arrived from Floweree on district court business. Mrs. Vander Voort, of Flaxton, N. Dak., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. R. Leet, of this city. A marriage license was issued today to Charles L. Preuninger and Ruth A. Wright, both of Clear Lake. Hon. T. C. Power arrived last evening from Helena, to give attention to his extensive business interests in this part of Montana. Judge Tattan left today for Court, to hold a session of district court at which probate business and other matters will be given attention. It is announced by internal revenue officials that war tax stamps for deeds, mortgages, etc., will be placed on sale at the various postoffices. The local office, however, has not yet received its supply of these goods. Official notice was received today from Hon. A. M. Alderson, secretary of state, that Charles L. Lepley, of this city, has been appointed inspector of weights and measures for District No. 7. This district includes the counties of Chouteau, Toole and Teton. According to the annual report of the state railroad commission, 86 persons were killed and 706 injured during the past twelve months on the railroads operating in Montana. Of this number 37 were killed and 244 injured on the Great Northern system. The report of the weather bureau station at Havre shows unusually high temperature and lack of precipitation last month. The mean temperature was 37 degrees and the total precipitation was only 0.24 inches. The average precipitation for November is 0.77 inches. A warrant of arrest was issued in the police court today against seven over-grown boys who are accused of disorderly conduct by annoying and disturbing a number of young people who were attending a rehearsal in Odd Fellows hall. The authorities do not intend to prohibit innocent fun among boys, but they will not tolerate rowdiness and malicious mischief that makes unpleasantness for other people. From Thursday's daily. R. O. Buck and wife arrived today from Carter, on a visit with Fort Benton friends. J. A. Henderson, manager of the Havre Home Builder's association is a business visitor in Fort Benton today. Get your tickets for the "County Fair," at the opera house Thursday and Friday evening. Reserved seats at Lockwood's drug store. Weena Walker and L. Walker, residents of the Shonkin country, were placed under arrest yesterday on a charge of cutting wire fences and trespassing upon a neighbor's land. G. L. Dunham, who recently completed a jail sentence in Cascade county for jumping a bond, was brought here from Great Falls yesterday by local officers. The prisoner is being held on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. An interesting feature of a recent meeting of the city council was the consideration of \$2,000 worth of municipal bonds that have been paid. The bonds were part of the loan made several years ago for the purchase of a water supply system. Still has been brought to the district court by the Benton shoe company against Joe P. Connolly to recover the possession of 300 pairs of last shoes or equivalent for cash, the value of the suit being about \$1,700. The complaint also asks for judgment in the amount of \$500 as damages. That the automobile license business has been a profitable one for Montana is shown by the report of the secretary of state, Alderson, since the law went into effect April 12, 1917, the receipts for motor licenses have been \$27,897, the net returns being \$29,297. The payments were made by the owners of 19,172 motor vehicles. W. M. Dennis, who has been instrumental in securing the production of "Que Vada" at the Baker opera house last Saturday evening states that the seat sale is well advanced and that he expects to see more seats taken on Saturday night. Arrangements are being made to have extra seats in place so that all will be accommodated. The roll of American citizens has been increased by naturalization proceedings in the district court, about twenty applicants appearing final papers at the two days' sessions. The successful applicants were Sarah A. Stewart, Eleanor Rensius, Goddard Christman, John Christman, Anna K. Furst, Carl Blomseth, W. H. Koch, Claus F. Wilder, Soren Borup, Edwin Johnson, J. L. Feldt, Robt. W. Bruce, H. S. Svenson, Theo. O. Friedlund, Elizabeth D. Milliken, Olaf Grove, Gustav Anderson and Andrew Gilje. From Friday's daily. A nice Christmas present would be a box of "Don Cassio" cigars.—Adv. Clifford Schrammeck, of Cascade, is among the business visitors in town. Wanted, a competent girl for gen-

al housework. Mrs. L. D. Sharp.—Adv. L. P. Thornquist and wife of Geraldine, are visiting with friends in this vicinity. Our bargain and remnant tables are still working. See our offerings. Sharp Bros.—Adv. For rent, two housekeeping rooms and one room furnished. Apply at Lewis house.—Adv. Charles Greeley, of Clear Lake, was received at the Sanitarium today for medical treatment. Elmer E. Briggs, one of the old-time residents of Highwood, is visiting with friends in this city. W. M. Buckles, national bank examiner for this district, arrived from Helena last evening on official business. A postoffice bulletin announces the appointment of Richard Chappell to succeed R. A. Lee as postmaster at Loma, Mont. An order was entered in the district court today appointing appraisers of the estate of Elijah M. Stevens, deceased. The appraisers are George Campbell, O. H. Holland and Robert Holland. The tango dance has been recognized by the postoffice department in a way that will give its name a place on the map of Montana. A postoffice to be known as Tango has been established in Valley county, with Floyd W. Hovener as postmaster. George H. Stanton, a well known resident of Great Falls, is visiting with Fort Benton friends. Mr. Stanton is accompanied by Nesbit Rochester and Albert Rochester, who will be associated with him in a new banking institution in Great Falls. Makes Large Tax Payments. Butte, Dec. 1.—The importance of the Anaconda Copper Mining company as a taxpaying factor, not only in Silver Bow county, but in the state of Montana, is realized from the figures showing the amount paid in taxes yesterday by this great corporation. In Silver Bow county nearly a third of all the taxes are paid by it. In Deer Lodge county nearly one-half the taxes are paid by this company. In other corporations connected with it are included, the taxes paid in the state of Montana reach almost the startling sum of a million dollars. Industrially, it is the greatest supporter of the public schools, the public institutions and all that depends on the tax money for support that exists in the state of Montana. The table of taxes paid by the company yesterday shows that in 18 counties a total of \$675,738.95 was paid by the Anaconda alone. Of this amount \$340,594.18 was paid to the city of Butte and the county of Silver Bow. The tax was somewhat lower this year than last, due to the falling off in the net proceeds of the mines. Had it not been for the war in Europe, the total of taxes would probably have been larger than last year. But the decrease in the price of copper and the decrease in the production combined to make a difference of \$2,000,000 in the net proceeds upon which taxes are based on mining corporations. A Dawson Murder Mystery. Glendive, Dec. 1.—James Harry, his father, Benjamin Harry, who is 78 years old, and Lester Black, all Big Dry county farmers, have been arrested and jailed here, charged with the murder of Frank Gardner, a homesteader, who disappeared last October, and whose body was lately found buried near a root cellar on the ranch of James Harry. The older Harry last October claimed to have bought Gardner's personal property on the homestead for \$750 and said that Gardner had gone to Canada. The disappearance of the latter created suspicion and a search was made for him. Sheriff Thibson and Deputy Sheriff Morris of Dawson county found a newly dug root cellar on the Harry place and upon investigating it found the body in a hole under a pile of earth taken from the root cellar. An examination showed that Gardner had been shot through the back and his head beaten in. There will be a preliminary hearing of the three men this afternoon. It is said that Mrs. Lillian Stoddard, daughter of the older Harry, under rigid examination, made valuable disclosures to the county attorney. Attorney Urges Higher Salary. Helena, Dec. 3.—If the position of attorney general of Montana was worth \$7,000 twenty-five years ago, when the state was in its infancy, the business of the state not large and its business small, it is surely worth \$10,000 today, observes Attorney General D. M. Kelly in his annual report to Governor S. V. Stewart. He says the salary should at least be raised to \$5,000 a year, and points out the law will not benefit him, but the law account, General Kelly also urges larger salaries for his assistants and the law clerk. Besides giving legal advice to the state and county officers, the attorney general's office has been called upon to appear for the state in the supreme court; to assist in the prosecution of cases in different parts of the state; to examine all bonds and securities the state had heard contemplate purchasing, and to examine and pass upon the petitions of all attorneys seeking admission to the bar of Montana. For Sale—a quantity of rabbit metal at the River Press office at 6 cents per pound.

MONTANA NEWS BRIEFLETS

A Budget of Readable Short Items From Various Parts of the State. Great Falls, Dec. 1.—Early this morning three gunmen held up a rancher in the edge of the city but failed to get his money because he dropped it through his trouser leg when he pulled his hand from his pocket. The sheriff and a posse are in pursuit of the yeggs, who escaped toward the Belt country. Helena, Dec. 3.—In the case of Gallatin county against the United States Fidelity & Guaranty company to recover on a shortage in the cash of Jacob B. Weaver, county treasurer of Gallatin county from March 1, 1907, to March 1, 1909, the supreme court today, in a decision by Chief Justice Brantly, reversed the judgment of the lower court in favor of the plaintiff and ordered the action dismissed. Justice Sanner dissented. Butte, Dec. 1.—Dennis Driscoll, wealthy and well known pioneer resident of Montana and until recently one of the leading business men of the state, died yesterday in Seattle, according to a telegram received by his son-in-law, John Corette. Mr. Driscoll came to Montana in 1866 from California, where also he was a pioneer argonaut. He made a fortune in mining in Butte. Helena, Nov. 30.—The stringency of the Montana embargo on livestock was lifted today to permit of the shipping into the state of stock other than cattle, sheep, hogs and goats. All stock must be shipped in disinfected cars, must be accompanied by federal certificates, and horses from states that have been quarantined in the east must have their feet disinfected before shipment. Bozeman, Nov. 30.—The wide demand for competent agricultural graduates to take up college and extension work, is expressed in letters constantly received by Dean F. B. Linfield of the division of agriculture at the Montana State College. During the past week he has received requests to nominate men for the following places; head of extension service in an agricultural college, \$2500 to \$3500; head of agricultural department in a normal school, \$200 a month; expert in swine for extension work, \$1200 to \$2400 per year; expert in horses and mules, \$1200 to \$2400 per year. These are only a fair sample of the places which are seeking men, because the colleges of agriculture are not graduating men fast enough to fill the places. All the men who have graduated in agriculture at the Montana State College now have good places. Glasgow, Dec. 2.—Guilty of manslaughter and receiving a sentence of 18 months in the penitentiary was the verdict brought in by the jury in the case of John K. Jensen, charged with murder in the first degree, whose trial has just been completed at Plentywood. Jensen, who is a homesteader 25 years of age, placed a trap gun attached to the door of his shack near Homestead for protection against thieves. A stranger, whose identity was never determined, arrived at the shack, pushed the door open and was killed by the discharge of the gun. Great Falls, Dec. 2.—Mary Fields, colored, of Cascade, probably the best-known and most eccentric character of that section, is in a local hospital, believed to be dying from dropsy. She is 85 years old and has resided in that locality about 44 years. Mary was a slave in her youth and had done a man's work for many years. She always wore men's apparel, smoked cigars and could drink whiskey with any of them. She was handy with a rifle and for years drove a stage between Cascade and St. Patrick's station. Butte, Dec. 2.—Interesting disclosures were made in the affairs of the defunct State Savings bank, when Receiver F. D. Williams had an inventory of the bank's condition with the district court. The assets of the bank, according to the receiver, were \$25,205, and in addition, Helms also had \$10,000 in notes for \$10,000 from the Great Northern Central Railway company of Utah, and for \$5,000 from a note of his brother, Dr. C. H. Helms, of New York, and a note of J. A. Helms, of Butte, associated with Helms in several of his petroleum ventures. Billings, Dec. 2.—On the ground that the collection of Northern Pacific sheepyards in Billings had not been according to approved methods, the chief inspector Carothers has reinstated guarantee certificates and no sheep stock is permitted to be removed or shipped from the yards. The wool cars were cleaned and disinfected under the direction of Dr. N. B. Smith, deputy state veterinarian, in accordance with instructions received from the chief veterinarian and before the guarantee was lifted they were inspected by State Veterinarian Helms of Helena and the work approved. Butte, Dec. 2.—Montana people will occupy a prominent space in an advertising car prepared by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway in its Milwaukee shops. The car will leave Butte yesterday and in the next three months will carry Montana exhibits through Northern and Eastern Minnesota and Wisconsin. E. E. Brewer, chief of the traveling immigration agents for the system, is in charge of the car. H. H. O'Quinn of Lewistown is showing the Montana products. He has many photographs and colored lecture slides for stereopticon lectures.

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