

S. P. TIME TABLE

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THE LOCAL FIELD.

J. W. McCarty was in town last Saturday from Etah.

Mrs. L. M. Grutchfield visited with friends in Hamilton this week.

Rev. G. W. Jenkins preached in the M. E. church at Hamilton last Sunday.

G. W. Ward, the Camas Prairie stock magnate, is a visitor in town this week.

A. O. Chaffin, the prosperous Corvallis rancher, spent a few hours in town Monday.

Amos Buck spent a couple days in Missoula last week attending the fruit convention.

The Boyer, the genial representative of Goodkind Bros., of Helena, spent a couple of days here last week.

The Amos Buck Mercantile company are making a specialty of timothy and clover. Call and get their prices.

The Amos Buck Mercantile company are headquarters for D. M. Perry & Co's. seed, both bulk and package.

There are about 50 men at work in the woods and they will continue to log so long as the weather will permit.—Times.

A. Anderson returned Monday evening from Utah where he had been with his children to leave them with relatives.

Ed. Ives came up from Missoula last Saturday evening and remained till Monday and continued on up to Hamilton Monday.

Chas. Wright is circulating a petition among the business men and ranchers to be appointed road supervisor for this district.

The diphtheria patients at the Carlew and Victor are reported by the attending nurse as all danger of spread of the disease seems to be over.

Miss Bertie May has been quite ill during the past week. Mrs. C. B. Calkins and Mrs. W. E. Hensley are also confined to their homes.

A marriage license was issued on Monday to W. H. Baker and Lizzie M. Tanner, both of Darby. Buzzer late than ever Bill. Shake.

One of the little children of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Cantrell, of Burnt Fork, died last Wednesday and was buried the following afternoon.

Hags are reported to be slowly advancing in price and are now higher than they have been for some time. Cattle are also looking up in price.

Some of the boys around town were out spearing suckers last Saturday and brought back some big fellows, several of them weighing over four pounds.

Hon. J. M. Evans came up from Missoula last Wednesday evening to attend the K. P. reception. Mr. Evans presided as toastmaster at the banquet.

Hon. E. C. Smalley was taken seriously ill with a gripe last Friday, and has been confined to his bed ever since. His condition is slightly improved today.

It speaks well for Stevensville that there is not a vacant dwelling house in town. There are new houses being constantly built, but are occupied as soon as completed.

W. A. Duffield came over from Clinton last Saturday night and remained until Monday morning. Billy has charge of the engine room of McKee's sawmill at that point.

Low Williams returned Monday evening from a trip to Missoula and Townsend. Low has placed himself under the care of a physician and hopes to soon be much improved.

Among those in this valley who had fruit on exhibition at the Missoula fruit convention last week were W. B. Harlan, Pine Grove Ranch, Curlew Orchard and J. P. Wilson.

T. W. Flowers has had the old log house back of the Masonic hall torn down and has erected a new dwelling house on Church street. The house makes a decided improvement to the street.

Jimmie Dryer, who has charge of J. L. Humble's big band of sheep here, was in town Monday. He has brought the sheep under his charge through the winter in good condition.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Hageman came down from Hamilton last Wednesday and attended the K. P. reception in the evening. Mrs. Hageman remains here for several days visiting with friends.

How nice it is to feel and know that you are looking well in society or around home. You cannot experience this unless your linen and underclothing is clean and bright. Send it to the Florence Steam Laundry through J. D. Miser & Co.

Rumors are again afloat to the effect that the developing work of the Golden Sceptre Mining company at Quigley will be resumed at a later date than March 15. What authenticity there is in it cannot be learned, still it is certain that Receiver W. J. Quigley is expected here in a few days and may have already arrived.—Missoulian.

The K. P. reception last week has started the ball rolling, and it is understood that some of the other orders will give socials in the near future. Among them the Eastern Stars are contemplating giving a masquerade social.

Why pay two prices for meals when you go to Missoula? You can get as good a meal for 25 cents at the Rankin house restaurant as you can get for 50 cents at any other place in the town. Try it, and you will always go there afterwards.

The quail that are being wintered by Amos Buck for the Rod and Gun club have pulled through the winter in good shape, and will be turned loose in the Burnt Fork country in about three weeks. There is no reason why these birds should not thrive and become numerous.

May Dros. are expecting a carload of shelled corn from the east this week, which will be used to feed the young hogs they are wintering. They are going to experiment on corn feeding. It is claimed by some that corn will fatten quicker than wheat, but the pork is not such a fine quality.

G. W. Poindexter, the well known Victor hotel man, was taken to Missoula last week and taken before Judge Woody and examined as to his sanity. The physician decided that he was insane and he was sent to Warm Springs. Mr. Poindexter had an idea that someone was continually after him with a gun.

W. T. Adair and family returned last Friday from Missouri. Tom says the Bitter Root is good enough for him. The east, he says, is very dull. While there, the merchants persisted in giving him change in pennies and Tom concluded that a country that used pennies was not attractive enough for him.—Times.

Dr. J. K. Squires, according to program, put in an appearance with two of his friends on Monday and made demand on Treasurer Dowling for the office to which he claims to be entitled. Mr. Dowling refused to vacate and it is understood that proper legal proceedings will be at once instituted to determine to whom the office belongs.

Neil McKinnon and his son Laurence arrived here from Spokane Wednesday evening, where he has been located since leaving Hamilton. Mr. McKinnon will remain in Hamilton and in a short time his family will arrive here. Like all others who have left Hamilton, Mr. McKinnon finds that there are many worse places to live than in the Bitter Root.—Times.

Reports from the White Cloud are to the effect that work on the mine is progressing favorably and that the saw mill is running on full time. W. C. Tomlin, lessee, and a Mr. Post, of Chicago, visited the mine and it is understood that a deal was consummated whereby a Chicago syndicate became sole owner of this well known property. The new excavating process is to be used and the machinery on the ground is to be altered to suit the new conditions. The price agreed on for the property has not been made public.

The county commissioners met in regular quarterly session on Monday last and have been attending strictly to business since they have passed claims, appointed road supervisors and disposed of numerous road petitions.

C. G. Wright's resignation as constable was accepted. An order was passed directing the jailer to work any inmate of the jail around the court house and on the streets. The county assessor was allowed a deputy for four months at \$100 per month, and the salaries of the jailer and deputy clerk of the court were reduced.

Lou Hunt came near being seriously injured at the Rod and Gun club grounds on the South side yesterday during the progress of a live bird shoot. He had raised his gun and fired, when it exploded, the charge in the gun bursting the barrel near where he held it with his left hand. It made a hole about three inches long in the barrel which tore an ugly hole in the palm of his hand, besides injuring one of his fingers. If it had bursted the hand nearer his fingers his injury would have been far more serious. The gun was a Parker Bros. best and warranted.—Missoulian.

According to advertisement there was a meeting of those interested in the new Sceptre Burnt Fork Ditch on Thursday last. Quite a number were present and the enthusiasm in connection with the project does not seem to have abated in the least. It was determined to go ahead at once with what had been subscribed and an effort is to be made to increase the amount by soliciting from interested parties who have not yet agreed to give.

The preliminary work is well under way and dirt will begin to fly as soon as the weather will permit.

The editor of this paper went away on Thursday morning without notifying this office of his good intentions or subsequent movements, but was expected back not later than Saturday evening. Up to the time of going to press he has not returned and it is possible that he may have got lost in the shuffle, but, like the joker, will no doubt turn up in time to take the trick. The following notice from Thursday's Missoulian is self explanatory: "At 5:30 o'clock this evening James E. Stevens, editor and manager of the RAVALLI REPUBLICAN was united in marriage to Miss Margaret Frances Powers at the residence of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Stevens took the evening train for Helena and other eastern points to be absent for several days and on their return will take up their residence in Stevensville. "Steve" as Mr. Stevens is known by his intimates, is one of the well known newspaper men of the state, and a politician whose advice is sought by many. Miss Powers is a Missoula girl and has many friends. She is at home in a printing office and can be of valuable assistance to her husband. The Missoulian voices the sentiments of the friends of the contracting parties in wishing them happiness and prosperity."

Judge Woody has made an order in the case of the First National bank against the Helena & Victor Mining company, directing the receiver to pay out of the moneys in his possession to the sheriff of Blaine county a sufficient sum to enable the sheriff to pay off a portion of the claims against the Helena & Victor Mining company, upon which suit was brought, together with the legal costs that have accrued in the suit to date. The accounts ordered paid are chiefly labor claims, amounting to \$1,130. The money above mentioned has been turned over to the receiver and covers all labor claims upon which suit had been brought. The boys are happy that pay day has come at last.

The Curlew has shut down again. The men refused to return to work Monday, because the receiver was not willing to pay the excess over their current wages, received from the ore extracted, to reduce their former wage claims, but wished to use it to develop the mine. Four car loads of ore have been taken out since the receiver took charge and three of them have been shipped. It is said the excess above mentioned amounts to about \$1,500 which would pay about 50 cents on the dollar of the old labor claims. The receiver also wished the fourth car to go on the next month instead of being included in this month's returns. The receiver is trying to get other men to take the places of those who walked out.

It Percy Kennett, the receiver for the Helena & Victor Mining company, came down from the Curlew mine today and will remain in town until tomorrow. He repeats affirms at the mine in a promising condition. The mine and mill are being operated and shipments will be made as rapidly as possible. The mine camp has been in quarantine for ten days and this is the first opportunity that Mr. Kennett has had to get outside of the camp limits. He had not seen a paper for several days and had not learned of the result of the interstate shoot at Salt Lake. He was surprised that the Utah delegation made such a remarkable score, although he had been confident that they would win.—Missoula Correspondent Anaconda Standard.

Quite a little flurry was occasioned yesterday in local business circles by the announcement that several very important changes were to take place in the company's management of affairs at this place. H. W. Murphy, of Anaconda, who has had charge of the company's lumber interests at that point, is to succeed E. O. McGladin in the management of the mill, and D. J. Donahue has assumed the management of the entire mercantile interests. The position occupied by W. A. Burns will be done away with. It is said that several other changes will be made in the near future, but just what these changes will be is yet unknown. In the mercantile department, it is said, the retirement of Mr. Burns will probably be the only noticeable change. There will be a change in all the heads of the various departments of the mill, and we are informed that men residing and interested in Hamilton will be given a preference in employment under the new management.—Times.

Mrs. Will Cave, of Missoula, died last Saturday. She was stricken with illness about two weeks ago and gradually failed. She was a young woman and very highly respected. The funeral was held Monday afternoon, and is reported to be the following: "The funeral of Mrs. Will Cave was held from the Catholic church yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock and was largely attended by the friends and acquaintances of the family. From the residence to the church and thence to the grave the members of the Knights of Pythias followed the remains in mourning without regalia. The pall bearers were also members of the same order. At the church the last sad rites or prayers for the dead were read by Father Guidi, who delivered an appropriate and impressive sermon, touching upon many of the noble traits of character of the deceased. When the congregation assembled had looked for the last time upon the face of the deceased she lay in her white robes, casted before the altar, scarcely a dry eye could be found, everyone being moved with compassion for the sorrowing husband and the two orphans children at his side. Her funeral was a testimonial of her high esteem in the community and she has left an example for others to follow.

Tragedy in the Clearwater.

The Darby Sentinel tells a story of an unfortunate shooting accident in the Clearwater country which would seem to require investigation.

Two trappers, Jim Nolan and Jim Smart came out from that country on last Thursday evening and are responsible for the deaths. Anthony Gilroy is the man who is shot and Peter Murphy is the man who claims to have accidentally shot him. They left Hamilton together last fall and had been living and working together up to the time of the shooting. It appears, however, from Nolan's story that Gilroy and Murphy were not getting along well together and Gilroy had made arrangements to quit Murphy on the day of the alleged accident occurred, and join Nolan. As he did not put in an appearance Nolan went to Murphy's cabin and found him shot through the arm and suffering great pain. On examination his right arm was found to be badly shattered just above the elbow, the bullet passing on a line with the elbow into the body. Murphy's explanation was that he accidentally shot Gilroy while filling the magazine of his rifle which is a 45-90 Winchester. Nolan left immediately for the valley for assistance and was from the 14th to the 25th of February in getting to Darby.

Nolan did not question Gilroy about the accident as he was unarmed and Murphy seemed somewhat wild. It seems almost impossible that Gilroy can live as the location is such that it is practically impossible to get him out or to get surgical aid to him.

As announced in our last issue, the local Knights of Pythias lodge entertained a number of invited guests in commemorative of the 34th anniversary of the order. About 150 invitations were sent out, and few, if any, were unaccepted.

This is the first time the ladies of Stevensville have had the opportunity of beholding a modern knight in full regalia and it was the universal comment that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

After prayer by the Rev. Mr. Price, the exercises were opened by an address of welcome from Past Chancellor Commander J. E. Stevens, which was responded to, in a few well chosen words on behalf of the guests, by the Hon. George T. Haggis. The singing was a feature of the evening and the selections by Mrs. Lowney and the Unique quartette were roundly applauded.

Mr. Price gave quite an elaborate talk on the "Universal Brotherhood of Man," and Past Chancellor A. E. Shappee gave an interesting history of the Knights of Pythias order. After the formal part of the program was concluded an intermission was had during which everyone enjoyed themselves in social converse. Then the grand march was formed and, after a few preliminary turns to get step, proceeded to the Stevensville hotel where a bountiful repast awaited them. Having satisfied their inner cravings, speeches were again in order. E. C. Smalley responded to the toast "True Friendship," C. B. Calkins responded to the toast "Ambition," and E. L. Collins handled "The Pythian Goat." Mrs. J. E. Sharp gave as her contribution to the evening's entertainment, "The Obituary Obituaries in the Morning Argus" in her inimitable style. "Our Guests" was responded to by Rev. J. D. Wasson. Hon. J. M. Evans, of Missoula, gave an appropriate talk in response to a general call, after which the program was concluded by the Glee Club singing "Good Night."

The entertainment was an unqualified success and reflects credit upon the lodge.

They are so small that the most sensitive persons take them, they are so effective that the most obstinate cases of constipation, headache and temporary indigestion are cured. That is why Dr. Williams' Little Early Risers are known as the famous little pills. J. D. Miser & Co.

Conundrum Supper.

A conundrum supper will be given at the M. E. parsonage Thursday, March 4, 1897, from 6 to 9 p. m., by the ladies of the M. E. church. This bill of fare will be as follows:

"Bachelor's Comfort," "Oid Maid's Comfort," "Grossed Start," "Woman's Weanery," "The Tenderest Lays of Summer," "Preparation of Uncooked Herb," "Congulated Supremacy," "What defeated Candidates were left in," "An Eastern Delicacy," "A Paris Marine Substance," "Fruit that was Forbidden."

Supper 25 cents for adults, 15 cents for children. The proceeds will be used for digging a well at the parsonage. Everybody invited.

Committee.

NEWS OF THE STATE.

A \$75,000 fire occurred in Bozeman on Sunday. Lehigh's brewery being consumed. The brewery was only erected last summer and was said to be the best in the state. It is understood that there was no insurance and that it will not be rebuilt.

Col. O. E. Goddard, E. H. Becker, and Charlie Yegen, of Billings, Majors Anderson, of Bozeman, and T. B. Heller, of Helena, are among the Montana contingent that will be present at the inaugural, and incidentally, no doubt, indicate to the president their willingness to partake of pie.

Attorney General Nolan has been opinionating some more, this time in reference to hold over constables and the extent of constables' jurisdiction. He holds that an appointed constable's term expires at the next election after his appointment, whether a successor is elected or not, and that a constable's jurisdiction is co-extensive with the limits of his county and that he can serve processes from any justice in the county.

The carnival of highway robberies that has been terrifying Butte was brought to a sudden end on Thursday last by the capture, in a Grant street cabin, of six men who are supposed to have been the perpetrators thereof. It is claimed that all of the band are old offenders and most of them are wanted in other states for crimes of a more or less serious nature. This capture will do away with the necessity of reviving the vigilantes, a measure strongly advocated prior thereto.

Judge D. P. Smith, of Kalispel, has filed an answer to the petition of Judge C. W. Pomeroy, who began contest proceedings in the supreme court in January to oust Judge Smith from the bench of the Eleventh judicial district. Judge Smith denies specially all the charges made by Judge Pomeroy and in turn alleges that the latter was guilty of fraud in conducting his campaign for judge obtaining many illegal votes thereby. Judge Smith was also declared elected to bench by the state canvassing board by a plurality of 11 votes over Judge Pomeroy, who ran independently.

What might have been a serious disaster at Great Falls on Monday night was turned by heroic work and prompt action into a comparatively trifling accident. By the breaking of a brake beam the smoker and one other car on the west-bound Great Northern train was thrown from the track while passing over the safety switch in West Great Falls. The smoker caught fire from the stove at both ends and there was an exciting scramble to get out before the flames got headway. All were got out through the broken windows, and the total injuries consisted of a few cuts from broken glass.

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Cold Weather Merchandise SELLING AT HIGH WEATHER PRICES.

We are determined to close out all kinds of our Winter Goods within the next thirty days. We must do it in order to make room for our spring stocks.

Price Cutting and Reductions

have been carried on in every department. One-third off is the rule, and in a great many instances prices have been cut in two. When you take into consideration the uniformly low prices that always prevail here, you will wonder how we can make these significant reductions and make both ends meet. It is better merchandising to suffer loss now than be obliged to carry these goods over until next winter. Besides, we need the room for new goods. It will make no difference if the mercury hovers about zero for the next thirty days, all winter goods will be sold at the reduced prices. Our loss will certainly be your gain if you take advantage of our offerings.

BEDDING. CLOTHING.

The extraordinary mild winter has left us with more blankets and comforts than we care to own. Twenty below zero makes them good property, but we will distribute them to you at the reduced prices. No telling how long the present cold snap is going to last. Weather prophets say it has come to stay some time.

Extra size blankets, warm, soft finish, medium weight, only \$1.00 a pair.

100 pairs extra large and heavy blankets, \$1.50 a pair.

125 pairs 1-1-1 all wool blankets, the quality that usually brings \$3.50, reduced to \$2.50 a pair.

Fine, all wool, California blankets, white, scarlet and grey, extra size, only \$2.75. They used to be our best sellers at \$5.00.

Extra heavy, California blankets, white, grey and tan, (guaranteed to make bed the most comfortable spot on earth during this 25 below zero weather) only \$5.00 a pair. The big stores in Butte get \$7.50 for this same blanket.

Comforters. Overcoats.

\$1.00 seems a small price for a comforter, but when we show you our \$1.00 comforter you will say it is worth double what we ask. The better grades are just as cheap.

For \$1.50 you can buy a big comforter filled with clean, wholesome cotton.

Our elegantly quilted, saten covered comforters are reduced to \$2.50. They used to be \$3.75.

This is good overcoat weather. We haven't raised prices because the weather has at last come our way. Prices are just the same now as they were a week ago when the weather was so warm overcoats were not thought of. Our ulsters at \$7.50 and \$10.00 are going fast. You know they have been reduced from \$12.50 and \$17.50.

There are a few of our famous \$5.00 satinet overcoats left. If you want one you had better come at once.

Cloaks. Shoes.

We have sold a great many capes and jackets during our special one-third off sale. We have some garments left which will be sold on the one-third off basis. The prices are so low and the cloaks so warm and stylish that they attract eager buyers.

Heavy cheviot double capes, nicely trimmed, only \$3.50. You would consider them fair value at \$6.00.

A very large assortment of capes at \$5.00, \$7.50 and \$10.00.

Beaver jackets in ladies' and misses sizes, only \$3.75.

Durable and stylish jackets in Kersey, Beaver and Boucle, \$5.00 and \$7.50.

One-third off on all children's coats and jackets.

Cold, snowy weather has more than doubled our shoe trade during the past week. People know where to come when they need good warm overshoes and rubbers. Our stock is so large that everybody's wants are promptly supplied.

Men's satin calf shoes, only \$1.50.

Men's water proof grain shoes, tap sole, \$2.50.

The workman's friend shoe never fails, \$3.00.

Special bargains in boys' and children's shoes.

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