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There is now on foot a national movement for the protection of the home trade of the home town. In this movement the manufacturing and jobbing interests and the local press are

"The Lord helps them who help themselves."

It is up to the local merchants to put their shoulders to the wheel and help by sustaining the local press and the national movement, of which the Tailorman will be the advocate and exponent on very broad lines.

It must be made clear to those who are the natural customers of the country merchants in every rural community that the apparent temporary advantage that they imagine they obtain by sending their trade away from home is a deceptive advantage and carries with it an inevitable ultimate loss much greater than any possible present gain. That this truth can be made clear to every one—so clear that he who runs may read—admits of no doubt, but it necessitates the active co-operation of the local country merchants with the local press.

Montana State News

A band is to be organized by citizens of Moore.

The Forest Grove Episcopal church is almost completed.

Much building is being predicted for Hamilton this spring.

The Missoula county farmer's institute is being held today.

M. B. Lytle will erect a grain elevator at Moore in the spring.

The postoffice at Lewistown opened in its new building last Sunday.

An office of the Sun River Irrigation project has been opened in Great Falls.

Sheep industry brought in about a million dollars to Fergus county the past year.

Over six million pounds of Montana wool have been contracted for by Boston houses.

A net profit of nearly \$39,000 was realized by the Bitter Root forest reserve for the year.

An entertainment was given in Conrad Monday night for the benefit of the Conrad hospital.

Lewistown may have a brick plant. Butte capitalists have been investigating the field for one.

It is now almost certain that the \$35,000 opera house, proposed for Red Lodge, will be constructed.

One gray wolf and sixteen coyotes were killed in Silver Bow county during the past month.

The Crow and Cheyenne Indians have arranged to go into an extensive wheat growing business this year.

The ministers of Montana have been asked to join in organizing the Northwestern Ministerial federation.

It is certain that congress will extend the time for the disposal of lands in the Huntley irrigation project.

Matthew Carroll, a pioneer of Montana and a founder of Fort Benton, died in Helena Wednesday morning.

Stablemen of Anaconda went on a strike on Monday. They were refused a raise in wages from \$3.00 to \$3.50 a day.

Construction work on the Billings and Northern line between Great Falls and Belt will probably begin this month.

The biggest annual increase in the history of the Great Falls Electric company was made in 1908 and amounted to \$33,717.13.

The Cargill Elevator company will erect a series of elevators along the Billings and Northern road from Conrad to Broadview.

The postoffice department has ordered the establishment of a post-office at Buffalo, Fergus county, with Wm. B. Shiell in charge.

Land has been purchased in Hamilton by the Chicago, Milwaukee and Puget Sound railroad company which will be used for terminal purposes there.

Arrangements are being made for the boxing and wrestling tournament to be held soon in Bozeman by the athletic director of the Agricultural college.

The lumber output of Flathead county showed an increase during the past year. The total lumber shipments exclusive of timber amounted to 83,000,000 feet.

At the meeting of the Great Falls Board of Commerce last Tuesday night, a delegation was named to secure for Great Falls, if possible, a branch of the Canadian Pacific.

The Agricultural college basketball team defeated the Y. M. C. A. team of Billings in two games held last Friday and Saturday evenings. Scores were 58 to 11 and 69 to 16.

A lot has been purchased by Great Falls Masons and plans will be drawn at once for the Masonic temple. This is to be a three story building erected at a cost of about \$34,000.

The Sun-Teton Water-Users' association which was incorporated at Chouteau last month will be ready by July 1 to take cooperative contracts from the government for construction work on its canals.

The sum of \$22,500 has been raised for the Young Men's Christian Association building at Miles City after a three day campaign for subscriptions. L. W. Stacy, president of the Commercial State bank, gave \$1,000.

A petition has been sent to Washington from Great Falls asking for the establishment in that city of a registry exchange office and for the creation of a railway mail division headquarters at Spokane for the northwest.

A special election is to be held in Great Falls February 15, when all property owners over 21 years of age, either male or female, may vote on the proposition of granting the franchise for an electric line through the city and to Chouteau.

The Plains Valley Commercial club was pleasantly organized last Thursday night at Plains. One of the matters to be taken up by the club is to try and secure Plains as a point of registration for the opening of the Flathead reservation.

Much interest has been shown by Stevensville residents concerning the mine which may be operated near them by the Oregon Copper Mining company. It is claimed copper ore vein has been struck by the company at the head of Blodgett canyon.

The Great Northern railway company has granted permission to the Great Falls Board of Commerce to erect a publicity building for the exhibition of grains, grasses, minerals and other products of the section, near the new depot which is to be built in the spring.

The federal senate has voted to Mrs. Matilda J. Blake, widow of John C. Blake formerly of Anaconda and for the past three years a door keeper of the senate, a sum equal to six months salary that Mr. Blake earned while in the senate. Senator Carter, who appointed Mr. Blake to the position, moved the apportionment of the money to Mrs. Blake.

The state fish hatchery has received at Anaconda 500,000 whitefish eggs from Lake Superior which will be sent to Flathead lake as soon as developed. During April 1,500,000 brook trout now at the hatchery are to be distributed in various waters of the state. A special car for the conveyance of eggs is being built by the Butte, Anaconda and Pacific railroad company and will be presented to the state fish commission.

The meeting in Helena of the various commercial organizations of the different Montana towns for the purpose of furthering the movement to establish a state bureau of immigration will be held on Lincoln's birthday, February 12. It was set for an earlier date, but the members of the legislature have some junketing trips to state institutions to make, so the meeting was postponed. There is a good deal of hurrah business connected with this legislature.

The first case of white slavery to be exposed in Butte was last week when Anna Duboise, in the sensational case against John Belgium, told the court that for seven years she had been in the absolute power of Belgium, being compelled to turn over all her earnings to him upon pain of having her eyes gouged out. The girl says she was lured to America from France by Belgium. Judge Alexander McGowan held both for action of the federal authorities. Belgium is well to do.

General Warren arrived in Washington last week with the electoral returns from Montana, and explained to Vice President Fairbanks that a broken arm was responsible for his delay. He discovered after his arrival that he had traveled all the way to Washington forgetting to bring with him his certificate of selection as messenger. The fine which attaches to a failure to deliver electoral returns on the date set by law will be remitted in the case of General Warren because of the fact that a copy of the returns were sent by mail.

In the past year 1,627 new volumes were added to the Helena public library, as stated by the annual report of the acting librarian, Miss Nina McKenna. The library is a splendid institution, and is of great benefit and pleasure to many people. It has sent many books to the East Helena library, to the poor farm, and to remote mining camps. It keeps in its reading rooms 483 magazines and newspapers, and buys new books of all kinds as they appear. Two things needed in the big, fine reading room on the upper floor are softened lights on the tables and a soundless floor covering.

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