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Items of Interest to Our Readers Clipped From Our Contemporaries

ROUNDUP

(Roundup Record.)

The contract for the building of the new church for the Congregational denomination has been awarded to the firm of Grant & Harden of this city and work will be commenced on the structure right away. The plans for the present building are for the lecture room of the complete structure which will be erected later and have been drawn by Architect McAllister of Billings. The new church will be an imposing and substantial structure and a credit to the town.

Postmaster Schrupp is making an effort to have a reclassification made in the local post office, the business done each quarter almost since the office was removed from Old Roundup being sufficient to make it an office of the third class instead of the fourth, under which head it is now included. To become an office of the third class it must be necessary to show a cancellation exceeding \$250 for each quarter, this being a very easy matter as the business has far exceeded this amount since June, 1908. It is probable that the reclassification will be made with the beginning of the last quarter, October 1, but in case the change is not made at that time, it is a foregone conclusion that the change will be made January 1.

The recent rains in the mountains did considerable damage to the grain harvest. The grain this year is not very heavy because of so much rain and cool weather. The hail destroyed some grain on the middle bench and also a little on the south bench.

Robert McDowell was tried in Justice Martin's court Wednesday on a charge of grand larceny, it being al-

leged that he stole a horse belonging to Geo. Meacham Tuesday night. He was arrested while trying to dispose of the horse to William O'Donnell. McDowell was bound over to the district court, and, in default of bail, was taken to Lewistown to await trial.

Sidney Clark, who is employed in the local depot as freight clerk, was married to Miss Flossie Hawker at the bride's home in Alden, Minn., Wednesday, September 15. The newly married couple arrived in Roundup last Saturday and will make their home here, having rented the O'Donnell residence, which they are already occupying.

Esther Knudson, the seventeen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Knudson, died at five o'clock yesterday (Thursday) afternoon of tuberculosis, at the Knudson ranch a short distance north of town. Miss Knudson came to Roundup only about a week ago to live with her parents. It being hoped that the change would benefit her, having been a sufferer of consumption for some time.

A commandary of the Knights of Pythias, to be known as the "Black Diamond" lodge, was instituted here Monday evening with thirty-one members. The lodge was instituted by Deputy Grand Chancellor E. C. Worden, of Lewistown, who also installed the officers elected for the present year the same evening. Ten Knights were admitted on cards, while twenty-one new candidates were initiated, the degree team of the Lewistown lodge having come down for that purpose.

Frank Maynard, the road supervisor, is in the vicinity of Rufus Thompson's putting in some bridges that were washed out early in the

summer. The Pine Grove and Pole Creek schools have closed for the winter, the teachers having gone to take in the fair at Seattle.

JUDITH GAP

(Judith Gap Journal.)

J. W. Wing moved his household goods this week to his homestead near the city. He and his family will spend the winter on the ranch. Mr. Wing is making preparations to seed a large acreage to spring crops, and next fall he will be among the many that will be telling the Gap business men what real farming is.

Bishop Brewer, accompanied by Rev. J. Phillip Anshutz, visited Judith Gap last Monday and held Episcopal services in the Congregational church that evening. The bishop preached a powerful sermon that was greatly appreciated by the large congregation. He is a forceful speaker, and holds the rapt attention of his hearers from beginning to end. He has been bishop of Montana for the past thirty years, and is beloved by all who know him. After the sermon the bishop confirmed Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Skeen.

The Security State Bank of Judith Gap will be prepared to transact regular banking business by October 1, in the former Sturgeon building on the corner of Main street and Second avenue. Work will soon be commenced on the construction of a large vault. A Victor screw-door safe has been ordered. The fixtures of the present bank will be moved to the new quarters. A list of the stockholders, directors and officers will be published next week.

Mrs. Charles d'Autremont and children, of Windham, were here Monday enroute from Lewistown to their home.

Miss Pearl Stoner, a trained nurse of Lewistown who maintained a private hospital at that place, has leased the same and this week moved her household goods to her homestead near Oka, where she will spend the winter. Miss Stoner has a large circle of friends in this vicinity who will be pleased to learn that she has decided to take up her residence in this community.

Last week S. E. Robinson received his appointment for postmaster at Oxford. Postmaster Robinson informs the Journal that his building to be used as government quarters is completed and that the postal service at Oxford will be opened as soon as necessary seals, stamps, etc., are received from Uncle Sam.

Miss Annie Murphy, formerly employed as teacher in the log school house east of town, is now enlightening the young at Fullerton, this state.

Contractor Deyarmon will commence work Monday on the construction of the local jail.

MOORE

(Inland Empire.)

Buffalo, the thriving little town on the Great Northern railway 12 miles southwest of Moore, is to have a bank. It is to be known as the First State Bank of Buffalo and was organized at that place Thursday, September 16. The list of stockholders is composed of some of the best known men in Fergus county, a majority of whom are residents of the immediate vicinity of Buffalo and are men of large personal responsibility. The name of the directors are S. S. Hobson, Josiah Popejoy, B. C. White, W. B. Shiell, W. M. Buckles, C. A. Gageoy, A. C. Greene, O. W. Belden and J. M. Miller. The officers are B. C. White, president; Josiah Popejoy, vice president; W. M. Buckles, cashier. The bank is capitalized at \$20,000, and owing to the unusual large yield that the farmers near Buffalo are able to get, makes the future prospects of Buffalo and the bank very flattering.

Miss Iva Hawkins, the "hello" girl at the Mutual office, has gone out to her homestead on Louse Creek where she will remain for a few weeks. During her absence her place will be taken by Miss Stella Suprenant, of Lewistown.

Threshing has been greatly delayed by the unusual amount of rainfall of late and but three or four full days' run have been made by crews in this vicinity in the past ten days. The first snow of the season fell Tuesday and the Belt mountains are

covered. The storm seems to be general, as reports from a number of places state that too much moisture is falling. While no serious damage has been done the crops as yet, if it should continue much longer the grade of various grains will fall off badly.

The contract for the eight room school house was let this week to W. T. Sharp, the local contractor, his bid of \$7,250 being the lowest. The building will be of concrete brick, and is to be completed by the first of January. Only the four lower rooms will be finished this year and stoves will be used to heat the building until next fall when a good heating plant will be installed. The thirteen coupon bonds of \$500 each were sold at par to the First National Bank of this city and everything is now in shape so that work on the new school house can commence at once and it is likely that Contractor Sharp will start sometime this week.

The business men of Moore met last evening at Bannan's, where the subject of an artesian well was discussed. After listening to a good talk by Mr. Magnuson it was decided to sink the well at once and the contract will be given to Barrow & Magnuson, who agreed to subscribe for 20 per cent. of the stock. Work will be commenced in about two weeks and Mr. Magnuson is confident that a good flow of water will be struck at between 375 and 500 feet. An eight inch hole will be driven down as far as rock and will be lined. Enough funds have been subscribed to go down 600 feet, which will be done in case water is not found sooner.

That eastern people are land crazy and are commencing to realize what a good investment Judith Basin real estate is, has been demonstrated by the large number of sales made in the past few weeks. Last week the H. N. Coffan place, four miles south of town, was sold by L. V. Jackson of the Judith Land company, to eastern parties, the price paid being \$22,500 an acre and consisting of 170 acres. Mr. Jackson has made a number of sales during the past month, among them being the K. S. Nelson ranch on Trout creek, consisting of 280 acres, which he sold twice, the last purchaser being J. D. Piggott, a well-to-do banker and farmer of Illinois.

Creath Owen, who went to Denver a few weeks ago to be operated upon for appendicitis, returned home Sunday. The operation was entirely successful and Mr. Owen is able to be about and has resumed his duties as manager of the Basin Lumber company at Hobson.

The exhibit of grains, grasses and vegetables which was gathered some time ago for the Milwaukee car have at last been trimmed and made ready for shipment and it is likely they will be sent tomorrow. The car is stationed at Mitchell, South Dakota during the week of September 27, at which place the famous Corn Palace exposition is in session, and it is here where the products will be sent. Thousands of people visit this big fair every year and it is safe to predict that nearly every person who attends will make it a point to go through the car and thus the Judith Basin will receive a boost from the start.

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