

## WE CAN HAVE IT!

All We Have to Do Is to Go After it--Milwaukee Railroad Company to put in Three More Experimental Stations Next Spring--Harlowton Should Ask for One.

The Milwaukee officials announced that they will start three more experimental farms or stations in Montana the coming spring. This company established several of these farms last year, and every one of them proved to be a great benefit, not only to the vicinity in which it was located but to the whole state. It stands to reason that the eastern farmer coming out here to look over the country with a view of investing in Montana lands, that he wants some proof as to what they can raise on it.

Now the Milwaukee is not putting in these stations entirely themselves, but they expect to get help of the citizens from the city near which these stations will be located. Harlowton has no demonstration farm or station of any kind within seventy-five miles and is therefore badly in need of same. There is no doubt that if the citizens of this city will get together and ask the Milwaukee to locate one of these three proposed stations near Harlowton and give this railroad company their hearty support and co-operation, that their request will be granted.

Silver tea sets at Robertsons jewelry store.

High grade silverware at Robertsons jewelry store.

Ladies and gents signet rings at Robertsons jewelry store.

A. C. Graves went up to Lennep Sunday. He returned on Monday.

Dr. A. M. Knight went down to Lavina today on professional business.

Harry Giltinan came over from Nihi Tuesday and spent several days in Harlowton.

The Roundup Record says that Roundup is to have a flour mill in the very near future.

Mrs. Flora Ross returned this week from Chicago with a complete line of ladies' hair goods.

Harry Thompson from Roundup passed through here on his way to Butte Sunday forenoon.

J. Q. Adams from Chicago was in town Tuesday and Wednesday visiting with A. D. Jones.

August Pollmann, one of the prosperous homesteaders of the county, made the News office a pleasant call Friday.

C. Lohman, one of the prominent merchants from Roundup, passed through here on his way from Roundup to Lewistown Tuesday.

Mrs. R. A. Good and her son, Ross, left for Butte yesterday morning where Ross will have to submit to an operation on his throat.

L. M. Law from Roundup spent Wednesday in Harlowton. Mr. Law was here on business connected with the railroad lots down on the flat.

The interior department has withdrawn from disposition, as containing power possibilities, approximately 9,604 acres of land along the Smith river, in aid of proposed legislation respecting the disposition of power sites on the public domain. A portion of the lands withdrawn are unsurveyed.

## RAILROAD ACCIDENT

Engine Blows Up at Vananda--Three of the Train Crew Killed.

Just before going to press the News received a special from Vananda a little station about 150 miles east of here on the Milwaukee stating that one of the large engines had blown up. Three men are reported to be dead. The engineer, fireman and brakeman are the unfortunate ones. Up to this time the News has been unable to find out the names of those killed.

A. Fitch from Shawmut was in Harlowton buying supplies Wednesday.

Sheriff Martin from Lewistown stopped off here while on his way from the east.

A. D. Jones returned Tuesday from a several days visit with his family in Illinois.

## HELD MEETING

Monday Evening--There Will Be Something Doing This Winter in Basket Ball Here.

Last Monday night a bunch of would-be athletics assembled in W. C. Husband's office for the purpose of organizing a city basket-ball league. It was decided to have at least a three team league, one representing the Milwaukee Railroad, another the Woodmen and a third representing the town.

The balls and baskets have been ordered, and the Majestic Theater Company will attend to the installing the standards for the baskets. The game is to be played in the Harlowton Opera House under the control and management of an executive committee of which Manager McDowell of the Majestic Theater Co., will act as chairman.

All those desiring to enter the league and become a member will be required to pay a small fee to defray the expenses of the ball and baskets which amounts to about ten dollars. None will be allowed to play who are not provided with rubber soled shoes, for the reason that leather heel would damage the floor.

Basket-ball is a lively game and an ideal winter sport. It is very interesting to the spectators, for the reason that the objects of the game are easily discernable. Those interested in organizing the league look forward to some good games, and considerable interest is being taken in the sport. Another meeting will be held Monday night for the purpose of organizing the separate teams. Manager McDowell will notify the players where the meeting will be held, every person with any athletic ability is invited to attend the meeting, and to try for some team. Good sport is guaranteed to those participating.

The Majestic Orchestra went up to Judith Gap Wednesday. This popular orchestra is giving a musical program and dance at that place.



ATTORNEY W. C. HUSBAND.

## W. C. HUSBAND HANDED A PLUM

County Commissioners Name Popular Young Harlowton Lawyer Deputy County Attorney.

At the last meeting of Meagher County Commissioners, W. C. Husband a progressive spirit in the law circle of this city, was appointed Deputy County Attorney. Since White Sulphur Springs is twenty miles from a railroad and has no telephone connections with Harlowton whatever it was found necessary to appoint a deputy county attorney. Heretofore whenever it was found necessary for the county attorney to come over to Harlowton or to this part of the county it was with considerable expense and trouble and took a great deal of time for the county attorney to make the trip.

Mr. Husband, the newly appointed deputy county attorney, needs no introduction. He is well-known, not only in this county but in Fergus and Sweet Grass counties as well. Although he has been here only a year he has made for himself a most

enviable reputation and has acquired a large, clean legal practice. The many friends of Mr. Husband will be very glad to hear of his good fortune.

### Notice to Telephone Patrons.

The Telephone company wishes to announce that beginning with the first of the year the regular services will be from 6 a. m. until midnight. Patrons who do not receive satisfactory service during those hours are requested to notify the manager, M. H. Graham.

Huylers' & Casey's candies are the very best. For sale at the Bon Bon.

Buy Huylers' & Casey's candies for your Christmas if you want the best. For sale at the Bon Bon.

J. T. Patterson moved his pool hall from its location in the Christianson building to the building formerly occupied by the Majestic Theater this week.

## LAND WITHDRAWN

From Entry Along the Smith River in Meagher County--Land Office Notified of Suspension From All Forms of Entry of Ten Thousand Acres.

## GOOD NEWS

Milwaukee Official Says That There Will be Considerable Work Done Around Harlowton.

While talking with a representative of the News, a prominent Milwaukee railroad official gave out the news that there would be considerable construction work done at Harlowton or very near it next year. He said that at the present time he was unable to give very much information regarding it, but he said that the Milwaukee was already preparing for same. This railroad official is in a position to know what he is talking about, because he is on the inside of all the Milwaukee railroad deals.

M. Hoffman from Twodot registered at the Hotel Graves.

The Toggery is sporting a new sign this week.

Louis Penwell passed through here on his way east Tuesday.

R. T. Anderson of Twodot registered at the Hotel Graves yesterday.

The Modern Woodmen of America local order is certainly leaving nothing undone to make the dance Christmas Eve a big success.

R. J. Daniels, traveling freight and passenger agent of the Milwaukee, was in town yesterday. While here he closed up a contract with the News for 500 inches of advertising to be used for the Milwaukee Railroad in near future. From here Mr. Daniels went to Lewistown.

The News bought the building from the Montana Lumber Company, which had been used for an office building by that company while their new office was in the course of construction. The building was moved onto the back end of the News lot.

J. B. Martin of Helena arrived here last week to step into the place that had formerly been occupied by Ed. Le Clair at Marshall's store. Mr. Martin has a wife and two children, which are at present staying at the Hotel Graves until a suitable house can be secured.

Register Burlingame and Receiver Wilson of the Great Falls Land office were this week notified of the withdrawal from all forms of entry of 9,604 acres of land along the Smith river, from a point just north of White Sulphur Springs to a point several miles south of Orr.

The letter of withdrawal is in conformity with a letter dated November 22, 1909 from the acting director of the United States geological survey, which states that the secretary of the interior in the exercise of his supervisory authority and in advance of proposed legislation affecting the disposal of water power sites on public domains withdraws temporarily from all forms of entry: selections, disposal, settlement or location the public lands along Smith river involving 9,604 acres of which approximately 2,595 are entered lands.

It provides for the temporary suspension of all existing claims, filings and entries involving any of those lands, "and as to all valid entries of any thereof made, prior to the date of withdrawal, providing they may proceed up to and including the submission of final proof, but that no purchase money will be received or final certificate issued until further notice."

In accordance with the letter of recommendation, land lying along the river is withdrawn in the following sections:

Sections 4 and 20-10-8 east, section 26-10-7 east, section 8-28 and 30-7-8 east, section 24-7-7 east, section 24-8-6 east, section 18-9-6 east, section 1-9-5 east, sections 5, 15, 22, 26, 27 and 35-10-5 east, sections 30, 31 and 32-11-5 east, section 12, 14 and 24-11-4 east, section 2, 11, and 24-12-4 east, sections 6, 18, 20, 28 and 30-12-4 east.

Every smallest legal subdivision on the west bank of Smith river any portion of which is within 1-1/4 mile of the river in sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 18, 19 and 20 in 15-4 east, sections 18, 30 and 31-16-4 east, section 12-16-3 east. Portions of this land are unsurveyed.

Mrs. Flora Ross returned from a two weeks visit in Chicago.

C. Wellington, the manager of the Winnecook ranch, was in town Wednesday and Thursday.

J. Hogan and Andrew Hogan from Lennep were Harlowton visitors Wednesday and Thursday.

Just received a fine assortment of ladies and gents diamond rings at Robertsons jewelry store.

A complete line of ladies and gents watch chains are to be found at Robertsons jewelry store.

saloons, a meat market and several other small businesses.

### Churches and Schools.

Twodot has a neat little church building, the denomination of which is the Methodist Episcopal Church South. Other denominations worship at this place, and almost every religious denomination is represented with various degrees of strength in the town and its vicinity. The town has a school, in which all the common school branches are taught.

## RIGHTENOUR BUSY

Two Cases Against George R. Clark Disposed of on Thursday.

Judge Rightenour had a busy day Thursday. The two cases against George R. Clark for the violation of the wine room law were up for preliminary hearing. The two complainants were Thomas Halbert and Charles P. Sharps both of Berceuil. In the case in which Halbert and Hatty Smith of Lewistown were the informants, the justice bound Clark over to the district court under \$500 bonds.

Deputy County Attorney Husband dismissed the case in which Sharps was the informant. Thomas Halbert is also bound over to the district court on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. The cases will all be tried at the January term. It is probable that the criminal calendar will be the longest in years.

## TWODOT IS FORGING TO THE FRONT

What Was Once Famous Cowntown Is Now Being Fast Converted Into a Thriving and Industrious City--Has Bright Future.

The quaint town of Twodot, situated at the fork of Bigelk creek and the Musselshell, has perhaps one of the prettiest locations of all the towns along the coast extension of the Chicago, Milwaukee and Puget Sound. It is built on a level bench high enough to make the townsite dry and with a gradual slope, making splendid drainage. The landscape view is especially pleasing. The Snowy range lies only a short distance to the northeast, in the southwest the Crazy mountains stand out prominently with their high peaks and snowy gulches, the Belt mountains lie to the north and northwest. Thus favorably situated in the valley between these mountains, Twodot has a just claim to be regarded as one of the beauty spots of Montana.

The peculiar name of the town was derived from the famous "two-dot" brand used by G. R. Wilson. Mr. Wilson being a large stockman, his brand was well known in central Montana. This name was adopted as soon as the post office was moved from Bigelk, which was the trading point for this region for many years, until the advent of the Jaybone or Montana Railroad.

Although particularly favored by location and surrounded by fertile land with ideal facilities for irrigation, Twodot has been stunted and retarded in its growth by peculiar circumstances. The section in which the townsite was located was originally a railroad section, and was later purchased by G. R. Wilson. Mr. Wilson delayed filing the plat

for the reason that he would have to make a considerable outlay of capital to secure a clear title from the railroad company before filing the plat. He derived more benefit from the section for farming and grazing purposes than he could by having the plat filed with its necessary outlay of capital for obtaining title. When he did clear up the title, and had the plat filed, he became incapacitated through illness, and he did not seem to care to sell lots. No little attempt was made to dispose of the lots, and as a result very few have been sold. After his decease some of the heirs did not desire to convey. Then upon Mrs. Wilson's decease only a short time ago the estate went into the probate court, and this, together with other complications, makes it impossible to buy any lots in the old townsite. These difficulties have handicapped the town in its progress.

Twodot however appears to be taking on new life, and is about to have a new growth. All the lots in Dierks' addition, which lies just immediately east of the original townsite, are to be sold in the near future. A movement is on foot to have the new depot to be built in Twodot, erected in front of Dierks' addition. The railroad company has acquired a strip of ground 50 by 800 feet for the depot sight. A park is to be established in this addition and it is probable that many buildings will be erected there during the coming summer as several buildings have already gone up.

### Water Works.

One factor in the recent improvement in Twodot is the establishment of a water works system. Ever since the town was started the people have used more or less unwholesome water and were compelled to pay 50 cents a barrel for it. A water company, known as the Bigelk Water Company has been organized and mains have been laid into the town. The system has been well started, with pumping apparatus, pipes and windmills. The water company can make an unusual profit at half the price that was obtained under the barrel system, besides the water that is brought to the town by the new company, is pure and of the best quality. The company is rapidly connecting the houses, and it will be but a short time when all will be well supplied. Some are already installing bath tubs and toilets, and can enjoy modern conveniences. Few towns of the size of Twodot can boast of so much that partakes of cosmopolitan life.

### Resident Lots.

Many of the lots, that will be placed on the market in the near future, will be used for resident lots. The land is a black loam and especially adapted for gardening. Flowers, such as roses, have been raised with great success in the open air. The residents of the town have gardens that produce the finest vegetables, and the ground that is not utilized for gardening has been sown to alfalfa and timothy, which grow luxuriantly.

### Vicinity.

The neighborhood of Twodot for the most part is owned by large ranchers, all of whom are wealthy, and who are beginning to farm and till large tracts of their ranches. Heretofore stockraising was the only pursuit, practically all attempts at other farming operations were abandoned. Some of these ranches are changing hands and are gradually getting under the control of real estate firms that will eventually have them cut up into smaller farms. The Judith Land company, for instance, has purchased a 25,000-acre tract that extends to within one mile of the town. The company has completed surveys for storage reservoirs to be used in connection with an extensive irrigation system, which when completed will cost about \$500,000. A large force is now at work on this system. This tract will all be cut up and sold in small parcels for farming purposes. There is still considerable government land in the vicinity, all of which is either aken up or open to homestead or desert entry.

### Business Houses.

It might not be out of place to enumerate the business houses of Twodot. Space will not allow a general description of all the various business establishments. There are three general mercantile stores, one harness shop, one blacksmith shop, one hardware store, one lumber yard, one coal yard, one bank, one hotel, one restaurant, two livery barns, two