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A BIG LAND DEAL

H. C. Hawley and C. N. Friday Turned One of the Biggest Land Deals Made in Central Montana—Liberty & Weaver Buy 15,000 Acre Tract.

One of the biggest land deals made in Central Montana the past year was turned by H. C. Hawley and C. N. Friday, both of this place. The land lies in the heart of the famous Judith Basin, and surrounds the townsite of Geysers and Spinkop. The tract consists of 15,000 acres of very desirable bench land, in fact it is known to be the best large tract of land in the state. The consideration being \$16 50 per acre.

Mr. Friday and Mr. Hawley are to be congratulated on their big success in the land business. Just what these gentlemen made on this deal is not known but it is said that the amount will run fairly high into the thousands. The land was formerly owned by Mr. Long.

Joseph Liberty and M. Weaver, two well known land men in this part of Montana, take over this large tract of land. Mr. Liberty is one of the parties that bought the Fitzpatrick ranch near here, and later sold same to M. Weaver. The new owners of this tract will form a company, which will be known as the Montana Farm Land Company. Messrs. Liberty and Weaver are two progressive land men that will, in a short time, bring great things to pass in the Judith country since they are so heavily interested in it.

Mrs. L. Ward of St. Paul, Minnesota arrived here Monday to spend a few days looking after her interests here. Mrs. Ward owns a homestead along the Musselshell east of here. From here she left for Helena Wednesday morning.

Mrs. May E. Wilson of Twodot transacted business in the "Pride of the Musselshell" Tuesday and Wednesday.

FOR RENT—A neat office room above the McQuitty building. Inquire at the Harlowton Grocery Co. 14-1f

Glen Smith, of the sheep firm of Luney & Smith, left for his home in S. C. Monday, to spend the winter months.

Bring your babies for their photo's before it gets to cold. Olsen the Photographer will bring their dimples out right.

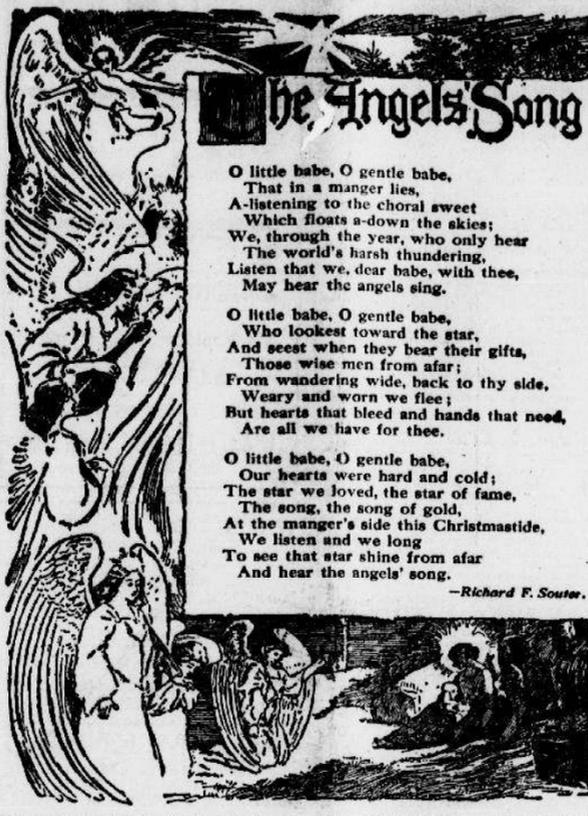
The west bound passenger was ten hours late Tuesday morning. The delay was caused by a snow storm in the Dakotas.

Classy Suits and Overcoats for young men who want style and quality at the right prices. Friend Bros. line at E. F. Ross & Co.

Rep. Shaw and wife left for California where they will spend the winter. Mr. Shaw expects to return the first part of March.

Friend Bros. Suits and Overcoats give style, quality, wear and hold their shape as no other clothing. Sold by E. F. Ross & Co.

Several of the state papers got out Christmas editions. These editions are always a great help, not only to the city in which they are published, but to the entire state. The progressive spirits that under take Christmas editions should receive a mead of praise.



The Angels Song

O little babe, O gentle babe,
That in a manger lies,
A-listening to the choral sweet
Which floats a-down the skies;
We, through the year, who only hear
The world's harsh thundering,
Listen that we, dear babe, with thee,
May hear the angels sing.

O little babe, O gentle babe,
Who lookest toward the star,
And seeest when they bear their gifts,
Those wise men from afar;
From wandering wide, back to thy side,
Weary and worn we flee;
But hearts that bleed and hands that need,
Are all we have for thee.

O little babe, O gentle babe,
Our hearts were hard and cold;
The star we loved, the star of fame,
The song, the song of gold,
At the manger's side this Christmastide,
We listen and we long
To see that star shine from afar
And hear the angels' song.

—Richard F. Souter.

PROVES A SUCCESS

"When a Man Is Single" Played by Local Talent Here Last Friday Night and Saturday Night at Melville Makes a Big Hit.

"The Best Ever" was the expression used by the many citizens of Harlowton and those from the neighboring towns that were in attendance at the home talent entitled "When a Man is Single" given by local talent last Friday evening. The play was given for the benefit of the Catholic church.

The young people that took part in this play are certainly to be congratulated on the manner in which they carried the whole event through. There wasn't a hitch anywhere. The play did not only portray good hard work but a great deal of splendid ability. Father Phelan deserves a large amount of praise since he so successfully managed the play.

The following is a short synopsis of the play produced: Mrs. Briscoe, a rich New York lady, with her two sons and daughter, visits Jim Horton's farm. His niece, Nelly, is an heiress. Paul Briscoe, her cousin, is ruinously in debt, resolves to win Nelly and her money; he mistakes the Irish maid, Norah, for her mistress, but soon learns his error. Nelly visits the Briscoe family in New York and while there Paul, by strategy, wins her consent. Jim Horton suddenly becomes rich, and upon hearing this news, Mrs. Briscoe, who is a widow, forces herself on him. Later, however it develops that Jim's wealth is not his but Mr. Adams, a country lad. Mrs. Briscoe then consents to the marriage of her daughter to Adams. Things get badly mixed up but are finally adjusted by the blunders of Norah, the Irish maid.

ried his part through as though he was born on the stage. Ed. Conwell, as the son of Mrs. Briscoe, was the villain and played this part so well that one could hardly refrain from hating him.

Richard McQuitty, as Peter Adams, a country lad, went through his part in true "hay seed" style.

Chester Brooks, as Winthrop Briscoe, a half brother to Paul, managed his roll like an "old timer."

Mrs. Eugene North, as Nelly, acted the heroine's part in a manner which portrayed that she had no little ability. She won the admiration of all.

Mrs. W. Van Dyke, as the Irish maid, kept the audience in good humor all through the play. She played her part exceptionally well.

Mrs. Alice Zeiter, as Mrs. Briscoe, the New York widow, proved herself a real actress.

Bertha Schaefer, as Evelyn Briscoe, deserves great credit for the manner in which she acted her part.

Taking it all together the whole affair was a great success. From here the troop went over to Melville, where they met equally large success.

There is such a thing as over-crowding a community with too many churches, and it is a certainty that there are altogether too many creeds and denominations. It is far better to have a few churches well supported and cared for, than to have a superfluity of half-starving ministers so busy rustling flour and gum shoes that they haven't time to study the principles and precepts of christianity.

AN EXTRA SESSION

To Appropriate Money for the Purchase of Material for Wings of State Capitol.

Helena, Dec. 17.—The Eleventh Montana legislative assembly is to meet in extraordinary session in this city December 27 next, to consider, and, if desirable, to appropriate such additional sum as may be necessary to permit the purchase of materials of every kind or character produced or manufactured in Montana that may be used in the construction of the capitol additions, and to make any amendments to the act authorizing the wings as may be deemed necessary. Governor Edwin L. Norris, in response to the petition of a majority of the legislature filed with him yesterday by the president of the Billings chamber of commerce, having today issued a proclamation granting the prayer of the petitioners.

Incidentally, the legislature is also asked to make provisions for the maintenance of the bureau of publicity during the ensuing year, whose appropriation was inadvertently omitted for the year 1909 from the general appropriation bill.

Diamond rings, from \$10 up to \$130 at Robertson's Jewelry store.

Home Brand Can Goods, the best, at Marshalls.

Young Men's Suits and Overcoats for winter wear at E. F. Ross & Co. Friend Bros. Clothing Co. Milwaukeee.

J. W. Norton and wife came in from their ranch Sunday. From here they went on to Great Falls and from there on to California where they will spend the winter.

Joe O'Hanlon, who has been in the real estate business the past year here, left for his home in Omaha Monday. Mr. O'Hanlon expects to return again in the spring.

Mr. Martin, the new manager of the dry goods department in the H. E. Marshall store, moved with his family into the residence formerly occupied by the Caine family this week.

Chester Brooks, who has been in the Milwaukee Land office here the past several months, left for California Wednesday. He will spend the winter in that state with his sister.

Geo. Clark moved one of his small residents from the Fairview Addition onto the lot north of the Palm saloon. It is understood by the News that same is to be used for a restaurant.

Get the habit of ordering your meat at the Graves Market. Mr. Graves guarantees equal satisfaction whether you order in person or over the telephone. "Where Cleanliness is Paramount." 14-1f

Editor Peterson, of the Inland Empire of Moore, passed through here Wednesday on his way to Minnesota to spend the holidays. Mr. Peterson stopped off here several hours and visited with the News Man.

NEW BUILDINGS

For Twodot—Large Store Building and Stone Hotel Going Up in Dierk's Addition.

Twodot is fast assuming metropolitan airs. This week work was commenced on a two-story 30x50 frame store building, the second story will be used for a lodge hall. This building is being erected on lots 1 and 2 in Dierk's Addition to the townsite of Twodot and is being built by Austin E. Pierce of that place.

As soon as the weather will permit, work will commence on a large stone hotel, which will be built on the same site as the Hotel Graves of this place, only that it will not be quite as large. This will also be built in the Dierk's Addition.

Otto Kronz, a boiler maker from the local railroad shops, left this week for Wisconsin to spend the holidays. Mr. Kronz will join his wife and child in Wisconsin, they having left for that state several weeks ago.

On December 30th, the Emily Waterman Concert Company, the fourth number of the Midland Lyceum Entertainment course, will be at the Harlowton Opera House here. This number will prove one of the most delightful of the entire course. Keep this date open.

Mr. and Mrs. Rader will move to Hedges, where they will open up the new hotel that was built this fall. Mr. Rader was granted the only saloon licence at that place, which he will also run. Mr. and Mrs. Rader have made a great many friends during their stay here who will regret to see them leave, and wish them every success.

An excellent program was given by the school children on Friday afternoon when school closed for Christmas vacation. The program consisted of songs, drills and recitations by the pupils of the first five grades. The teachers of these two rooms, Miss Davies and Miss Harden, deserve praise for the careful training of the children as well as for the excellent school work done. A large number of the parents and patrons of the school attended the exercises.

B. T. Stevens and C. Wellington of Harlowton are in the city today. Mr. Stevens is a brother of our fellow townsmen, Mel Stevens, both of whom are stockholders in the Winnecook Land and Livestock Company. Mr. Wellington is the manager of this company. They are here in the interest of the company, which has just recently transferred its holdings to J. Q. Adams. The tract of land owned by the Winnecook Land and Livestock Company, comprises 7,000 acres, for which Mr. Adams paid \$10 per acre. The land will be cut up into smaller tracts and colonized. Mel Stevens and family are spending the winter in the east.—Lewistown Daily News.

An Interesting Letter

Turtle Lake, N. D., Dec. 8, 1909.
The Harlowton News, Harlowton, Montana.

Mr. Elselein:—I have just finished reading the News. When I read about the big Christmas dance that you are going to have, it reminded me of a big Christmas dance on "Sweet Grass River" and I thought I would just sit down and put it on paper.

However it does not exactly suit me. It is to be brief. However all is truth. It might perhaps make good reading for your subscribers. You can use it if you see fit. It is Montana history. I do not believe in fiction, only facts. If you can use my dope, I would from time to time jot down the stuff for it don't take me long. I am sorry to see old Bercall go. I have some history about it and Swimming Woman Creek, in 1884, I see the old 79 ranch as if yesterday, my memory is so vivid and accurate. I scan the News very, very closely and thank you for past courtesy in sending same. Your truly,
C. F. BILLONS.

The News announces that a big Christmas dinner and dance will be given by the Modern Woodmen, of Harlowton. Being a worthy adviser in our local lodge, naturally am deeply interested.

This, however, reminds me of a Montana Christmas frolic, in fact one of the never-to-be-forgotten events of my life and career while out west. It was the Christmas of 1886. The cook of the 22 ranch, "Fat Charlie," had convinced the idea that if 15 or 20 of us boys would club together and chip in \$10 or \$20 per head that we could have one gay and glorious time. "Boys," said Fat Charlie "leave it all to me" I will take a four horse roundup mess wagon and make a 25 mile drive to Big Timber and have the Geo. M. Hatch Co. fill it brim full of the choicest grub, the Bliss Bros. will also furnish the best of wines, whiskies and havanas and when completely loaded down will return and take the entire stock up to the French Canadian halfbreed settlement on the upper Sweet Grass river. Upon my arrival will explain my purpose and object to old man Mr. Wells and old Peter Zeuzeveri, the two chief headmen of the settlement, and I gamble 50 to 1 that when they see the layout they will grant their permission to have a dance." With one accord we adopted his proposition and bade him go-a-head. Every one promised

to keep their word and to show up on Christmas eve. The short December days soon slipped around and the "Yule tide" was upon us almost before we were ready with our work, so that we might go and attend. On the 24th about noon my partner, Carl Hensen, and myself saddled up our cayuses, and dog trotted our mounts from our ranch on the American Fork in a south westerly direction, arriving at the Munnay & Frost ranch on Fish Creek. We soon had them persuaded in our same way to accompany us and swell the party. It was a grand, glorious afternoon and sunset. "Old Sol" simply smiled at us and hurringly blinked at us while setting himself behind the Crazy mountains. "What will the halfbreed lassies look like?" queried several of the boys, I presume, assured Mr. Munnay, something similar to gypsies. However we all acknowledged that till date it had been our misfortune of not having seen one. "Rounding Cayuse Butte," the little stone building of Melville came into view and we could see the small figure of H. O. Hickvxs, the owner of the hamlet, strolling leisurely about. The place must be deserted remarked one of the camp. The boys must all be up at the Tree said Mr. Frost, lets put the quirts and spurs and make another mile dash to the sight and we aught be getting in close to the frolic. Away we dashed and capered. It was not long before we came to the first rail fence and gate. A dark strapping boy pointed up the stream. We had slackened our pace thus giving us a better chance to study what might be in store for us. Yes, we could now hear some shouting and shooting that must be the place. It was a bunch of boys came tumbling out and bade us welcome, everyone was reporting as having a high old time. The younger boys then took care of our mounts while we were rushed in and finally introduced to the ladies. I might say right here that I was agreeably surprised, because all young ladies to the number of 19 could speak some English and a half dozen families although dark, good looking and respectably dressed.

A signal was soon given to old Peter and the strains of old Arkansas greeted my ears. Everybody now yelled ho there Cholly, ho. Off went my furs and err long I was hoeing it down at a 40-1 clip. By later, adding a
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A Mining Proposition

INTRODUCTION.

Montana is in her infancy in agricultural and mining industries. More development work has been done, and more capital has been invested, in mining than in any other industry. Montana leads, and has led, in the production of copper, silver and gold. Still the rich veins of ore, of various kinds, and the tremendous deposits, especially of copper and silver, that lie unearthed in the hills and mountains of the Treasure State, have yet to be reclaimed.

Every now and then some locality within the state causes a sensation by the discovery of a vein of copper, silver or gold. Wild-cat schemes of speculation are started, stock manipulation becomes a business, and the buyers of stock are often swindled by fraudulent projects. Hence mining is often looked upon as an uncertain investment, a business largely conducted upon the basis of chance. This view is erroneous, because it comprehends the exception and not the rule.

But when good practical judgment is exercised in selecting mining property, in a mineral belt, and when men trained and experienced in mining are placed in charge, and the business conducted with sound judgment, and in a business-like manner, the elements of uncertainty, and bad business and chance are practically eliminated. Under judicious management the mines of Montana have made multi-millionaires. When properly conducted, mining is a safe and sure business. A glance at the following table will establish this assertion with reasonable certainty.

U. S. Bonds pay 2 to 5 per cent.
Savings Banks pay 3 1-2 to 6 per cent.
Mortgages pay 4 to 8 per cent.
Farming pays 6 to 25 per cent.
Mercantile Business pays 6 to 25 per cent.
Mining often pays over 2,000 per cent.

If the same care and business acumen are applied to mining as to other ordinary business investments the percentage of failure in the mine will be smaller than in any business.

The Broadwater County Mining Company.

THE MINES.
The claims of the Broadwater County Mining Company are located in Broadwater county 41-2 miles west of Townsend, the county seat of Broad-

water county. There are seven claims in the group. All are contiguous and cover about 140 acres. The group lies on either side of the highway leading from Radersburg to Townsend, and the property is all within the same mineral belt as the Radersburg mines. The rock formation is slate and quartzite overlying granite, which is considered by geological and mining experts to be the ideal formation for rich and large deposits of copper, silver and gold. Numerous shafts have been sunk from 18 to 40 feet in depth, and in each instance ore, containing a high percentage of both copper and gold, has been discovered. Already considerable ore has been brought to the surface, and is now ready for shipment. Prospecting has been done here for many years, but the amount of capital used for development work has been entirely inadequate for the proper showing of ore. The vein has been followed only to a depth as would ascertain that a body of ore is to be found at a greater depth. Croppings are fully exposed and may be traced on the surface in all directions from the claims. Mining men, who have been on the ground, state emphatically that there is every indication of immense mineral deposits beneath.

TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES.

The road from the property of the Broadwater Mining Company to Townsend, the nearest railroad point, is hard, always dry due to its peculiar formation, and slopes gradually to town, the entire distance of 4 1-2 miles. This road is especially adapted for heavy traffic, and ore can be hauled to Townsend with comparatively little expense. Townsend is situated on the main line of the Northern Pacific, and only 30 miles distance from the East Helena Smelter. These shipping facilities will reduce the cost of transportation to the minimum.

ORGANIZATION.

A company has been incorporated on a sound financial basis. The capital stock has been placed at \$225,000.00; \$100,000 is treasury stock for development purposes, and for the general running of the mines. The par value is \$1.00 per share. The following officers have been elected and qualified: J. J. Fisher, President; James Marks, Vice-President; Len

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