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## RECORD OF IMPROVEMENTS FOR 1911

### INSPECTOR LIKES THIS MINING DISTRICT

State Mining Inspector Wm. Walsh, in his annual report, speaks as follows of Lincoln county mines:

With renewed vigor mining has been conducted in Lincoln county during the year, and there is every reason to believe that in a short time some steady producers will be developed. Inspector Walsh says: "The mineralized districts embracing Lincoln county have large mineral zones carrying high values, the principal values being gold and copper, in all of the several districts where development has been done on the various and meritorious prospects, the indications are that with the proper amount of development done, producing mines will be brought forth. The Snowshoe mine, after a long period of inactivity, has resumed operations, which has put new life into the entire district. A vast amount of development has been carried on by the company to determine the continuity of the ore bodies within the various claims owned by the company. Tunnels are to be driven to a length of several thousand feet to intersect the ore bodies at a much greater depth, doing away with the heavy cost of handling water and ore transportation. The veins in the district have proven to be strong and persistent fissures, with increased values at depth.

"The mineral showing in the Troy district is most excellent everywhere, and the lodes which have been developed to any extent show commercial values. The Sylvanite district, twenty-three miles north of Troy, has all the indications of becoming a steady producer in the near future, which will give employment to a large number of men in developing the district."

### News 16 Years Ago This Week

(Items culled from old Troy Times.)

The state assessment was in round numbers \$124,000,000.

The governor respited Bill Gay, the Meagher county murderer, to Jan. 21.

The Venezuelan controversy was red hot. Governor Rickards said that in case of war Montana could put 8,000 men in the field in 30 days.

The Libby Standard again appeared on earth with Duane Lombard as editor.

The Keystone people located a millsite at Sylvanite.

The Phillipsburg Mail put in a type setting machine.

Teacher Day, now county treasurer of Flathead county, was given a handsome fountain pen for a Christmas present by Troy school children.

Speaking of the racket with England over the Venezuelan question the Times editor said: "Either the Monroe doctrine is right, or this country will go broke worse

than the recent famine trying to prove it." We were a great stand-patter.

The Times gave a historical sketch of Troy from the "early" days—a three column article. It told how the first location in mining was made by Bob Buchanan on Grouse mountain in 1885, and Sam Morris and Bob Rainey later in the same year. The first claims recorded were in November, '86, by Bill Keeler and others. In '89 the Great Northern made the preliminary survey down the Kootenai. In '90 the first house was built at the mouth of Lake creek, and the town of "Lake City" soon blossomed forth there. In '92 the railroad made connection at Troy and a force of men appeared to lay out yards, depot and roundhouse site, which threw Lake City into a panic. The ground at the new town had been located for placer, but as soon as the railroad intention was uncovered about 50 men from various points swooped in and jumped the whole "shooting match." But for a brief interval only, for the townsites men rallied their forces and drove off the invaders at the point of guns. The case was taken into court and for two years "lawed," the jumpers losing. No more was this trouble ended, than the Northern Pacific started suit, claiming that if mineral patent was given on this ground, though it was on an even section and could never go to them, their rights all around the town land on odd sections would be jeopardized. The Northern Pacific had a great pull and the secretary of the interior reopened the case. The townsites claimant again won. But by this time the opportunity was lost to make a town during the flush "railroad coming" time and it was a long time before the town recovered from the legal troubles and setbacks.

### OLD PIONEER PASSES OVER THE DIVIDE.

Judge C. R. Greeley passed away at his home in South Libby at 2 o'clock Wednesday morning, at the ripe age of 73 years.

Mr. Greeley had been in failing health for over a year past, being afflicted with throat and heart trouble, and his end was not unexpected.

He was born in Maine and came to Montana in 1884, and acquired considerable mining and other interests at Thompson Falls and the Vermillion district. Eighteen years ago he removed to Libby, and has since made his home here.

Three children survive him: Mrs. Wm. Criderman of Libby, Ray Greeley of Salt Lake and Chas. Greeley, Jr., of San Pedro, Calif.

The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The funeral of Mrs. Frank McCarthy was held from the residence of E. W. Doe on Friday afternoon at 3 p. m. Out of respect to the memory of Mrs. McCarthy the business houses of Libby closed during the hours of the funeral services. A large concourse of friends attended the remains to the cemetery. Many regrets were expressed at the inability of Mr. Doe to reach the city, owing to train No. 3 being several hours late. The funeral was conducted by the Rebekahs, I. O. O. F. No. 53, of which she was a member. Cabinet lodge turned out in force, 68 being in line, and the Rebekahs were also fully represented.

### Libby Makes Enviably Record.

The record of improvements in the city of Libby during the year just closing is an enviable one for any city of 1200 people. During the entire twelve months Libby has witnessed a steady and healthful growth. The improvements have been of a substantial character and mark the permanency of the community.

The Herald takes great pride in publishing a partial list of public and private improvements. We give the name and amount expended by all whom we could learn of:

Libby Water & Light Co.	\$35,000
Sidewalks (cement)	25,000
E. W. Doe, residence	10,000
Burlingham Lumber Co.	8,000
Major Duncan, business block	7,500
Libby Lumber Co.	4,000
Libby School District	6,000
Libby Steam Laundry	4,000
J. M. Blackford	3,000
Geo. Hathaway	2,000
Western News	2,000
A. LaCharity	1,800
Louis Klencik	1,700
Albert Reed	2,000
Frank Pival	2,100
J. P. Wall	2,000
Frank Upham	1,800
Jas. Stonechest	2,000
Lincoln County Vault	5,000
Presbyterian Church (manse)	1,500
Martha Coates	1,500
Hans Hart	1,200
F. Altenberg	1,000
J. Collinson	1,000
N. Matzer	1,000
Ernst Wilson	1,000
M. Williamson	1,000
Ben Zamadiske	1,000
C. P. Garing	1,000
A. Brink	800
G. Brown	750
F. Gilbert	800
Hans Larsen	800
C. Kemp	800
C. Hollister	750
Dorr Skeels	750
Minnie Walker	1,000
Jos. Stuhlicher	750
Jos. Allen	600
W. W. Blew	600
C. Anderson	500
F. Burgovne	500
Logan Cresswell	450
B. Crotteau	400
W. Donovan	400
A. Firestone	600
Harry Hamilton	350
J. Hurley	500
M. Jacobson	400
W. Lousher	700
B. F. Maiden	350
Fred Peterson	400
R. Sailey	300
T. Sanders	500
Frank Sigmond	500
A. L. Thompson	600
Nelson Wood	600
B. F. Howard	600
W. Warwick	400

These that the Herald has been able to ascertain give a total of \$151,590. Undoubtedly \$20,000 more has been expended that is not credited in the list given above because of lack of information.

The year 1911 is but the forerunner for a more prosperous 1912. The expenditure of \$50,000 in this vicinity for roads and bridges by the county and \$20,000 for a sewerage system by the city, will give an impetus of unparalleled prosperity in this county. Already plans are being prepared by B. F. Howard for a two-story brick 50 by 70 feet; by J. M. Blackford, a two-story brick 25 by 70, and by J. H. Geiger a two-story brick 65 by 127, all on Mineral avenue.

With increased mining, lumbering, manufacturing and greater agricultural development, imagination alone can span the possibilities of the future of Libby, which at this time is attracting the attention of more inquirers than any city in the state of Montana.

County Surveyor Duthie is making surveys of the Kootenai river at the three bridge sites.

Henry Schriber has finished the construction of the ferry boat at Leonia. As soon as the water is of sufficient depth the new boat will be placed in commission.

Ben Thomas, rancher, mine owner and one of the best of our old-timers, left Friday for San Francisco to spend the holidays with his sister. He expects to return in about ten days.

Frank Baggs, the Sylvanite merchant, was in Libby last Friday. He reports about 30 men employed there now. The sawmill is running steadily, getting out material for the stamp mill and power plant, which will be built this coming year.

Night Officer Clark shot Wm. Coughlin, a lumberjack, in a saloon at Eureka early Tuesday morning, the bullet entering at the groin and passing through the body. Coughlin was removed to the hospital at Whitefish and is reported in a serious condition. Deputy Sheriff Brown arrested Clark and put him in jail pending the examination.

Shelby News: Alex Aberschier of Gildford was fishing near Belton a few days ago. He stooped over to look through a hole in the ice just as a party of loggers showed up. The party sized him up for a bear and the two best shots whacked away at him. Each scored a hit and a ball went through each leg. When the mistake was discovered the party cared for him and sent him to Havre.

### INTERESTING BATCH OF NEWS FROM URAL

Peter Prettywood went to Warland last Sunday.

Sam Lundy, the old time rancher from near Warland, visited friends at Ural Saturday.

Mr. Brennan, assistant roadmaster, was inspecting the track along here last week.

Mrs. McCarthy didn't understand that it was No. 3 instead of No. 2 that was late last Friday. Result one dollar to pay.

Fred Stansel of North Dakota is visiting Martin Moe.

Mr. Nash is starting his tie camp at Volcour.

Mr. and Mrs. Prettywood had a Christmas tree for their daughter, Bessie, Christmas eve.

A home folks dance was given at Prettywood's Christmas night.

J. S. Walters, Martin Moe and Fred Stansel ate Christmas dinner at Dickerhoof's.

Hale Steernerson is busy making ties on his homestead.

Oscar Gibler was in Warland Saturday buying supplies.

Martin Moe was in Warland on business Tuesday.

Mr. Calnes, teacher of the Ural school, gave a surprise Tuesday night to his pupils at the school house. Assisted by his estimable wife they furnished an evening's enjoyment for the children. The parents and neighbors were all there to see the children have a good time. Each pupil received a fitting Christmas present from the teacher. School will be resumed on January 2.

### OVER \$20.00 FOR EACH SCHOOL CHILD

The apportionment of \$20,769 from the 4-mill school levy to the several school districts of Lincoln county was made by Superintendent Head Dec. 21, 1911, as follows:

No. 1, Troy	78	\$1677.
No. 2, Fall Creek	21	473.
No. 3, Bull Lake	7	150.50
No. 4, Libby	245	5267.50
No. 5, Phillips Cr	29	623.50
No. 6, Jennings	12	258.
No. 7, Warland	38	795.50
No. 8, Rexford	36	774.
No. 9, Gateway	38	817.
No. 10, Glen Lake	15	322.50
No. 11, Cabinet	10	215.
No. 12, Iowa Flats	41	881.50
No. 13, Eureka	256	5,504.
No. 14, Fortine	50	1,075.
No. 15, McCormick	17	365.50
No. 16, Kollu	11	236.50
No. 17, Therriault	19	408.50
No. 18, Pinkham	31	666.50
No. 23, Joint Dist	12	258.

Total Census 966 Total 20,769  
The county treasurer reports the following amounts collected for those districts which levied a special tax to December 1, 1911.

Dist. No.	Levy	Collected
1		
2	4 mills	\$ 890.05
3	5 "	170.23
4	5 "	5186.36
5		
6	5 "	1232.24
7	3 "	1800.55
8	5 "	1109.06
9		
10	7 "	518
11	2 "	368.47
12		
13	5 "	1605.80
14	2 "	582.30
15	10 "	1640.97
16	10 "	94.51
17	10 "	719.30
18	10 "	1437.49
53 joint	3 "	973.85

### Joint Installation Wednesday Night

On Wednesday, January 3, at Odd Fellows' hall will be conducted the joint installation of the officers of Cabinet Lodge, No. 68, I. O. O. F., and Medora Lodge, No. 53, D. of R., I. O. O. F. The officers of Cabinet lodge to be installed are:

N. G.—J. F. Bowen.  
V. G.—C. A. Simpson.  
Sec.—J. P. Bowen.  
Treas.—P. Bergstrom.  
P. G.—Colbert Perreault.  
Trustees—T. Miller, P. Bergstrom, A. L. Thompson.  
The officers of Medora Lodge are:  
N. J.—Jessie Switzer.  
V. G.—Donna Schanck.  
Sec.—Mrs. Rodgers.  
Treas.—Nina Schanck.  
P. G.—Mrs. Mary Peterson.  
The installation will be a joint one conducted by D. D. G. M., J. P. Bowen and D. D. G. M., Margaret Kemp.  
After installation a lunch will be served and a social reunion of Odd Fellows, their wives and daughters will be held and a full attendance is expected.