

ORDINANCE PASSED

The city council held a special meeting Friday evening and passed an ordinance declaring that a sanitary sewer system is a necessity to the town, and that the town should be bonded for \$10,000 to have this put in. This ordinance has been posted in several conspicuous places for the perusal of the citizens, and next week it will be published in full in the Pilot. On April 4th at the regular election, the tax payers of the town will vote on this question and decide whether or not they should assume such an indebtedness.

J. A. Samson appeared before the council at this meeting and made a proposition to sell to the city the dirt from the excavation for his new building, which he is about to erect at the corner of Lupfer avenue and Second street.

There are many bad holes in the streets that need filling. Particular attention was called to First street that is impassable between Central and Lupfer avenues, and if it were made so that it could be used, it would be one of the most important thoroughfares in the town. After considerable discussion it was decided to purchase this dirt from Mr. Samson for ten cents per cubic yard. This is less than one third of what it would cost if the city had to buy dirt elsewhere for filling purposes. The street committee was instructed to have this dirt put along first street, where ever they could to the best advantage, so as to get it into a passable condition.

GETS TEN YEARS AT DEER LODGE

Nick Marti, who has been wanted here since last November on a statutory charge, and who has eluded the officers every since, is now under sentence to serve ten years in the state penitentiary for the offense. This is the story:

Last November a complaint was entered in the district court against the gentlemen on the charge mentioned, the warrant placed in the hands of the sheriff, and a search for Marti was begun. He was not to be found in the valley, and a trip or two during the winter was made to Canada on erroneous information as to his whereabouts. This game of hide and seek went on until last Saturday, the man having been in Canada, Washington, Oregon and Idaho in the mean time. Saturday Sheriff O'Connell was in Whitefish on civil business, and walking along the street, saw Marti on the other side. He promptly crossed over and gathered him in. The prisoner had ventured back to Whitefish to learn the news as to the search for him, having arrived only the day before.

He was brought to Kalispell and this morning pleaded guilty to the offense charged, and was sentenced by Judge Erickson to serve ten years in the state penitentiary.—Journal.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Shoaf and Mrs. J. Cameron and Mr. Ran Shoaf left Monday night for Lincoln Neb., on account of the serious illness of their son. He was injured in a railway accident last spring and has been in a very critical condition ever since. It was thought that there would be a chance of his recovery, but he is not expected to live now.

Miss Pauline Murray of Shelby, is visiting here with Miss Anna Connelly.

M. C. Groene was a business visitor in Kalispell yesterday.

HEARTY RESPONSE TO APPEAL FOR AID

Last week we published a letter signed "Interested Party," calling attention to the fact that there was a family in very destitute circumstances at Lakeside.

There was a hearty response to this appeal from a number of private individuals and several societies, and the mayor had the case investigated, and sent them down a large order of groceries, which will keep the wolf from the door for the present, at least.

Officer Parent took particular pains to enquire into the case thoroughly, and found that the family was really badly in need, but thinks the husband is deserving of censure on account of his lack of ability to stick to a job, and in consequence his family were the victims of his indiscretion, and it was on their account that relief was extended.

Tuesday morning the "stork" paid them another visit and left a girl baby, and the neighbors and people of the community have been making everything as comfortable and pleasant as possible for the mother and child.

Mr. Gilmore has secured a position in the Great Northern store room, so that with the aid which has already been given by the community they should have no trouble in getting along.

ANOTHER CIGAR AND CONFECTION STORE

Harry Smith, the well known Pacific Mutual Insurance agent, has rented the building formerly occupied by the City Meat Market, and will open up a cigar and confectionery store there in the near future. He will also use the place as an office for his insurance business, which he will conduct in connection

NEW PRESBYTERIAN MINISTER ARRIVED

Rev. Joseph Gaston, formerly of Kenmare, N. D., arrived here Saturday evening to take charge of the Presbyterian church and preached two excellent sermons last Sunday. Rev. Gaston will stay a month to see how the place suits him and then if everything is agreeable he will remain with us. We feel confident that after he has stayed a month he will want to stay here all the time.

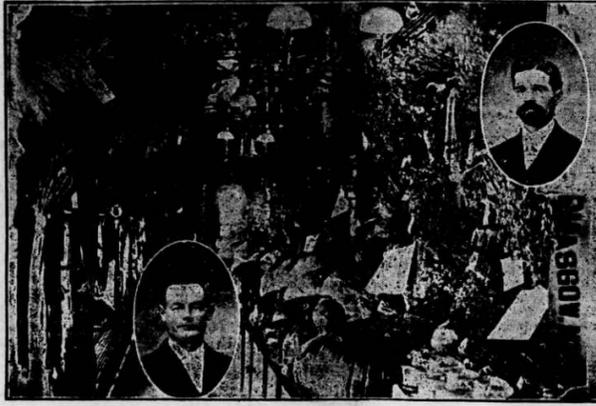
RETURNS FROM STATE EXAMINATIONS

The Whitefish pupils made a very creditable showing in the state examinations which they took two months ago. They have just received their returns from the county superintendent which are as follows:

| | Geography | Physiology |
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| Bertha Larson | 84 | 83 |
| Everett Bardin | 71 | 84 |
| May Van Dyke | 81 | 86 |
| Lillian Hyde | 80 | 75 |
| Cora Grinde | 77 | 89 |
| Jesse Monk | 84 | 94 |
| Jessie Smith | 86 | 82 |
| Agnes Swanson | 76 | 95 |
| Florence Tallman | 76 | 76 |
| Doreas Ferguson | 88 | 87 |

S. A. Robertson, who at one time was connected with the newspaper business in Whitefish, arrived in the city yesterday as advance agent for the Maud Henderson Co.

Hazel Raymond and Edith Shelby, two women from the red light district, were arrested on the complaint of William Murphy who claims that they relieved him of \$40. Their trial was set for Monday, but their attorney asked for a stay until this afternoon when their case will be investigated by the county attorney.



INTERIOR VIEW MONTANA EXHIBITION CAR

Montana's Advantages Attract Big Crowds

The Montana Exhibition Car of the Great Northern Railway since starting on its journey last Summer has traveled, in addition to the Exhibit at the Dry Farming Congress in Billings, Mont., through the states of South Dakota, Nebraska—being shown at the National Corn Show in Omaha, Neb.—western Iowa and northern Missouri. The attendance at all points has varied from 500 to 2,500 people daily, and the interest taken by all in the prospects for securing free homes in the State of Montana has been great. The car is now in southern Illinois, and every report received at the General Offices of the Great Northern in St. Paul, shows the same great enthusiasm regarding one's chances in Montana is met at every stop. At the free stereopticon lectures, descriptive of the Great Northwest, given each evening in the City Halls and Opera Houses, in connection with the Exhibit Car, the audiences have filled the halls to capacity. With the special colonist and homeseeker's fares in effect, the outlook is for a heavy immigration to all sections of Montana this Spring.

COUNCIL HOLDS INTERESTING SESSION

Fire Ordinance Has Second Reading—Minimum Street Grades to Be Not Less Than Five-Tenths—Judges and Clerks of Election Appointed—Election Day April 4th.

The regular monthly meeting of the city council was held Monday evening. All members were present except Alderman Forcum. The treasurer's report showed that there is a cash on hand of \$2,898.72, which is over a hundred dollars better than last month. The police magistrate added to this \$106, which he had collected in fines during the month.

The fire ordinance, No. 56, was read in its second reading, having passed thru the hands of the ordinance committee, who inserted block 26 in this district. There was some discussion as to whether or not it would be advisable to include this block as it is mostly a residence district. The matter was laid over to be settled at the next meeting, before it is finally passed.

A communication was read from J. M. Kraemer, asking to have his poll tax refunded, which had been collected from him erroneously. The clerk was instructed to get this matter straightened out for him as soon as possible.

F. E. Marsh, the engineer who laid out the street grades, appeared by request of the council to explain in regards to the work he had done. Some of the streets are thought to be too flat to drain properly, and at the suggestion of Alderman Johns, he was instructed to make a minimum grade of .5 wherever possible to do so. As there are a number of new buildings going up that will have to be built to grade, he was also instructed to hurry the completion of the plans, so that it can be known how to properly place these new structures.

A communication was read from the county treasurer, calling attention to the fact that the sheriff had reported to him that liquor is being sold in the red-light district for which the city and county is deriv-

INSTALLS TWO ELECTRIC MOTORS

As this is an age of iron and electricity, and in order to be up with the times, The Pilot has also gotten into line with the rest of the progressive people of Whitefish and has installed two electric motors to run the printing presses.

The electrician is now doing the extra wiring that is necessary, and in another week foot and hand power will be a thing of the past in this office. The terrors of press days, when the edition of The Pilot had to be run thru twice on the big cylinder press, will soon be a matter of joy, and the press feeder will wear a smile on his face as long as a ten dollar clothes line, when all he has to do is just to feed the papers instead of taking his turn at the crank to help furnish the motive power.

The job man is also brewing some great expectations, how he will have a big easy chair wheeled up to the press where he will sit and smoke good cigars and flirt with the lady compositor, while he is running off a big job. Previously it kept both hands and feet busy at the same time, and after running off about 1000 or so, would be so out of breath that it would be impossible to keep a cigar in one's face at all.

We extend a cordial invitation to everyone to call and see the wheels go around.

LITTLE FOLKS BIRTHDAY PARTY

Louis Forcum celebrated his seventh birthday last Thursday afternoon in a very enjoyable way. A large number of his friends were present and they passed a very pleasant time playing games. In the candy hunt Lester LaByre received the prize for finding the greatest number of pieces of candy among the boys, and Blossom Garver received the prize among the girls.

A sumptuous lunch was then served and in the huge birthday cake, which was equally divided, was hidden a ten cent piece. Clark Sharar was the lucky finder. Those present were:

Ruth Bryson, Leslie LaByre, Anna Nichol, Lytle Nichol, Clark Sharar, Leigh Larter, Blossom Garver, Ruth Tallman, Marie Small, Grace Babeock, Warren McClench, Claude Hartley, Ruth Robinson, Dorothy Senay, Louis Doebler, Eugene Bowman and Ella Baker.

HARD TIMES PARTY AT LAKESIDE

Mrs. Wm. Udell and Mrs. C. N. Martinson entertained a number of ladies last Thursday evening at a Hard Times Party at the home of Mrs. Udell at Lakeside. The evening was spent in playing games and having a general good time. Some of the ladies were ducedly charming as male impersonators. Mrs. Perdue received the prize for being the most comically costumed. Those present were Mesdames Sanders, Sharar, Green, Ayotte, Karow, Baker, Donaldson, Tallman, Mason, Miller, Mullin, Perdue, Belden and Miss Kalenbauch.

SPECIFICATIONS COMPLETED

M. B. Rifo came up from Kalispell Monday evening with the completed plans and specifications of the new bank building. They are now in the hands of the officials here and bids are being advertised for. A new feature that has been added to the building is a room for a barber shop in the basement under the bank.

OPENING POSTPONED

After a complete examination of the amount of work that yet remains to be done in preparing plats for more than 3,000 homestead rights on the Flathead, Judge Witten, who is in charge of the work preliminary to the filing of claims, has announced that it would be impossible to complete the work by April 1, the time originally fixed for the filing of entries, and stated that he would be compelled to postpone the entry date until May 1 of this year.

Judge Witten announces that in order to guard against errors in filing he is preparing lists and maps showing every 40 acre tract of land available for entry, every subdivision reserved for Indian allotment, and for reservoir and power site purposes, so that entrymen can tell from a glance at that map, exactly what lands are available for homesteads and may file upon their choice without fear of making an error.

In order to relieve the difficult situation that will confront homesteaders whose first and second choice of lands may lie in two separate districts, he has concluded to permit entries during the first five days at one land office only, probably at Kalispell. After the expiration of this item entries will begin at Missoula.

This arrangement will give the homesteaders whose first choice in the Kalispell district may have been taken by some one holding a preferred number, five days in which to travel across the reservation to Missoula and file upon other lands located in the Missoula land district. All lands in the Missoula district must be entered at the Missoula land office and all in the Kalispell district at Kalispell. Under this arrangement holders of first numbers who find lands to their liking in the Missoula district, will simply reserve their filings for the first five days and no rights can be jeopardized.

The land office official believes that the plan as outlined will solve what appeared to be a difficult problem for many prospective entrymen.

O'NEIL NOT TO BLAME.

When the first report of the Cascade disaster came it was reported that the passengers had wished to have the stalled train run back in the tunnel for safety, but that Superintendent J. H. O'Neil decided it was safe where it was, and would not permit it to be moved. This gave rise to some censure of Mr. O'Neil, although the persons taking exception to his action did not pretend to know anything of the circumstances. The friends of Mr. O'Neil here, and there are many of them, are pleased to know that full accounts of the disaster, remove any possibility of blame from him in connection with the destruction of the train. It appears that the supply of coal was running so low that there was some difficulty in keeping the coaches warm, and that such a heavy wind swept through the tunnel that it would have been impossible to keep the coaches warm had they been kept there. In addition to that the passengers were fed at Wellington, and the women on the train were unable to walk back and forth from the tunnel. Mr. O'Neil, however, left the question of remaining outside, or going into the tunnel, with the passengers, and they voted to stay where they were.—Inter Lake.

The taking of the census of the United States begins on April 15.