

The Ronan Pioneer

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A ride through the valley Wednesday evening as the guest of Stanley Seacree in his EMF, shows that the farmers have been getting busy during the past week, and this fact is in evidence in every direction from Ronan. Where waving fields of grain were to be seen a week ago is now fields of shocked grain, and the close proximity of one to the other shows the enormous crop to advantage. Thousands of acres are already harvested and another week will witness pretty nearly all of the wheat in the shock. Some of the oats also are being cut and early spring wheat will be ready by the time the fall grain is out of the way.

Mrs. Ella Davis brought to the Pioneer office Wednesday some sample wheat she has grown on the ranch in Glacier View, northwest of Ronan. Some of the heads are almost six inches in length and are remarkably well filled. This wheat was grown in a section of the country remote from the known wheat belt of former years, and in a section of the valley where it was predicted nothing would be a success without irrigation, and refutes the opinion of some experts. It shows that in ordinary years it is a wheat growing section without irrigation, but does not necessarily mean that irrigation is not wanted nor that it would not be a benefit to the whole country.

The ladies of Ronan, friends of Mrs. Dr. Fuhrer, surprised her last Saturday afternoon by giving her a miscellaneous shower at the residence of Mrs. I. M. Brandjord. Mrs. Fuhrer was induced to the residence by a subterfuge and was very much surprised to find herself the guest of honor. Numerous useful household articles, such as silverware, fancy dishes, etc., were presented and a delightful afternoon was enjoyed by all. A feature of the afternoon entertainment was the manufacture by each lady of some article for the new bride from a piece of cloth, and they report some of the ladies quite ingenious and as humorous and original as well.

The writer made a hurried trip to Dillon last Saturday, returning home Tuesday noon. While some very good crops are to be seen along the railroad between here and there, nothing to compare with the Mission valley wheat and oat fields were seen. While some of the fields have very good spots in them, there are too many spots that show the reverse to make an average like what is to be found here. Near Deer Lodge the best crops were seen, and the farmers there have nothing to complain of. South of Butte it is nearly all hay and that crop is a large one. Dillon is a fine city and has taken on metropolitan airs during the last four years in a surprising manner. Her streets are kept in the best of condition, her shade trees are now so large the city is hidden in a grove of green and the residences and lawns are so well kept as to be a source of envy. There is every evidence that prosperity has not taken flight from Dillon and the good people there are pardonably proud of their town. There was a ball game on Sunday and of course we took that in, and the visit has only one regret for us, and that is that the people whom we visited had nothing to eat but fried chicken, good peas, new potatoes, cantaloupes, fresh raspberries, and such common things, that we were nearly famished upon arriving at home. Miss Byrl Rathbone, youngest daughter of the writer, will remain in Dillon and attend school this winter, attending the State Normal, which is one of the state's best educational institutions.

It may have no significance but it certainly means no harm to have the president of the Great Northern road make a trip over the entire length of the Mission valley one day and have other officials of the company here the remainder of the week looking

after the volume of business the country might supply, should a branch line be built. That is just what happened in the Mission valley this week, and it would not be very surprising if some good railroad news were not forthcoming in a short time now. People here will give every encouragement in their power to the company that will build a line into the valley and it is sincerely hoped that such an event will soon take place.

Frank Ohlton purchased this week of Frank McLeod, Sr., an 80 acre tract northeast of town and paid a cash consideration of \$5,000 for it. Mr. Ohlton is now preparing to build a small residence this fall and next spring will build a more imposing and modern home. The Pioneer is pleased to know that Mr. Ohlton has become a property owner here and that he will make it his permanent home. His family will join him just as soon as the house is ready for occupancy.

There were filed in the county recorder's office at Kalispell the latter part of last week, 11 deeds to rights-of-way to the Columbia Falls & Southern Railway, in which the grantors were property owners along the east shore of Flathead lake. If it should turn out that the Columbia Falls & Southern is in reality the Great Northern, it might be indicative of early building into the Mission valley.

County Surveyor Jas. H. Bonner and Oscar Crutchfield are preparing a map of the reservation east of the Flathead river which will be a valuable map to hang in one's place of business. This map will give the names of each locator on the particular piece homesteaded and the names of allottees as well. It will be on sale next week.

J. M. Fabian of Butte writes the Pioneer that he has bought a farm near St. Ignatius and will at once make arrangements to improve same and also to remove his family thereon later in the season.

Mrs. C. H. Metz and Miss Mabel Metz of Spokane, mother and sister of Mrs. D. N. Mason, arrived in Ronan Monday last for an extended visit.

A. M. Sterling and wife went down to Missoula today to spend Sunday.

Jules Trahan went down to Missoula yesterday on business.

Mission Messages.

A. L. Demers of Arlee visited the Mission this week.

Dr. J. H. Heidelman was a Mission visitor Monday.

The four-year old son of Chas. Kicking Horse died last Saturday of cholera infantum.

Mrs. Earl Heinote who has been ill in the hospital at Missoula returned home Wednesday.

A. M. Golt has gone for a two week's sojourn at the Hot Springs for the betterment of his health.

Chas. Marsh, wife and family of Missoula, made the run to St. Mary's lake Sunday, and then continued their trip over the reservation.

Much interest was evinced in the wrestling match between Dutch Wagner and Joseph Steiff, which took place here on July 29. The match resulted in a draw.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Peppard motored up from Missoula to Ronan Friday, where Mr. Peppard is building a bridge, making the return trip to Missoula Friday evening.

Mrs. F. N. Barnfather who has been visiting her daughter Mrs. W. H. Meglassen for the past fortnight left for her home in Willistown South, Dakota Tuesday evening.

President Louis W. Hill of the Great Northern railroad, accompanied by a party of Twin City business men, passed through St. Ignatius enroute to Kalispell Monday afternoon.

Mrs. R. W. Reed of Kalispell spent the week at the Mission. Mrs. Reed has an interesting collection of pictures of Indian heads, and was looking for characteristic types among the Flatheads.

A quantity of dynamite exploded at the Taylor & Green mine near Lake McDonald Saturday. The explosion was caused by mountain rats gnawing some matches lying near the dynamite.

J. M. Fabian, manager of the Basin creek reservoir at Butte, has purchased the Beckwith ranch five miles northeast of the Mission. Alfred Seifert of Butte has taken charge of the place and intends to stock it with dairy cattle.

Monday, July 31st, was St. Ignatius Day and was fittingly observed here. In the early days of the Mission this

was quite the greatest day of the year. On that day the closing exercises at the schools took place, the bishop of the diocese, the governor of the state, and frequently the Indian commissioner from Washington, D. C., being the guests of honor.

Geo. H. Beckwith gave a dinner Friday evening for Chas. W. Donnelly whose engagement to Miss Helen Whitaker of Missoula has been recently announced. The decorations were pink and white, and the flowers were sweet peas. The guests were friends and business associates of Mr. Donnelly. Those present were: Messrs. Chas. W. Donnelly, Walter N. Hill, W. H. Meglassen, R. M. Reed, Joel Cushing, H. N. Sperry, Peter Schuffeldt, A. B. Beckwith, Addison K. Lusk Chas Stewart and Geo. H. Beckwith.

Moiese Valley and Dixon

C. O. Lundholm spent Saturday and Sunday in Ronan with friends.

The Moiese Valley club will hold a business meeting Friday evening, August 4th.

Tony Red Horn, an Indian, was killed last Sunday by a Northern Pacific train near Dixon.

Miss Harriette P. Geiger spent Friday in Ronan and left in the evening for St. Ignatius.

Mr. and Mrs. Rinehart of Moiese valley are the proud parents of a baby girl, born Friday.

Clarence Smith of Moiese was in Missoula Wednesday on business and was appointed road supervisor for Moiese valley.

G. V. Geiger and wife arrived in Dixon Sunday morning from Dillon and are visiting Mrs. Ida J. Geiger and daughter in Moiese valley.

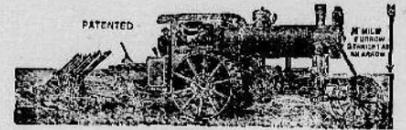
Clyde Cook of Superior, Montana, arrived in Dixon on Monday and will spend a month with his sister, Mrs. W. A. Clark, in Moiese valley.

Miss Grace I. Geiger left Dixon Monday for Deer Lodge after a week's visit with her mother and sister, Miss Harriette P. Geiger, on their claim in Moiese valley.

The Moiese Valley Settlers' association will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday evening, August 7th, at the club house and all members are urged to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Blackmon and daughter of Moiese, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnson and children of Broken Bow, Neb.,

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Sulky plows	55 00	2 1-2 inch wagon, complete	75 00
Gang plows	75 00	3 inch wagon, complete	90 00
Binding twine per lb	10	Gain sacks, 7 to	8 1-2c
Automatic 22 gauge rifles	\$ 15 00	Repeaters 12 gauge	\$ 22.50
shotguns	28 00	" Rifles 30-30	25.00
Single shot 22 gauge rifles	5 25		18.00

New Records for Edison Graphophones received every month. Come in and hear them played.

M. J. Benedict's

drove over to St. Ignatius last Friday to spend the day.

Mr. and Mrs. La Verne Nichols of Missoula are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Clark at their bungalow in Moiese valley. Mrs. Nichols, formerly Miss Etta Cook of Stevensville, is a bride and a sister of Mrs. Clark.

The board of trustees of school district No. 28, Missoula county, held a meeting at Ravalli, Saturday, July 29, and the members present were W. H. Sabin, chairman, Mrs. Harriet Pendray, Harriette P. Geiger, James Grant and B. G. Shead, clerk. Mrs. Pearl T. Marshall, county superintendent of schools, was present at the meeting. The board elected Miss Frances M. Tobin of St. Ignatius, as principal of the schools in district No. 28, for a term of one year at a salary of \$1500. Miss Tobin will begin her duties on August 1, and will greatly assist the board in the establishment of the new schools on the reservation.

Reciprocity the Issue.

As a result of the dissolution of parliament and the calling of an election to be held September 21, the bitterest fight for the control of parliament that Canada has known since the days of the Canadian Pacific scandal, is now in full swing.

It is expected that there will be but little change in the cities from the vote at the last election. It is believed on both sides that the fight will be in the country districts of Ontario and the maritime provinces.

The conservatives hope that raising the cry of annexation will give them the victory, and they are getting ready to ring the changes on the speeches of Champ Clark and other Americans which have predicted a political union of the English speaking peoples of North America.

Much will be made of the fact that under the provisions of the

reciprocity treaty the United States will receive better treatment commercially than the mother country, and it will be pointed out that instead of advancing the interests of imperial unity the ultimate trade relations with the United States will have a tendency to draw the countries together in political bonds.

Observers who have had opportunity to weigh public sentiment in the matter look for a republican victory. The maritime provinces especially are expected to regard access to the markets of the United States as greatly in their interest.

Record Breaking Crops

Superintendent Morgan of the Flathead reservation was in Missoula last Saturday on business and while there talked to a Missoulian reporter about conditions on the reservation in this strain: "The valleys of the reservation are producing the richest harvest of years during the present season. There is no longer any doubt as to our having a bumper crop. Nearly everything is past the danger mark and the outlook is fine. The Moiese, St. Ignatius, Ronan, Joeko and Camas Prairie valleys are all producing a bountiful yield and are a beautiful sight. We expect to have some record breaking figures at the close of the harvesting. The feeling among the settlers is of the best and there is absolutely no friction between the government and the people that have come onto the reservation. Business along every line seems to be very good and we have nothing of which to complain."

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