

# The Ronan Pioneer

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Some of those who hope and expect to defeat Senator Dixon for reelection next year should not have used the carbon paper so extensively. To find leading stories in widely separated papers on the same date looks like a systematic attempt to injure where no cause for it exists. Political jobbery is not looked upon with favor by many people any longer and such tactics will make instead of lose Senator Dixon friends.

It will be remembered that last December a fire occurred in the stock yard district of Chicago and 24 firemen lost their lives in fighting the flames. Sympathetic citizens subscribed a fund which amounted to over \$211,000 as a relief benefit to the stricken widows and orphans. That was all very commendable, but it has required a court order to distribute the money the relief committee has been holding back ever since. A committee which requires an order of court to distribute money gratuitously contributed is a pretty mean set of men and Chicago should purge herself of any such citizenship.

Senator Myers of Montana has affiliated with the Democratic Progressive League and Federation of Precinct clubs, recently organized for the purpose of controlling the next democratic national convention, with the view to the nomination of a progressive candidate for the presidency and the adoption of a progressive platform. Senator R. L. Owens of Oklahoma and Senator G. E. Chamberlain of Oregon initiated the movement.

## Five Year Final Proof.

Notice of one of the most important changes in relation to homestead final proofs that has been made for a long time has been received at the Miles City land office.

For 25 or 30 years it has been the custom of all land offices to allow homesteaders making final proof to claim "constructive residence," for the first six months after filing, even though actual residence may not have begun for several months after entry was made. The entryman filing his application on April 1 could begin actual residence at any time before the first of October following, and by continuous residence until the expiration of five years from the day the entry was filed receive credit for the full five years notwithstanding his actual residence on the land covered only four years and six months.

By a late circular of instructions notice is given that this has been changed and the homesteader must now show full five years' actual residence, dating from the day he actually began to live on the land. This change will be in effect on and after December 1st, 1911.

The above applies only to those who do not commute their entries. The right to commute after 14 months continuous residence is not changed by the above ruling, and it really means that no constructive residence will be allowed in the future. That is to make a final five year proof the claimant must show that he has actually resided upon the land for full five years. It will apply to flathead lands in time, but those who commute their entries are not affected.

G. Menard was up from Dixon yesterday on a business deal.

T. L. Bateman of Ravalli and David Dowd of St. Ignatius, were in town yesterday.

Anton Miltenberger of Seattle, filed on a homestead in 7-20-21 yesterday.

Mrs. Sterling will entertain the Catholic ladies next Wednesday afternoon at the Starling hotel.

Miss Ethel Miller is back at her duties as cashier at the Big Store after a two weeks' vacation.

Miss M. Duplessis sold her 80-acre tract on Mud creek north of Ronan this week to a Mr. Kennedy at \$50 per acre.

Henry F. Turner of Kalispell filed on 80 acres in 9-21-21 Wednesday and will return soon to improve the tract.

Dr. Owen and wife of Polson was in Ronan Wednesday in company with Miss Gardener who filed on 160 acres of Flathead land in 21-22.

A. M. Thornburgh starts this afternoon for Glacier park to spend the week end and to accompany Mrs. Thornburgh and Mrs. Scarce home.

Miss Hilda Braun has been transferred to the Jocko Indian school and has moved to that place. Her mother will move onto her homestead west of the river.

Deputy Game Warden Dugald McCormick was in town yesterday returning from Polson where he caught two men for killing grouse out of season. The grouse season opens October 1st.

A. W. Goranson, formerly of Butte, but who now has a fine homestead southwest of town, has just got out of the hospital at Missoula where he has been the past month. He underwent an operation while there.

The Frank Ohlton residence on the 80 recently purchased by Mr. Ohlton of Frank McLeod, Sr., is completed and ready for occupancy. This will bring into the community another good citizen and the Pioneer extends a hearty welcome to him and family.

Bedeau Potvin, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Potvin, met with an accident last Saturday which might have been quite serious, if not fatal. While the freighter was greasing the heavy wagon with a wagon jack under the axle the boy took hold of the lever and it flew up, striking him on the eye and cutting quite a gash. Had it struck him on the chin it would have been serious. Dr. Putney sewed up the cut and the boy is getting along all right.

## Buys Valuable 80 Acres

A. E. Piedalue bought the Mrs. Menard 80 acres of land lying just east of the Smead addition to the Ronan townsite yesterday morning, paying \$5500 for the tract.

This is one of the best pieces of land in this vicinity and is considered cheap at the price Mr. Piedalue has secured it.

All new settlers, and old ones too, not now subscribers are invited to come in and become so.

## Wool to Sale

Green and grey wool, cut any length  
FRANCIS DUPUIS.

## Lost

On Wednesday, Aug. 23, between Ronan and Sloan, one red hood, one pair of black kid gloves and b.l., all re-wrapped in one parcel. Finder please leave at the Big Store.  
MRS. FRANK SCARCE.

## Moiese Valley and Dixon

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Loenberg and children of Moiese valley were in Dixon last Thursday on their way to Hamilton, Mont.

Miss Viola A. Pellard of Florence, Mont., arrived in Moiese valley on Sunday to visit her mother a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Stapp and family left Moiese valley Tuesday and will make their future home in Butte.

Mrs. W. F. Cook, daughter Edna and son Clyde left Dixon last Sunday for their home at Superior, Mont., after spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Clark in Moiese valley.

F. W. Frye, secretary-treasurer of the Crow creek school association was in Dixon and Moiese valley Sunday. Mr. Frye was returning to his claim from a trip to Missoula on his bicycle.

Mrs. Gust Gunderson returned home Tuesday from a visit in Missoula with friends.

W. A. Clark of Moiese valley is spending the week with relatives at Stevensville, Mont.

Charley Canright of Moiese, made a business trip to St. Ignatius on Monday and was a Ronan caller Tuesday.

J. V. Keown returned from the Bitter Root Monday to his claim north of Dixon.

Miss Bessie May Kreis of Moiese valley arrived in Dixon Sunday morning enroute from Missoula to her claim in Moiese, Miss Kreis purchased a horse and rig in Missoula and drove through.

C. Austin of Kalispell visited his parents in Moiese Saturday and Sunday.

Joel Cushing of the U. S. R. S. at St. Ignatius visited friends in Moiese over Sunday.

Ralph Wannacott one of Moiese valley boys left Dixon Wednesday for Salt Lake where he has accepted a position.

John Dahlgren of Missoula spent Sunday with friends in Dixon. Mr. Dahlgren is connected with the Merchants and Farmers Bank of Dixon.

G. E. Whitman of Dixon spent Wednesday in Missoula on business.

W. E. Campbell of Dixon is building a store on main street and will stock with furniture, hardware and implements. The firm name will be Dixon Mercantile Company.

F. W. Frye of Crow creek was in Dixon Wednesday for a load of lumber for the new Crow creek school.

## Delegates Appointed

Governor Norris has appointed two Ronan citizens as delegates to two different congresses. B. H. Denison as a delegate to the Farmers' National congress to be held at Columbus, Ohio, commencing on October 12th, and Henry F. Pierce as a delegate to the Dry Farming congress to be held in Pueblo, Colo.

Both gentlemen have signified their willingness to attend, and both will do so with nothing at this time foreseen to prevent.

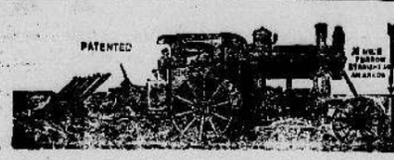
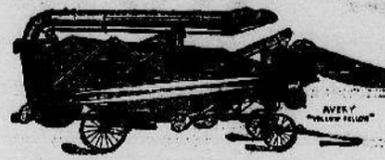
## Report Mail Sack Stolen

M. M. Marcy was in from south of Crow creek Tuesday and reported that some miscreant had stolen his mail sack from the post along the stage road again this week. He says this is the second time this has occurred and he is becoming weary of such work. There is a heavy penalty for interfering with U. S. mail in this manner and someone is liable to get into serious difficulty. Several of the neighbors use the same sack and quite a quantity is reported as having been taken.

## A Big Snap.

80 acres northeast of town for sale at a bargain. Ask E. H. at the Pioneer about this.

# The Little Store With the Big Stock



Come in and get your mower, binder, rake, harrow, disc, plow, etc., now here and ready to use.



\$6.00

## Some of Our Prices:

Rings at \$1.60, 2.00 and ..... \$2.50  
Shirts at 50c, 75c to ..... 4.00  
Hosiery at from 2 for 25c to per pair ..... 75  
Laces and embroideries from 4c per yard to ..... 1.00  
Queensware of many styles and patterns from 5c up

## Edison Records On Hand

Come in and hear them played

## Agent for Missoula Nursery

Orders for trees taken for fall or spring delivery

M. J. Benedict's

## For Sale

120-H. P. American hoist, one 10-H. P. vertical engine and one 10-H. P. centrifugal pump. Other cement workers and contractors tools, including derrick and pile driver. Must be sold to settle account. One engine and the pump would make a splendid lighting outfit. Address "Mac. In Ry." the office. 18-9x

## Smut In Grain

As the time for seeding draws near, a timely suggestion as to the treatment of seed grains for smut may not come amiss. Some will argue that smut will not appear on new ground. This is all a mistake. No ground is immune from smut. All grain, wheat, oats, barley, flax, etc., should be well treated before seeding. A farmer writing to *Marvelous Montana*, a valuable farm journal published at Great Falls, says, in relation to his manner of treating all grain seeds, as follows:

"Treat it by all means, and run no risk of losing your crop. Use blue vitrol or some of the other treatments. I use blue vitrol and prefer a dip in this to any other mode of treating it. I take five pounds of the vitrol and dissolve in a pail of boiling water and pour into a coal oil barrel two-thirds full of water, and then I take about one pound of the dry vitrol and place it in a flour sack and hang into the water in the barrel and immerse my wheat in that, putting one bushel of grain in the sack. I leave the grain in for four minutes and then lift out on a draining trough, that I may not lose any more of the vitrol than possible. Oats I leave in five minutes and flax three minutes. I treat my day's supply for the drill the evening before. Should you have any grain that has been vitroled there is no danger in feeding it to stock. I have admonished all my neighbors to treat their grain and feel it my

duty to my fellow farmers all over the state to warn and beg them to treat all small grain sown that smut and will not blast the crop of the Treasure State. It is very important to the interests of the state and most important to your interests, farmers. So, by all means treat your small grain for smut every year you farm in the north-west."

For latest styles in  
**LADIES FURNISHINGS**  
Millinery, etc., remember  
**MARY DUPLESSIS**  
My stock is new and prices right  
RONAN, MONTANA.

## For Sale

House, 3 lots and good garden, for sale or trade.  
JULES TRAHAN.

## THE First National Bank of Missoula, Mont.

CAPITAL and SURPLUS - \$400,000.00  
EXCELLENT FACILITIES

OFFICERS:  
E. S. Lusk, President  
Frank H. Emore, Vice President  
E. A. Newlon, Cashier  
Harvey S. Holt, Asst. Cashier

# WANTED

## All Kinds of Flathead Land

TO SELL. If you want it sold list it with us.

COBBAN INVESTMENT CO.,

Box 609

Missoula, Montana.

# Stanley Scarce Auto Stage Line

RAPID, SAFE, RELIABLE

## TIME CARD

### SIGHTSEER 33 PASS'

NORTH BOUND  
Lv. Ravalli 10:30 A. M.  
Lv. Mission 11:00 A. M.  
Ar. Ronan 1:00 P. M.  
SOUTH BOUND  
Lv. Ronan 2:00 P. M.  
Lv. Mission 3:45 P. M.  
Ar. Ravalli 4:15 P. M.

Fare Ronan to Mission or Ravalli \$2.50  
Baggage, Express or Freight 1 cent per pound. Minimum package 25c. Minimum trunk \$1.00.

### ARROW 7 PASSENGER

NORTH BOUND  
Lv. Ronan 9:00 A. M.  
Ar. Polson 10:00 A. M.  
SOUTH BOUND  
Lv. Polson 1:00 P. M.  
Ar. Ronan 2:00 P. M.

Fare \$2.00  
Two Round Trips Daily

RAVALLI TO POLSON IN 3 HOURS TRAVEL

# Reservation Land and Lumber Company LUMBER

For several months we have been trying to complete our stock of lumber and other building materials; but owing to the strong and steady demand for our material, we have not succeeded. Our present stock is nothing to brag about; but we say without any hesitation whatever that we now carry

## The Heaviest Stock of Building Materials Ever Displayed In Ronan

We feel that nothing is too good for the people of Ronan; and it is our aim to keep in stock a large and well assorted supply of building materials. See what we have before buying. We are connected with the Beckwith Lumber Yard at Ravalli and can sell you lumber from that point.

# LAND

We have two eighties of land for sale; one about three miles from Ronan and one about three miles from St. Ignatius.