

TENTH ANNUAL JUDITH BASIN FARMERS PICNIC TO BE HELD NEXT WEEK

Special to The Daily Tribune. Moccasin, July 25.—Next Thursday, July 31, is the day and date of the tenth annual Judith Basin Farmers' picnic at the experiment station, two and a half miles west of Moccasin.

The program will be opened at 10 a. m. with a concert by the Hilger-Brooks band, followed by an inspection of the experimental plots and a series of children's athletic contests taking up about an hour.

At noon a picnic dinner will be enjoyed followed by a concert by the Elks band and a speaking program which will be participated in by Judge E. K. Cheadle, chairman; Mr. Fuller, crop specialist of the extension service; Miss Mary Ann Graber, extension specialist in home economics; B. C. White and F. B. Linfield, director of the Bozeman experimental station. Community singing will be led by Mrs. Laura Norton, assisted by the Elks band.

Another program of sports will be pulled off in the afternoon followed by a baseball game between the Straw and Lehigh teams for a purse of \$100. A number of excellent prizes donated by Ferguson county concerns will be awarded for exhibits in culinary and agricultural lines.

MEN WHO STOLE BAND OF SHEEP PLEAD GUILTY AND RECEIVE SENTENCE

Dillon, July 25.—Gust Luri and Steve John, both Greeks, appeared in Judge Smith's court last week and both pleaded guilty to the charge of grand larceny. Their sentences were fixed at from two to four years in the state prison and they were taken to Deer Lodge last Wednesday by Sheriff Wymann.

GENTLE VALLEY HOPPERS POISON STOCK CAUSING DEATHS OF 25

Dillon, July 25.—That the grasshoppers which have been so destructive to hay and grain at Lakeview in the Centennial valley have not only destroyed whole fields of hay and grain but they have proved to be deadly poison to cattle feeding in fields where they have swarmed.

E. B. Roe, the prominent Redrock rancher, who has a big summer cattle camp in the Centennial valley, is the man hit hardest by the pests. The hoppers took his entire hay crop and where as a rule 1,200 tons of hay were cut, but 10 tons were cut. Realizing that the hay was a total loss, Mr. Roe turned his stock into the field and in less than an hour 25 of them had died. It is thought the hoppers poisoned the field. Other ranchers experienced the same loss but not as heavily as Mr. Roe.

Claims Step-Mother Influenced Father in Drawing His Will

Special to The Daily Tribune. Butte, July 25.—Alleging undue influence and inability to properly dispose of his property, Mrs. Alice Melville of Bakersfield, Cal., in behalf of herself and 2-year-old niece, Anna Margaret Hollingshead, contests the will of her father, the late Thomas G. Leahy, in a suit she has filed in the district court of Deer Lodge county. According to the complaint, the Leahy estate consists of real estate in Lewis and Clarke county, money and bonds in Anaconda banks, and mining stock, worth approximately \$200,000. By the provisions of the will, Mrs. Melville is bequeathed a Liberty bond worth \$1,000. She now seeks her full share of the estate, claiming her father's wife took advantage of him when he was mentally incompetent. The daughter also claims the will is not entirely in the handwriting of her father. Leahy was a veteran employee of the B. A. & P. railroad, dying June 14, following a surgical operation. The will was executed but a few days before his death.

Fifty Cents Per Day Increase for Employees East Helena Plant

Helena, July 25.—An increase of 50 cents per day restoring the scale of February last, is announced at the East Helena plant of the American Smelting and Refining company.

Fires Drive Wolves and Coyotes to Raids Upon Poultry Yards

Everett, July 25.—Wolves and an increasing number of coyotes are reported to be raiding poultry yards of ranchers in this country, some of the raids being made in daylight. It is believed the animals are being driven to more remote districts by a food shortage due to slashing fires.

STARTS 200-FOOT WELL BUT GETS WATER AT 88 Fort Benton, July 25.—A lucky strike was made on the F. E. Stranahan ranch in the Montague country, where Harry J. Thorington of Montague began drilling for water a few days ago. Mr. Thorington expected to drill a well about 200 feet deep, but Tuesday evening he struck a flow of water at a depth of 88 feet, the water rising in the well about 60 feet. There is every indication that it will furnish an inexhaustible supply.

INKSTAND USED BY TREATY SIGNERS AND CLEMENCEAU'S BELL ARE TREASURES NOW



Inkstand used by delegates who signed peace treaty and, before it, bell used at peace table by President Clemenceau.

The inkstand which held the ink used in the signing of the peace treaty at Versailles will be preserved for generations as one of the mementoes of the great gathering of world statesmen and the work done by the peace conference. President Wilson, Lloyd George, Clemenceau and the other men who signed the treaty with the Germans, dipped their pens in the wells. The bell used by President Clemenceau at the sessions of the peace conference also will be preserved.

Women of Drouth District to Engage in Lace Manufacture

Helena, July 25.—That there are people in Montana who have been hit hard by the drouth who are not going to sit down and cry, nor hold out their hands for donations, but who are going to make the effort to help themselves, is evidenced by a letter received by the state department of agriculture and publicity from Mrs. Melvina F. Ferguson of Barber, Montana. Barber is a small settlement in Musselshell county, in a section of the county where the farmers have been hit hard by the drouth. It is understood that in that vicinity there are a number of expert needle women, some of whom are said to have been taught the art in European countries.

Mrs. Ferguson writes the department that she and her neighbors desire to be independent and that they propose to engage in the manufacture of handmade laces, selling directly to the consumer. She says she believes a business of this sort can be successfully carried on in her neighborhood and that over one hundred expert needlewomen have promised their assistance.

"Our women," she writes, "are having a hard time on account of the poor crops, and we believe that in this way we can be a help to ourselves, to our husbands, to the county and to the state; and that we will not only be able to make a living, but also to pay our taxes. The work will be carried on on my homestead, where we have one hundred and sixty acres, in a barn that will make a good building for a store, the women who are engaged in the work living in the neighborhood. We are located one mile from the Milwaukee depot and five miles from the Great Northern. We wish to go slow and be sure, with the hope that we will build up an industry, and that our handiwork will be appreciated and find a ready market among the women of Montana who are more happily placed financially than we are this year."

Anyone who may be interested is requested to write Mrs. Ferguson.

NEW POSTMASTER IS NAMED FOR BOLE Bole, July 25.—Earl W. Noble has been notified of his appointment as postmaster at this place. The postoffice has been moved a distance of two blocks from its old location.

Young Ducks Waddle Across Prairies in Search of Water

Helena, July 25.—Thousands of wild ducks too young to fly, are wandering over the prairies of Richland county in search of food and water, especially water, since Fox Lake in which they were hatched has gone dry.

Members of the Lambert Gun club in an effort to save the birds enlisted all the boys in the country around and a goodly number of citizens as well, who are busy picking up the ducks and carrying them either to the Yellowstone river or to ponds which give promise of holding out until the fledglings are able to take care of themselves.

Beaverhead Fair Postponed a Year Because of Drouth

Dillon, July 25.—At a meeting of the fair association, county commissioners, firemen and a bunch of good live boosters held Monday evening it was decided not to hold a county fair this fall as was planned earlier in the season. The action was taken due to the drouth and crop failures. However, it was decided that a powwow should be held. The commissioners and fair association decided to turn the grounds and buildings over to either the firemen or the baseball team and let them stage the big show. This was done and a meeting held this week for formulating plans.

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Medicine Lodge Men Buy Stock Ranches

Dillon, July 25.—The Rife brothers of the upper Medicine Lodge entered the ranks of the big livestock men of the county last Friday when Frank Rife purchased for the Rife interests two big ranches on Horse Prairie, one being the big place of the Hughes Ranch company and the other being the Bloody Dick holdings of the C. J. company, or Dave Metlen.

The Hughes ranch deal is one of the biggest consummated here in a long time, the price being in the neighborhood of a quarter of a million dollars. In the deal was included 2,940 acres of deeded land, 960 acres of leased land, 1,100

cattle, 2,500 sheep and 100 horses. The land cuts 1,200 tons of hay. Both this ranch and the Metlen ranch will be operated in connection with the Rife interests on the upper Medicine Lodge. The Metlen ranch contains 1,280 acres and was formerly the property of Hawley Selway. The price paid for it was \$25,000.

FUNERAL OF B. R. FOWLER IS HELD AT CONRAD

Special to The Daily Tribune. Conrad, July 24.—The funeral of B. R. Fowler, a prominent rancher and citizen of Great Falls formerly of Conrad, was held at the Presbyterian church today at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. L. Hawkins officiating. W. H. George of Great Falls had charge of the body, which was placed in the Hillside cemetery.

Eastern Star Temple Costing a Million, to House Records Urged

Seattle, July 25.—Washington and Cleveland are apparently the chief contenders for the next triennial assembly of the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, now in session here, with the opinion of delegates inclining toward the national capital. Construction of an Eastern Star temple costing at least \$1,000,000 for safeguarding the permanent records of the order was recommended to the assembly by George M. Hyland, most worthy grand patron, in his report.

Three Jap Princes, Brothers-in-Law of Emperor, to Visit U. S.

Tokio, July 6.—(Associated Press Correspondence)—Japanese newspapers announce that three brothers-in-law of Emperor Yoshihito will soon visit the United States, Great Britain and France for military inspection. They will stay abroad for about three years. The imperial travelers are princes Kitashirakawa, Asaka and Higashi Kuni.

POSTMASTERS FOR MONTANA Special to The Daily Tribune. Washington, July 25.—David R. Billinger has been appointed postmaster at Ajerton and Albert L. Baker at Beehive.

Those Who Are On the Lookout For Bargains Will Look at Berger's Today

Women's Fine Lisle HOSE 65c. Children's White Mercerized HOSE 29c. Women's Bungalow APRONS \$1.25. Women's Rust-Proof CORSETS \$1.98.

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