

The Ekalaka Eagle

VOLUME I.

EKALAKA, (CUSTER COUNTY) MONTANA, FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 1909.

NUMBER 17.

BIRD GETS IT'S TAIL SCORCHED

Saturday afternoon at about 3 o'clock fire was discovered in the rear end of Philip Bootsma's building which was occupied by himself and this office. The alarm was turned in at once and nearly everybody responded. The chemical engine was brought out and it was not long until the fire was under control. Everything was saved from the building and the only damage will be that of the building and the loss of stock type, etc caused by the excitement. A heavy wind was blowing at the time and when it was first discovered no one would have believed that it could be saved and had it not been for the heroic work of several of those present we doubt if it ever would have been.

The damage in all will be approximately \$400 with no insurance. We have moved our office into the restaurant building where you may find us at any time. Although our feathers were badly scorched and our nest nearly destroyed you will find us still endeavoring to give you a good local paper. The past week has seen us sorting out the "pie" that was caused by the "quick move", and if you know anything about the business you will know that we struck a job. The paper this week may not be up to the standard but we can assure you that here long you will see the "bird" soaring higher than ever and still boosting for the best in and town in the west.

SHOW DRAWS GOOD CROWD

Last Friday evening a good sized crowd of town and country people attended the "Old Maids Convention" in the I. O. O. F. hall. The performance started about 9 o'clock and from the start until the finish it was one continuous laugh.

The play represented a meeting of the "old maids" of Ekalaka and at the gathering it was loved, seconded, and "thirded" that their sole object was to catch a husband. Each one related their personal experience with certain batchelors around town and gave their opinion on his style and manner of courtship. During the "rush" hours of their meeting June Olsen as Prof. Wakeover endeavored to transform them from "old maids" into sweet young maidens, by simply turning them through his wonderful machine and from the results he obtained he "made good" his guarantee. As a whole the performance was well rendered, each and everyone rendering their parts in excellent shape. At the close of the show everyone went home well pleased with the entertainment.

The show was given by the Ladies Aid Society and it is needless to say that they were well paid for their services.

"TEEPEE DICK" APPREHENDED

"Teepee Dick," otherwise known as Richard Leswell, and who has been a fugitive from justice since last fall, was recently apprehended in Oregon by Sheriff Hugh Wells, and is now safely ensconced in the Custer county jail. Leswell is charged with grand larceny in connection with the theft of a horse from Joe Yale an Ekalaka citizen, the animal being afterward sold by him to Robert Aitchison, the liveryman, of this city. The prisoner maintains that he borrowed the horse, but a defense of this character is not always regarded with favor by gentlemen called upon to serve as jurors.—Miles City Messenger.

TO BE NOTIFIED OF THE LANDS

The Independent has received a communication from the department of the interior in reference to the entry of lands under the new act allowing parties to take an additional 160 acres or to take 320 where they have not used their rights. The instructions are given to receivers of land offices in this and other western states and the gist of the matter is this. "From time to time lists designating the lands which are subject to entry under this act will be sent you, and immediately upon receipt of such lists you will note upon the tract books opposite the tracts so designated, "Designated—Act February 19th, 1909". Until such lists have been received in your office, no application to enter should be received and no entries allowed under this act."—Independent.

LOCAL ITEMS ABOUT THE CITY

A deal was made this week through A. W. Lucas the livestock broker whereby John M. Holt of Miles City became the owner of the band of sheep belonging to John Laney. The band numbers about 3100 and the price paid is said to be \$5.75 per head.

Robert W. Newman of Missoula, Mont., and eastern Montana representative of the American Sunday School Union was in town Sunday. While here Mr. Newman established a Sunday school with John Oliver as superintendent.

The 90th Anniversary of the I. O. O. F. will occur on April 26th 1909. The local lodge of this town have made preparations to observe this day on Sunday April 25 by having services at the Christian Church at 11 a. m. Rev. John Oliver will conduct the services and the members of the lodge will attend in a body. The Canton will appear in full dress uniform.

DAILY MAIL LINE WANTED

The Stockgrowers and Business Men's Club met in the restaurant building last Tuesday evening and transacted considerable important business. The committee appointed at the last meeting to draft the by-laws reported their work and the same was accepted by the club. The first and third Tuesday nights of each month have been designated as the time for holding the regular meetings and the hour set was at 8 o'clock sharp.

After the adoption of the by-laws, the same committee was appointed to draw up a petition asking for a daily mail line between here and Baker, giving the reason why we need it, the benefits that will be derived therefrom and also the number of people who would be interested in it's establishment. It will show the pressing need of a daily service between these two points and will be sent to Congressman Pray with the expectations that he will act at once on the matter and use his earnest efforts in getting this done. Senator H. N. Sykes, and many other prominent men interested in the future of this country will use their influence in the establishment of this line and if we go at it right and show the government why we must have this service there is no doubt but that we will get satisfactory results. It is expected that the commercial club at Baker will aid us in this work and the petition will be circulated in that thriving town by them.

Geo. Boggs was appointed by the president to consult with the county commissioners at Miles City this week with a view of having the road repaired on what is known as the "Conger" hill southeast of town. This road is now in an unfit condition to travel over and is in such a shape that it is a disgrace to the country.

President Hedges appointed W. H. Peck to look over the chemical engine and have the same repaired where it was damaged during the fire last Saturday. After this the meeting adjourned until the first Tuesday evening in May which will come on the 4th.

SIXTY DAYS TO FILE

A communication from the department of the interior to the register of the land offices, states that any entryman who has filed upon land heretofore classed as non mineral or thought to be non mineral, will have sixty days in which to file upon the land, exclusive of the mineral rights, or to file a denial that the land contains coal of a workable value and request a hearing upon that question. The burden of proof will be upon the United States to show that the land does contain coal of a workable value, at such hearing.—Independent.

They Keep On Eating

You don't eat one meal and make that last a month. You keep on eating Van Camp's Pork and Beans.



We have them in the No. 1, 2, and 3 size, plain or with tomato sauce.

Try the Best Beans Once and Know How Good Beans Can Be.

Try Van Camp's PORK AND BEANS

YOURS FOR BUSINESS

W. H. PECK.

'Phone No. 4, On All Lines.

Mail Orders Receive Prompt Attention. TERMS: All accounts must be paid on first of the month. Positively no deviation from this rule.

IT PAYS

YOU TO USE THE BEST

We still continue to handle the best grade of Flour, made from our Northern Grown Hard Wheat that don't need bleaching. It costs a little more but you get the Value. Our Red River Valley Early Ohio Potatoes will be here in a few days. Seed Corn, Wheat, Oats, Barley, Timothy and Millett on hand. Corn Planters, Plows and all kinds of tools. Our prices are always right.

We Carry Almost Everything.

The R. C. Charters Company.