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Much Moisture During Week

This has been a sort of "Oregon week" in the Cut Bank section. It has rained every day during the week. Shower and sunshine have alternated and the condition of the crops is finer than at any like period since farming began in this section of Montana. The outlook simply could not be improved upon and there is unbounded confidence and good cheer over the outlook for a harvest that will establish new high records for this part of the West.

The heaviest rain of the season occurred last night, when 1.61 inches fell, according to the records of Voluntary Weather Observer Thomas. The precipitation for the week was 2.40, according to the same information.

Another shower about the time the crop is maturing will be sufficient, according to those who ought to know. As the Pioneer Press has before remarked, it rains just when we need it.

The citizens of the town will do all in their power to assist the local Grange in their celebration plans. This sentiment was expressed by the commercial club at its meeting on Wednesday evening. About seventeen members were present and a number of important matters were discussed, chief among them being that of urging early action on the part of the state land department in naming a date for a sale of state lots in Cut Bank. The committee chosen at the last meeting to draw up a set of by-laws and a constitution made its report and it was accepted. The club will soon start out under a new plan of organization, as befits such an organization in a town of growing importance, like Cut Bank. Modern and well appointed rooms will be fitted up; over the First National, and the club will then have a permanent home that will be the pride of its members and will afford an incentive toward more regular attendance. At the next meeting, Monday evening, July 4th, will occur the annual election of officers.

Pathfinder in Route

The A. A. A. Pathfinder car, in charge of Frank X. Zibel, of the Mitchel company, Mr. Stedman of the N. W. Automobile Magazine, Wm. Foreman of the Chicago Post, passed thru Cut Bank Wednesday morning and were accompanied to Glacier park by Cashier Taft. The run out from the Twin Cities was made in good time and there were no accidents consequence. The Cut Bank was forded successfully and upon arriving at the Park Manager Cathart, of the Hill interests at the Park was informed of the condition of the river and wired W. P. Kenney to the effect that some sort of bridging should be constructed over this stream. The coming tour is the topic of interest back east, the gentlemen in the Pathfinder assert.

Government Loses

If the reclamation service wants a tract of land on the Blackfeet reservation in connection with the St. Mary's project, it will have to acquire it by right of eminent domain or some other method. Judge Bourquin in the federal court today declared the suit brought by David La Breeche and G. W. Cooke against the United States and H. N. Savage, in favor of the plaintiffs. They had selected tracts that they wanted as parts of their allotments.

Personal

Harry & Sol, the enterprising haberdashers, are having M. A. O. Neil erect for them a cleaning house on Upper Broadway. It will be equipped with a washer, extractor, scouring bench, dry room, settling tanks and other fixtures found in a big city cleaning house and the boys will then be able to do the highest grade of work and in shorter time than at present.

A. J. King has been duly installed as collector of customs for the ports of Montana and Idaho, with headquarters at Great Falls, succeeding our own Johnny Bair, who will return to Choteau to resume the practice of law, with W. L. Verge.

John Hall was a business visitor at Brady last Sunday. John likes the appearance of the Brady section first rate—but of course it cannot compare with Headlight Valley in his opinion. "Travel where you may and when your train climbs the Baltic hill and you look thru the car windows and out upon this valley you quickly come to the conclusion that there is no section of the state quite as good as it" said John.

Jack Marshall stirred the green monster, envy, in the breasts of all disciples of the rod and reel when he returned from Belton Monday, packing an 8 1-2 pound Dolly Varden trout, the biggest trout ever caught in the Rocky regions, according to those who compile fish statistics. Jack is feeling pretty cheery over his mammoth catch.

Ethridge was hostess to a large crowd from Cut Bank on Saturday evening, the occasion being the dance given in the new implement hall. All that attended report a most enjoyable time, and are loud in their praises of the people of Ethridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. A. Perrine visited in Kalispell several days of the week.

Get a lot in the heart of Millersville today. See C. N. Thomas.

A large delegation of Cut Bank people spent Sunday at Glacier Park and spent a delightful day at the new hotel and its scenic surroundings.

Your money will be working while you are resting if you buy a lot in Jacobson's Addition while prices are so reasonable. B. R. McNamer

The large barn at Martin Tetrad's claim near Hay Lake was the scene of a very merry party on Saturday night of last week. A great many from town went out in autos and rigs to attend the dance. Martin acquitted himself as a host in enviable style and ably assisted by the Bergen girls who served the supper.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Brindley of Big Spring, Texas arrived in the city the first of the week, to take up residence on their claim in the Hay Lake country. Mrs. Brindley will be remembered by the people of Cut Bank as Miss Regan having spent the summer here last year with her brother, Ed Regan.

Miss Emma Croft returned on Saturday evening from her extended southern trip, and will resume her duties at the Halvorson store.

J. C. Benish attended the K. C. initiation ceremonies and banquet at Great Falls Sunday, returning Tuesday evening.

L. W. Robnett was a business visitor at Great Falls the first days of the week.

Will Benish is back on his homestead in the heart of Headlight. Mr. Benish recently finished a term of school at Dickenson, N. D.

Meet me tonight at Bob's Smoke House.

Bowery dance afternoon and evening, Brown's Hall, July 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ritchie are at present visiting at Park River, N. D.

Manager Tidquist reports that business at the laundry is increasing rapidly and everyone is satisfied with the quality of the work.

LOCAL GRANGERS WILL MANAGE CELEBRATION

Alert Farmers Organization to be Host to the Public on Independence Day. Well Balanced Literary and Amusement Program Prepared

The local Grange is going to demonstrate to the people of this community that it can play and help others to play as well as it can master the serious problems that it is called upon to solve.

The Grange is going to manage the Fourth of July celebration in Cut Bank and in this move it has the cooperation of all local citizens. Preliminary arrangements to take charge of the celebration were made last Saturday and further plans were perfected yesterday.

The celebration will not be on the old-time frenzied order, neither, will there be any restrictions upon mirth, and the folks from all the countryside are bidden to join in and give vent to their impulses of patriotism and free rein to their instincts for

Committee on Dinner Arrangements: Mrs. Callison, A. L. Michaels, H. A. Maltby.

Committee on Literary Program, Sports and Fireworks: D. S. Clark, T. E. Lewis, Chas. Ferres.

Citizens' Committee to Confer with Grange: Martin Jacobson, Dr. Hulbush, J. J. Miller.

Basket Dinner: Mesdames Gould, Gray, P. B. Anderson. Table Arrangements: Mrs. Ransom, Mrs. Maltby, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. O'Brien, Mrs. Jacobson, Miss Elgia Barrington.

Judges of Bucking Contest: W. O'Brien, Jack Whittecar, Austin Miller.

The Mysterious Man will be one of the novel and attractive features of the day's program. John Hall is offering a reward of \$5.00 to the person who finds him between 3 and 4 o'clock on the Fourth. He'll tell you all about it.

The Cut Bank Power Laundry is running on full time this week and under more favorable circumstances than at any time in the past. Mr. Tidquist, the new manager, seems to possess a thorough grasp of his new undertaking and is turning out a high quality of work. Tidquist has been connected with laundries at Great Falls and elsewhere for the past ten years and bears the very best credentials. To a Pioneer Press reporter who visited the laundry on Tuesday he declared that the equipment in the Ferres laundry was all that could be desired and capable of caring for the business of a town many times larger than this. Everything is working as smoothly as a sewing machine and Mr. Ferres feels that he has at last secured a competent and conscientious manager. He states that the old list prices will prevail and invites all old customers and those who have not yet given the laundry a trial to do so now.

Watch Millersville

Keep your Mind on Millersville! Didn't we tell you it would soon commence to bloom like a cactus flower upon the map of northern Teton. A couple of dozen business lots have been sold, an elevator site has been selected and soon there will be a number of business places established in the newest town in this region—and one of the most promising. Jim Miller, owner of the town, is selling lots almost daily and Chas. N. Thomas, local agent has sold several. Prices range from \$20 to \$50 and terms are easy.

pleasure. Following is the amusement program:

11:30 a. m. Automobile float parade from the school house.

12:30 p. m. Basket dinner in the school Gym.

Address, H. A. Maltby
Declamation, Mrs. T. J. Larson
Selection, John Graham
Reading, G. A. Bell

Vocal selection, Misses Nora Hulbush and Ada Maltby

2:30 p. m. Street sports:

50 yard dash, boys under 12 years; \$2 first and \$1 second.

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50 yard dash, ladies, \$2 first, \$1 for second.

100 yard dash for men; \$5 first and \$2.50 for second

Potato race, men; \$5 first, \$2.50 second

Tug of War, married men against bachelors; box of cigars. Captain married men, O. I. Grina, bachelors, B. R. McNamer.

3:30 bucking contest, \$10 to winner

4:00 p. m. baseball game, Grangers vs. Commercial Club; box of cigars. Captain Grangers, Rigney, Commercial Club, M. H. Worden.

Bryan's Sharp Retort

Great Falls Tribune

The Sioux City Tribune says that "when Mr. Bryan was on his way to the Pacific coast recently, some of his Nebraska friends, democrats of the opposite, boarded the train as it moved across the state and meeting Mr. Bryan, undertook to joke him over the grape juice incident.

"Got a bottle o' that grape juice in y'r gripe?" one of them asked. "No," said Mr. Bryan, "I don't particularly care for it, and only use it on occasions as a substitute for something worse. I have never kept or served strong drink at my home where my children were being raised, and my wife is entitled to a good share of the credit for it. We started out on that plan when we were married, and have kept it up thru all these years, and now, with her hair white with the passing of time and with grandchildren looking to us for example, I am not going to tell them that my present business requires their grandma to tend bar.

"Just as I might have expected," said the Nebraska joker, as he and his friends left the Pullman. "You never call that man with a taunt that he doesn't come back in a retort that puts him ahead of the game."

Mr. Bryan got a great deal of notoriety over that grape juice incident. He was as much surprised as any one over the publicity given to it. But it is not publicity that Mr. Bryan needs to regret. The public ought to know by this time that Mr. Bryan is not the kind of man that can be expected to bend his principles to precedent or custom. A good many persons may not agree with him as to his religious and moral ideas, but these generally admire the consistent way in which he clings to them. If Mr. Bryan believes that it is wrong for him to serve intoxicating liquors at his table, and he believes that, we could confidently predict in advance that no possible precedent of the past would shake him in his determination to refrain from that thing. It was this inflexible purpose to stand four square with every principle that his conscience approved regardless of the forces arrayed against him that brot to him the power and influence that he wielded and still wields with the rank and file of the democratic party.

The grape juice incident is of trifling moment, except as it illustrates again a phase of Bryan's character that accounts for his success in holding the confidence of the people. Of course the prohibitionists are pleased with his action, but millions of citizens who are not prohibitionists, and have no moral objections to serving wine or drinking wine, admire him for the trait of character that dictated his action in this case.

Hope a Director

David L. Hope, one of the solid and substantial farmers of the Cut Bank community, has been made a director of the Farmers' State Bank and that institution feels that in the new director it has a strong asset. Mr. Hope is the pioneer farmer of Headlight Valley, having come here from Bonners Ferry, Idaho, in 1902. He first embarked in the stock business and in 1907 began grain farming in a small way. In 1909 he was selected by the Great Northern to conduct their experimental farm and has operated it with signal success. He is today one of the leading dairy and stock farmers in this section. Mr. Hope has always manifested keen interest in the development of the community and in his new position may be depended on to lend his influence toward the advancement of this big and progressive section of the state.

Dance All Afternoon

Dance all afternoon and evening at Brown's Hall on July Fourth.

Valuable Data On Blackfeet

Immediately after receiving information concerning the segregation of the Blackfeet reservation lands and attaching same to the Kalispell land district, the secretary of the chamber of Commerce addressed letters to a number of public officials for information concerning the reservation, covering data as to the area, classification, valuation, etc., of said reservation. In a letter received under date of June 6th, from Congressman Tom Stout, the following important data, relative to the reservation, was received:

Area of the Blackfeet reservation, 881,288.17 acres allotted.

46,502.06 acres reserved.

44 acres agency land under irrigation.

122,500 acres, approximately, to be irrigated.

124,341.61 acres first class land.

Appraised value per acre, 10.00

151,553.46 acres second class land.

Appraised value per acre, 6.00

300,136.96 grazing land, third class.

Appraised value 2.50

44,240.06 acres timber land, reserved.

Number of Indians, 2,613

Names of tribes: Blackfeet, Blood and Piegan.

Number of allottees, 2,623.

Commended

Minnneapolis Journal, Republican
President Wilson's innovation of going to the Capitol when he wants to see Senators and Representatives appears to be working out well. As a time-saver it justifies itself. Instead of sending for twenty or thirty Congressmen to come to the White House by twos and threes, he simply goes to the President's room in the Capitol and sees them all at once. If there is any loss of dignity on the part of the Executive, it has not shown itself. President Wilson appears to have a quiet and effective way of preserving his dignity while doing the most democratic things. The dignity it appears is in the man himself. This is one thing that makes for the success of the Wilson experiment.

Wilkins-Sullivan

The marriage of William Wilkins and Miss Marguerite Sullivan occurred at Great Falls on June 20th, and the young couple are now residing on the groom's ranch south of Baltic. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins are well known and well thought of in Cut Bank and their friends in town and community are hoping that their wedded life may be replete with happiness and material prosperity. The groom has not appeared in this city since the happy event and when he does his pals here are apt to "frame up" a little demonstration in his honor.

Announcement

Every plan of financing the operations of the farmer has been worked out through his consent. It is said that the farmers of the state of Iowa own 80 per cent of the bank stock and a large proportion of the deposits in all Iowa banks.

We are pleased to announce that David L. Hope, the pioneer farmer of northern Teton county, has recently become a stockholder in the Farmers State Bank and that he has also qualified as a member of the Board of Directors. Mr. Hope was chosen for this office because of his qualifications. That his business affairs are conducted with intelligence and ability is seen in the undoubted marks of prosperity on his farm north of Cut Bank.

The Bank, in a sense, is your custodian. The character of the officers and the policy of conducting the bank are matters of first importance to depositors. Farmers State Bank will be known as conservative, progressive and responsible. All we ask is an opportunity to serve you, that we may prove the quality of our Banking Service.

Farmers State Bank

John S. Tucker, President
F. H. Worden, Cashier

Prize

A Life Subscription to the Pioneer Press will be given to the ball player that makes first home run in game between Grangers and Commercial Club on July Fourth.

In Federal Court

Federal court is now in session at Helena, Judge Bourquin presiding. Fifteen indictments were returned last Saturday, most of them being white slave cases.

William Tail Feathers was indicted on a charge of stealing a steer on the Blackfeet reservation April 16 last, belonging to Eli Guardapee.

Peter Little Plume was indicted on a charge of stealing a mare and horse valued at \$300, on the Blackfeet reservation Feb. 19 last. The animals belonged to David Pambrune.

In two counts W. F. McGillis is charged with introducing liquor on the Blackfeet reservation April 18 last.