

# BELT VALLEY TIMES

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For all His Mercies unto Us, May the Lord Make Us Truly Grateful



## HUBBER COW IS STATE CHAMPION

(From the Montana State College)

Ruth the black and white cow owned by Jude Hubber of Belt, member of the Cascade County Cow Testing association, is the champion milk and butter fat producer among the cow testing associations of Montana. For several months this Holstein has led the Cascade association and during the month of September she advanced to a place at the top of the entire state. During this month she produced 2400 pounds of milk and 91.2 pounds of butter fat. The month previous the grade Holstein "Lizzie" owned by Jans Jansma of the Yellowstone association was first with a production of 1736 pounds of milk and 88.6 pounds of butter fat.

Second place place for September went to "Sadie" another grade Holstein owned by Mr. Jansma, with a pounds of milk production of 1748.4 pounds of milk and 76.9 pounds of butter fat.

The Yellowstone County association has the highest average milk production for September with 715 pounds of milk per cow. The Lake County association was second with an average production of 675 pounds per cow. First place in butter fat production went to the Plains cow testing club with an average of 27.3 pounds per cow.

In the large herd class, Mr. Jansma was the winner with an average production per cow of 911.9 pounds of milk and 38.57 pounds of butter fat. Walter Peck of the Cascade association was second with 750 pounds of milk and 29.3 pounds of butter fat. In the small herd class consisting of herds of less than 15 cows Mr. Hubber was first with a average production of 1182 pounds of milk and 50.2 pounds of butter fat per cow. A. Senty of the Yellowstone association was second with a record of 1091 pounds of milk and 36.8 pounds of butter fat.

All of the leading cows and herds in the September monthly report are purebred or grade Holsteins. Miller, a Jersey cow owned by V. H. Oblinger of Lake County association placed third in individual butterfat production for the month.

The printer was responsible for the error in the price of Marrells Skinned Hams in D. Colgan's advertisement last week which was 22 1/2 cents per pound when it should have read 33 cents per pound.

## MCLEISH BUYS SKELTON RANCH

Stanford, Nov. 21—Papers went on record recently revealing an important deal in ranch property near Geyser. The transaction transferred the ranch known as the Dave Kernaghan ranch on Arrow creek, which was owned by Mrs. Wm. Skelton, to Frank McLeish. The consideration, according to the report was \$10,369.35.

The McLeish ranch is considered one of the best stock ranches in the western part of the country, with a large amount of irrigated hay land. The addition of the Kernaghan property increases the acreage held by Mr. McLeish to nearly 4,000 acres. The property adjoins the forest reserve in the Highwood mountains and with irrigated hay land makes of it one of the largest stock ranches of Judith Basin county.

## Fred Anderson Called

Fred Anderson, brother of Mrs. J. S. Pearson and J. W. Anderson Jr. died recently at Roundup of heart disease. He had visited his relative in Belt several times and was esteemed by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance.

Roundup, Nov. 22—Fred K. Anderson, 13 years a resident of this city; a marine during the World's war and a former pharmacist, was found dead in his room at the Sayre house expiring, as it afterwards developed from fatty degeneration of the heart.

Mr. Anderson had returned late Thursday night and did not rise Friday morning. Late in the afternoon Mrs. Sayre looked in the room but he appeared to be peacefully sleeping she did not disturb him. Saturday morning she again looked in the room finding Mr. Anderson still apparently asleep. Saturday evening when he had not awakened she became alarmed and asked Mr. Mayer to speak to him.

An examination of the room by the coroner showed that Mr. Anderson had prepared for bed in his usual manner, placing trees in his shoes, carefully folding his clothes and otherwise arranging his belongings for the night. He was lying lightly on his side, his muscles completely relaxed and one arm extended in a natural position. It was apparent that death had come painlessly while he slept.

## Thanksgiving

Today is Thanksgiving and throughout this broad land this is the day of feasting and thankfulness.

Many are prone to overlook the true significance of the occasion, boys and girls look forward to its joys and pleasures while older heads though often ashamed to acknowledge their gratitude still return to their Maker their meed of thanks for health, happiness and their share of prosperity.

To many, whose worldly affairs are none too prosperous, the disappointment in financial matters beclouds the reasons for thankfulness yet few there are to whom have not been vouchsafed blessings sufficient to call for reverent acknowledgement.

The peace which in most parts of the world broods over the earth making mothers safe in the possession of their sons. Reviving industrial conditions which promise a period of great financial prosperity. Fair crops at excellent market prices make for satisfaction and renewed hope.

Of all these things we are mindful. The Belt Valley Times is grateful for the generous support of its subscribers, for the patronage of its advertisers, for the ability to assist in bringing about improved conditions in the Belt Valley and for a moderately successful year. It is thankful for the fact that the best interest, as the editor sees it, of the people who dwell in the valley of Belt creek is its directing policy. May the new year bring added blessings to all of us.

Mr. and Mrs. Willison of Scobey visited their granddaughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Magnuson last week and made the acquaintance of their newest great grand daughter.

Donald Atkinson visited his wife at the Graybeal hospital last Tuesday.

Mrs. W. P. Pilgeram and daughter of Plains, Mont. are visiting Mrs. Louis Mitchell who is a sister of Mrs. Pilgeram. They will remain until after the holidays.

John Bumgarner of Great Falls and Ralph Bumgarner of Fife made a business trip to Belt Monday.



## ROAD GREW FINISH SURFACING ROAD

The Joscelyn-McAllister road surfacing outfit completed their contract on the Riceville-Monarch road on Saturday and on Monday pulled out for their next job near Pendleton, Ore. A large number of heavy trucks loaded with other equipment passed through Belt Monday morning.

This is one of the finest road outfits seen in these parts. They were equipped with modern machinery and whenever the weather was at all propitious they made the gravel fly.

The bad weather of early fall delayed them somewhat but considering this they made excellent time.

They were steady customers at local stores whose proprietors class them as A1 trade. They were prompt in meeting bills and their manager, Mr. Webster made many friends among local people while the truck drivers were welcome and frequent visitors in Belt.

## Bossy Is Shy of Horns

A bunch of us from the Methodist preacher to the Mayor of French Coulee dehorned a cow for George W. Stuffer Monday morning.

A suspicious gang carrying a halter and some kind of a weapon hidden in a gunny sack was the signal for the curious to follow to the Red McAnnelly barn.

They heard a continued harangue from the proprietor upon how gentle the cow was and how shy as they followed along.

Arrived at the barn the next thing was to get the beautiful animal with lines like a greyhound into the stanchion.

While the inquisitive peeked around the corner of the barn the cow edged farther and farther away. George explained to us that the cow was shy, very shy, and would not come while we were around and picking up a four-year-old club he went down into the pasture to drive bossie in. The next we saw of George he had attained to the top of the pasture fence and was shaking his club in Bossie's face. Evidently she was not shy at that instant.

Not long after our popular dray a powder horn when you can lay a man appeared with another club and at sight of him the Jersey turned and fled straight to her stall.

The executioner in the person of

## ROAD WILL COST 3500 DOLLARS

Rumors to the effect that the county had offered to build the road connecting Orr Coulee to the intersection of Lewis and Bridge streets for the insignificant sum of \$100 have been current about Belt for some months and the council have been blamed for their failure to accept this exceedingly generous offer.

The survey of the best route has been cross-sectioned and the results have recently been received by Mayor Millard.

The survey follows closely to the first bluff above Belt creek following the windings of the creek and rising by a grade practically five per cent to join the Orr Coulee road. It will cross three coulees near their mouths and will do but little damage to any of the fields crossed. In fact the location of the road will be advantageous to the owners of the land because it will cross only undesirable land and leaves pastures in one block.

County Surveyor Lockhart sent out maps and estimates on all the work. In order that the public might know the facts the letter and estimate is published.

Great Falls, Mont. Nov. 7, 1925. To the Honorable Mayor and City Council, Belt Montana.

Gentlemen;

The location and cross-section on the proposed road connecting Lewis Street with the Orr Coulee Road have been completed. You will see by the enclosed ownership plat and profile that there are no sharp curves on this road and the maximum grade is six per cent (6 percent). If you decide to construct this road I will set the stakes for you, and if you wish to let a contract for the work I will be glad to write the specifications and assist in any way I can.

Truly yours,  
H. B. LOCKHART,  
County Surveyor.

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Sam Krebs appeared, Bossie was traced up and her horns fell with a thump. They were picked up and carted home to make powder horns. It was said, but what anyone made a powder horn when you can lay a cold gold compact for a dollar in a puzzler. After the operation Bossie looked at George as if to say "If I had got you first."