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THE COLLEGE MOVEMENT.

The movement for a college for Billings, inaugurated yesterday afternoon, is one of the most important enterprises with which this city has ever been called upon to deal.

The thing for Billings to do, therefore, is to raise all she can. Mayor Yegen has generously started the movement with a contribution of \$1,000.

She will take advantage of it, we believe, else her people are blind to their own interests.

THE PRICE OF WOOL.

Unless woolgrowers are totally blind to the facts, they must see by the condition of the wool market today that the protection afforded their product by the Dingley tariff is powerless to maintain the price in the face of reduced demand as the result of a contracted money market.

The above, from a newspaper published in a community where woolgrowing is the chief industry, is astonishing, to say the least. But it is more astonishing still to hear our esteemed contemporary gibe about a "contracted money market," when British gold is flowing into this country by the hundreds of millions of dollars and the balance of trade is largely in favor of the United States.

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Excitement is to a certainty. Try on your theory at home, neighbor, but don't let the people know that you are the author of it if it is actually put into effect.

Last year Mr. Bryan, the investigator, the student and the philosopher, visited New England in search for economic conditions, the cotton-mill industry of that section at the time affording a fit subject for his comprehensive mind to dwell upon.

Some of the people of the country are trying to deceive themselves into imagining that it would meet the approval of the American people to have the United States retire from the Philippines and leave the islands in the lurch.

The Helena Independent, which has such a horror of trusts, almost had a convulsion fit the other day when it learned of the formation of the Amalgamated Copper company, with Marcus Daly as president.

The early settlement of the war in the Philippines will explode the anti-imperialistic issue of the democrat, while the report of the beef inquiry board deprives them of another alleged issue.

The intrepid Col. Fred Funston, who is fighting at Manila and whom some people have been unkind enough to compare with another western colonel, who didn't do any fighting, writes home: "I am afraid some people at home will be awake nights worrying about the ethics of this war, thinking that our enemy is fighting for the right of self-government, etc."

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ings is only demonstrating what she can do without a boom.

From present indications wool in Billings will be worth from 12 to 15 cents this season. That is not quite equal to the price paid last year, but it is as far ahead of the democratic free wool figures that the growers will have no kick coming on the Dingley tariff.

Bozeman Courier: The Billings Gazette last week entered upon its fifteenth volume, as bright and precious as a brand new double eagle. It is published semi-weekly, is ably edited, prudently managed and is republican to the core.

George E. Boss, publisher of the Missoulian, has been provided with a fat job, receiving the appointment of supervisor of printing the census. The place will last seven years, it is claimed, and carries with it an annual salary of \$3,500.

Ex-Gov. J. E. Rickards has been appointed supervisor of the census for Montana and will have the appointment of some 200 enumerators. The ex-governor is no doubt possessed of considerable executive ability and the work of taking the census of Montana, under his direction, will be well performed.

At the time of the Louisiana "ex-pension," \$15,000,000 was raised to buy from Napoleon a number of future states, such as large as Missouri. Now the residents of one city in Missouri contribute \$5,000,000 to celebrate that purchase, and the city itself will vote another \$5,000,000.

Organized labor, through the action of the Coeur d'Alene rioters, has received its death blow in Idaho. The unions have no one but themselves to blame for this state of affairs and the sympathy of the people is universally on the side of law and order.

Does anyone recall, within his personal recollection or reading, a time in which there were so few unemployed people in the United States, or one when the wages were higher or the price of the necessities of life lower?

CHURCH NOTES.

At the Congregational church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock the subject will be "The Real Need of the Gospel," and in the evening at 8 o'clock "The Christ Life."

The Salvation Army meets in the court house next Sunday at 3 in the afternoon and 8 in the evening.

At St. Luke's church next Sunday morning there will be morning prayer at 11 o'clock and evening prayer at 8 o'clock. Aldemar Commandery of Knights Templar are expected to attend the morning service in a body.

CATTLE COMING IN.

Col. Gould Says There Will Be Heavy Shipments to Billings.

Col. C. H. Gould, live stock agent for the Burlington, with headquarters at Miles City, visited in Billings yesterday, leaving this morning for Lincoln, Neb., on a visit to his family, who will probably return with him to Montana for the summer.

Sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned up to noon of the 3rd day of June, A. D. 1899, for the erection and completion of a two-story stone school building to be erected at Columbus, Mont., plans and specifications for which can be seen at the office of Geo. H. Simpson, clerk, Columbus, and at the office of the architects, Bell & Kent, Helena, Mont., on and after the 16th day of May, A. D. 1899.

H. I. Grant, Chairman. Attest: Geo. H. Simpson, Clerk.

PERSONAL POINTS.

Major E. H. Becker is up from Crow Agency today.

Mrs. Donald Fowler of Lawtown is the guest of Billings friends for a few days.

J. L. Fraser, wife and child of Columbus were visitors in the city Wednesday.

W. M. Johnston left Wednesday on a professional trip into Wyoming, south of Red Lodge.

Rev. F. O. Heltzer of Sheridan, Wyo., was in the city yesterday, the guest of Rev. W. D. Clark.

Sheridan Post: Captain McMillin spent a day or two in Billings and speaks very highly of our sister city.

H. P. Clement left this morning on a trip to his sheep ranch in Fergus county, expecting to be absent a couple of weeks.

Engineer C. H. Goddard of the Red Lodge branch left Tuesday for Livingston on a vacation, necessitated on account of ill health.

Attorney C. L. Merrill of Bridger was a Billings visitor Thursday on his way home from a trip to Miles City, which was his former home.

Sam Jackson, the big United States marshal, who makes his headquarters at Big Timber, was here on official business the fore part of the week.

Chas. Lawrence, a former resident of Billings, but who has been in Helena for the past ten years, has returned to this city to engage in the carpenter work.

T. L. Halbert of Halbert, Mont., is spending a few days in Billings, and on his return home will be accompanied by Mrs. Halbert, who has been in the city several weeks.

R. S. Chappell of Roberts was here Wednesday to meet his mother, Mrs. M. Chappell, and sister, Mrs. John Miles, who came out from Greenville, Ill., on a visit to relatives.

L. W. Stanley and wife, who have been here for the past five weeks representing the Montana Music company of Butte, left yesterday for Bozeman after a successful business sojourn.

Mrs. C. R. Hess, wife of Photographer Hess, arrived in Billings this morning from Winona, Minnesota, where she has been visiting relatives and friends prior to coming to this city to make her future home.

A. N. Grover, who has charge of the National cemetery at the Custer battlefield, was a Billings visitor a couple of days this week making preparations pertaining to the Decoration day exercises to be held there on May 30.

C. E. Emmerich, claims agent for the Northern Pacific railroad, whose headquarters have been at Glendive, has been transferred to Billings and has already located here. We are glad to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Emmerich to our city.

Geo. T. Lamport returned this week from a trip to his Bear creek ranch. He is now moving his household and farming effects thereto, preparatory to tilling the soil this summer, but his family will not go up for several weeks to come.

W. G. Kane returned to Billings Tuesday night from a trip to the Yakima valley, in Washington, and was accompanied by his family, who will make this city their future home. Speaking of the fruit outlook, Mr. Kane said that it was never better and that from present appearances there would be an abundant crop.

Dick Chandler and Miss Emma Jacobs were united in marriage Wednesday forenoon at the home of Mrs. S. K. Stockwell in South Billings, Rev. W. D. Clark officiating. The bride and groom are well known residents of the Musselshell, for which place they left the same day to make their future home. Mr. Chandler, who is a large stockowner, has numerous friends in Billings, who offer congratulations.

Second Lieutenant McCauley of the First Idaho regiment, which is stationed in the Philippines, passed through Billings Wednesday morning en route to New York on a leave of absence, expecting to return to Manila in about thirty days. Lieutenant McCauley is second lieutenant of company B, of which Fred Soule, a brother of Geo. Soule of this city, is a private. He says Fred is one of the best soldiers in the regiment and is liable to be promoted.

NOTICE.

Sealed bids for city sprinkling and team work on streets will be received by the undersigned up to 6 p. m. on Tuesday, June 6, 1899. The council reserves the right to reject any or all bids. For particulars apply to the street and sidewalk committee.

By order of the city council. J. B. Herford, City Clerk. Dated, City of Billings, Montana, May 8, 1899. 6-1-4

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