

### ANNUAL GRANGE STUNT NIGHT TO FEATURE TWO SHOWS SAT. NIGHT

The third annual Stunt Night, which is sponsored by the Kootenai Valley Grange, to be held Saturday, April 10 at the Junior High School Auditorium promises to be the best program yet given by Libby talent. The first performance will begin promptly at seven o'clock and the same will be repeated at nine, or as soon after as possible, the same evening.

Eleven organizations are prepared with stunt skits, musical numbers, etc. of not more than twelve minutes each. The program in full in the order that it will be given appears on another page of this paper.

The east entrance on the south side of the High School building will be reserved for contestants only. The west entrance on the same side will be for the public. Doors will be open at 6:15, and tickets for the first performance will be sold until all available space is taken. Those buying tickets for the second performance may wait in the gymnasium if they wish. Admission price is 60c for adults and 30c for children of eighth grade and under.

The place of each organization on the program was determined by drawing lots. Judges will be guided by a set of regulations or questions which were furnished to all contestants before they began preparation for the program. A competent group of three judges will determine the winner of the prizes of \$20, \$15, \$10, and \$5, for the first four places, which will be announced at the close of the second performance.

Members of the Grange in charge of preliminary plans are the following: J. F. Bowen, general chairman; Mrs. Art Shelden and Mrs. Hugh Slauson, program arrangements; Mrs. F. C. Robertson, publicity; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Grambauer, tickets; other members will assist in carrying out the final performance.

### To Give Quilt Away Saturday, April 10

It won't be long until that bright, wool-filled quilt that the Girl Scout Brownies have been selling chances on will be gone. Gone, too, will be the opportunity to help the girls out in this money-raising project. They have been working hard to sell tickets and have done quite well so far. However, if they do not raise enough money for camp by this means, they will have to undertake other projects to do so.

The drawing will take place next Saturday afternoon, April 10, at 3:00 o'clock, at the Gamble Store, where the quilt has been on display. Anyone who wishes to be on hand. However, it is not necessary to be present to receive the quilt.

Tickets will be sold downtown Saturday morning to give more people a chance to win the quilt and an opportunity to help out in a local cause.

Another feature of interest at the drawing will be the awarding of the prizes to the Brownie and the Girl Scout who sells the most tickets.

### Board Approves Tentative Budget

The Board of County Commissioners met the first of the week in a rather quiet session. The body approved the provisional budget for Lincoln County's county agent for the next fiscal year, subject to approval of the final budget.

A road petition was presented to the board, signed by Homer B. Hudson et al, asking for abandonment of a certain road known as the Sheldon Road to Gateway, County Commissioner P. V. Klinker and County Surveyor Ira Miller were appointed as viewers to view the road.

Chairman Mahoney of the board, in discussing present road conditions with the reporter, stated that in his opinion, the county is going through the hardest spring break-up of all times. He added that he is operating two shifts on road repairing.

The next meeting of the commissioners is set for Monday, April 19.

### Install Officers At Post Meeting

A good attendance was present last night at the installation of officers by Harper Erdman Post No. 1548 and its auxiliary. Following the installation of the two organizations officers, a luncheon was served to the members of both organizations.

The following officers of Harper Erdman post were installed with Post Commander Irvin B. Flesher serving as installing officer: Warren Brown, Post Commander; Charles Skranak, Senior Vice Commander; Joe Archer, Jr. Vice Commander; Fred Clark, Jr. Quartermaster; Joe Fennessy, Jr. Post Advocate; John Appellgren, Chaplain; Ira Miller, Surgeon; Harold Miller, trustee for coming term.

Mrs. H. M. Smith went to Colfax, Wash., for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Fay Dickerson.

### BERT DAVIS FILES FOR COUNTY COMMISSION

Last Friday Bert Davis, well known pioneer settler in the McGinnis Meadows country filed with County Clerk George C. Earle, for the office of Commissioner from the First District in Lincoln County. Mr. Davis who is a veteran of World War No. 1, and is filing on the democratic ticket, has the following comment to make regarding his candidacy:

"Having lived practically all my life in Northwestern Montana (Flathead County 1891 to 1900, and what is now Lincoln County, from 1900 to date) and having had during this time much experience in location, construction and maintenance of roads, as laborer, forest ranger, foreman or road construction, general foreman of road construction, and superintendent of road construction, and having been in a position much of my life which necessitated my using Lincoln County roads throughout the entire year, or at least such part of the year as they were passable, I feel that I am eminently qualified not only as to the kind of roads that are needed, but also as to how to build those roads.

"Let's not continue to throw good money after bad in a fruitless and expensive effort to maintain the kind of roads that we do not want."

### Telephone Company Has Libby Dinner

The employees of the Interstate Telephone Company in the Troy and Libby exchanges were guests of the Company at a dinner at the new Cafe on Wednesday, March 31. This dinner is an annual affair at which the Bonners Ferry group is usually included but due to road conditions such a combined event was not possible this year.

The annual employee dinners are held for the purpose of discussing current plant, traffic and commercial problems, which are continually arising. Mr. George B. Amas, Eastern District Manager, presided at this meeting and also spoke on the continuing growth of the physical plant of the Company and the number of held orders for telephones faced by the Company, as the primary problem of all. Mr. Amas also mentioned the Employees Credit Union which is now in a flourishing condition.

Charles N. Tyson, advertising supervisor spoke on the desirability of the use of courtesy in all phases of telephone work, saying that the older employees are doing a wonderful job of training the newer ones in the ideals of telephone service.

Attending from Troy were: Alice Metler and Edith Whitefield, while those from Libby were: Mr. and Mrs. E. E. McDevitt, Mrs. Helen Hood, Bethene Candee, Georgia Cottrell, Joyce Newman, Maxine Grantham and Barbara Read.

### W. G. Schagel Passes March 28 in Spokane

William George Schagel was born at Jeddo Junction, Michigan, May 10, 1875, and passed away at St. Luke's Hospital, Spokane, Wash., March 28, 1948.

After spending his boyhood and young manhood in Michigan and Minnesota, he came to Montana in 1898, settling in Flathead Valley, where he took up lumbering and sawmill work which he followed until his death.

On March 3, 1904, he was united in marriage to Theresa Catherine McGregor at Kalispell, Montana. This union was blessed with seven children; three daughters and four sons: Mrs. Hazel A. Staples, Spokane, Wash.; Manly, Sterling, Helen and Winifred of Eureka; Stanley of Binghamton, New York; and Bill Jr., of Kettle Falls, Wash. Surviving also are a brother, S. E. Schagel of Bellingham, Wash., and seven grandchildren.

Requiem Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father H. J. Delaney at Our Lady of Mercy Church and interment was in Tobacco Valley Cemetery.

The pallbearers were Burr Alverson, Jim Broderick, George Davis, Oscar Knight, Alec Donaldson and Frank Baney.

### PLACING OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS IS SLOW

There was a total of 187 persons in Lincoln County drawing on benefits of the Unemployment Compensation during the first week of March. During the same period 12 were placed in positions with five positions remaining open, according to information received from the office of D. O. Mount.

The first week of April there were 104 civilians and 102 veterans drawing benefits, with 12 being placed in employment.

**NOTICE**  
—Meeting Local 2662 Libby Moose Hall, Tuesday, April 13, 1948, 8:00 p. m.  
ALLEN GOODGAME Recording Secretary  
Miss Barbara Read, who recently came from Missoula, is now employed as an operator at the Interstate Telephone Co.

### DISTRIBUTION OF STATE TRANSPORTATION FUNDS TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Following is the way in which the state transportation fund in the amount of \$6,066.93 has been distributed to the school districts of Lincoln County by County Superintendent W. J. Anderson.

The distribution as of April 1 follows:

District No. 1 Troy	\$742.18
District No. 4 Libby	1,271.18
District No. 5 Cuffe	233.21
District No. 7 Warland	25.89
District No. 9 Gateway	166.59
District No. 12 Iowa Flats	75.84
District No. 13 Eureka	374.83
District No. 14 Fortine	232.59
District No. 15 McCormick	175.87
District No. 18 Pinkham	122.13
District No. 19 Tooley Lake	99.99
District No. 23 Sylvanite	99.34
District No. 33 Trego	104.05
Troy High School	373.05
Libby High School	767.93
County High School (Eureka)	1,202.46
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,066.93</b>

### Former Librarian Passes in Arkansas

Word has been received by Mrs. Ned Joughin of the death of Vera J. Snook on March 1st in Little Rock, Arkansas. Miss Snook was Librarian of the Lincoln County Free Library from May 1922 to September 1925. The Library was in its infancy when she came and her ability and efforts in organizing the work for county-wide service laid the foundation for its continued success. While here she selected for purchase five thousand books which set a high standard for the future of library work in Lincoln County.

She was very active in the Libby Woman's Club and other civic affairs and it was recognized that she did one of the largest single pieces of educational work in the County.

After leaving Libby, Miss Snook accepted the position as head librarian at the Little Rock Public Library, Little Rock, Arkansas, which place she held until her death. She was influential in creating the Arkansas State Library Commission through legislation, and acted as Chairman for the Commission for several years. Her work in that capacity helped improve library service all over the state. Her own library at Little Rock was recognized as one of the outstanding ones in the country for its size.

Dr. Ira Sanders, as president of the Little Rock Library, issued the following statement:

"In the passing of Vera Snook, Little Rock's intellectual and cultural life has sustained a tragic loss. As long as the Little Rock Public Library will exist, it will stand as a monument to Vera Snook."

A Vera Snook Memorial Fund has been started in Little Rock.

### FOREST SERVICE EMPLOYS 22 ADDITIONAL WORKERS

With the Spring breakup has come the hiring of 22 men by the Forest Service for general placement, with 14 coming from Libby, 3 from Troy, 2 from Rexford, and one from Eureka, and one from an outlying district.

### SNOW MEASUREMENTS SLIGHTLY LESS

Snow measurements taken in the Bluebird Basin near Rexford by the Forest Service in March was slightly less than that taken last year at this time. Average snow was 100.75 inches and the average water content was 36.82 inches.

### HOSPITAL NOTES

Born:—To Mr. and Mrs. Verle Olson April 1, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kins, Rexford, April 2, a son.

Admitted:—Mrs. Russell Miller, Rexford, April 1 for surgery.

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**Grand High Priest Addresses Masons**  
Ralph N. Lodge, of Helena. Grand High Priest, Royal Arch Masons of Montana, was the principal speaker last Saturday at the district meeting which was held in Libby. He spoke on the "Responsibility of the Masonic Order in the Prevention of War." A banquet was served at 6:00, there being 80 plates.

### Tea Honors Mrs. M. R. Karnes

Nineteen members and 15 guests attended the tea given in the lounge room of the Vet's Club on Army Day in honor of Mrs. M. R. Karnes, recently selected as Libby Mother by the VFW Auxiliary of Harper Erdman Post, No. 1548.

A speech, given by Mrs. Ruth Baenen on Army Day, started the program, with Mrs. Sylvia McGrew then playing several selection on her accordion. Mrs. Lucy Vartanian gave a reading on the flag, "God Bless America" was sung by all.

Following this, tea was served with delicious cakes trimmed in red, white and blue.

Mrs. Karnes gave a very appropriate response to the occasion. Visiting was enjoyed by all. Guests included Mrs. M. R. Karnes, Mrs. James B. Clowers, Mrs. Charles Noel, Mrs. A. H. West, Mrs. Helen I. Blew, Mrs. Fred Metzger, Mrs. Willis Fields, Mrs. Elmer Switzer, Jr., Mrs. Lloyd A. Corbett, Mrs. Robert McGrew, Mrs. J. C. Brewington, Mrs. Nellie McGrew, Miss Edith Bath, Mrs. Lee Englund, and Mrs. Leo. Schmuach.

Members present were Emma Rubard, June Clark, Rose Brown, Nellie C. DeRosia, Florence Ganache, Lucy Vartanian, Florence E. Collinson, Jennie Quien, Irene Peterson, Ethel Van Horn, Ella R. Ayotte, Mabel Solem, Lorna Hilbrud, Marion Miller, Ruth Baenen, June Stephenson, Lona McCallum, Blanche Guenther and Mabel Whitefield.

### Senior Class to Present "Jane Eyre"

The Senior Class of Libby High is proud to present the culmination of six weeks of work on speech, acting, properties—in a classic representation of "Jane Eyre."

Not only is the dramatization an authentic and faithful version of the book by Charlotte Bronte—but the seniors here spent perhaps more money than has even been spent by a school of the size of Libby—to obtain authenticity in costume and settings.

Jane Eyre is perhaps unusual in the local presentations of high school plays because it depicts the greatest love story of the century—yet in a reserved, dignified and idealistic manner.

Instinctively a young girl sets before her some standard of perfection and consciously or unconsciously she strives to emulate the graces and virtues of this ideal. Sometimes it is a mother who serves as her model, or a superlative elder sister; or it may be a glamorous actress or some dynamic feminine figure of the day. But, as a general rule, a girl forms her ideal conception from some very appealing character in fiction. It is a safe assumption that, inevitably, when she turns the pages of "JANE EYRE", that immortal book by Charlotte Bronte, and acquaints herself with the heroine, she will have no thought of looking further for a pattern of feminine perfection. For the character of "JANE EYRE" is adorned with all the charms and graces and virtues that any young lady could ever hope to aspire to. Would you like to see her run the gamut of emotions from joy to despair, from horror to ultimate peace and happiness? Would you like to judge for yourself the qualities that have endeared this heroine to lovers of literature throughout the world? Then don't fail to attend the dramatization of "JANE EYRE" which is to be presented by SENIOR CLASS OF LIBBY HIGH, in JUNIOR HIGH AUDITORIUM, April 15 and 16.

### Scout Cub Pack to Entertain Public

E. M. Welton, chairman of the Libby Cub Scout committee, announces a pack meeting for 8:00 p. m. Friday, April 9, at the New Central Auditorium. Each den will put on a portion of the program, and individual Scouts will receive their Bobcat pins.

There will be a display of both individual and den projects from Libby's four dens. Den mothers are: Mrs. Frank Ayotte, Den No. 1; Mrs. Richard Rayome, Den No. 2; Mrs. Ed Osthell, Den No. 3; and Mrs. Babe McCallum, Den No. 4.

All parents and the public, stated Mr. Welton, are urged to attend and see what Cub Scouting is all about.

### Freak Trick Comes On Ling Line

The usual seasonal interest is being shown by "ling" sportsmen now, with success being reported from many of them, along with the general hard luck stories.

Jonas Bucannon had a ling which he was showing to his friends that was of unusual interest though. When he went after his lines he pulled in a ling measuring about two feet which had hooked itself in devouring the bullhead used as bait. All three of the fish were still in this uncomfortable position when Mr. Bucannon pulled out his line.

Mrs. Dan Rayome has recovered from an attack of flu and is able to be out again.

### FOREST SERVICE AND NEELS PLANTING CHERRY CREEK

Forest Service crews are planting seedlings on the Cherry Creek flat, west of the creek at present. They will plant approximately 80,000 ponderosa pine and 40,000 Douglas fir on the fireburn of 1945.

The J. Neels company are also planting their land east of the creek along the highway which was burned off at the same time. They will put in approximately 40,000 ponderosa pine seedlings.

As soon as weather conditions permit, the Forest Service will begin the planting of about 200 acres to ponderosa pine in the Cripple Horse Creek area near Warland.

### NARROWLY MISSES TAKING OFF HIS LITTLE FINGER

Jack Homann, son of Walt Homann, had the misfortune to badly injure the little finger of his left hand last Sunday when a sawed-off long barrel .22 rifle accidentally discharged.

The bullet grazed his finger length wise making a deep cut.

### Shawl-Plath Wed Friday Evening

In a simple candle-light ceremony at the First Methodist Church on Friday evening, April 2nd at seven o'clock, Lois Ann Shawl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. G. Shawl of this city, became the bride of Warren Plath, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Plath of Markville, Minn.

Miss Edna Mae Baeth was the bride's only attendant while Wilbur Johnson served as best man. Richard Slauson, a cousin of the bride, was usher for the occasion. Mrs. Hugh Slauson played soft music during the ceremony and at the strains of Lohengrin wedding march the bride entered on the arm of her father who gave her in marriage.

The bride was attired in a white wool gabardine dress of street length with matching hat trimmed with a tulle veil and carried a bouquet of talisman roses. Her maid of honor was also in white, with colored accessories.

The church was tastefully decorated with white lilies and hydrangea.

The bride attended Libby High School and the groom's attendance at Markville was interrupted by a call into the service.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hiatt, the latter being an aunt of the bride. Thirty of the immediate members of the family and a few close friends were present. The bridal couple then left, amid a shower of rice and old shoes, for Minnesota for a month's honeymoon after which they will be at home on May 1st in Libby.

### Bull Lake Woman Passes at Home

Mrs. Emma Letha Coxon was born in the state of Wisconsin, July 19, 1872 and passed away at her home in the Bull Lake district April 3, 1948 at the age of 75 years, eight months and 24 days.

She became the wife of Fred W. Coxon at Winnipeg, Canada, July 12, 1904. They moved to Troy in 1946 and have resided in the Bull Lake district since.

The deceased is survived by her husband, her aged mother, Mrs. Edwina A. Stanley, both residing in the Bull Lake district; one daughter, Mrs. John Nagle, International Falls, Minn.; two half-brothers, Roy Talmadge, Libby and Harry of Bull Lake, and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held from the Gompf Funeral Home, April 6 at 2 p. m. with the Rev. Wm. C. Stearns officiating.

Mrs. Wm. C. Stearns and Mrs. Gleason Pilcher sang "Face to Face" and "Sunrise" with Mrs. Pilcher at the piano.

Pallbearers were friends and neighbors from the Bull Lake district.

Interment was in Milnor cemetery near Savage Lake.

### City Passes An Assessment Ruling

At the meeting of the City Council Tuesday evening a resolution was passed, with a hearing still to be held at the May meeting, to assess \$5.00 per business lot and \$1.20 per residential lot for the new lighting system which will be installed in the whole city of Libby.

A resolution was also passed to place a \$2.50 assessment per lot for sprinkling and oiling of streets.

Other minor matters were discussed.

### FOUR CLUB MEETS

The "4-L" Club met on Wednesday, March 31, at the home of Mrs. W. C. Stearns, with Mrs. Fred L. Roque and Mrs. Don Olson assisting. Mrs. Richard Griffith led the devotionals and Mrs. Lee Harmon gave a review of the book, "Behold Your King" by Florence Bauer, which was enjoyed by the group. In the absence of both the President and Vice-President, the Secretary, Catherine Zellers, conducted the business session, after which the group practiced their stunt for the annual Grange Stunt Night. Refreshments were served to 17 members.

### LINCOLN ELECTS SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS SAT.

County Superintendent W. J. Anderson has released the following returns from the county's school elections held last Saturday:

- Trustees Elected:
- District No. 1—Troy: W. P. Zimmermann 3 year; Glen Maddux 2 year; Warren Wallace 1 year
  - District No. 4—Libby: William Powell 3 year; Agnus Brennan 3 year
  - District No. 5—Cuffe: George Shea, Jr. 3 year
  - District No. 6—Jennings: E. M. Slauson 3 year
  - District No. 7—Warland: George Bentley 3 year; Jerome Filiatreau 1 year
  - District No. 8—Rexford: Gordon Leigh 3 year; Mrs. Archie Thompson 2 year
  - District No. 9—Gateway: M. A. Stark 3 year
  - District No. 10—Glen Lake: Has not reported
  - District No. 11—Manicke: Ernest C. Davis 3 year
  - District No. 12—Iowa Flats: O. S. Teigen 3 year; Henry J. Lenarz 1 year
  - District No. 13—Eureka: Mrs. Ruby Stevens 3 year; Melvin Hansman 3 year
  - District No. 14—Fortine: Donald Weydemeyer 3 year
  - District No. 15—McCormick: Virgil Jore 3 year
  - District No. 18—Pinkham: Mrs. Alta Workman 2 year; Horles Bergette 3 year
  - District No. 19—Tooley Lake: Harold E. Butts 3 year
  - District No. 23—Sylvanite: George Styren 1 year; Forest Sand 3 year
  - District No. 24—Yaak: Jack West 3 year
  - District No. 53—Trego: Ernest Mee 3 years

The following special levies were approved last Saturday by the voters of the respective districts:

- Dist. No. 8—Rexford 12 mills
- Dist. No. 9—Gateway 20 mills
- Dist. No. 11—Manicke 8 mills
- Dist. No. 14—Fortine 3 mills
- Dist. No. 15—McCormick 27 mills
- Dist. No. 18—Pinkham 10 mills
- Dist. No. 19—Tooley Lake 15 mills
- Dist. No. 23—Sylvanite 10 mills
- Dist. No. 24—Yaak 5 mills
- Dist. No. 53—Trego 22 mills

### Methodst Church To Build Annex

Announcement has been made of plans to erect an annex to the present building of the Libby Methodist Church, to cost in the neighborhood of \$12,000. The project, which has been made necessary by the increase in membership during the past two years, and the expanded program of activities carried on by the Church, was unanimously approved by the congregation at a Church Conference following the worship last Sunday.

The new building will add 24 feet to the length of the present building, and will be 50 feet in length, extending across the entire rear end of the white frame edifice which has served the congregation since about 1909. The main floor of the annex will have two large Sunday School rooms and a church parlor which will also double as a classroom. There will be provision for a music-library, and robing facilities for the choir. In the basement will be a modern heating unit for the entire church plant, an up-to-date kitchen, toilets, and a social room which can be used as a dining room to seat 100 or a lecture room for an audience of 250.

Arrangements are now being made for the financing of the project, which will be carried on simultaneously with the working out of minor details of the plans, and other preliminaries to the construction, which is expected to start in about a year. The building committee consists of Elwood L. Brown, chairman; W. E. Dexter, S. Kyle Beebe, W. M. Hiatt, Raymond A. Cole, Bob DeRosia, Mrs. S. A. Rasmussen, Mrs. S. N. Plummer, Mrs. J. C. Midyett, Mrs. Durward Bollinger, and Rev. W. C. Stearns. There is also a Building Fund Committee made up of Fred H. Maurer, chairman; W. R. Littell, Mrs. Orlo Johnson, Mrs. J. C. Midyett, and one other member to be selected.

### Discuss City Water At Gr. Libby Ass'n

The Executive Committee of the Greater Libby Association was called together by Chairman Carlton Joughin last Thursday evening at the Library. The main matter for discussion was the proposed City of Libby purchase of the local water system. The Committee voted to recommend that the City Council continue their investigation of the advisability of City purchase of this local system now owned by the Mountain States Power Company.

The secretary was instructed to write to member organizations asking them to discuss the matter with their groups and send their recommendations to the Executive Committee. Several other items on the Committee's agenda will be discussed at a meeting to be held in the near future.

Mrs. Jerry Lincoln went into Spokane Monday for a few days.