

BUSINESS MEN HEAR IRVING

INDUSTRIAL ENGINEER MAKES
SPLENDID TALK AT THE
NOONDAY LUNCHEON.

THE BUDGET SYSTEM IS EXPLAINED

Plan Meets With Enthusiastic Support of All—Would Make Organization Strong and Democratic City Club for Everyone—Lecture Tonight.

One hundred Lewistown business men gathered at the Bright hotel Monday noon to have luncheon and listen to the initial talk of George B. Irving, industrial engineer and commercial club promoter. A half an hour of the luncheon time was invigorated by music of the Moose band, which played immediately in front of the hotel door. The services of this organization were volunteered for the week's public meetings and the Chamber of Commerce is greatly indebted to its brightening assistance.

President George J. Wiedeman of the Chamber of Commerce introduced Mr. Irving at 12:30 o'clock, and for an hour he held the attention of his auditors. The principal theme of his talk was the "Budget System of Chamber of Commerce Finance," which he explained in detail, so that the men before him followed his discourse without any question in their minds concerning the matter which he was presenting to them. Mr. Irving is a firm believer in the maximum commercial club as the greatest community conservator in existence, this club being built up upon the budget scheme. His talk yesterday was instructive and at the same time so entertaining that his following included every individual seated at the luncheon tables. When an expression of favor or disfavor of the budget plan was called for, every man declared himself for it, and with that demonstration of support, it seems now almost an established fact.

Some of the results of the budget system, Mr. Irving states, are:

"First—Imposition on merchants and professional people is stopped; that is, the merchant is absolutely freed from the fake advertiser, etc."

"Second—Local giving is standardized. One of the biggest of American cities saved \$165,000 last year in charities in this way."

"Third—The budget plan of town boosting equalizes local giving, etc. Everybody is asked to give to the budget, both private citizens as well as the business men."

"Fourth—It means a great saving of time and energy by business men who otherwise must leave the office whenever an individual celebration or charity is wanted. This alone is worth the budget campaign."

"Fifth—And the budget plan makes the commercial club 'it' in the town. Once upon this plan, always upon it."

In brief, the budget covers all public contributions, religious organizations being excepted. The budget plan, according to his outline "makes the commercial club a great democratic club, inclusive rather than exclusive, where all citizens of all classes can meet in fellowship, a big community brotherhood; such a local institution can settle many misunderstandings." And again, "the commercial club is made a local power by being a clearing house of local subscriptions, celebrations, charities, donations, social welfare, etc., as well as industrial effort, all passing through the commercial club, thus eliminating petty and intolerable begging in store and office by anybody who has the temerity to start a subscription paper."

Other Subjects.
Mr. Irving did not confine his talk to the budget system alone. In his first words he spoke enthusiastically of Lewistown and its environs, offering flattering predictions of its prosperous industrial future. He made a plea for serious community development along the lines of social betterment—churches, schools, playhouses, playgrounds, spots of beauty and the like. He cited examples of other cities whose progress had been steadily effected along the lines he advocates by united endeavor to keep the dollars at home.

Membership Campaign.
In estimated figures, about \$12,000 a year is required to operate the entire commercial club business under the budget plan. For this amount it will be necessary to have a membership of 1,200 and for this purpose, there have been 30 teams of membership volunteers organized from the present club members, each team being responsible for a certain number of names allotted them. These teams will meet at the Judith club rooms at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon to receive all necessary instructions, and they will begin their campaign tomorrow morning bright and early. Their first reports will be made at the noonday luncheon, to be held Wednesday at the Fergus hotel, and it is expected that this thing alone will arouse a lot of real interest from all points. The teams will be supplied with membership agreements, a copy of which is herewith given:

Membership of Chamber.
"I, the undersigned, a citizen of Fergus county, Montana, herewith agree to and do subscribe for memberships in the Lewistown Chamber of Commerce, for which I agree to pay ten (\$10) dollars for each membership annually, payable 20 per cent. March 1, and not to exceed 10 per cent. per month thereafter each year, for a period of three years, providing that if I remove from the county that my membership ceases upon such removal. I agree also to refer all solicitors for charities and schemes and general public donations during the life of this contract to the budget committee of the said Chamber of Commerce, and will not contribute to same unless released by said budget committee, it being understood that I am free to contribute personally to such local societies, of which I am a member."

"I hereby authorize draft to be made upon me for the various amounts as they shall become due, at the bank of Lewistown, Montana, and do authorize said bank to charge my account therewith."
"Date _____"

"Signed _____"

"Solicitors: _____"

Lecture Tonight.
Tonight at the Myrtle theater occurs the biggest meeting of the entire week and a community conservation lecture by Mr. Irving on "Lewistown's Opportunities." This lecture will specifically treat of Lewistown just what its possibilities are and what may be achieved within its boundaries. "The glory of America is to be wholesome city life," Mr. Irving has said upon one occasion, and he believes he knows what he is talking about. At any rate, he claims he does, and he wants to convince every progressive citizen that he is right. The red booster buttons, which are being distributed throughout the city at a sum of 25 cents, are the requisite badges of admission. Over 500 of them have been disposed of and there are enough for all. Over 200 were sold yesterday and by tonight they should be all gone. Every wearer will be admitted to the theater without further fee. These buttons have been put on sale at the Arto, the Bank-Electric cigar store, the Alta and the Colonial, and may also be obtained at the Chamber of Commerce office.

The luncheon at the Fergus hotel tomorrow noon should be attended by at least 200 men. Tickets will be on sale likewise at the above-mentioned places, and no one should overlook purchasing them. There will be some very interesting matters brought up at this Wednesday luncheon, and a large attendance is necessary. Listen for the band tomorrow noon and do not forget where its summons leads.

SEIZE COPPER ON WAY TO SWEDEN

LONDON, Feb. 22.—(9:13 p. m.)—The seizure of a considerable quantity of unwrought copper for Sweden, which was brought over in two neutral and three British ships, came up before the prize court today. The counsel for a Swedish company said he was authorized by the Swedish minister to say that the copper was urgently needed in Sweden to fill government contracts. He asked for an undertaking by the British government that the government would not use it before a legal settlement was reached.

The attorney general said the British government, while it was prepared to act reasonably in the matter, could not give such an undertaking. If the Swedish minister desired to make any representations, he added, he must do so through the foreign office. The case was adjourned on the application of the attorney general.

TRIAL OF \$50,000 BREACH OF PROMISE CASE A SENSATION

A very sensational court proceeding was witnessed last night, this being nothing less than the trial of the noted case of Miss Mary Brown against Edward Kottas to recover \$50,000 damages for breach of promise. Much interest was manifested in the trial, a large crowd being out to witness it at the State Business college. A. J. Maritz was on the bench, and while his rulings were not all in exact accordance with the principles laid down by Kent, Blackstone, Greenleaf, Marshall and the other legal lights, they possessed much originality, which gave them an added interest. The constables, Messrs. Housel and Skochpol, showed some new wrinkles in the matter of handling the witnesses, and the bailiff, Franz Culver, was quite as impressive as St. Slocum. Mr. Krause and Tom Ivins acted as attorneys for the defendant, while Messrs. Cox and Baker represented the fair plaintiff. Both sides fought to the last ditch, and there was a constant display of verbal fireworks. Each side had three witnesses and witty witnesses they proved. Prof. T. O. Owen's testimony as an expert on disputed handwriting added to the gaiety of the occasion. The jury announced a verdict, through Foreman Dodge, in favor of the plaintiff. Following the mock trial refreshment were served.

FIRE DESTROYS PRINTING PLANT

REGISTER AND LEADER AND THE
TRIBUNE OF DES MOINES
LOSE THEIR OUTFITS.

LOSS WILL EXCEED \$200,000

DES MOINES, Iowa, Feb. 21.—The building and entire plant of the Register and Leader, morning, and Des Moines Tribune, afternoon paper, here, were destroyed by fire early today. The loss exceeds \$200,000, about three-fourth of which was covered by insurance.

The origin of the fire is not certain. It broke out about 7 o'clock after the night force had left and one report was that a newsboy in the circulation room in the basement had dropped a lighted cigarette in some waste paper. This could not be verified, however. Gardner Cowles, publisher and principal owner of the two papers, said tonight the plant would be rebuilt immediately. Temporary quarters in the Des Moines Daily Capital offices were accepted by Mr. Cowles, and no issues of either the Register and Leader or of the Tribune will be omitted.

Butler (to Rev. Dr. Priestly): No, sir, Mr. Baker cannot see you today. He's very sorry indeed, sir, but he's too well now to see any of the clergy.—Life.

CHIEFS OLD POLK AND OLD POSEY

INDIAN BRAVES AND THEIR FOL-
LOWERS DEFYING ARREST
BY UTAH OFFICIALS.

UNITED STATES TROOPS NOT NEEDED

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 22.—The following telegram, sent from Moab, Utah, by Lorenzo D. Creel, special Indian agent for Utah, was received at his office here this afternoon:

"Last report three more Indians captured. Posse awaiting orders. Nebeker is on his way from Grayson to Bluff and promises information at once if line is repaired. He wires me to hurry through with Cook, (assistant United States district attorney), bringing all manacles at Moab. He denies rumor he ordered troops. Local posse sufficient. Am sending relay team for Cook. Sheriff of Grand county is assisting me in planning relays to Bluff. Cook and myself will proceed night and day until we reach Bluff, 120 miles from here. Snow deep. Am keeping Indian office advised."

A telephone message received from L. B. Redd, cashier of a bank at Grayson, advised that nothing definite had reached there today from Bluff. He said the telephone wires, which were cut by "Old Posey's" band of renegade Indians yesterday between Bluff and Grayson were still down but that the repair men were out to restore connection. The weather has cleared at Grayson today, he said, so that the posses assembling at Grayson would attack Bluff as there are enough to cut off the retreat of the Indians if they should try to escape through the hills. Some of the Indians of the neighborhood continue friendly with the whites and say they will not join the bands under "Old Polk" and "Old Posey."

BLUFF, Utah, Feb. 22.—(Via Cortez, Colo.)—Five members of the original posse of 26 led by United States Marshal Aquila Nebeker, in battle here with 52 Piute Indians and 40 of "Old Posey's" band, have become detached from the posse and are isolated in the rimrocks two miles from Bluff. The Indians have taken refuge in Cottonwood gulch. This information was brought here late today by Thos. M. Burke, a member of the posse. The five men, Murray Williams, Frank Wheeland, Roy Moore, Dick Lewis and Roscoe Houston, are well supplied with ammunition, but have been without food or water since the battle opened early Sunday. An effort to locate the men is expected to be made upon the arrival early tomorrow of reinforcements. A band of 20 men is expected from Monticello and Indian Agent Kurch of Ship Rock, N. M., agency, reported today that 25 Navajo police are en route horseback. A snow storm has been raging for hours.

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 22.—United States District Attorney W. W. Ray said today that outlaw Indians captured in the vicinity of Bluff will be arraigned before the United States commissioner Grayson on charges of conspiracy to prevent the service of a federal process and unless they provide bonds will be brought to Salt Lake City to await trial. The offense is punishable by five years' imprisonment. It is possible that some of the Indians also will be prosecuted in the state courts on charges of murder, as a result of the shooting of Joseph C. Aiken.

DURANGO, Colo., Feb. 22.—Five Indians and one white man have been killed, one white man wounded and six Indians taken prisoners in the battle between a band of Piute Indians and a posse, seeking the arrest of Tse-Ne-Gat, leader of the Indians. This information was received here late today from Bluff, Utah. It was said that fighting had been resumed within half a mile of the town and that the wickiups, or huts of Tse-Ne-Gat and his father, "Old Polk," have been captured by the posse. Mancos Jim, a Ute chief, tried to persuade the Piutes to surrender "to save the squaws and children" but was met with refusal.

Telephone advices stated that troops passed through Moab, Utah, shortly after noon today for Bluff. A report that troops had been asked was denied by Marshal Nebeker.

INQUIRE INTO SINKING OF SHIP

LONDON, Feb. 23.—(3:20 a. m.)—A Copenhagen dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company says that the Norwegian government has instructed the Norwegian minister at Buenos Ayres to forward details of the sinking of the bark Semantha.

Recently the German steamship Holger, arriving at Buenos Ayres with the passengers and crews taken from several steamships and sailing vessels which had been sunk by the German auxiliary cruiser Kronprinz Wilhelm in the South Atlantic. One of the ships mentioned was the Semantha, of which the marine registers have no record and it is presumed that the vessel in question was the Semantha, which was in those waters about that time.

TAKES REFUGE ON DUTCH SHIP.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—Davilmar Theodor has abdicated as president of Haiti and taken refuge on a Dutch steamer, Frederick Hendrik at Port au Prince. The steamer will proceed to Curacao.



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It is a ready chew, cut fine and short ahead so that you won't have to grind on it with your teeth. Grinding on ordinary candied tobacco makes you spit too much.

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REAL RED MEN IN CONVENTION

COLONIZATION AND CO-OPERATIVE
SCHEMES CONSIDERED
AT TACOMA MEETING.

FORM AN INDIAN LAND COMPANY

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 2.—Colonization and co-operative schemes were touched on today at the meeting of the Northwest Federation of American Indians in formal convention here. It was decided to form locals of the organization west of the Cascades and to forward to the department of Indian affairs at the national capital various reports of the different Indian tribes, a number of which complained that they were never taken care of in federal land allotments.

The colonization scheme originated with Phillip Howell, a well-known orator among the Indians and a member of the Chiaman tribe. It contemplates the incorporation of the Indians in a land company, stock to be sold only to red men who desire to live on the company land and engage in a co-operative scheme of poultry raising and agriculture. To help start the company, claim was to be made on the government for money asserted to be due the Indians from the sale of timber on Indian lands. The plan is to be taken up at a later meeting, as will also be the plan for the organization of the women of the tribes into an auxiliary of the federation, which was discussed but not acted on.

Calling to order the session tonight at which officers were to be elected, President T. G. Bishop of the federation wielded a red hatchet as a gavel.

BLIZZARD RAGES IN SOUTH DAKOTA

SIOUX CITY, Feb. 22.—Severe blizzards throughout the James river valley in South Dakota, extending southward into Nebraska as far as the Platte, is tying up traffic on all lines of railroad and threatening to cause serious trouble to telegraph and telephone communication as was caused by the storm a week ago. The Milwaukee line abandoned all trains running on its Mitchell and Yankton divisions and on the Platte, S. D., branch. Dispatches received here tonight say a heavy snow is falling with a 30-mile gale piling it into drifts.

FLOODS IN ITALY.

ROME, Feb. 23.—The floods in Italy continue and inundations are reported from parts of the country distant from Rome. The Tiber has been rising again and has now reached a stage of 45 feet. The rains continue and some parts of Rome and large tracts of the surrounding country are under water. There is a heavy fall of snow in the mountains. Avalanches and snow 13 feet deep are reported.

News of Our Neighbors

Items of Interest to Our Readers
Clipped From Our Contemporaries

DENTON.

P. F. Scott of Hilger will open a blacksmith shop in the building recently occupied by the Denton Auto company on Main street.

E. J. Kaul, the bustling real estate man, has just closed a deal whereby he sold the Peter Boyer ranch, consisting of 200 acres which adjoins the townsite of Hoosac to A. Stroben of Lewistown.

Louisa Behm died on Tuesday, February 26 at the age of 44 years. The deceased was born in Painesville, Ohio. She came to Montana in July, 1914, and lived with her brother, Fred Behm, at his ranch, six miles northeast of town.

A movement is on foot to organize a Knights of Pythias lodge in Denton as soon as a hall is erected where suitable quarters may be obtained. About 25 have signified their willingness to join the order.—Recorder.

MOORE.

Mrs. James McFerran met with an accident last Friday evening at dusk, being struck by an automobile while crossing the street near the Kline-felter residence. When picked up she was badly bruised about the face and body. She had evidently been unconscious for some time before aid reached her. The identity of the driver of the car is unknown.

Last evening, after fully 100 names had been submitted by residents of the county for the new brand of flour to be manufactured here by the Moore Milling company, Volle S. Warren was awarded the prize of \$5 in gold for the most suitable name. He selected "Quality Queen," also submitting a splendid design for the sacks, hence was unanimously chosen the winner by the judges, who were C. M. Clary, L. L. Bannan, Frank Buckalew and W. T. Sharp.—Inland Empire.

CARTER HARRISON BEATEN FOR MAYOR

CHICAGO, Feb. 23.—Carter H. Harrison, who is finishing his fifth term as mayor of Chicago, was defeated for the democratic re-nomination in the primary election today by Robert M. Sweitzer, present clerk of Cook county, by a plurality of more than 75,000.

Although Harrison was an advocate of woman suffrage and he was aided in the campaign by his wife, Edith Ogden Harrison, well known locally as a writer, the woman vote contributed largely to his defeat.

Will H. Thompson had a lead of 2,000 over Harry E. Olson, chief justice of the municipal court, for the republican nomination. Four precincts remained to be counted.

OFFICIALS TRAVEL.

A majority of the local Milwaukee railroad officials traveled to Great Falls yesterday, as Superintendent Whiting, Trainmaster Bowen and Division Engineer Baker went on an official matters yesterday morning. D. J. Burke accompanied them to look after his steam shovel outfit now in operation in the Belt Creek mountains.



RUN A MILE

On a cold day, then sit down out of doors for half an hour without an overcoat and you will not leave a horse unblanketed after driving.

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