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## Leap Year Sleighing Party

A number of young ladies of Wibaux gave a Leap Year sleighing party on last Friday evening, and inasmuch as the sleighing could not be better than at present, its sufficient to say it was greatly enjoyed by all, and we believe we voice the sentiment of all when we say that the most enjoyable feature of this Leap Year event, was the delicious supper which was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Lynch, who resides about two miles south of town.

Those to avail themselves of the pleasant evening were:

Misses Mary Roy, Phoebe Stipik, Violet Terrell, Inez Lynch, Eva Wills, Lucille McLain, Inez McNaughton, Trix Lynch, and Messrs. Wm. Rucker, Eddie Rucker, Wm. Spike, John Burns, Zelmar Jones, Glenn Terrell, Everett Terrell, Bland Orgain, Harry Biledeau, Russell Lovell, Russell Graham.

### News From Snow's Corners

Price Cook has set the pace for some of these old batchlors in this vicinity. He returned this week with his bride from Loyal, Wis., and started house-keeping on the Joe Murphy farm which he rented last fall. Now boys get busy.

O. W. Snow, the medicine man, is making his rounds again calling on the farmers and supplying them with his stock medicines.

Mrs. J. W. Snow Sr., has taken charge of the J. P. Reeves ranch, while Mr. and Mrs. Reeves are taking a trip through the east.

Andrew Paulson, the well digger, was through here this week on a collecting tour.

James Raferty left this week for Tomah, Wis. He received a letter stating his mother was very ill, who lives at that place.

## Local Happenings

More or less excitement was created on Wednesday when fire was discovered in the basement of the Pickering Hotel, though no serious damage resulted, the fire was caused by over-heated steam pipes leading from an empty boiler.

The only honorable and honest way to stop a newspaper is to step into the office and pay up all arrearage, get a receipt and have your name off the list. To fire your paper back at the publisher marked "refused" when you owe six months or a year, and never go near the office is not only disreputable, but superlatively dishonest as well.

On next Sunday, Jan. 28, Rev. Mr. English will hold services in the Davis opera house at 11 o'clock in the morning and 8 o'clock in the evening. There will be good music at 8 o'clock. Before service begins Prof. Proctor will give a short piano recital. Everyone is cordially invited to attend these services.

Oscar Aspen, who for some time has been in the employ of

### Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the copartnership heretofore existing between S. S. Stanley McMahon and Fred A. Stein, under the firm name of The Wibaux Drug & Jewelry Co., and doing business at Wibaux, Montana, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent. S. Stanley McMahon has retired from said firm and business but the said Fred A. Stein will continue the business at the same place under the name of The Wibaux Drug & Jewelry Co. The said Fred A. Stein assumes all the liabilities of the said firm and is the person to whom all accounts due said firm are payable.

Dated at Wibaux, Montana, this 8th day of January, 1912.

S. Stanley McMahon.  
Fred A. Stein.

### Testing New Street Cars.

Billings, Mont., Jan. 25—The Billings Traction Co., is engaged in making a series of tests of street cars which will be used on the system soon to be completed. The cars are of the Edison storage battery type and are said to be the first of the kind ever brought west of the Mississippi. They are duplicates of those used on some of the lines operated in the extreme eastern part of the country. A charging station has been erected and with one filling the batteries supply current sufficient to propel the cars for 100 miles. Those in charge of the tests say the cars are a magnificent success.

Dan Sutherland, was taken seriously ill on Sunday, last, and after being examined by a local physician was taken to Dickinson on No. 2, where he was operated upon the same day for appendicitis. At this writing the young man is doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wood and family were visitors in the city on Thursday from the farm south of town. Mr. Wood and family expect to depart presently for the east where they will make their future home.

Instructor Frost of the Wibaux Athletic Club, has arranged for a boxing match with Billy Morse, better known as the St. Paul Kid, at this place at some date to be announced later. Mr. Morse was here on Tuesday, accompanied by his manager, Tom Jones.

There is more joy in a printing office over one sinner that pays in advance and abuses the editor on every possible occasion than there is over ninety and nine who borrow the paper and sing its praises, without contributing a cent to keep it out of the poor-house.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Bushell departed on Wednesday evening, via St. Paul, for their former home in Sioux Falls, S. D., where Mr. Bushell will look after his business interests, and with his wife, will in the meantime enjoy a visit with old friends.

Editor Shear of the Republican at Sentinel Butte, and who is also interested in the Pioneer, departed on Thursday morning for Fargo, where he will undergo an operation for appendicitis. During his absence the editor of the Pioneer will assist on the Republican a few days each week.

## Sizing Up Montana's Politics

Helena, Jan. 25—Commenting on the democratic situation in Montana, the Helena Record published the following statement of party activity:

Perhaps the biggest fight in the ranks of the democracy of Montana this year will be that between the "trust-busters" and the trust-busters for the control of the party machinery in the state. Present indications are that the alignment will find all the Bryan and Wilson men enrolled under the banner of T. J. Walsh, representing the trust-busters; and all the Judson Harmon contingent following the colors of Governor Norris. Sam V. Stewart et al, representing the "trust-busters."

Not without a terrific struggle will the "trust-busters" be dislodged from the ramparts of the party, behind which they are already entrenched. All the powerful and far-reaching machinery which the "trust-busters" are able to command will be brought into play when the time comes.

The leader of the trust-busters realizes his position is by no means secure. With suspicion Mr. Walsh regards the appearance of his gubernatorial candidate, W. B. George of Billings, at the banquet given in Butte recently to a trust official. According to friends of Mr. Walsh, he has begun to wonder if Mr. George has come to the conclusion that the expedient thing to do is to break with his old standard bearer and line up with the flesh pots of Egypt.

Mr. Walsh, with the keen foresight of a true politician is said to be looking over the field with an eye to other possible gubernatorial candidates, but so far has been able to find very little material that is free from corporation taint. Senator Fred Whitesides with his well known adaptability, may become acceptable to Mr. Walsh; if not, he may be forced to take W. B. George, his flesh pots and all, as his candidate.

### Recommends Appropriation for Parks

Billings, Mont. Jan.—The Billings Chamber of Commerce believes that steps should be taken without unnecessary delay for the improvement of our great national "wonderlands," Glacier and Yellowstone National Parks, and in keeping with this conviction has recommended to the secretary of the interior that an appropriation be set aside for road building in Glacier Park, also for a liberal allowance for keeping Yellowstone park improvements up to the highest standard of excellence.

### A Perfect Fit Or No Sale.

Get your measure taken at Olson's. Before you buy that new spring suit, drop in at room No. 3, in the Kinney Block, select from over 200 patterns that look good to you and let him take your measure. Olson guarantees "A Fit or No Sale." The Crack-a-Jack spring samples are now here. My Motto, "A Fit or No Sale." Yours for business—F. A. Olson.

### Biggest Success of the Season

The free dance given in the new First State Bank building on last Monday evening resulted in the most successful social event of the season. The usual good music was furnished by the Wibaux orchestra, of three pieces. A goodly number both within and out of the city were in attendance, and all report the occasion, as stated above—the best dance of the season.

While the apartment in which the dance was given is to be utilized for a different purpose it has been rumored that the owners of the new block may give another dance there before the room is occupied.

### Thinks Wibaux is All Right

C. H. Voreck, of the firm of W. L. Perkins & Co., St. Paul, was a visitor in the city a few days last week, calling on his old customers. Although Mr. Voreck has been dealing with some of the local firms for the past twenty years, this was his first time to visit our little city, and after having been shown through some of Wibaux's big brick blocks and around the city, generally, he expressed himself as being very favorably impressed with the town.

Mr. Voreck was tendered a warm reception upon his first visit here, and suffice to say he made many warm friends, who would welcome his return.

### After New Commerce Building.

Billings, Mont., Jan. 25—Setting forth that a substantial and commodious building is needed in Washington for the housing of the Interstate Commerce Commission, the local Chamber of Commerce has forwarded copies of a resolution to members of the Montana delegation in congress urging that they use their influence to the end that an appropriation of \$1,000,000 be provided for that purpose. It is pointed out that this important body has no adequate place for the keeping of its millions of valuable documents, also that such building would add to the beauty of the nation's capitol.

### How to Spend a Pleasant Hour.

Among those who like to mingle thought with their sports a pleasant hour may be spent by transforming one word to another by the changing of a single letter at a time. For example, one of the company writes upon the board the word "beef" and says it is to be changed to "pork." A second person goes to the board and by the change of one letter makes it beet. The third person changes it to beat, so by each one's changing one letter it becomes successively: Beef, beet, peat, pert, port and pork. Or change nose to hand thus: Nose, hose, host, hast, hart, hurt hunt, hint, hind, hand.

When transacting business out of town, ask LONG DISTANCE to get your party. It pays. "All copper lines." MONTANA EASTERN TELEPHONE CO.

One bay saddle mare, 3 years old, unbranded, left at Sutherland's barn. 21tf

FOR SALE CHEAP—New, three room house in Davis addition. Inquire at this office. 46-4tp

## Nobody Seems to Want Murphy

Sheriff Wynn is going around with a careworn look on his face these days. It seems that the officials have again notified him that E. G. Murphy is not insane and asks that he come and take him away again. Murphy is the man who was arrested at Wibaux in the fall charged with obtaining money under false pretenses. While in jail here he developed symptoms as though he was insane, and was examined by a board of medical examiners and was sent to the asylum, where after a short stay he was turned back on Sheriff Wynn's hands with the statement that he was sane. While in jail awaiting the trial on the charge against him, he attacked Jailer Brigham while the latter was putting him into his cell for the night and a fierce battle was the result. Murphy was again examined by a medical board and ordered sent to the asylum again, with the result as above stated.

Sheriff Wynn is seriously considering the advisability of hiring a special deputy whose sole duty will be to take charge of Murphy and to give him excursions back and forth between Glendive and Warm Springs.—Glendive Independent.

### Recent U. S. Land Office Decisions

Commutation proof cannot be accepted when it fails to show that the required residence and cultivation continued to the date on which application for notice of intention to make proof was filed.

When commutation proof is rejected by the commissioner upon only one ground—such as lack of cultivation—the case will not necessarily be closed, but the entry may be held in tact., subject to future compliance of law, upon proper showing.

When you have an item of interest call 'phone No. 32.

For farm loans—call at the office of Fisher & Fisher, Attorneys.

Get the habit of saying you saw "it" in the Pioneer—You did, didn't you?

Lots For Sale—in Davis Addition, on easy terms of payments. Call on Bushell and Rucker.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bell and little daughter departed on Thursday for a visit with relatives at Mrs. Bell's former home in Sioux Falls.

Dr. O. R. Niece, the dentist, is now permanently located in the Bartley block, at Beach, where he will be pleased to meet his Wibaux patients.

Miss Eva Wills was the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. W. Power, in Beach on Thursday, returning the evening, accompanied by Mrs. Power, who will visit relatives here.

The N. P. water-tank crew has been busily engaged the past few days in digging a sewer and laying pipes connecting the new tank with the dam. A large well is also being dug, through which will be the main source of water supply, while the connection with the dam is being made in case of emergencies.