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STATE FAIR PRIZE WINNERS

The thirteenth annual fair of the State of Montana was held at Helena last week, and was probably the most successful one ever held in the history of the state. The attendance far exceeded the fondest expectations of the officials and the exhibits of agricultural products were never better. Teton county was fairly well represented, but the exhibit was not nearly so large as it should have been, yet our showing in every class of grain was much better than that of last year and the grain was of a much better quality. We won nine first prizes, one second prize and three third prizes. It is the opinion of the Montanan if more of the agricultural products of the southern portion of the county had been placed on exhibition a much better showing would have been made. However, we have no complaint to make. Our representative, Mr. H. O. Burton, of Valier, undoubtedly did the best he could with the material he had on hand.

The following is a list of the prizes taken by residents of Teton county at the state fair.

Jos. Hathorn, first on winter wheat in sheaf, non-irrigated. L.

O. Burton, first on Macaroni wheat in sheaf, non-irrigated; first on Macaroni wheat threshed, non-irrigated; first on Marquis wheat threshed, non-irrigated; first on Polish wheat in sheaf, non-irrigated; first in discretionary class, Marrowfat peas threshed. Allen McDougall, first on Fife spring wheat, non-irrigated. B. Mathews, third on Fife in sheaf, irrigated. Dan Ledgerwood, third on flax threshed, non-irrigated. H. O. Burton, first in discretionary on Marrowfat peas, irrigated; first in discretionary on Tieskin Macaroni wheat, irrigated; second on Marquis in sheaf, irrigated; third on Golden flax, threshed.

In speaking of the various county exhibits the Montana Daily Record has the following to say of Teton county:

"Not to be outdone by any of her sister counties, Teton has arranged a splendid display of roots, grass, grain and vegetable crops, which are earning automobiles and building fine homes for citizens. The booth is decorated to the best advantage with a great variety of farm products, and takes second place to none of the other showings made by counties with even greater development."

High School Notes

The Sophmores will elect their officers next week. Miss Gilman is the faculty advisor of this class.

A new basket ball arrived this week from Seattle. It will be a great factor in the development of a good team.

Mr. Crawford was up Wednesday to look over the basket ball material; incidentally he acted as referee for a practice game.

A literary society is to be organized next week. Up to the present no name has been chosen for the new organization.

Last Friday in the fire drill the school was emptied in one minute. It is thought that with practice the pupils will be able to get out of the building in half this time.

The civics class expects to visit the court room sometime during this session of court.

Ruth Hopkinson was taken sick Thursday and had to leave school.

An examination epidemic seems to have taken the school by storm lately.

The physics class has been trying to find out for what purpose a fly-wheel's put on engines. As yet no one has discovered a suitable reason.

Wednesday evening the first orchestra practice took place. This organization promises to be one of the best of the school's assets.

Sometime next week the second team will play the public school. No doubt this will be a spirited basket ball game.

Although there are about twenty cases of measles in the public school, not one has been reported in the high school.

Last Friday ended the first month of school.

The work so far has been very satisfactory.

Small Boy Drowned

On Tuesday evening, Sept. 30, the body of little Newel Alden Shook, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Shook, was found in an irrigation ditch in front of the Richard's home on Priest Butte ranch.

The little fellow had been playing along the ditch. The body was yet warm when found. Attempts at resuscitation were of no avail.

The child was born Oct. 9, 1910, and departed this life at the tender age of two years, eleven months and twenty-one days.

After a short funeral service which was conducted at the Richard's home, Rev. Percy Reid McMahan officiating, the last remains were quietly and reverently laid to rest in the Choteau cemetery.

The grief burdened parents and relatives have the sincere sympathy of the many friends in this locality.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our sincere and heartfelt thanks to our many friends and neighbors for their words of sympathy and consolation and their many acts of kindness at the time of the death and burial of our son.

MR. AND MRS. SHOOK

Naturalization Papers

The following have made application before Clerk of the Court Gibson for citizenship papers:

Per August Hanson, a native of Sweden, residing at Valier.

Edward Hinds, a native of England, residing at Dutton.

Justin Banis, a native of Russia, residing at Collins.

Miss Madeline Jellestad, a native of Norway, residing at Sunburst.

Declarations to become citizens of the United States have been filed by the following:

Mrs. Bridt Olson Balstad, a native of Norway, residing at Conrad.

Fred Hulbert Barnes, a native of Canada, residing at Swift Current.

Charles Guardipee, a native of Canada, residing at Valier.

Joseph Fiddler, a native of Canada, residing at Valier.

Halloween Dance

At a special business meeting of the Ladies' Guild at the home of Mrs. Dotterer, Wednesday afternoon, it was voted to give a Halloween dance at Woodman's hall, Friday evening, October 31. Committees will be appointed to make all the arrangements, and it is proposed to make the evening an enjoyable one. Supper will be served at fifty cents per plate at the Genloyd cafe at 11 o'clock.

In the District Court

District court has been in session in Choteau during the week, with Judge Ewing presiding. Geore Dixon, one of the men who was arrested a few weeks ago with John Angell, Jr., Thos. Pepion and Dennis Boy Chief, charged with stealing twelve colts from Senator William Cowgill, plead guilty to the charge and was sentenced to serve five years in the penitentiary. Angell also entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to serve one year in the pen, but sentence was suspended during good behavior. The cases against Pepion and Dennis Boy Chief were dismissed by the court because of the fact that if any crime had been committed it had been performed on the Indian reservation. Both the defendants are wards of the government, and that the district court had no jurisdiction in the case. The county attorney was advised to bring the matter to the attention of the United States authorities. Two other men will serve time in the penitentiary, Olin Talbott for one year, and Thomas Humphries, who plead guilty to forgery, received an 18-month sentence. Jim McDonough, who was Talbott's partner in holding up an old Mexican in this city a couple of months ago entered, a plea of not guilty. His bail was fixed at \$1,000. His trial will come up at the next term of court. In the case of the State of Montana against Emil Erickson, charged with assault in the second degree, the prisoner entered a plea of not guilty; his bail was placed at \$500. Other criminal cases were disposed of as follows: John Ewing, bail fixed at \$750; John Nichols, bail fixed at \$750; Carl Gordon, bail fixed at \$1,000.

In the suit brought by the Great Falls and Teton County railway against the Truchot estate and many others for the right-of-way over lands in and near Choteau, John E. Webb, A. H. Gamble and Horace D. Upman were appointed appraisers.

Alice Harrold was granted a divorce from her husband, Chas. Harrold.

Out of 28 applicants for citizenship 22 were granted, as follows: Julius Lindhart, a native of Norway, residing at Ethridge. Mathius Kretzler, a native of Hungary, residing at Conrad. Ingeborg Helgeson, a native of Norway, residing at Cut Bank. Arthur Nooton Mitchell, a native of Canada, residing at Conrad. Bernard Lacanette, a native of France, residing at Porter. Peter Lacanette, a native of France, residing at Porter. Arthur Campeau, a native of Canada, residing at Shelby.

Louis Mink, a native of Holland, residing at Conrad. Erick Albin Erickson, a native of Sweden, residing at Cut Bank. Selmer Alfred Johnson, a native of Norway, residing at Brady. Donald McLeod, a native of Canada, residing at Brady. Hugh Henry Gatt Forbes, a native of Canada, residing at Brady.

William Morrison, a native of Canada, residing at Brady. Louis Smith, a native of Holland, residing at Conrad. Fritz Adolph Berthold Linke, a native of Germany, residing at Dutton. Anton Nelson, a native Norway, residing at Porter. Ludvig Haidal, a native of Norway, residing at Shelby. Thomas George Lennon, a native of Canada, residing at Cut Bank. John Henry Erickson, a native of Norway, residing at Cut Bank. George Cawthorne, a native of Canada, residing at Conrad. John Langwald, a native of Norway, residing at Fairfield. Isabel Hortense Yates, a native of Canada, residing at Porter.

The Choteau Flour Mill

The steam whistle on the Choteau flour mill, after a silence of four years, is again furnishing welcome "music" to not only the residents of this city, but also to the farmers in this vicinity, who are looking for a local market for the excellent grade of milling wheat they have been raising.

A couple of weeks ago a company was organized, known as the Crescent Milling company, and a lease was taken on the Choteau mill. The company consists of T. G. McGlenn, president and general manager; J. R. Bye, vice-president and head miller; Harry W. Tevis, secretary-treasurer. The president comes from Kenmore, North Dakota, where for the past eight years he has had full charge of a large mill. The vice-president for the past three years has been head miller for the Royal mill of Great Falls. Mr. Trevis will have charge of the power end of the plant.

During the past two weeks the machinery at the mill has been thoroughly overhauled and put in first class repair, and by the first of next week everything will be in readiness for active and continuous operation. Milling wheat is already commencing to arrive, the first load having been brought in last Monday by John Ross.

It is the intention of the company to do a custom business with the farmers, and exchange flour for wheat. They agree to pay 10 cents per bushel for good milling wheat, in exchange for flour, bran or shorts, at the regular wholesale prices. They will also buy milling wheat at the regular market prices. Farmers are requested to bring in their wheat and take out all the flour possible until the railroad is in a position to handle car load lots. If the farmers will comply with this request the milling company will be able to satisfactorily accommodate all who apply.

Commercial Club

Dr. C. J. B. Stephens, chairman of the Choteau Commercial Club, has announced the appointment of they following committees:

On finance, membership and grievances: Jas. Eckford, chairman; E. J. Hirshberg and A. C. Burbank.

County and state development, good roads and streets: Geo. F. Miller, chairman; H. D. Upman and C. E. Trescott.

Arrangements, publicity, a dvertising, immigration and agriculture: J. E. Malmin, chairman; Walter Gorham and Albert Hallday.

Rates, transportation and municipal legislation: Paul Jacobson, chairman; H. A. Prescott and Wm. Cowgill.

Statistics, exhibits and sanitary conditions: T. O. Larson, chairman; Dr. H. W. Bateman and J. I. Cain.

Civil Cases

The following civil cases have been filed in the office of the clerk of the district court since our last report:

Pearl Ritchie vs Stephen Ritchie, divorce. Filed Sept. 27.

Elias Rekdahl vs William Tattman, recovery. Filed Sept. 27.

John F. Ferguson vs Hubrecht Vermulu, appeal from justice court. Filed Sept. 30.

W. H. Coffman and F. M. Coffman, co-partners, vs George Jay, appeal. Filed Sept. 30.

E. E. Leech vs J. Willis Wood and Ruth S. Wood, suit on note. Filed Oct. 1.

THE S. T. RANCH IS SOLD

The S T ranch, consisting of 3,500 acres, lying southeast of this city, and owned by Thomas Couch, was sold this week to the Choteau Investment company of Great Falls, the consideration being \$105,000, or \$30 per acre.

The Choteau Investment company is but newly organized and is composed largely of eastern men. Among the principal stockholders of the company are Dr. H. G. Stub of St. Paul, I. A. Stub, a Great Falls attorney, J. C. M. Hanson and O. J. Kvale, of Chicago, and H. Haugan of Stoughton, Wis.

It is the intention of the com-

pany to plat the land into small farm units and place it on the market at an early date. Nelson Suckow, a civil engineer at Brady will be the company's resident manager and will open an office here as soon as possible. He goes east next week, expecting to return the first week in November, when he will have everything in readiness for business.

At a meeting of the stockholders held in Great Falls last Tuesday the following officers were elected: I. A. Stub of Great Falls, president; J. C. M. Hanson, of Chicago, vice president, and O. J. Kvale of Chicago, treasurer.

L. W. Hill in Choteau

Louis W. Hill, vice-president of the Great Northern railway and chairman of its board of directors, accompanied by his guest, Carmi F. Thompson, secretary of the treasury under Former President Taft, were visitors in Choteau for a short time last Sunday. They were on their way from Great Falls to Glacier National Park, traveling by auto, so as to enable them to see the country which is being opened up by the building of the new railroad through this section.

They were met at the Beapre house by a number of our business men, and the band was hurriedly brought together and rendered several musical numbers at the hotel. Mr. Hill expressed himself as being well pleased with what he had seen of the Choteau country and seemed to be highly gratified at the reception he had received at the hands of our citizens.

Methodist Services

At the First Methodist church the series of sermons having to do with elements entering into our modern thought closed last Sunday evening with the discussion of Science and the Bible. A new series dealing with the religions of mankind promises to be of interest. The first sermon of this series will be delivered next Sunday evening, Oct. 5th. Theme, "Some Primitive Faiths." The pastor, Rev. Percy Reid McMahan, will have for his morning theme "Sabbath Observance."

You are invited to attend all services of the church. Hours of worship:—
Sunday services 10:30 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.
Sunday school 11:30 a. m.
Epworth League 7:00 p. m.

Grain Rates

Helena, Mont., Sept. 26, 1913. Phil I. Cole, Choteau, Montana, Will establish rate on grain on the Choteau-Power line from Choteau and points east to eastern terminals—St. Paul, Minneapolis and Duluth—and western terminals—Seattle, Tacoma and Portland—one cent higher than rate on grain from Power, Montana, rate to become effective October 1st, 1913.

JAMES T. McCAUGHEY, Assistant General Freight & Passenger Agent, Great Northern Railway Company, Helena, Montana.

Marriage Licenses

Since our last report marriage licenses have been issued by James Gibson, clerk of the district court, as follows:
John Willis Marshall, 25, Ethridge, and Minnie Elizabeth Wendeln, 22, Valier.

Call for a Meeting

Understanding there are matters of importance requiring the attention of the Commercial Club, a meeting is hereby called for Monday night, October sixth, at eight o'clock, at the court house. Your presence and presentation of business requiring attention is earnestly requested.

C. J. B. STEPHENS, Pres.

Duck Law is Held Up

Washington, Sept. 30.—Federal regulations for the protection of migratory birds under the bill passed at the last session of congress will not go into effect tomorrow as originally planned. In their efforts to co-operate with the various states, officials of the department of agriculture charged with drafting the regulations, have met with considerable delay and Secretary Houston has not yet approved the work. In the meantime, state laws affecting migratory birds will remain in effect. It is understood that hunters in all sections of the country have awaiting the new regulations with keen interest.

Episcopal Church

Messrs. Holland and Dotterer will accompany the hymns with cornet music. It is expected that Mr. Holland will give an offertory solo. This will be a regular feature of the morning service. See other column of this paper for hours of church service.

FAIRFIELD

George Harris made a trip to Power last week for a load of wood for the school houses.

During the present good weather the farmers of the bench are busy hauling their grain to market.

John Langwald went to Choteau Monday to get his final citizenship papers. John Zimmerman Sr. and George Frey went with him.

The Milwaukee line is beginning to show up on the bench, the cut they are making in the hill southwest of here can easily be seen from Fairfield and the grade will soon be completed.

Mrs. Zimmerman returned from a week's visit in Choteau. The Ladies Aid met with Mrs. Sam Ness on Sunday.

Miss Alma Zimmerman has returned home from Seattle and Spokane, Wash., where she has been visiting during the summer months.

The family of Leizenvelt's were up from Great Falls Sunday, to visit with Henry Young and family.