

## SURVEY POSSIBLE ROUTE OF 4-LANE HIWAY SECTOR

Stakes In Past Week Run East and West North Of Laurel, South Of Big Ditch

Surveyors in the past week have run lines north of Laurel for a possible relocation of east and west U. S. highway 10 for which a four-lane route between Laurel and Billings was approved a year ago last January by the state highway department. The surveyors have placed stakes north of the Laurel North school and south of the Big Ditch, continuing west to a juncture with the present route of the highway at the Schauer ranch.

It is understood here that another relocation may be made at Park City by leaving the present route at the Eisenman farm and making a juncture at Valley creek.

The four-lane project between Laurel and Billings, approved in January 1947, provides for an overpass west of Billings to replace the existing railroad underpass.

The survey north of Laurel and other possible routes are to be submitted to the highway department for study.

## DIRECTORS COMPLETE REORGANIZING BOARD OF COMMERCIAL CLUB

Directors of the Commercial club at a meeting Monday noon completed the work of reorganization that was authorized at the club's annual meeting a short time ago by appointing four additional directors, J. W. Baldwin, Peter Thomson, John Laird and B. L. Price. At a meeting Friday evening last week, Laird was elected vice president and Dr. D. A. Nottingham was named secretary-treasurer.

The two basketball tournaments, district and state, that are to be played here occupied the attention of the board, President Oliver Wold said. The board decided that banners advertising the event should be strung across principal streets. Chester Scott was appointed chairman of the committee charged with this responsibility.

A committee composed of O. K. Chapman, Harold Collins and R. H. Sterrett was appointed on decoration of store windows to welcome the teams who will attend the state basketball tournament here in March.

Harlan Russell was appointed chairman of a committee to arrange for housing the visiting teams.

## Feminine Finery Of Other Generations Are Exhibited At Meeting Of Laurel Rotana Club

Mrs. Gerald Scammon, nee Mary Clare, of Byam was guest speaker at a dinner meeting of the Laurel Rotana club Monday evening. Her subject was Heirlooms, wonderfully illustrated by the wealth of material she exhibited.

A large table was covered with hundreds of articles, varying from hand-made lace through beautiful jewels, ancient powder horns, work baskets, photographs, daguerotypes, tins, albums, cutlery and a host of other things, to the highly polished bowls of Indian peace pipes.

One of the articles displayed was a beautiful Spanish mantilla of black lace, crisp and fresh after its many years of reposing, while carefully folded and wrapped, in a trunk stored in an attic.

A large United States flag, made at the time of the centennial, contained 13 stars embroidered in white wool on the blue field.

A Paisley shawl occupied a space close by a hand-made quilt of beautiful design and workmanship.

However, the articles exciting the greatest admiration and interest were the gowns, wraps and fans.

Two of the wraps were in a style worn in the '70s and were called dolmans at that time. They were made much on the lines of the old-fashioned capes, but a slit either side of the front closing enabled the wearer to thrust her hands forward without disturbing the graceful folds of the wrap. These were trimmed in beads and fringe—much in vogue at that time.

Two velvet gowns with their tiny waisted, high collared, form fitting

## LAMEY FILES FOR POST OF GOVERNOR

Seeks Democratic Nomination At Primary In July—Is Native Montanan

Helena, Mont.—Arthur F. Lamey, Billings attorney, has filed with the secretary of state his petition as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor at the primary election to be held July 20.

Lamey's statement of measures



ARTHUR F. LAMEY

and principles set forth in his petition for nomination were:

"Be guided by the fundamental principle of democracy that the state is created to serve and promote the welfare of all the people;

"Seek advice and help of citizens on state problems;

"Maintain good public schools under permanent financing plan;

"Assist veterans in establishing homes and becoming rehabilitated;

"Help regain lost population through cooperation with industry, labor and interested agencies by developing natural resources, processing raw materials within our state, extending reclamation and other benefits to livestock raisers and farms, and encouraging tourist trade;

"Promote farm-to-market roads and rural electrification;

"Do my best to serve the people well."

Under his name on the nominating ballot he requests the following statement:

"I will do my best to serve you well."

A native of Montana and a life-long resident, Lamey is 55 years of age. He was born the son of a Great Northern railway section hand in a section house at Big Ditch.

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## HIWAY ACCIDENT KILLS LAUREL MAN, INJURES 3 OTHERS

Calvin Frank Dies Instantly, When Car Goes Off Highway and Strikes Power Pole

One Laurel young man, Calvin Frank, 23, was killed instantly and his three companions sustained injuries of varying degree when their car went off the road about 2:10 Sunday morning three miles south of Laurel. After leaving the road the car ripped out about 300 feet of wire fencing and snapped off an R. E. A. power line pole at the ground and broke it into three pieces. Injured were Alex Estrick, later removed to the N. P. hospital at Glendive, Beryl Kimberly, Melvin Lackman and Harold Zier, all residents of Laurel and ranging in age from 19 to 23.

Investigating the accident, Highway Patrolmen W. C. Benson and Lynn Armstrong found that the car, which was coming north at the time, left the road on the left side. They calculated that the machine struck

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## MARCH OF DIMES YIELDS \$1,202.42

Miss Cooke, Chairman, Lists Sources, Expresses Thanks For Generous Response

A total of \$1,202.42 has been contributed during this year's March of Dimes campaign, Miss Elizabeth Cooke, president of the Laurel Rotana club and chairman of the drive in Laurel, announced this week.

Contributions by mail in envelopes sent out for that purpose, totaled \$572.25, while lodges and various organizations gave \$18. The Girl Scout troops, in their house to house canvass and tag day, collected \$76.60. The school children contributed \$233.20 and the collections at the Royal theater totaled \$164.93. Containers placed in the business houses, churches, refinery, N. P. roundhouse, shops and yard office, yielded \$137.44.

Miss Cooke said she was gratified by Laurel's response and wishes to express her appreciation to all who generously cooperated in making the campaign a success.

## BURKE TELLS ROTARY OF U. M. T. PROVISIONS

Senator Tom Burke of Billings, speaking before the Rotary club Tuesday, gave an analysis of salient features of universal military training for which an American Legion sponsored bill had been introduced in congress. He doubted that the bill would come out of committee at this session unless the public shows a widespread interest. He doubted also whether the majority of the people understands its provisions and what would take place if it were enacted into law.

Universal military training is not necessarily a part of the army, but under the proposed law it would be supervised by the president and directed by civilian and military men. It is for national security training, intended to prevent sending untrained, inexperienced young men into action with consequent and unnecessary loss of life.

Burke said a frequent objection of parents is that their sons at an impressionable and formative age would not be surrounded by good moral training. He said he did not think the army had inflicted much damage to the morals of the soldiers and other service men of the recent war. The army has, however, greatly increased good social training and an effort is being made by the government to provide the proper influence at present training camps. Included are recreational, educational and vocational training.

Universal military training, as proposed, is not a draft, but would be operated by national and state selection boards. The boys would register at age 17 and would go in at 18 unless they volunteered earlier. Provision is made for deferment until 20 if necessary for

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## FIRE DEPARTMENT IS FORMED AT PARK CITY

Park City, Feb. 11.—A volunteer fire department was organized here Monday evening of last week at a meeting of the Park City Rod and Gun club, a major civic organization. Fred Scott was named fire chief.

Speakers at the meeting were Jack Carney, state fire marshal; John J. Holmes, state auditor, and Frank Hollenbeck, superintendent of fire equipment. All are residents of Helena.

Other speakers were I. A. Adams of Columbus and Ernest Hoagland of Rapelje, Stillwater county commissioners.

Dick Harris, Jr., and Stanley Pearsall were appointed to proceed with organization of the fire department.

## Two All-Tournament Teams To Play In Benefit Game For Baseball Park

A dream game has been agreed upon by the coaches of district 6, with the Laurel baseball field to reap the benefits of an all-star clash.

With the future of amateur baseball in the Midland Empire depending to some extent on the ability of Laurel to erect lights, the baseball committee has been sponsoring or will sponsor a series of activities to raise money for the purchase of poles and the erection of lights that are already on hand.

The schools and teams of district

## FORMER RESIDENT DIES OF ACCIDENT

Dawsons' Youngest Daughter To Be Buried Here—Tips Family Of Laurel Injured

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dawson, residing south of the Yellowstone river, received a message Monday noon saying that their youngest daughter, Mrs. Francis Anderson, had died of injuries sustained in an automobile accident near Eugene, Ore., and that members of the Mike Tipps family of Laurel were injured in what appears to have been a two-car accident. It was said that both cars were demolished and burned up. Mrs. Anderson died in a short time of internal injuries. The Tipps family was hospitalized in Eugene, near where the accident occurred. Complete details have not been received here.

Keith Dawson, brother of the deceased Mrs. Anderson, left here Monday night on Northern Pacific train 3 for Oregon and will accompany the remains of his sister to Laurel where the funeral will be conducted at the Nazarene church, with Rev. J. H. Haueter officiating. Arrangements are in charge of Settergren funeral home in Billings. Burial will be in the Laurel cemetery, the date of which is to be announced later.

## F. O. E. Gets 4 Pages In Look; Fraternity In 50th Anniversary

The Fraternal Order of Eagles is the basis of a four-page feature appearing in the Feb. 17 issue of Look magazine, Rynold Frank, worthy president of Laurel aerie, has been informed. The story has to do with the Milwaukee aerie of Eagles and has numerous pictures of the Eagles' home and activities, and stresses two principal points of the fraternity: service to country and fun for members.

The story is regarded particularly appropriate as the Eagles celebrated their golden anniversary Feb. 6 and at present are engaged in a Gold Rush membership campaign in commemoration of the beginning of the order in Seattle, Feb. 6, 1889, in the height of the Gold Rush days of the Klondike.

The feature in Look is the third article to be printed in magazines of nation-wide circulation in recent months. The first was in Life and the second in Collier's of January.

Laurel aerie No. 2564 is to sponsor a dance early in April for benefit of the Laurel Athletic association, Worthy President Frank said.

## Laurel One Of Four To Get Tourney Byes

Others Ceded Are Columbus, Red Lodge and Bearcreek—Park City and Roberts To Open Annual Sports Event Next Wednesday Afternoon

Members of basketball district 6 met at Laurel high school Sunday afternoon and ceded first round byes to four teams. Bearcreek proved to be the dark horse with its season's record of nine wins against three losses, and nosed out Joliet and Fromberg in a secret ballot by the coaches for fourth place.

With Laurel a unanimous first, Columbus and Red Lodge ended in

a deadlock for second. A second poll was required before Columbus was declared No. 2. Red Lodge and Bearcreek drew out of a hat to determine on which side of the bracket they would fall. Red Lodge ended in the lower half, with Columbus. Bearcreek and Laurel in the top half.

Bridger, Fromberg, Joliet and Park City were ceded the next four team positions, after which the remaining teams were matched in first round draws.

Next Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock the first game of the annual tournament will get under way here with Park City and Roberts as the first contenders, followed by Edgar versus Joliet.

Two keen games are on the slate for Wednesday evening at 7:30 when Bridger clashes with Absarokee, followed by Fromberg versus Belfry.

The first four games of the tournament are sudden death to those who lose. The winners then meet the four ceded teams Thursday in a double elimination tournament to find a winner and a second-place team, both of whom will represent district 6 in the Southern divisional tournament at Hardin.

Should the loser in the final Saturday night and the winner of the consolation round (the first game Saturday night) be two teams who have not previously met in the tournament, they will play Monday night in the Laurel gymnasium for the district's second place. If they have previously met, this will mean that the finalist has already defeated the other team and is the rightful second-place team.

This year's tournament officials will be Clarence Hofman of Worden, Walter Zimmerman and John Jones of Billings.

Schedule: Games 1 and 2, Wednesday afternoon.

Games 3 and 4, Wednesday evening.

Games 5 and 6, Thursday afternoon.

Games 7 and 8, Thursday evening.

Games 9 and 10, Friday afternoon.

Games 11 and 12, Friday evening.

Games 13 and 14, Saturday morning.

Games 15 and 16, Saturday evening.

Game 17, if necessary, Monday at 8 p. m.

Afternoon games will begin at 2 o'clock, evening games at 7:30, and Saturday morning at 9.

## SHERIFF WARNS OF BOUNCING CHECKS

Americans are fleeced of three to four hundred million dollars annually by cashing bum checks, Sheriff Albert Thomas told Laurel Kiwanians Wednesday, and went on to relate incidents in which Laurel, Billings and other nearby towns and cities had contributed to the huge sum. One operator cashed a \$10,000 check in Montana not long ago by fraudulently using the name of a prominent radio and screen star who was represented as being interested in the purchase of Montana livestock. The check artists are clever and often dupe the most experienced business men.

A frequent practice, the sheriff said, is for the operator to go to an employment office where he obtains the names of farmers or others who employ labor. He also collects blank checks at banks and fills them out, writing the name of a prominent employer as the signature. Frequently they are cashed at business houses and sometimes at banks, and are returned a few days later as forgeries. It is difficult to trace the operator, for whoever cashed the check has probably forgotten the operator's description.

A system used in Billings, the sheriff said, works quite efficiently. When a suspect offers a check, five prominent, listed firms are notified by telephone, they each notify five others who in turn pass on the information to others, in each instance giving a description of the suspect, until in a few minutes every firm in Billings has been alerted. The same system could be used here, Thomas said.

He gave four steps: (1) Rigid scrutiny by store manager of checks presented by strangers in payment of merchandise, particularly if the amount is in excess of the purchase. Verify, by telephone to the bank, that there is an account and that the signature style is proper. (2) When the bank report indicates the check is illegal, phone the sheriff's office with description of passer. Detain the passer if possible.

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## Educator Advocates All Finance Schools

Legislation for financing the public schools in Montana must not be supported by one or two groups alone; it must be representative of the people as a whole. This was a message given by Dr. Charles Dean, assistant superintendent of schools in Billings, at the local Education association meeting Feb. 5.

Dean told of the grass roots committee which has been delegated to acquaint the public with the problems of the schools, and ways and means to solve those problems.

He spoke of the two major problems which teachers are facing in education—trying to teach the basic skills, and at the same time trying to develop in children a sense of security.

In Billings, he said, an experiment is being carried on in the three lower grades in which a student is either a first year, second-year, or third-year student. In stead of a child being failed if he does not complete the first-year work in the first year, his level is defined and he begins his second year where he was at the end of his first year, but remains with the same group of second-year students even though he may not be on the same level as the average students in that group. This prevents the student's becoming self-conscious which would probably be the result if he were placed with a new group of first graders to whom he is not adjusted.

Before the meeting, a delicious dinner was formally served by the Home Ec III girls in Laurel high school.

Mrs. W. J. Arnold returned recently from Monrovia, Calif., where she spent several months visiting her son, W. W. (Bud) Arnold and family.