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FIREMEN COMING TO LEWISTOWN

This City Chosen as the Next Meeting Place of the State Firemen's Association.

GOOD WORK DONE IN BUTTE

Representatives From the Local Department Had no Trouble in Landing the Meeting.

Chief John C. Fobb, President Albert Johnson and Assistant Chief A. Van Iderstine returned Saturday evening from Butte where they went as representatives from the Lewistown Volunteer Fire Company to the State Firemen's Association. The boys got what they went to Butte after, the next meeting of the association for Lewistown. Chief Fobb had been working the matter up for over a year and met with no serious opposition in his efforts to have Lewistown selected as the place of meeting in 1905, the invitation of the Business Men's Association of this city to come here being unanimously accepted.

The selection of this city is a well deserved recognition of the volunteer fire company of Lewistown. Heretofore, it has been the custom of the association to hold meetings in cities which support a paid department. It was thought that for the good of the association that it would be wise to hold the next meeting in a city which has to depend for fire protection upon a volunteer company and as the Lewistown department is considered one of the best if not the very best volunteer company in the state, it was decided that this city should have the meeting. Having decided to come here, John C. Fobb and Halsey R. Watson of this department were unanimously elected president and secretary respectively of the state association for the coming year.

The local department will begin at once making preparations for the convention. Uniforms will be purchased, the equipment overhauled and frequent practices indulged in. As the program now is the visiting firemen will see a volunteer department in no way inferior to the smaller paid ones when they visit us next September or October. By that time the new headquarters of the department in the city hall will be completed and there will be a fine place to entertain the visitors. When the time comes the people of the city will be expected to pull off their coats and help in making the meeting a success.

BUYS A RUSSELL PICTURE.

Cashier Bach of the First National Bank Secures Valuable Painting.

When George J. Bach returned from Great Falls last Thursday, he brought with him a Russell painting, made by the famous artist especially for Mr. Bach who ordered it when he was in the Falls last June.

The painting is characteristic of the "Cowboy artist" and would be recognized at once by any one familiar with his work. It represents an Indian attack on an emigrant train and all of the details are given with the artist's characteristic precision and intimate knowledge of such scenes. The broad plains, mottled with sage brush the familiar emigrant's wagon and wearied horses, the frightened whites and the merciless malignity of the attacking reds are brought out with a distinctness which only a true artist could produce.

The picture is hung in an advantageous place in the main banking room of the First National bank and is highly prized by Cashier Bach.

CONDUCTOR IS BADLY INJURED.

R. B. Butcher Meets With Serious Accident at Lombard Station.

R. B. Butcher, the popular young conductor on the passenger train which runs between Lewistown and Lombard, met with a serious and probably fatal accident while coupling some cars in Lombard at 8:30 o'clock Thursday morning. The train for Lewistown was being made up and a car of lumber was to be set out. Four planks of the lumber extended several inches over the end of the car. As it happened, the draw bar had

been pulled out of that car and it was necessary to make a chain coupling. The conductor went in between the cars to make the coupling, signaling the engineer, George Murray, to back up. He was all right as long as he was under the car trucks but as the two cars came together, he raised his head just sufficient to be caught between the end of the car which was being backed up and the boards. Fortunately the train stopped just as it struck his head else he would have been crushed to death instantly.

He was unable to extricate himself but did not lose consciousness and signaled to the engineer to pull up. Murray thinking that something must be wrong, jumped from the engine and ran back there. The instant he saw the plight of the conductor, he told the fireman to pull up which was done, releasing the conductor who fell back in the arms of the engineer. As he fell back, he said, "It's all off with Butcher."

He was quickly taken to the hotel and doctors were telephoned to come on the regular N. P. train which was coming in. As soon as the train arrived, he was taken to Helena and placed under the care of physicians in one of the city hospitals. An examination showed that he had suffered a severe fracture at the base of the skull. Everything possible is being done to save his life and the hundreds of friends of the young man and all along the line of the road of which he was a most popular and trusted employee sincerely hope that he will recover.

Hess-Cox.

On Wednesday last the little church at Pleasant Valley, near Philbrook, was the scene of a very pretty wedding ceremony by which Mr. William R. Hess and Miss Sarah Adeline Cox were united in marriage by the Rev. Henry Quickenden of Lewistown.

The bride is a young lady who has grown to womanhood in this community, and too much could not be said in her praise.

The bridegroom has resided with his aunt, Mrs. James Porter of Philbrook, for about eight months, and is known to be a young gentleman of exemplary habits.

The bridesmaid was Miss Evalyn Brunner of Marble Rock, Iowa, and the best man was a cousin of the groom, Mr. John Porter of Philbrook, while Master John Murray and Miss Mildred Lapham acted the part of attendants.

The bride wore a beautiful gown of white silk crepe de chene, while the bride's maid wore a dress of light blue crepe de chene.

The little church was beautifully decorated with garlands of evergreens and pink and white roses.

After congratulations the guests repaired to the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Lapham where a sumptuous breakfast was served.

The newly wedded couple were the recipients of many beautiful and useful presents. The eventful day, in the history of Pleasant Valley, came to a close, resounding with the joyful pattering of many feet, to the music of the Philbrook orchestra, at the home of H. B. Lapham.

The young couple started Friday morning to visit relatives of the bridegroom, in Choteau county. From there they will visit the St. Louis exposition for a few days and then return to their Iowa home.

WILL RENEW OPERATIONS.

Japanese Will Once More Attempt the Capture of Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 17.—As far as the public is concerned, interest seems again to be gravitating toward Port Arthur, where the gallant fight of Lieutenant General Stoessel's garrison is being watched with interest. The report that the garrison has been forced to fall back to the use of home made powder, which is proving defective, is considered a discouraging factor. It would be a national grief should the defense of the fortress fail through the lack of ammunition. More importance, however, is attached in military circles to the reports that the Japanese have abandoned the idea of a direct assault and are tunneling the fortifications, and it is believed possible that the end may come as at Sevastopol, with a repetition of the dreadful carnage at the Malakoi tower.

Johnny Makes a Suggestion.

Knicker—My son, come with me. Johnny—Er—say, pa, don't you think since we have got a baby in the family you might abolish the knout? —New York Sun.

SIDELIGHTS ON THE CONVENTION

It Was a Great Gathering of Democrats—Great Demonstration in Honor of Toole.

HILGER'S NAME NOT PRESENTED

Sterling Fergus County Democrat Would Not Permit His Name to Go Before Convention.

Those who witnessed or participated in the demonstration which was precipitated when Governor Toole was nominated will never forget the event. The moment that Chairman Maginnis pronounced the last words of the nominating speech, pandemonium broke loose. Banners bearing the names of the several counties were grabbed from their place and hoisted aloft. Five hundred delegates yelled, whistled, stamped and clapped their hands in unrestrained enthusiasm. Two thousand people in the galleries joined in the triumphant tribute to the peerless leader. The uproar lasted for fully five minutes or until the governor, surrounded by the banner bearers, appeared on the stage. As he raised his hand, silence as profound as death reigned throughout the hall. It was an inspiring spectacle calculated to thrill the heart of the most unemotional. After a moment's pause the uncrowned king of the convention commenced to speak. The words came slowly, falteringly, in a voice tremulous from the emotion of deepest and sincerest gratitude. There were tears in the eyes of many as the silver haired statesman faltered forth his first sentence. Regaining complete possession of himself, he delivered a speech, short but beautiful in its simple earnestness. That one little speech did more to wipe out factional feelings and strengthen the weak hearted in their devotion to the cause of democracy than anything else that happened in the convention.

The contest from Silver Bow county furnished about all the entertainment the convention desired. The committee on credentials wrestled with the matter until after 1 o'clock Thursday morning and finally, in their disgust, submitted a majority report that all the delegates and alleged delegates from Silver Bow be booted out and thus taught to settle their differences at home. During the session of the committee on credentials, the Fergus county member, J. J. Dodson of Kendall, moved that the two delegations be split up a half of each seated. The motion was ridiculed by both sides; yet that very thing was done by the convention and was really the only way to settle the dispute.

The two impassioned appeals of J. Bruce Kraemer, the eloquent young Butte attorney, saved the day against fusion. As a convention speaker Kraemer has few equals and no superiors in this state. An excellent stage appearance combined with a voice deep and resonant makes him a power as a speaker. A Kentuckian by birth, he possesses the fire eating proclivities of the Bluegrass inhabitants and his enthusiasm fairly carried the convention with him in his appeal to stand alone.

Prominent among the democrats who were present at the convention to observe the proceedings was the Hon. W. G. Conrad of Great Falls. Mr. Conrad is one of the most faithful workers of the party and in times past has rendered yeoman service for the organization. It is very probable that his name will go before the next legislature as a candidate for the United States Senate, and his state wide popularity and well recognized abilities will make him a formidable opponent to any one who enters the race for the exalted public position.

Helena took care of the convention in splendid shape. It imposes a pretty big task on a city the size of Helena to drop 1,000 men down upon it all at once, but the people of the capital city furnished good accommodations for all and there was but little kicking on that score.

Old-time convention goers said that

it was the most representative gathering of men that ever assembled in this state.

There was but one contest before the credential committee, that from Silver Bow, and the convention settled that in the best manner possible.

The speech which B. C. White made in nominating W. E. Cort for the position of attorney general was one of the best heard in the convention. It was a genuine stem-winder from beginning to end and held the convention as did no other nominating speech of the day. The delegates were getting pretty tired about that time, but the voice of White aroused all from their lethargy and caused them to sit up and listen. The speaker improved the opportunity to give Fergus county a boost, and when he had finished the men who sat in the convention had a better idea of the greatness of the Inland Empire than they had held before.

Although strongly urged by hundreds of friends, David Hilger of this county refused to permit his name to go before the convention as an aspirant for lieutenant governor. Had he done so, it is generally believed that he would have received the nomination. There are few more popular men in the democratic party than Dave Hilger and he is due for high honors at the hands of his party if he is desirous of such preferment.

The speech which B. C. White made in nominating W. E. Cort for attorney general was pronounced one of the best delivered in the convention. Like all true sons of Fergus county, he used the excellent opportunity to give his native balliwick a good send off. Mr. White has a first class convention voice and his style of saying things holds attention from start to finish.

The Hon. H. L. Frank of Butte has been chosen chairman of the democratic state central committee. A more efficient choice could not have been made as Mr. Frank is well known as an enthusiastic democratic worker and the important duties which will devolve upon him as chairman of the committee will be attended to in the most efficient manner.

Winter Furs at Lehman's.

Will They Fight at Mukden?

St. Petersburg, Sept. 17.—There has been an entire absence of official news from the front today. The war office is displaying no special concern as yet over the continual skirmishing on the flanks of the Russian army, regarding it as the natural result of the attempt of the Japanese to keep in touch with the Russian forces.

The Japanese having been unable to follow up their victory at Liao Yang, when the time was ripe, the war office sees no reason for a feverish desire on their part to come in touch with General Kuropatkin now that he has had time to recuperate his forces.

The question whether a big battle will be fought in the vicinity of Mukden is considered here to be dependent chiefly upon General Kuropatkin, as it is not believed that the Japanese will be able to force him to fight at Mukden unless he so desires. The general idea is that, when the advance really comes the Japanese will simply outflank Mukden and go directly against Tie pass.

The movement of the Japanese land forces and the appearance of a large flotilla in the Liao river are believed to support this view.

While military circles here realize the strategic weakness of Mukden, there are plenty of sentimental reasons why General Kuropatkin may desire to hold as long as possible the ancient home of the Manchu dynasty. They believe, in spite of official intimations and press reports from Mukden to the contrary, that there will not be a repetition of the battle of Liao Yang at Mukden.

Winter Furs at Lehman's.

Neither Guilty.

Last week a strapping negro woman was up before a magistrate, charged with unmercifully beating her boy.

"I don't understand how you can have the heart to treat your own child so cruelly," said the magistrate. "Judge, has you been a parent of a wifuss yaller boy like dar ar cub of mine?"

"Never—no, never!" (with great vehemence and getting red in the face.) "Den don't talk; you don't know nuffin about it." —Philadelphia Ledger.

MAVERICKS WILL COME TOMORROW

Famous Bunch of Ball Tossers From Great Falls Will Play Five Games With Local Team.

LEWISTOWN WILL BE STRONG The Pick of the Kendall-Gilt Edge Team Will Be With the Team of This City.

Beginning with tomorrow morning, Lewistown will have an opportunity of seeing some of the best base ball ever played in this part of the state. The Maverick team of Great Falls, one of the fastest amateur aggregations in the state, will arrive in the city early tomorrow morning and at 10 o'clock, will line up against a Fergus county team. Five games will be played and unless all signs fail every one of them will be worth quitting work to see.

Games will be played in the mornings of tomorrow, Thursday and Friday. Saturday afternoon the fourth game will be played and, on that date ladies will be admitted free of charge. The final game will be played Sunday afternoon and will be a battle royal as both teams are out for that particular contest.

The Lewistown team will be strengthened by the addition of Dennis of Kendall and Eddie, and Art Baker and Johnny Sweeney of Gilt Edge. Boggs, Skibe, Rogers and Warner of Gilt Edge will do the twirling, Boggs going in the box for the first game in the morning. All of the boys here are in good shape and feel that they will be able to make the Falls boys work for every thing they get.

Following will be the line-up for the first game:

MAVERICKS.	POSITION.	LEWISTOWN.
Whitney	catcher	Stout
Ratus	second base	Bebb
Rose	first base	E. Baker
McDonald	shortstop	Rogers
McCormick	third base	A. Baker
Gaston	pitcher	Boggs
Hasterlik	left field	Dennis
Heese	center field	Sweeney
Lauders	right field	Lindley

The admission will be 25 cents a game. In order to bring the boys over the local team has to raise close to \$500, and the assistance of every true lover of the game will be needed to make that amount. See every game if you possibly can.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

Alfalfa honey at Lehman's.

Mrs. Jesse Hodges left yesterday morning for Iowa where she will spend the winter with relatives.

Entire household goods for sale cheap. Almost as good as new. Apply to Mrs. Niemeier, opposite Sister's hospital.

We need money. Do you need a No. 1 harness? If so, let us get together. We have reduced \$55 harness to \$45.—Stafford's Harness Shop.

Winter Furs at Lehman's.

The base ball boys will give a dance in Culver's hall Saturday night, the proceeds to go towards paying the expenses of the Great Falls team to this city.

For Rent—The Hemphill building on Janneaux street, near Fourth avenue, formerly occupied by the Art Music Store. Inquire of Judge McFarland.

Otto Wasmansdorf is numbered among the sick. Some apprehensions were felt by his friends Sunday but he is now improving and will soon be out once more.

Alfalfa honey at Lehman's.

The Lewistown Land and Investment Company yesterday sold to Ada Belle Ready, three acres of the Crowder place at the foot of Fifth avenue for \$1,200.

Dr. M. F. Guinon, the well known eye specialist, has decided to remain in this city until after the county fair is over. If you are troubled with defective eyesight see the doctor while you are in town.

George J. Bach and wife returned Thursday afternoon from Great Falls, having made the trip in their automobile. They came from the Cataract city in 11 hours which is running along at a pretty good rate.

Winter Furs at Lehman's.

J. W. Brown of Judith was a visitor to this city the first of the week.

Wenzel Wocasek of Maiden was registered at the Day House yesterday.

Tom Gregory of Stanford was a business visitor to this city the first of the week.

A marriage license was issued this morning to Earnest V. Bean and Iva Aldrich.

Johnnie Arthur returned last night from Salt Lake whither he went on a business trip.

H. G. Burges and wife and Mrs. Calbraith of Stanford were visitors to this city this week.

The familiar autograph of Andrew Mace, the Maiden coal man, adorned the Day House register yesterday.

C. B. McCarthy of Helena, state agent for the Germania Life Insurance company, is in this city and vicinity this week.

Attorney Edgar G. Worden who was laid up for almost a week with an attack of grip is able to be in his office once more although not entirely recovered.

The Rev. A. Lund, a Lutheran minister of Great Falls held services in this city Sunday. The services were held in Culver's hall and a large number of the communicants of the Lutheran faith were present.

The officers received word last night that a sheep camp belonging to C. V. Peck on the Great Falls road was burglarized yesterday. Officer Silverthorn started out there this morning, but up to this time none of the particulars have been learned in this office.

George Myers, A. T. Goodspeed, Dan Curry and Frank Williams started out for a little pleasure drive last Sunday but one of their horses was taken sick and dropped in the harness as they got to the crossing of the Judith on the Powell place. Everything possible was done for the animal but it could not be saved.

Mrs. Charles Wright, who is in the Schroeder hospital suffering from severe injuries received in a runaway accident week before last, is reported gradually recovering and her condition gives hope to her attendants that her complete recovery is but a matter of time. The many friends of the good lady sincerely deplore the misfortune which befell her.

J. E. Wasson, the Gilt Edge attorney will leave in the morning for New York city on a business trip. After transacting his business in the city, he will visit relatives and friends in other parts of the state. He will be absent until the first of November, fully intending to be back here in time to cast a vote for the democratic ticket from top to bottom.

J. D. Warren and J. M. Calicoat have purchased the Crowley livery and feed stable of William Woods, having taken possession yesterday. The new proprietors of the place are well known here, and being thoroughly acquainted with the livery business will continue to run that place in the same business-like manner that characterized the retiring proprietor.

Dick Hanke yesterday received from D. N. Langdoe, who is visiting his brother, Victor Landoe in Maiden, a number of interesting articles for use in the fair time window display if the Montana Hardware company. Among the articles is a bill of sale given by Louisa Haekman to Eugene Haekens conveying a negro, Sam by name, for the sum of \$750. The bill of sale is date 1862. Confederate money, stamps, and other articles interesting to a collector of anti-bellum curios were included in the package which Dick received.

The big bunch of delegates to the democratic state convention returned home Saturday evening. The boys were strictly in the push at the convention which they pronounce the greatest ever held in the state. Although they failed to land a Fergus county man on the ticket, all are satisfied that a winning combination has been formed by the party and that good loyal democrats will continue in power at the state capital after December 1st.

Johnnie Miers, David Scott, Edmund Wright and Edward Brassy went over to Gilt Edge last Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Frank Flanagan whose death occurred at the Flanagan home on McDonald creek Thursday. Interment was made in the Gilt Edge cemetery Saturday afternoon, the services being those of the Catholic church of which the deceased was a member. Although not unexpected, the death of Mrs. Flanagan was a great shock to her many friends whose sincerest sympathy go out to the husband and seven children who are left to mourn the passing of a loved one.