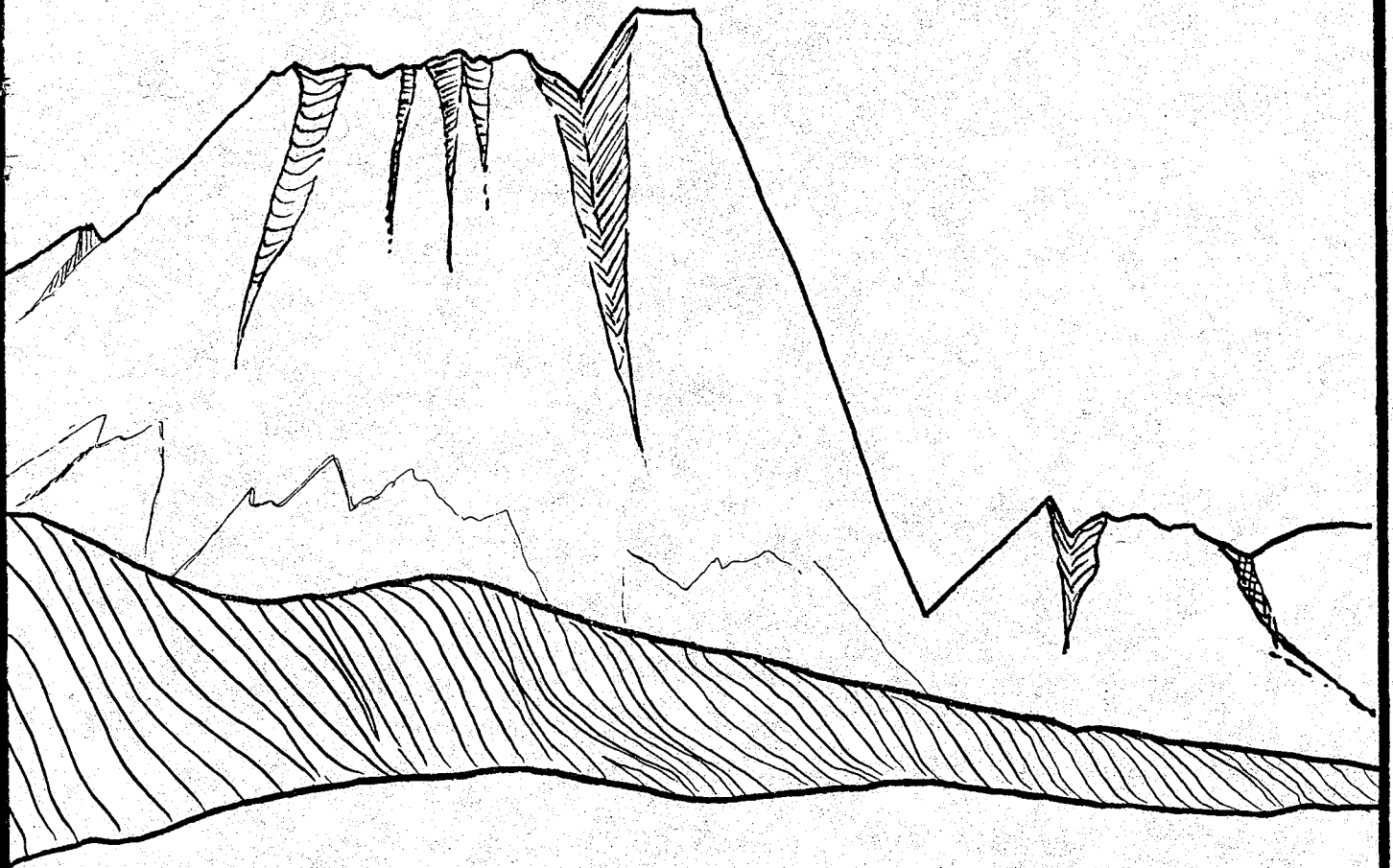


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### 1920 CENSUS

**1920 CENSUS**, available in March 1992, resembles that of 1910 in format and information. It did not, however, ask about the number of children born or how long a couple had been married. Four new questions were added; one asking the year of naturalization and three about mother tongue.

Census takers were not instructed to ask the spelling of names nor were they to request proof of age, date of arrival or other information. If family members were temporarily absent, they were to be listed with the family or on the last page for the census subdivision.

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Census of 1920: For each person as of 1 January 1920: Place of abode: street name, house number, number of dwelling in order of visitation, number of family visited; name; relationship to head of family; whether home owned or rented; if owned, whether or not free of mortgage; sex; color or race; age; year of immigration to U. S.; naturalized or alien; if naturalized, year of naturalization; whether attended school since 1 September 1919; able to read or write; place of birth and mother tongue of person person's father and mother; whether able to speak English; trade or profession; industry, business, or establishment; whether employer, salary, or wage earner; farm schedule.

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TAKEN FROM "THE RIVER PRESS - FORT BENTON, MT.  
1892

Born April 1st, 1892 to Mr+Mrs. W. K **HARBER**, of this city, a daughter.

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Born on Thursday afternoon, March 7, 1892, to Mr. Mrs. Oscar **JOHNSTON**, a son.

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Born on Sunday April 17, 1892, to the wife of Geo. W. **CRANE**, of this city, a daughter.

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**MARCH 2, 1892**  
**THE RIVER PRESS, FORT BENTON, MT.**

Wm. **COLLINS**, who brought Lewis **CAMPBELL** to this place a week ago Sunday, started for his home at the Sweet Grass Hills this afternoon. Before leaving, Mr. **COLLINS** and Kenneth L. **McKENZIE**, also of the hills, took out their final papers of citizenship in court. Mr. **CAMPBELL'S** broken limb is mending rapidly, and he expects to be able, in a couple of weeks, to return to the ranch.

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Chas. M. **RUSSELL**, who will remain in the city until the **SPENCER** case is disposed of, informs us that he intends to start a saloon at Chinook, and devote his time to his artistic labors and the new venture at least until the spring round up begins, and possibly engage permanently in the business.

State Auditor E. A. **KENNEY** arrived from Helena last evening, bringing with him important books and official papers to be used by the grand jury in investigating the bounty cases. Frank A. **DOWD**, collector of customs at Sweet Grass, is also here to give his testimony in certain cases.

**"THE RIVER PRESS" FORT BENTON, MT. March 2, 1892**

Chas. M. **RUSSELL**, the "cowboy artist," executed some very neat pencil sketches in the court room this morning, while waiting to be called upon to give his testimony. It is the intention of the state board of world's fair commissioners of Montana to get **RUSSELL** to produce two large oil paintings, typical of western life, for a place in Montana's exhibit at Chicago. Charley is going to make an effort to outdo all his former productions; and although the labors of the master artists of all ages will be more realistic and true to nature than the specimens produced by the cowboy artist of Montana.

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Robert **MILLS**, who is a well known old timer in Fort Benton, is visiting friends in this city for a few days. Mr. **MILLS** left this city for the Maiden mining district a dozen years ago, and for several year ran a hotel in Andersonville. He is now running a ranch at Lewistown and is prospering. This is his first visit to Fort Benton in ten years, and he is the guest of Herman **BRINKMAN**.

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When you buy your spring medicine you should get the best, and that is Hood's Sarsaparilla. It thoroughly purifies the blood.

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A marriage license was granted this morning to Mr. Frederick H. **HESS**, and Miss Minnie A. **LINWELL**, both of Fort Assiniboine.

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**March 30, 1892**

**Born** - On Sunday, March 27th, to Mr. and Mrs. **CHAPPLE**, of the lower Marias, son.

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**"THE RIVER PRESS"- FORT BENTON, MT. APRIL 6- 1892**

Last night a Mrs. **DOYLE**, wife of ;the section master at Marias, was brought to the residence of Mrs. **JOHNSON**, on Baker street, and at 12:30 this morning gave birth to a rousing baby boy, followed a few hours later by a little girl. All are doing well.

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**QUERIES**

**QUACKENBUSH** Need information on Charles **QUACKENBUSH** born Oct. 1877 in Michigan. Parents probably Ezra and Mary S. **QUACKENBUSH**. Homesteaded at Box Elder, Mt. in 1900's.

**CALLISON  
CROW** Need information on William **CALLISON** born 1808? in Virginia, married 1831 to Leora Lanna **CROW** born @ 1807?

**REYNOLDS** Need information about Lewis **REYNOLDS** born @ 1804 in New York ,married Eliza born @ 1812.

**KOPP  
WENZEL  
SCHMIDT** Seek information on Herman **KOPP** born 1850's in Nothausener, Germany, married Bertha **WENZEL** born 1857 in Berlin, Germany. Bertha's father-Fredrick Karl **WENZEL**, mother Bertha **SCHMIDT**. All died in Saskatchewan.

Any one having any information about the about surnames please contact Susanne Green-Box 503-Chester, Mt. 59522.

**LEIGHTON  
ROSS** Wish to contact family of Everett **LEIGHTON** of Camos, Washington, son of Lily Gertrude **ROSS**, born 24 June 1866 Minn. and Irve/Dave **LEIGHTON**.

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**ROSS** Need to contact my grandmother's cousins, children of  
**BOAG** Anna Emide **ROSS**, (3 June 1872- 15 Oct. 1949  
**BULTER** Portland, Oregon) and John **BOAG** and Peter **BOAG**.  
**MORGAN** Elmer-1889; Edith **BULTER**-1891; Pearl **MORGAN**-  
**CHUNDELAK** 1894; Wallace-1896; Ida **CHUNDELAK** -1899;  
Raymond; Ross-1905; Earl-1906.

The two queries above were submitted by Barbara Cady, Box # 105-Joplin,  
Mt. 59531.

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**MONTANA**  
**FENTON'S HILL COUNTY DIRECTORY**  
**CLASSIFIED LIST OF**  
**REAL ESTATE OWNERS**  
AND REFERS TO MARCH 15TH, 1915

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	P.O.	S. T. R.	ACR.	VAL.
<b>(M)</b>					
MAY,	H. G.	HAVRE	18-34-16	313	1965
MAST,	SANFORD D.	HAVRE	27-30-12	160	670
MAZUR,	ANDREW	HAVRE	10-32-16	160	795
MAY,	FRANK	HAVRE	2-32-16	120	900
MARTIN,	PETER	HAVRE	5-32-16	110	935
MANGUNSKI,	W.	BOX ELDER	25-30-12	160	875
MATUSKA,	NICK	BOX ELDER	20-30-13	160	680
MATUCKA,	F. R.	BOX ELDER	19-30-13	160	1085
MARTELL,	C. J.	JOPLIN	8-35- 8	320	985
MARUM,	ALBERT	JOPLIN	7-30- 8	160	670
MADSON,	THORWALD	JOPLIN	6-30- 8	160	665
MAGMANSEN,	REOPER	JOPLIN	32-33- 7	160	640
MADSENE,	ANTON	JOPLIN	35-31- 7	320	1230
MANNEN,	J. T.	KREMLIN	9-32-12	160	1115
MARTIN,	F. C.	KREMLIN	4-31-13	160	710

MARCELLS, C. A.	GILDFORD	1-35-11	320	1305
MARTELL, ROBT.	GILDFORD	35-35-11	320	1310
MANN, ALEX	GILDFORD	33-35-11	320	1345
MANN, GEO.	GILDFORD	33-35-11	320	2005
MALLAND, ALICE	HINGHAM	35-30- 8	160	680
MARVIN, C. E.	HINGHAM	11-32-10	320	1920
MARKLEY, HENRY	HINGHAM	5-32-10	320	1355
MASON, MABEL	HINGHAM	11-32-10	320	1480
MALLON, PAT	HINGHAM	33-34-10	320	1425
MAHER, JAMES T.	HINGHAM	29-32- 9	160	640
MATTESON, ALFRED	INVERNESS	21-30- 8	160	735
MATTESON, MELVIN	INVERNESS	28-30- 8	160	875
MARTIN, CHAS. H.	INVERNESS	25-31- 8	320	1475
MANGOLD, ANTON	INVERNESS	25-33- 8	160	870
MANGOLD, ADAM	INVERNESS	25-33- 8	160	900
MANGOLD, BARBARA	INVERNESS	25-33- 8	320	1280
MARTIN, CHESTER H.	INVERNESS	26-31- 8	320	1345
MAXWELL, N. V.	INVERNESS	4-31- 8	320	1495
MARSHALL, E. N.	INVERNESS	26-31- 8	280	790
MANSFIELD,MYRTLE M.	INVERNESS	1-32- 8	292	1503
MADTER, FRED	INVERNESS	18-33- 9	311	1687
MARSH, CLIFFORD	CHESTER	11-30- 5	160	660
MAZMANIAM, VARTARA	CHESTER	5-30- 7	160	640
MATTSON, ANDREW	CHESTER	3-34- 6	320	1655
MARES, JAMES	CHESTER	5-31- 7	320	1435
MADSLANGRUD, NELS	CHESTER	21-33- 6	320	1320
MADSLANGRUD, THORVALD	CHESTER	32-33- 8	320	1750
MAYLAND, L. L.	CHESTER	9-31- 6	160	560
MAIER, JACOB	CHESTER	6-31- 6	320	1400
MARSOLEK, JOE	RUDYARD	4-30- 9	160	665
MAGNUSON, MALCOM	RUDYARD	2-32- 9	320	1545
MATTSON, EMIL	RUDYARD	31-31- 9	306	1249
MAGNUSON, JOHN	RUDYARD	11-32- 9	320	1855
MAGNUSON, BERT	RUDYARD	3-32- 9	225	1255
MAY, ROSIA SCHMIDT	WARRICK	31-28-17	33	78
MAY, HERMAN	WARRICK	32-28-17	400	890
MARTEN, T. G.	TROMMER	8-33- 4	320	1560
MAY, BESSIE	GOLDSTONE	12-36- 9	320	1280
MANIS, THOMAS H.	WHITLASH	27-37- 4	320	1045
MADOLE, PLINY	ALMA	15-36- 7	320	994

MARTELL, L. M.	ALMA	8-35- 8	320	1370
MATHEWS, MRS.F. A.	BIG SNADY	30-30-11	160	665
MARTIN, MICHEAL	CHINOOK	34-34-15	320	960
MALLOW, RALPH W.	HILLSBORO,WI.	29-31-12	160	675
MAHN, ELIZABETH F.	SALVA, IL.	13-33-15	160	600
MASTRUD, CHRIS	HATTON,ND	28-34- 8	320	1320
MANDT, CARL	NORTHWOOD,ND	25-34- 8	320	1305
MARTIN, EUPHEMIA	CHINOOK	4-34-17	80	360
MEYER, FRANK H.	HAVRE	6-28-17	160	480
MEILI, RINHOLDT	HAVRE	33-33-15	480	1000
MEHLHOFF, JACOB	BOX ELDER	23-31-13	120	510
METCALF, A. W.	INVERNESS	32-36- 8	320	960
MEYER, GEO.	INVERNESS	34-34- 8	320	1355
MELLBURG, CHAS. J.	INVERNESS	33-34- 8	320	1320
MELDRUM, HELEN	JOPLIN	2-34- 7	320	1160
MELDRUM, WM.	JOPLIN	3-34- 7	319	2383
METZ, CHAS.	HINGHAM	25-32- 9	320	1455
MEAD, CLARK	HINGHAM	23-33-10	320	1350
MEEKS, W. H.	GILDFORD	23-33-11	320	2330
METROVALLIS, SAM	GILDFORD	28-31-11	320	1625
MEDBY, GILBERT	CHESTER	20-33- 6	320	1380
MEEKS, JAMES S.	LOTHAIR	17-31- 5	320	1310
MEISSNER, GEO.	MARIAS	24-29- 6	162	1086
MEYERS, ELIZABETH I.	COTTONWOOD	29-37-12	320	1320
MELDRUM, JAMES	ALMA	34-35- 7	320	1000
MELLOM, M.	OSSEO, WI	6-32- 9	319	1306
MELAAS, OLE	RIDGEWAY,IA.	32-34-15	320	1305
MIKKLESON,LENA	HAVRE	6-32-13	160	665
MILLER, MARY GOWRIE	HAVRE	16-32-16	800	1005
MIGNOT, C. B.	GILDFORD	20-32-11	320	1305
MIGNOT, FLORENCE A.	GILDFORD	17-32-11	320	1630
MINKEWITZ, W. J.	GILDFORD	14-34-10	440	1480
MILLER, JOHN	GILDFORD	22-34-11	320	1565
MILLER, HERMAN	GILDFORD	19-34-12	320	1550
MILLER, STEPHEN	RUDYARD	8-31- 9	320	1380
MITCHELL, WM. C.	RUDYARD	31-30- 9	160	665
MINKEWITZ,W. J.	HINGHAM	10-32-10	320	2130
MINKEWITZ,A. E.	HINGHAM	2-34- 9	320	1280
MIDDOW, H. O.	HINGHAM	25-33- 9	320	1900
MICHELSON,HENRY	HINGHAM	10-33-10	320	1680

MILLER, EDW. W.	INVERNESS	5-29- 8	320	675
MILLER, L. N.	INVERNESS	22-32- 8	320	1930
MILLER, CHESTER	JOPLIN	4-31- 7	320	1100
MILLER, CHAS. H.	JOPLIN	15-31- 7	320	1370
MITCHELL, VERA	BOX ELDER	20-31-12	160	665
MICHELSON, ENGBRET	KREMLIN	7-33-13	160	790
MILLER, LENA	KREMLIN	30-33-13	120	480
MILLER, ELLA J.	KREMLIN	11-32-13	160	665
MILLER, MARY	KREMLIN	11-32-13	160	665
MITCHELL, MARTHA	CHESTER	34-32- 6	400	1150
MITCHELL, J. S.	CHESTER	2-31- 5	320	1450
MITCHELL, MARY AGNES	CHESTER	6-31- 7	320	1275
MITCHELL, MARTHA & WM.	CHESTER	21-31- 6	320	890
MILES, CHAS.	CHESTER	32-35- 7	320	1280
MILLER, CHAS. G.	CHESTER	8-32- 6	320	1005
MILLER, JAMES	FAIRCHILD	5-36-11	160	1080
MITCHELL, GUS.	HILLSBORO, WI.	19-31-12	160	665
MITCHELL, ELLEN	HILLSBORO, WI.	30-31-12	160	665
MITCHELL, VERA	HILLSBORO, WI.	20-31-12	160	665
MILLER, ANDREW	ELKHART, IND.	33-30-12	160	690
MILLER, AGNES	ELKHART, IND.	33-30-12	160	675
MILLER, CHAS. A.	KEWANA, IND.	31-30-12	160	700
MILNE, J.	POOLA	9-30- 8	320	1765
MILLS, JOHN T. (1-3INT.)	NEW YORK	36-32-16	106	425
MILLER, HELEN FOLK	ST. PAUL, MN.	34-31-12	160	665
MILINAR, JOS.	JOPLIN	8-34- 7	320	1415
MORRELL, A. W.	HAVRE	12-39-16	320	705
MOLITOR, PETER	HAVRE	7-29-17	160	450
MOSES, EMMA	HAVRE	17-34-15	320	1240
MOONEY, CALHOON	HAVRE	1-29-17	160	660
MOE, R. E.	HAVRE	28-34-16	320	1770
MOEN, PAUL	HAVRE	4-33-16	160	715
MORRIS, TURNER STOCK CO.	HAVRE	5-35- 4	2240	8876
MORRIS, WM. H.	HAVRE	32-36- 4	320	840
MORRIS, C. F.	HAVRE	28-36- 4	520	1140
MORE, BEN. H.	HAVRE	24-33-15	160	740
MOORE, DAN C.	HAVRE	3-34-14	320	1455
MOORE, GEO. W.	BOX ELDER	22-31-13	120	480
MONGER, SUSAN	HAVRE	29-33-16	80	400
MOORE, D. D.	HINGHAM	29-33-10	160	640

MORRISEY, WM.	HINGHAM	5-33-10	320	1560
MONTAGUE, JAMES	KREMLIN	33-33-13	160	665
MOORE, J. P.	RUDYARD	1-32- 9	320	1330
MONTAGUE, CHAS.	GILDFORD	7-34-11	320	1345
MOES, ANNA	CHESTER	14-32- 6	240	1125
MORGAN, J. H.	CHESTER	19-33- 5	316	1584
MONTGOMERY, WM.	CHESTER	22-31- 5	320	1300
MOEN, OLOUS	JOPLIN	20-34- 7	320	1280
MOSHER, PETER	INVERNESS	18-33- 9	320	1870
MOREY, C. J.	INVERNESS	15-30- 8	160	885
MOOG, FRANK	INVERNESS	11-32- 8	160	1100
MOOG, JOHN A.	INVERNESS	11-32- 8	160	555
MOSEL, GUSTAVE	LOTHAIR	32-32- 4	320	1530
MOTZ, WM.	GOLDSTONE	1-36- 9	280	1405
MORSE, L. H.	SIMPSON	31-37-12	320	1590
MONOHAN, JAMES L.	WHITLASH	30-37- 4	120	320
MORRIS, JOS. D.	ST. JOSEPH	9-35-16	320	1702
MOCK, ALFRED	GOLDSTONE	6-36-10	341	1569
MORRE, H. C.	WHITLASH	6-36- 5	160	480
MORAN, JAS. (ESTATE)	HAVRE	11-32-15	155	442
MOSTAD, GEO.	VANG, ND	35-31-11	160	670
MORTON, ANDREW H.	PRINCETON, MN	24-35- 7	160	640
MONREAN, AMELIA	HARRISON, ID.	27-33-15	160	495
MOULTON, WALTER	MINOT, ND.	11-34- 7	320	1320
MONSON, OLOUS	GRAFTON, ND.	30-33- 4	320	1320
MURPHY, JOS. F.	HAVRE	19-33-14	160	640
MUNSON, WM.	CHESTER	27-32- 5	300	1590
MUMPHER, LOUIS	CHESTER	33-32- 6	594	2718
MUNSON, MARTIN	INVERNESS	6-34- 9	302	1238
MULLER, GUIDO	RUDYARD	14-34- 9	320	1725
MULLER, ALPHONSE	RUDYARD	3-34- 9	320	1750
MURPHY, J. J.	RUDYARD	15-32- 9	320	1555
MURPHY, DORA B.	RUDYARD	13-32- 9	320	2205
MULLEN, WM. M. Sr.	HINGHAM	25-31-10	320	1810
MULLEN, WM. M. Sr.	HINGHAM	25-31-10	320	1620
MURR, ARTHUR	GILDFORD	14-33-11	320	1740
MUZZEY, B. F.	GILDFORD	9-35-10	320	1520
MUNDY, FRED	GILDFORD	21-35-11	320	1315
MURPHY, ELLA B.	BOX ELDER	19-31-12	160	505
MURPHY, JOHN F.	BOX ELDER	30-31-12	160	505

MURRAY, FINLEY	HILL	29-36- 6	546	2092
MURRAY, FINLEY	HILL	28-36- 6	466	6552
MUNDAL, S. O.	ALMA	1-36- 7	320	1280
MUDGET, J. A.	EVERETT,WA.	18-34- 7	306	1404
MYHER, S. J.	LOTHAIR	19-33- 4	320	1320
MURHAGEN, OLOUS	SEATTLE	30-30-12	160	665
MYERS, SANDY S.	GILDFORD	27-34-11	320	2340
MYERS, GEO. E.	CHESTER	24-33- 5	360	1475
MYERS, WM.	BOX ELDER	27-30-13	160	1409
McBRIDE, ORLIFF	BOX ELDER	3-30-13	160	665
McBRIDE, A. E.	HAZEN, ND.	9-32-17	160	640
McBRIDE, JOHN M.	CHINOOK	25-32-17	80	2240
McCLANDISH, ED.	HAVRE	34-34-14	480	1935
McCRAE, JAMES	KREMLIN	30-34-13	320	1570
McCARM, SHIRLY	RUDYARD	12-34- 9	320	1860
McCABE, ANDREW J.	GILDFORD	5-34-11	320	1560
McCALLSON, C. J.	HINGHAM	28-32-10	320	1355
McCLELLAN, J. LEE	ALMA	26-36- 7	320	1170
McCELLAN, E. S.	ALMA	27-36- 7	320	1385
McCELLAN, MARGARET B.	ALMA	20-36- 8	320	960
McCULAH, ROBT.L.(1-3 INT)	GREAT FALLS	36-32-16	106	425
McDONOUGH, J. A.	HAVRE	3-30-14	160	665
McDANIELS, MARY K.	HAVRE	26-33-15	160	525
McDANIELS, CHAS. L.	HAVRE	14-32-16	160	955
McDONALD, FLORENCE	CHESTER	13-32- 5	160	680
McDONALD, J. A.	CHESTER	25-35- 6	320	1700
McDONALD, OSCAR J.	CHESTER	25-35- 6	320	1305
McDONALD, A.	GILDFORD	8-34-11	320	1310
McDANIEL, DELIAH P.	RUDYARD	22-31- 9	320	1305
McDONALD, THOMAS M.	JOPLIN	29-33- 8	320	1530
McDOWELL, GEO. A.	ELKHART,IND.	32-30-12	160	690
McDONALD, MARY CRUDEN	DEVILS LAKE	17-33- 7	640	3000
McDOLE, HARRY	GEORGE	28-30- 6	156	597
McDOWELL, JOHN W.	ALMA	14-36- 5	720	2930
McDONALL, MRS, G. C.	LOTHAIR	22-32- 4	320	1290
McELROY, H. L.	LOTHAIR	17-33- 4	320	1540
McELLAGOTT, MIKE	KREMLIN	12-32-12	320	1305
McFARLANE, W. D.	HAVRE	29-32-16	160	1746
McFADDEN, S. E.	RUDYARD	5-34- 9	320	1665
McFARLANE, T. J.	LOTHAIR	8-31- 4	316	2024

McFARLANE, ELIZABETH	LOTHAIR	9-31- 4	320	1320
McFARLANE, WM.	LOTHAIR	7-34- 4	160	620
McFARLANE, MAY	LOTHAIR	18-31- 4	312	1224
McFARLANE, NETTIE	LOTHAIR	7-31- 4	152	604
McFARLANE, E. E.	LOTHAIR	15-31- 4	320	1880
McFADDEN, GEO.	INVERNESS	11-34- 8	320	2330
McGINNIS, E. J.	HAVRE	10-32- 5	320	1170
McGOWAN, JOHN	RUDYARD	31-34- 9	309	1563
McGOWAN, KATE	RUDYARD	25-34- 8	320	1320
McGRATH, WM.	INVERNESS	22-32- 7	160	1764
McGEE, W. H.	BUELOW	17-32- 7	160	800
McGREW, MRS. J. E.	RAMBRANT, IA.	4-32- 8	320	1235
McINTOSH, JAMES	HILL	5-35- 5	320	1155
McKENZIE, WALTER	HAVRE	7-32-16	854	2562
McKENZIE, LAURA H.	HAVRE	19-35-10	320	1960
McKENZIE, LULU B.	HAVRE	19-35-10	200	600
McKENZIE, MARY L.	HAVRE	4-34-10	241	723
McKENZIE, D. M.	HAVRE	17-34-10	320	1000
McKNIGHT, EARL	KREMLIN	15-33-12	320	1445
McKENZIE, L. J.	KREMLIN	20-32-13	160	925
McKENZIE, A. J.	KREMLIN	25-35-11	320	1340
McKERMAN, MIKE	BOX ELDER	8-30-13	160	1110
McKENZIE, O. P.	FARGO, ND	2-32-11	322	1388
McKEEHEN, WM. S.	MILAN, WA.	19-31-13	160	640
McLEAN, DUNCAN	HAVRE	21-36-15	320	3065
McLENNON, DONALD	CHESTER	10-34- 6	320	1400
McLAUGHLIN, J. V.	BOX ELDER	24-30-11	160	665
MCLEISH, A. E.	FORT BENTON	25-29- 8	116	348
McLAREN, JOHN	CHINOOK	3-32-17	400	8470
McLAREN, WM.	CHINOOK	32-34-17	160	640
McLAREN, JOHN	CHINOOK	30-34-17	360	1440
McMILLEN, H. J.	BOX ELDER	2-30-12	160	680
McMILLEN, ARTHUR	BOX ELDER	7-30-12	160	685
McMILLEN, ERNEST	BOX ELDER	7-30-12	160	665
McMANES, HENRY	KREMLIN	3-31-13	160	730
McMILLEN, E. D.	SAGE	25-36- 8	320	1210
McNEAL, WM. LESTER	INVERNESS	12-34- 8	320	1610
McNEAL, ROBT. B.	INVERNESS	14-34- 8	320	1567
McPHERSON, GEO.	INVERNESS	7-32- 9	320	1485

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NAGLE, SYL. O.	INVERNESS	22-33- 8	160	680
NARVINSON,OLE	GALATA	7-33- 4	317	1228
NEAL, THOMAS	HAVRE	31-33-15	480	3100
NEGARD, ROBT.	HAVRE	8-34-14	320	1320
NELSON, NELS	HAVRE	2-33-14	160	680
NELSON, MARTIN	HAVRE	21-32-12	160	655
NELSON, W. R.	HAVRE	25-33-15	160	890
NELSON, JENS.P.	HAVRE	29-33-17	320	1280
NELSON, NELS.	HAVRE	8-33-16	160	942
NELSON, EMMA C.	HAVRE	6-33-15	160	765
NELSON, KAREM M.	HAVRE	2-33-15	160	825
NEDEAU, HENRY	HAVRE	20-29-17	169	1168
NESS, ANDREW	HAVRE	33-35-15	320	1345
NELSON, HANNAH	BOX ELDER	33-31-12	160	665
NELSON, OLAF	BOX ELDER	33-31-12	160	665
NELSON, PETER	BOX ELDER	5-30-14	160	715
NELSON, TURVAL	BOX ELDER	4-30-12	160	840
NELSON, SIMAN	BOX ELDER	4-30-12	160	1000
NEILSON, EVER	BOX ELDER	35-30-13	382	6037
NEILSON, THOS. W.	BOX ELDER	4-30-14	160	665
NEVINS, JASPER	BOX ELDER	1-30-12	160	1415
NEWELL, MARY	JOPLIN	20-35- 7	320	960
NEWELL, P. H.	JOPLIN	21-35- 7	320	1850
NEWELL, A. L.	JOPLIN	21-35- 7	320	1280
NEWELL, MARY I.	JOPLIN	29-35- 7	120	360
NELSON, C. W.	JOPLIN	.....	.....	475
NELSON, LEWIS	JOPLIN	1-33- 7	320	1747
NELSON, HANS A.	JOPLIN	11-33- 7	320	1280
NELSON, EMMA	JOPLIN	6-31- 8	320	1195
NELSON, CARL G.	JOPLIN	5-31- 8	320	1245
NELSON, EMIL	JOPLIN	19-32- 8	315	1330
NELSON, H. B.	HINGHAM	13-31- 9	320	1740
NELSON, TILLIE	RUDYARD	27-33- 9	320	1340
NELSON, JOHN F.	KREMLIN	21-33-13	160	1839
NELSON, MAY E.	GILDFORD	21-34-10	320	985



NESS, JACOB	INVERNESS	32-34- 8	320	1495
NELSON, LUCY B.	LOTHAIR	9-30- 5	160	675
NESS, MATHIAS HANSEN	CHESTER	17-33- 6	320	1485
NESS, GEORGINA	CHESTER	7-31- 5	320	1310
NESS, ANNA	CHESTER	17-35- 6	320	960
NELSON, F. C.	ALMA	31-36- 8	311	1244
NEWELL, JACK	ALMA	5-35- 7	320	1265
NESHEIM, GILBERT K.	COTTONWOOD	6-35-13	320	1310
NEALON, MICHAEL J.	COTTONWOOD	19-35-14	320	1290
NEWBY, ARTHUR	OSCAR	18-31-17	320	1292
NEWBY, H. O.	OSCAR	13-31-16	480	2650
NEWBY, EARL C.	OSCAR	7-31-17	316	912
NEDOFFS, MIKE	WILLISTON	4-32- 7	300	1240
NELSON, IDA	MOHALL	29-31- 9	160	665
NELSON, NELS P.	LEED,ND	15-33-13	16-	665
NEETHER, THOMAS	DONNEYBROOK, ND.	32-34- 7	320	1355
NIELSON, MAGNUS	HAVRE	35-32-12	160	675
NILSSON, ALMA	JOPLIN	13-35- 7	320	1439
NIELSON, EVER	BOX ELDER	35-30-13	542	6357
NILSON, IVAN	RUDYARD	31-31- 9	305	1445
NIELS, CLEVELAND P.	FORT BENTON	21-31-17	320	585
NICHOLSON,DEIA	BIG SANDY	19-30-11	160	665
NORTHDURF,J. J.	HAVRE	17-33-15	160	680
NORQUIST, OLAF	HAVRE	27-34-15	320	2250
NORBERG, CAROLINE	HAVRE	4-33-15	160	665
NORBY, OSMUND	RUDYARD	22-33- 9	320	1310
NOBLE, ED.	LOTHAIR	5-30- 5	160	950
NORTHRUP, BERT	KREMLIN	22-33-13	200	760
NAPOLSKI, ANTON	BOX ELDER	30-30-13	160	665
NORENBERG,E. J.	HINGHAM	1-34- 9	320	1680
NORGAARD, J. M.	INVERNESS	14-31- 8	320	1280
NOLAN, CHRIST T.	GILDFORD	25-31-11	320	2156
NORRIS, J. T.	GILDFROD	23-32-11	320	1755
NOVAK, FRANK J.	GOLDSTONE	3-36- 9	320	2120
NORRIS, LeROY	CHESTER	27-31- 6	320	1310
NOUTHENE,KERSTINE	GRANDIN,ND	34-33- 6	160	665
NOKELBY, L. T.	GALATA	6-33- 4	316	2074
NORTHERN PAC. R.R. CO.	ST.PAUL, MN.	6-36- 6	40	160
NORRIS, ARTHEMAS	CHESTER	27-31- 6	320	1890

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NORTHERN PAC. R.R. CO.	ST. PAUL, MN.	31-30- 4	320	1200
NORBY, MORRIS	BUELOW	6-32- 7	303	1211
NORTH MONT. ST. BK.	BIG SANDY	32-31- 7	160	640
NUTTER, SAM	KNAPP, WIS.	13-33-11	320	1770
NUTTER, ANDREW J.	GILDFORD	8-32-11	320	1740
NYSTROM, F. A.	HAVRE	3-32-16	160	1300
NYSTUEM, ALBERT	RUDYARD	3-32- 9	400	1825
NYMOEN, CHRISTIAN	JOPLIN	21-34- 8	400	1600

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O'BRIEN, MARY ESTATE	HAVRE	8-30-17	160	320
O'BRIEN, J. P.	HAVRE	14-32-16	320	1325
O'BRIEN, JOHN D.	BOX ELDER	35-31-13	160	665
O'BRIEN, JAMES O.	CHESTER	19-32- 7	302	1278
OBERST, C. J.	HINGHAM	13-31-10	320	1780
O'BRIEN, LILLIAN	BUELOW	7-32- 7	313	1092
O'BRIEN, GEO.	BUELOW	1-32- 6	306	1434
O'CONNOR, JOHN	CHESTER	25-33- 5	158	1036
O'CONNELL, MORGAN	GILDFORD	7-34-11	320	1320
O'CONNELL, MORGAN	GILDFORD	12-34-10	320	1340
ODLAND, T. I.	JOPLIN	29-34- 7	320	1762
ODEGARD, OLE	GILDFORD	11-34-11	320	1305
OGLESBY, ROSCOE	HAVRE	15-32-16	160	905
OHME, F. C.	LOTHAIR	18-30- 5	320	1345
OHM, CHAS.	CHESTER	20-32- 6	80	455
OLSON & SOLOMON	HAVRE	26-29-16	174	1209
OLSON, WILLIE	HAVRE	35-34-15	320	1515
OLSON, ANDREW	HAVRE	28-35-15	320	1460
OLSON, H. A.	LOTHAIR	5-31- 4	160	590
OLSRUD, ALBERT C.	LOTHAIR	19-32- 4	310	1515
OLSON, HEZ.	GILDFORD	4-34-11-	320	1330
OLBERG, I. P.	GILDFORD	34-31-11	320	1685
OLIVER, MYRTLE	INVERNESS	6-32- 9	32	128
OLIVER, NICHOLAS E.	INVERNESS	1-32- 8	334	1585
OLSON, M. PALMER	RUDYARD	28-30- 9	160	665

OLSON, ALFRED	RUDYARD	20-30- 9	160	665
OLSON, AXEL	JOPLIN	20-32- 8	320	1792
OLSON, JOHN R.	JOPLIN	29-30- 8	160	640
OTTESVIG, THEO.	KREMLIN	31-33-13	160	890
OLSON, M.	KING	35-37- 7	320	1320
OLSON, ANNA	BRINKMAN	2-29- 8	80	340
OLIVER, L. K.	FORT BENTON	30-31-11	320	1405
OLSON, GEO.	BLADWIN, WIS.	31-30-12	160	640
OLDHAM, INA B.	HAVRE	5-32-16	4	100
O'NEIL, JULIA	HAVRE	3-31-17	240	560
O'NEIL, DAN	HAVRE	5-31-17	280	964
O'NEIL, MARTIN	HAVRE	11-31-17	400	5701
O'NEIL, EDW. J.	JOPLIN	17-34- 7	320	1505
O'NEIL, NORA N.	MARIAS	14-29- 6	278	786
OPDAHL, S. N.	HAVRE	22-34-16	160	685
ORR, F. J.	GILDFORD	14-32-11	320	1330
ORR, BERT	DILLON	21-37- 4	320	680
OSS, THEO	RUDYARD	19-30- 9	160	665
OSTNESS, OLAF	RUDYARD	6-30- 9	148	617
OSWOOD, JOHN E.	HILL	14-35- 4	360	3450
OSWOOD, JAKE	HILL	35-36- 4	320	970
OSWOOD, CELIA	HILL	1-34- 4	240	580
OSWOOD, KNUTE	HILL	28-35- 5	480	3740
OSLER, JOHN	ALMA	27-36- 6	320	1240
OSLER, MARY D.	ALMA	21-36- 6	170	730
OSLER, JOHN K.	ALMA	26-36- 6	680	2810
OTTERSON, ALBERT	GILDFORD	18-35-11	320	1305
OTTERSON, ED.	GILDFORD	17-35-11	320	1305
OVERSON, Dr. H. A.	GRACE CITY, ND	35-34- 7	320	1380
OWENS, L. M. & MARY E.	HAVRE	8-32-16	---2	450

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**GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY**  
**OFFICE OF DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT, MONTANA, DIVISION**  
**SENIORITY LIST OF PASSENEGER CONDUCTORS.**  
**TAKEN FROM THE FENTON'S HILL COUNTY DIRECTORY OF 1915**

RANK	NAME	RANK	NAME
1	<b>GRIFFIN, Chas. B</b>	15	<b>COOLEN, J. H.</b>
2	<b>TIERMEY, Mikel D.</b>	16	<b>LUNNEY, Pete M.</b>
3	<b>OWEN, L. M.</b>	17	<b>GOGGINS, Wm.</b>
4	<b>MAYER, J. A.</b>	18	<b>HOLLAND, N. F.</b>
5	<b>CLEMENT, P. S.</b>	19	<b>BURTON, Harry</b>
6	<b>McKINTY, Danl.</b>	20	<b>RATHBONE, Robt. M.</b>
7	<b>SAULSBERRY, J. E.</b>	21	<b>McDONOUGH, Jos. J.</b>
8	<b>SPOONER, H. S.</b>	22	<b>CALLAHAN, Thos.</b>
9	<b>ELLINGHOUSE, Henry</b>	23	<b>McMILLAN, R. O.</b>
10	<b>COSTER, H. U.</b>	24	<b>ERLER, R. G.</b>
11	<b>DAVIS, Geo.</b>	25	<b>DUFFY, Jas. L.</b>
12	<b>RIST, Geo. W.</b>	26	<b>MERRILL, Wm. J.</b>
13	<b>MACK, L. W.</b>	27	<b>WHITE, Robt.</b>
14	<b>SPEARS Robert F.</b>		

**Seniority List of Passenger Brakeman**

RANK	NAME	RANK	NAME
1	<b>McLEOD, Wm.</b>	20	<b>LUND, Gust L.</b>
2	<b>HATLER, F. O.</b>	21	<b>DAUTERMAN, F. P.</b>
3	<b>SWEARINGER, E. E.</b>	22	<b>WILSON, G. C.</b>
4	<b>WIDENHAMMER, Andrew</b>	23	<b>HATLER, E. O.</b>
5	<b>HIRSCHBECK, Jno.</b>	24	<b>ELYROM, Harry</b>
6	<b>TAYLOR, G. M.</b>	25	<b>LEWIS, Pat. F.</b>
7	<b>MELLBLOM, V. F.</b>	26	<b>PRESSLEY, H. J.</b>
8	<b>ENGLEBRETSON, E. H.</b>	27	<b>KOENEMAN, Wm. P.</b>
9	<b>BRIDWELL, Frank</b>	28	<b>BENSON, C. W.</b>
10	<b>LEDBETTER, W. S.</b>	29	<b>DeLANCE, Eugene</b>
11	<b>BEAUDOIN, Jules</b>	30	<b>McKEE, Jas. W.</b>
12	<b>STOVER, Edw. C.</b>	31	<b>WILSON, Wm. A.</b>
13	<b>GARDNER, Geo. W.</b>	32	<b>WEED, W. L.</b>
14	<b>DAHLSTROM, Jno. A.</b>	33	<b>KIRK, J. M.</b>
15	<b>COONEY, Mikel.</b>	34	<b>HOLIHAN, C. A.</b>
16	<b>ENGLEBRETSON, H. E.</b>	35	<b>STUART, Jno. B.</b>
17	<b>BROWN, Louis</b>	36	<b>HAYDEN, F. A.</b>
18	<b>REYCRAFT, H. J.</b>	37	<b>DAVIS, C. B.</b>
19	<b>KENDRICKS, O. W.</b>		

## CLUB & ORGANIZATIONS OF THE PAST LIBERTY COUNTY TIMES -OCTOBER 16, 1980

### COMMERCIAL CLUB

In October of 1909 a Commercial Club was formed. In the Chester Signal it did not say who were the officers. It only said the men at the head of the club were progressive. A committee was appointed on membership and generously offered to take in new members during the first month at the trifling sum of \$5 for initiation and all the dues for the first year.

The club appointed a committee to solicit funds for the purpose of having a town well drilled. At their first regular meeting A. C. **Strode** was elected treasurer. An executive committee consisting of E. D. **Keith**, Ellis **Clayton**, Wm. **Mitchell**, H. E. **Loranger**, M. **Spangler**, W. V. D. **Chapman**, H. **Johnson**, Joe **Rehal** and B.B. **Weldy** was elected.

The following members were charter members: L. A. **Nutt**, M. **Spangler**, M. D. **Reif**, J. M. **Burkhardt**, E. D. **Keith**, S. C. **Duvoll**, A. C. **Strode**, C. E. **Casper**, C. B. **Wellborn**, E. E. **Biggs**, W. H. **Melvin**, H. S. **Johnson**, Thos. **Smith**, D. W. **Brown**, L. H. **Christy**, W. V. D. **Chapman**, R. H. **McDonald**, L.A. **Connors**, P. A. **Peterson**, John L. **Barker**, Shebel **Rehal**, C. S. **Chadwick**, G. D. **Hartwell**, Wm. **Mithchell**, M. A. **Johnson**, E. E. **Loranger**, Edw. **Brosnan**, J. B. **Hay**, J. Ed **Wilson**, C. A. **DeLaGrange**, H. C. **Eversmeyers**, B. B. **Weldy**, Ellis **Clayton**, B. H. **Smith** and Joe **Rehal**.

The biggest concern in 1913 was better roads and a bridge across the Marias.

The Club was re-organized in June of 1916. Officers elected were E. W. **Denison**, President; C. F. **Baker**, J. O. **Berglin**, C. S. **Davis**; L. R. **Crowell**, vice president; W. B. **Hawley**, secretary and J. N. **Harvey**, treasurer.

They were busy preparing for a visit of the Great Falls Commercial Club. The automobile excursion was to look over the route for the railroad that was being promoted between the Electric City and Chester.

After Chester became a county seat in 1920 the officers of the Chester Commercial Club were A. C. **Strode**, president; H. O. **Woare**, vice president; J. O. **Berglin**, secretary and John **Jacobson**, treasurer.

The main concern of the club was to work with the county commissioners to locate the most favorable route south to connect up with the main highway to Great Falls.

## CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Taken from the Liberty County Times Oct. 16, 1980

### MODERN WOODMEN

The Modern Woodmen of America organized a lodge January 20, 1910 with thirty-seven charter members. The following officers were elected to direct the affairs of the new camp during the first year:

C. A. **DeLaGrange**, Ven. Consul; R. H. **McDonald**, Advisor; Ellis **Clayton**, Banker; B. S. **Kelly**, Clerk; Ed **Norris**, Inside Guard; Ben **Snuffer**, Outside Guard; A. **Mutt**; Ed **Keith** and H. S. **Johnson**, Managers.

The Woodmen purchased what was known as the Finn Hall in 1926. It was situated 12 miles northwest of Chester. They moved it to Chester and enlarged it. Later in the year the school rented it to hold their basketball games, carnival and other school functions. Other community affairs were held in it also. It also served as a movie house later on. Chester Implement used this building for storage. To update this article Jennings **Mattson** uses it for storage. In 1991.

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### 100F LODGE

The new Odd Fellows Lodge was installed December 30, 1910. The new lodge was known as Ivy Lodge No. 90 and the following officers were elected: Noble Grand, Jake **Burkhart**; Vice Grand, Geo. **Hartwell**; Secretary, E. S. **Albright**; Treasurer, Geo **Myers**.

In 1926 the 100F held their first meeting in their new hall which they had bought. The building was formerly a store and moving picture house. The Vets Club now occupies the lot. Election of officers was held with the following installed: P. B. Perry **Oakey**; N. G. John **Jacobson**; V. G., John **Morgan**; W., Enair **Warnes**; Con., Frank **Eggers**; Chaplin, I. G. **Barker**; R.S.N.G., R.B. **Walden**; L.S.N.G., Hawley **Wymond**.

Mercy Lodge No. 64 of the Rebekah degree, 100F, was organized May 17, 1911. The following officers were elected: Mrs. J. S. **Mitchell**, Noble Grand; Mrs. Geo **Ainley**, Vice Grand; Mae **Nutt**, Secretary; Beulah **Slade**, Treasurer. The new lodge started with twenty-one charter members

## CHESTER

### 1897 POPULATION 16

FROM CHESTER REPORTER 3/18/1926

While in conversation with Judge **Spangler** the other day, he stated that he and Mrs. **Spangler** came here from Marion, Montana on March 10, 1897, or 29 years ago. At that time the population of Chester was 16 people and that B. B. **Weldy** was the store keeper and the main squeeze in the burg. Joe **Gagnon**, now of East Butte, was mailcarrier. In commenting on the pleasant winter we have had he remembered that the day they arrived, the thermometer was 40 below zero, and that from that time to this he has not seen such a warm open winter.

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## CHESTER TO HAVE BRICKYARD

CHESTER SIGNAL 5/12/1910

Chester is to have a brickyard and the cheapening of building material will mean a better constructed and more beautiful city.

Lucis **Bauer**, a brick manufacturer of Alberta, has been in the city several days looking things over and yesterday closed a deal with B. B. **Weldy** for the purchase of six acres of land adjoining the city on the north and he will at once get to work improving the land with the necessary equipment for the manufacture of high grade bric.

The clay is ideal and it is the intention of Mr. **Bauer** to burn an initial kiln at an early date.

With a home bric yard there is no reason why there will not be many buildings erected of the product and a much prettier city will be the result, to say nothing of the greatly lessened danger from fire.

Mr. **Bauer** also purchased a block of eight business lots near the depot and intends to improve them with bric business buildings when occasion demands.

## CREAMERY FOR CHESTER

FROM THE LIBERTY COUNTY TIMES , OCTOBER 16, 1980

In November of 1906 B. B. **Weldy**, publisher of Chester Signal, started pushing for a creamery in Chester. Is there any reason why Chester should not have a creamery.

NONE.

With splendid feed all around us we cannot see why a creamery should not pay a handsome profit to the stockholders and distribute many hundreds of dollars to our townspeople and the farmers living in the vicinity.

A creamery with 100 cows to begin with would pay from the very start and as the economy of operation and the profits driven by the patrons became known, the number of cows would soon be doubled and within a year be doubled and within a second time.

In August of 1907 he came up with a suggestion. He told about citizens of Eureka subscribing for \$5,500 of stock of the proposed creamery at that place and started immediately to erect the building. The amounts subscribed ranged from \$500 down to \$50, but the majority took \$100 worth of the stock. It was to be a model creamery plant and cost about one thousand dollars less than the amount subscribed.

Now, why cannot we do something to get the ball rolling in Chester? Twenty-five one hundred dollar and a couple five hundred dollar subscriptions would do the work, and the payment could extent over several months. A plant at this point would not cost as much as at Eureka account of not so much freight.

Arrangements for an establishment of a creamery were made in October of 1907 but not in Chester. It was to be located at Whitlash. He said the establishment of a creamery at Whitlash will postpone the one at Chester for a time as several subscribers to the Chester project were residents of the Sweet Grass Hills and have transferred their names to the home project.

Sometime in 1912 the creamery at Whitlash was closed down. The farmers and businessmen of Chester and vicinity signed up for the stock necessary to bring the creamery to Chester. The site selected was just east of the coulee and facing Adams Street.

The Chester Creamery Company was organized with the following officers: president, A. C. **Strode**; vice president, R. W. **Piling**; Secretary-treasurer, J. N. **Harvey**; directors, Dodds **Keith**, J. A. **McRae**, J. H. **Keeve**, L. D. **Pugsley**, Otto **Shepherd**, A. M. **Keith** and B. B.



**Weldy.**

Chester Creamery capitalized at \$6,000 of which \$3,500 subscribed. Incorporated by Otto **Shepherd**, John **Keeve**, L. D. **Pugsley**, D. W. **Wilcom**, B. B. **Weldy**, R. T. D. **Keith**, all of Chester, and William **Meldrum** of Alma.

The first churning was May of 1913. The name of the butter was called "Gilt Edge."

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**PLANS MADE FOR LAUNDRY**

CHESTER SIGNAL 5/19/1910

B.B. **Weldy** closed a deal early Monday morning whereby he transferred to G. J. **Johnson**, formerly of Joplin and C. G. **Merrill**, who has been with Albright's barber shop for some time and better known around town as "Fuz" about a half acre of land adjoining the north side addition to Chester, for the plant of a steam laundry that Messrs. **Johnson & Merrill** contemplate putting in at once.

Almost immediately after closing the deal for the land, the new owners got busy with the lumbermen and carpenters, and now the building is well under way and the new enterprise will be ready by next Monday to receive soiled linen and make it look like new. This is one of the public conveniences that the Signal has been boosting for during the past six months, and we believe it will prove a profitable investment, as at present it is almost impossible for any one to get satisfactory laundry work done in the city, and we always kick on sending away our money to help build up other towns when we could and should keep it at home to build up our own town.

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**JOPLIN, BIGGEST LITTLE TOWN**

TAKEN FROM LIBERTY TIMES OCTOBER 16, 1980

Montana's "Biggest Little Town on Earth" came into being in the spring of 1910 when settlers began to arrive to establish "squatters' right" on the thousands and thousands of virgin acres that lay in ranges seven and eight.

In 1909, according to early day accounts by pioneer settlers, all that occupied the townsite of present day Joplin was a lonesome section house that was maintained by the Great Northern Railway Co.

A gradual building of the town began in earnest in 1910 and continued to gain momentum as more and more settlers poured in. By 1912 most of the land in the immediate vicinity of Joplin had been filed upon and newly arriving settlers were pushing northward toward the Canadian border.

By the year 1915 Joplin was bursting out at the seams with development. The still infant town was being hailed as "the fastest growing city in the United States." It was in 1915 that the slogan, "The Biggest Little Town On Earth," came to be associated with Joplin.

Great Northern Coal Chutes Burn: The pump house caught fire today at 2:45 and for a time, the whole town of Joplin was threatened. The Brave work done by the bucket brigade was indeed what saved the hotel building and the rest of the town. 10/14/11

**Weldy** calls for organization of a volunteer fire dept. "A few long ladders, locked on the outside of several buildings in town and a closet with a couple dozen pails close by that could be easily broken open in time of need would go a long way in extinguishing the flames if found in time. We should not wait until the horse has been stolen before arranging to lock him up, do it now!"

Mr. **Blair** of the Northern Montana Telephone Co. was in town unloading telephone poles and making arrangements for putting in an exchange here. There are 20 subscribers in the town besides those who have subscribed for farmer lines. 9/14/12

JOPLIN TOWNSITE PATENTED: Col. **Tolley** has been smiles all week and the cause was that he had received the patent for the townsite from Uncle Sam. Now he will be issuing deeds for lots sold and selling remaining ones. 10/5/12

Shebel **Rehal** filing in Chester for the Rehal townsite, with 64 lots with prices at \$35 to \$100. 1/18/13

Joplin, a poem by Mrs. W. W. **Hearon**. 5/10/13

About 30 miles south of Canada, In the Treasure State of Montana,  
Lies a town just in it's prime Joplin is it's name:

Our esteemed friend Col. **Tolley**, Bald, Stout, and somewhat jolly;  
Owns part of Joplin townsite, clear: And has a wife and baby dear.

Three miles south of Joplin town, Mr. and Mrs. **Hearon** have settled down;  
And half a mile towards the west, are Mr. and Mrs. **Quenrude's** cozy nest.

Between Joplin and **Hearon's** shack, are a few married folks, and one lone batch

The names of all I do not know. And so will have to let them go.  
 I've been here not two years myself;  
 I am the mother of a dark eyed elf.  
 Many homesteaders have come to stay. Brought by the Great Northern Railway;  
 All have come from far or near many have left homes most dear;  
 The Sweet Grass Hills look so sublime, and the scenery surrounding simply fine.  
 And life to me seems different on the claim, since our little Patricia came.  
 But let's take hold and be less sad, there's lots in life to make us glad.

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Group meets to talk of erecting water tower for Joplin, to hold two hundred barrels of water. To be close by the city well so water can be pumped from the well into the tank by gasoline engine. Also to have horse watering trough. 10/11/13

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A. H. Anderson elected justice of the peace and Martin Snippin for Constable. 12/26/14

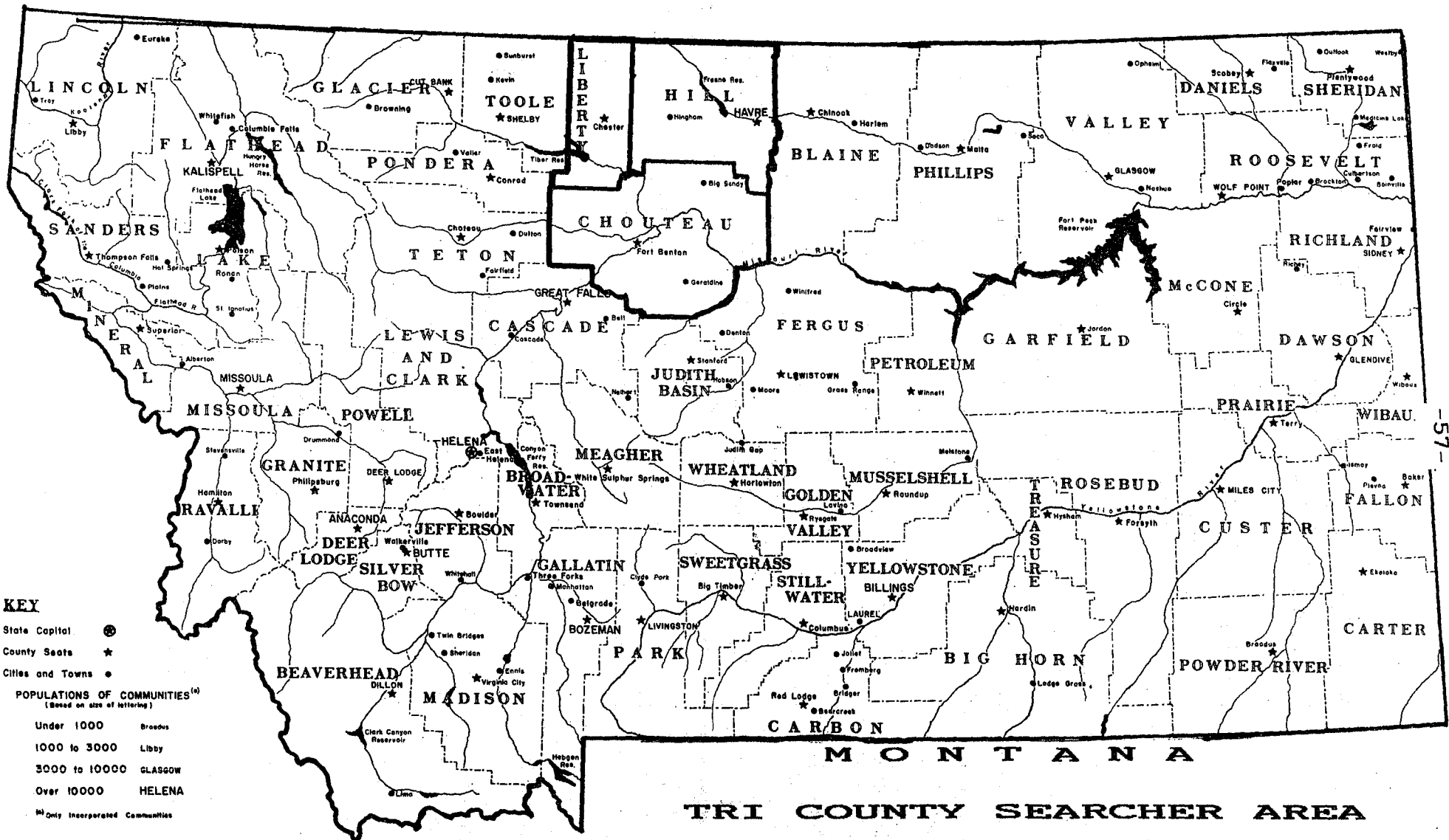
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At this point in time of history, growth in Joplin seems to be slowing a great deal. A coal shortage existed in the winter of 1916.....school closed for a time..... The Joplin Times closed up for a few days and some people were burning their fence posts to survive. Talk of organizing a School Board.

Joplin Electric Light and Power Co. turn on juice. 9/27/17

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All members of the Joplin Telephone Co., and all users of telephones in Joplin are requested to meet next Saturday evening at the Cash Grocery to decide whether to continue telephone service in Joplin. May 7, 1926



**SOURCES**

U.S. Census of Population, 1980  
Base map after U.S.G.S.

<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>CREATED</u>	<u>PARENT COUNTY</u>	<u>COUNTY SEAT</u>
CHOUTEAU	1865	Original County	Fort Benton 59442
HILL	1912	Chouteau	Havre 59501
LIBERTY	1920	Chouteau-Hill	Chester 59522

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## **MONTANA STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWS**

The Montana State Genealogical Society is gaining memberships outside our state as we gradually build our organization and become known.

Our chief cause for concern is the routine destruction of records as they become old. We have written all counties asking that they give the MSGS an opportunity to store and use outdated records. A legislative committee has been appointed to contact legislators regarding this matter. Space for storage has been offered by the Great Falls Public Library..

Marilyn **Lewis** of Lewistown and Helena has offered to be editor of "Big Sky Roundup", our official publication. **Members are eligible for a free query---others will pay \$3.00 for 30 words. Anyone wishing to join the MSGS may send dues of \$10.00 to the state treasurer: Betty Marshall- Box # 476- Chester, Mt. 59522. Dues run from June to June.** Through membership you may be in touch with others who will offer research or have knowledge of the family you are searching. **MONTANAS ARE GENEROUS IN SHARING THEIR TIME AND KNOWLEDGE. WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN OUR STATE SOCIETY.**

## **SEMINAR PLANNED**

Our **third seminar** is planned for the **first weekend in May in Billings, Mt.** Our principal speaker will be **KEN NELSON, Family History Center- Salt Lake City, who will talk on New England research.** There will also be Mini workshops, entertainment and lots of fellowship with fellow researchers.

**Pre-registration rates are \$35.00 with registration at the door at \$40.00. Send registration to the State Treasurer, Betty Marshall- Box # 476- Chester, Mt. 59522.**

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