

NEWS OF THE DISTRICT

LAMONT.

Bulletin News Service. Messrs. Southern and Weeks were down last Friday from Brudenheim. J. R. Knight was down from Edmonton for the 24th.

Messrs. Chisholm and Mitchell, who are teaching school near Skaro, went up to Edmonton Saturday. Thirteen more buffalo were brought down from Elk Island park and added to those already in the corral here.

Mr. E. D. Carter and Miss Manie Hull drove out to Miss Hull's home on Sunday and back on Tuesday. About 300 people from outside points came to Lamont on the 24th to see the buffalo.

Mr. E. Fletcher, of Westlock spent Sunday in Lamont. D. R. Harrison, of Edmonton, spent the holiday with his brother, R. E. Harrison, Church street.

W. Erwin was down from Edmonton for the 24th. Miss Madge Alton, who has been home for about a week, returned to Edmonton on Monday.

Superintendent Brown and party came down in Mr. Brown's private car on Tuesday to see the buffalo. J. H. Reid went up to Edmonton on Monday.

A picked team of ball tossers under the management of F. Drayton, came down on Monday to play the local team, but owing to wet grounds, no game was played.

J. McLean was down from Edmonton for the holiday. Miss Bessie and Maylie Bennett, of Edmonton, spent the week-end with their parents at the station.

The buffalo corral here are being enlarged to cover about 75 acres. This will give the buffalo a better chance to move around and they can keep out of the mud in wet weather.

Chas. Davis, of the Windsor hotel, went up to the station on Friday. Mrs. Alton, of Fort Saskatchewan, is visiting her son, W. G. Alton, King street.

Ted Davis was at the Fort Saturday. Prof. Cozans was in Lamont on Tuesday. Dr. Monkman, of Vegreville, was here on Tuesday on business.

May 26.

VERMILION.

Bulletin News Service. Bruce Henning, of Mannville, was a visitor in town on Saturday.

G. Hunt and son of Wainwright, spent Tuesday in town. Win. Neville, of the Alberta hotel staff, has been laid up with an attack of rheumatism and tonsillitis during the past week.

E. B. Robbett, of Mannville, was in town on Saturday and Sunday. C. E. Slater spent the 24th at the Lyndminster.

C. E. Henry, of Wainwright, was a visitor in town on Tuesday. T. Collison, accompanied the cricket club to Lyndminster on Monday.

N. Hartman met with a serious accident on Saturday when returning from town. While crossing a rough piece of ground, the wheels passing over his head. Although badly hurt Mr. Hartman continued on his way home, but was forced to come to town on Tuesday to receive medical treatment.

At a meeting of the license commissioners, held in the town hall on Thursday last, objections were raised to the granting of so many licenses in Vermilion. There are at present four liquor licenses in the town—one wholesale and three hotel. A petition signed by a large number of the taxpayers was presented to the commissioners by Mr. H. N. Stephens, supported by a number of citizens, asking for a reduction of licenses.

After considering the question on the commissioners recommended the granting of a wholesale license and an hotel license and deferred action regarding the same until June 16th. The granting of the hotel license at Isley was also deferred.

The Vermilion cricket club played their first league match at Lyndminster on Monday, May 24th, and suffered defeat by a score of 22 to 69. Owing to the unsettled weather only seven of the players took chances and left on the midnight train, the balance of the team being made up of Lyndminster players. The Vermilion team failed to uphold their reputation, but are confident that they will be able to turn the tables when the return match is played.

Miss Stenstrom visited her brother at Mannville on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McCallister, of Mannville, were visitors in town on Saturday.

M. A. Brimacombe is attending a meeting of the Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F., the week-end. G. Christie, of Edmonton, and Mr. Kirby, of Chicago, spent the 24th in Vermilion, guests of the Glauvilles.

The fire brigade answered a call on Friday last when during the high wind the stable of A. Beersoft, at the sewage grounds, caught fire. The building was totally destroyed but the arrival of the chemical put the fire from spreading, which for some time endangered the house. While working there the brigade received another call to where a bunch of ties were ablaze along the C. N. R. tracks. This, however, was only a minor affair and was soon put out by the employees of the C. N. R., assisted by the brigade.

May 28.

PEMBINA.

Bulletin News Service. Seeding is about finished. This is two weeks later than last year. Mr. J. A. Fite, inspector of schools, paid our schools a visit on May 17th. Hazel Bluff school opened May 18. This is two miles south of Mr. Weidrich's store and on the fifth meridian.

The first picnic of the season will be held here on May 24th, weather permitting. As usual, the old antagonists, Clyde and Pembina, will dispute honors on the football field. There will also be children's sports and foot races and other amusements.

The department of public works has informed those in charge of road work

Day, held the attention of the audience spell-bound, as after delineating the origin and scope of Empire Day, he led his hearers on a journey round the mighty British Empire, following the "Drum beat" that is heard around the world.

Both received pronounced applause upon returning their respective parts. Another specially interesting part was the military drill, gone through with the precise motions and evolutions of a smart cadet corps. That fine Empire Day song, "The Columbia and the Flag," was the march used. Not only did this drill (partaken in by all the children, in uniform of red and white, with red sashes) excite much favorable comment, but the floral horn drill by the girls also elicited applause, while the dialogue "Britannia," where the "mother of many nations," reared her children, brought down the house.

The singing of the boys' quartette was a revelation to the majority of the audience, who were astonished at the purity of tone, carelessness of attack and regard for tempo shown, not only by the quartette, but by the entire school.

Miss Keane, the vocalist of the day, received much applause for her solos, "Strike the Harp" and "The Swallows." The fine celebration was entirely due to her efforts, and at the close, the chairman, Mr. Oesterlund, thanked her on behalf of the people for her interest, and congratulated her on the not-to-be-easily-forgotten day.

Below follows the programme: Chairman's address—Mr. Oesterlund. Hymn—"Behold Jehovah's Awful Word." Throno. "Victoria Hymn." O. Hanson Reading—"The Colors of the Flag." H. Smith. Chorus—"Red, White and Blue." School Reading—"The Skipper's Story." Quartette and solo—"Strike the Harp." Miss Keane, P. Oesterlund, O. Hanson, F. Sharp, S. Sharp.

Reading—"The Flag." Manie Black Dialogue—"Britannia." Girls and Boys Chorus—"Hail Britannia." School Reading—"The Charge of the Light Brigade." A. Hanson Reading—"Laura Secord." C. Oesterlund Reading—"George Brown." E. P. Person Solo—"The Swallows." Miss Keane Address—"Nation Builders." J. Sharp Reading—"The Little Canadian Boy." Chorus—"Dominion Hymn." Miss Keane Ogan Dust—"Pocahontas." Miss Keane Reading—"General Brock." P. Oesterlund Reading—"The Fort of Lusk." E. Sharp Reading—"Why Are Canadian Boys Reading—"His Majesty The King." School Chorus—"Canada, Maple Land." Part Song—"When the Meads Have Rolled Away." Boys of School Reading—"The Oaken Broom." J. Sharp Chorus—"The Oaken Broom." Reading—"The Union Jack." W. Hanson Part Song—"Tonight Tonight." Girls Chorus—"The Union Jack." H. Oesterlund Ogan Solo—"O Battle of Waterloo." Reading—"The Battle of Waterloo." Miss Keane Address—"Empire Day." Dr. Campbell Chorus—"Auld Lang Syne." O. Hanson Home, Sweet Home; O. Hanson The King. School Cadet drill, including: School Cadets, Saluting the Flag. School Cadets, Dishesmen, baseball and basketball games.

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TEDDY HAVING GOOD TIME.

Associated With Good Hunters and Game Plaintiffs.

Paris, May 26.—Major Louis L. Suman, U.S.A., arrived here from Mombassa, where he met the Roosevelt party. He says that Selous and Cunningham are the best hunters in Africa, and that the former President is having the time of his life.

Major Suman, who hunted with Dr. Gullitras, of New York, over the Athi Plains along the Nairobi river, where Mr. Roosevelt was shooting, brought 150 specimens of big game. He reports animals so plentiful that after six weeks' hunting he and Dr. Gullitras were completely satisfied with the sport. When he left he said he would rather shoot snipe on the coast than in the interior.

Never have the western cattle rangers seen so many animals, he said. "One day we counted zebras, gazelles and other animals to the number of 450 within a segment comprising one square mile. There were fully five thousand in sight. Nevertheless the animals are hard to approach, as the herds keep out sentry."

Major Suman considers the rhinoceros and the buffalo the most dangerous to hunt, as they invariably charge, which means death to the hunter if the animal is not killed or driven to bay. "I have never seen a rhinoceros, but I have seen a buffalo, which is a natural coward, adding 'My respect for the lion has disappeared since I went to Africa. The lion never fights except when he is wounded or driven to bay.'"

The most difficult element in shooting in the equatorial belt is the deception of the range, caused by the vertical tropical light and the latitudes of the sun. "It is necessary to wear flannel and to keep under blankets. Major Suman, who is an expert in military sanitation, has a great interest in the sleeping sickness. He brought back first news of the discovery of the fly, which is the cause of the disease, and which completely upsets the theory of the English commission, that the disease is caused by the bite of a fly. Dr. Schirmer proved that the fly is a cyclops, instead of establishing a cyclops, as is the case with the mosquito, which is a fly. The fly remains incubated for fifty days. This discovery renders most of the story in regard to the discovery of the fly, which is the cause of the disease, as it ends the hope previously entertained that the disease could be eradicated by the destruction of the fly. The disease has claimed half a million victims, and, according to Dr. Suman, not a single person attacked.

The chief horror is the long period of incubation. The bite of the fly is not felt until the patient is dead. Dr. Suman was bitten on the forehead and suffered no bad effects.

Do Not Wait for Their Denominations to Take Formal Action.

Calgary, May 26.—If the congregations of all the Presbyterian and Methodist churches in Canada were as heartily in favor of the proposed union as the congregations of the United Methodist and Grace Presbyterian, it would be an accomplished fact in the very near future.

Both churches are situated in the west end of the city, and have been considering the rapidly increasing congregations, and they have either to be enlarged or replaced by new buildings. In view of the fact that the churches are close together, and that church union has made such progress in Canada, the congregations deemed it advisable to adopt the basis of union outlined by the joint committee on church union in Canada, which is expected to take place in a very few years.

The report of the joint committee was submitted at meetings of the congregations interested last night and on Monday. The congregations of the United Methodist and Grace churches, in principle and detail by Wesley Church congregation.

The Day at Epison.

Epison Downs, May 27.—Today was a busy one on the historic race course and in fact, was one of the most interesting of the season. The race was run and of tomorrow, when the Oaks (the Derby) is run, the stakes of a thousand pounds a piece were figured on the card and in addition to the usual sum of \$10,000, the McGee, the convict who escaped from the guard of the R.N.W.M.P. on Tuesday, May 17th, returned last night of half-past six and surrendered at the officers' quarters. His escape was a feat of the highest order. He could get little to eat, except what he begged or stole, and was compelled to sleep in barns or in the open air. He was arrested last January in the Edmonton branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, while he was endeavoring to cash a cheque signed with the name of Fred Mannix. The Canadian Bank of Commerce officials included the forgery and locked the doors, summoned Sergeant Tidbury, and McGee was speedily behind the bars. On January 14th last he was given an 18 months' sentence with hard labor. The result of his rash attempt to secure his liberty will probably be a much extended sentence for breaking jail.

Abuses Must Stop.

London, May 27.—Foreign Minister Sir Edward Grey, in the House of Commons today, said the government were not yet satisfied that the abuses in the Congo had been stopped. The Belgian reply to England was not satisfactory in general principles involved, he said, and was conclusive in so far as the question of reforms by the new government of the Congo was concerned. "When Great Britain wants," said the minister, "is reports showing that abuses in the Congo have ceased."

The Earl Unseay.

Winnipeg, May 27.—War between England and Germany without a minute's notice will see the Earl of Clarendon in the hands of the Kaiser. The Pacific coast, experts, "Germany only awaits a favorable opportunity to invade England, when they will notice the dogs of war without a moment's notice of any kind," he says. He adds, however, that England is not yet prepared for the crisis and is prepared. He advocates the keeping of a couple of cruisers in Canada waters, and the maintenance of