

Sheriff: F. L. Graves, Treasurer, and Tax Collector; J. G. Sillig, Assessor; J. S. Forster, Superintendent Public Schools.

**Beaver Head Valley, Beaver Head Co**

Ryan James M, general merchandise

**Benton City, Choteau Co. (See Fort Benton)**

**Big Horn County. Unorganized, but**

attached to Gallatin for judicial purposes. Bounded, including Dawson, which is formed of its northern part, north by the British Possessions, east by Dakota Territory, south by the Territory of Wyoming, and west by Gallatin, Meagher, and Choteau. Area, about 64,400 square miles. Principal towns: Big Horn City, and Musselshell. The Belt and Judith mountains are in the western part, south of the Missouri River, and the Big Horn mountains, which give name to the county, in the southeast. The great Missouri runs through the northern part, and its principal branch, the Yellowstone, entering from the southwest, follows a sinuous course northeast and joins the parent stream on the eastern border, receiving on its way the Big Horn, and numerous other tributaries. Large steamers ascend the Missouri, and the Yellowstone is navigable to the mouth of the Big Horn, giving it facilities of commerce of great importance. The vast region comprised within its limits is but partially explored and sparsely occupied, save by the savages, the Crows and Sioux having large reservations in the south, and the Blackfeet and Assinibolines occupy the fine grazing country north of the Missouri. Explorations made within late years have demonstrated the existence of metalliferous deposits in both placer and vein, of great value, and large tracts of land susceptible of culture, which inspire the hope that the country will be speedily populated and that Big Horn will become one of the most prosperous counties of Montana. The Black Hill region is on the southern border, where fabulous wealth is supposed to exist, and where the pretensions of the Indians no longer recognized by the Government, a large and rich section would be opened to settlement and giving its treasures to the world.

**Blackfoot City, Deer Lodge Co, P O 25** miles north of Deer Lodge City, on the stage road to Helena, is one of the principal mining towns of the Territory. Situated on the western slope of the Rocky Mountains, its waters run westward to the Hellgate River, a tributary of the Bitter Root and of Clark's Fork of the Columbia. In 1866, the placer mines of Blackfoot created a great excitement, and for some years paid largely; but recently its dependence is chiefly upon vein mining, there being a great number of lodes in the neighboring country bearing gold, silver, copper, and lead, some of which have been profitably mined; but the general inaccessibility of the region, particularly in winter, has retarded development.

Bill F R, banker

Birdseye C G, postmaster, and agent Wells, Fargo & Co

Birdseye & Co, general merchandise

Gallagher Frank & Co, butchers

Hall John S, liquor saloon

Higgins W W, groceries

Hinchcliff Samuel, shoe maker

Lindsay E P, groceries, and provisions

Luce & Haines, livery stable

Matthews James, liquor saloon

Olsen & Tarpey, blacksmiths

Quigley John R, general merchandise

Shuster George, brewery

Simpson James & Co, butchers

Spear S W, general merchandise

Swartz & Tibbitts, lumber manufacturers

White P S, general merchandise

**Boulder Valley, Jefferson Co, P O 40**

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Cook Hiram, postmaster

Sweet & Higley, groceries, and provisions

**Bozeman, Gallatin Co, P O and County**

seat, is situated in the center of the fertile Gallatin Valley, distant 96 miles southeast of Helena. Population, 800. The town enjoys a prosperous trade with the neighboring agriculturists, miners, and with travelers to the Yellowstone, Big Horn, and other sections. Silver mines of supposed great richness exist in the mountains 45 miles northeast, and coal is found in great abundance on the Yellow-

stone, both of which bring trade to Bozeman. The town is pleasantly situated and well built, having been well endowed by the Territorial school fund. One newspaper, the *Avant Courier*, is published weekly.

Annis & Cook, blacksmiths

AVANT COURIER, J Wright, proprietor

Aylsworth J H, sash and door manufacturer

Bachelder G J, tinsmith

Baley W H, jeweler

Basinski Bros, clothing

Black L M, banker

Blum John, hotel

Bogert J B & W, general merchandise

Bowen Samuel B, hotel

Bridger E A Rev, clergyman

Burnett T, general merchandise

Carpenter D H, liquor saloon

Clark C L, livery stable

Cooper Walter, gunsmith

Craig John, shoe maker

Davis J J, attorney at law

Davis & Morgan, brick masons

Edwards T R, attorney at law

Ellis & Davis, general merchandise

Engelfried F, harness and saddlery

Finch J B, blacksmith

First National Bank of Bozeman

Harper Francis, blacksmith

Harrington, Baker & Co, boots and shoes

Heitchens Henry, painter and glazier

Holzman S L & Bros, news dealers, and varieties

Iliff T C Rev, clergyman

Lamme A & Co, general merchandise

Langhorne S W, drugs and medicines

Lewis S W, barber

Maguire H N, land agent, probate judge, and notary public

Manej John, baker

Martin & Meyers, butchers

McAdam P W & Bro, flour manufacturers

Miller Henry, shoe maker

Monroe G W, physician

Morris W W, drugs and medicines

Mounds & Worsham, liquor saloon

Osbourne S H, drugs and medicines

Page & Coleman, attorneys at law

Ponsford & Chesnut, liquor saloon

Rich & Wilson, general merchandise

Speith & Krug, brewery, and liquor saloon

Story Nelson, contractor

Strasburger & Sporing, general merchandise

TAYLOR JOSIAH H, postmaster

Vivian R T, attorney at law

Wakefield George W, hotel

Warfield Thomas B, tinsmith

Williams & Murray, liquor saloon

WRIGHT JOSEPH, proprietor Avant Courier

**Burnt Pine, Beaver Head Co, P O**

Bissonette & Bro, general merchandise

Canovan John, hotel

Gilg Frank, livery and feed stable

Leffler Henry, builder

Lowe Thomas, general merchandise

Morrison A M, liquor saloon

Parker D R, postmaster

Pretzman & Co, liquor saloon

**Butte City, Deer Lodge Co, P O 40 miles**

south of Deer Lodge City, in the mountainous region, in the extreme southern part of the county, on the headwaters of the Deer Lodge Creek, a tributary of Hellgate River, is distinguished for the numerous veins of gold, silver, lead and copper-bearing rock in the vicinity. Placer mines have been worked with great profit, but the gold obtained carried so much silver, being only \$14 an ounce, led to prospecting for the latter metal, and valuable silver-bearing veins were found.

Black John E, blacksmith

Ford Anson, postmaster, physician, notary public, and justice of the peace

Foster & Ray, general merchandise, and liquor saloon

Humphreys C E, butcher

Savage Charles, butcher

Weibold H C, general merchandise and liquor saloon

**Cable City, Deer Lodge Co, P O 40 miles**

south of Deer Lodge City, is in a mountainous region at the head of Warm Spring Creek, in upper Deer