

Photo Album

Photograph



Anna's Cookbook



Figure 1: Anna Keyser in front of farm house serving freshly brewed hot Coffee



Figure 2: Anna Keyser—in her Kitchen

recipe for Strawberry cake
 on the bottom of
 1 pk white cake mix
 3/4 c strawberry jelly
 1/2 c water
 1/2 c cooking oil
 4 eggs
 1/2 c unsalted butter
 frozen strawberries
 Combine first 4 ingredients
 beat until smooth and eggs
 beating well after each egg. Add
 strawberries. Bake at 350
 for 32 min
 icing
 1/2 c butter
 1/2 c confectioner's sugar
 1/2 c unsalted strawberries
 Beat until creamy & smooth






Figure 3: George & Mary Orner's Sheep Ranch –Big Timber, Montana, circa 1908-09

Big Timber - During the 1800's the land near present-day Big Timber, Montana was somewhat of a crossroads for the Indians of the region. The first white men know to be in the area were William Clark and his Corps of Discovery. As noted in Clark's journal, "Rivers Across" refers to where the Boulder River and Big Timber Creek empty into the Yellowstone River just north of Big Timber. Between 1860 and 1880 the Indians gave way to trappers, traders, and settlers discovering the abundant opportunities this fertile area had to offer.

In 1882, the construction of the Northern Pacific Railroad was a driving force in the growth of the area originally known as the town of Dornix, Greek for "large smooth stones". A year later Dornix moved to higher ground and was renamed Big Timber, aptly for its abundance of cottonwood trees, by Northern Pacific Railroad officials in St. Paul. The first newspaper issue of the area, Big Timber Pioneer, as it is still called today, was published in 1890. As this Montana town grew, it was followed in the coming years by a bank and phone system. In 1895 Big Timber had the largest wool market in the United States, shipping more than five million pounds of wool that year.

Disaster struck the town of Big Timber, Montana in 1908 when a fire that sparked from a passing train destroyed one third of the city. The Grand Hotel, built in 1890 which is still used today as a hotel and restaurant was the only building on McLeod Street that survived the fire. The Grand Hotel is a mecca destination for fly fisherman, cowboys, movie stars and ranchers seeking a multi-star cuisine.

In the 1940s Gene Autry, well known as a singer and actor, owned a ranch just north of the town. Autry, very involved in professional rodeo, owned a string of stock which he purchased from Leo Cremer of Big Timber. Autry, a partner in the World Championship Rodeo Company, provided stock for the Cremer-Autry Rodeo in Big Timber.

In more recent years, the entertainment industry has utilized the area's beauty capturing it through commercials as well as the previously noted Robert Redford films, A River Runs Through It and The Horse Whisperer. Also set in Big Timber, the award-winning film Sweetgrass follows the migration of a group of cowboys and their enormous flock of sheep through the scenic mountain land of South-Central Montana.



Figure 4: George Felix and Mary Frances Orner

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SWEET GRASS' HIGH PLACE AMONG COUNTIES

Annual Report of State Examiner Gives County Excellent Recommendation for Prudent Management and Economy in Expenditures.

Sweet Grass occupies a high position among the counties of the state as regards financial condition and excellence of management. While in the matter of receipts it has a place well toward the head, when it comes to cost of maintenance it is relatively as near the foot, evidence of the absence of extravagance and wastefulness on the part of its commissioners. All these facts are shown in the sixteenth annual report of the state examiner for the fiscal year ending Nov. 30, 1910, which has just been made public. Five counties are without debt, Chou-

teau, Jefferson, Meagher, Powell and Yellowstone. Meagher is also credited with having the largest surplus of any county, while Powell has the smallest. The surpluses range from \$28,948.77 to \$5,772.13.

Cost of Counties.
The expenditures of the different for the period given follow:
Beaverhead, \$104,102.41; Broadwater, \$38,347.23; Carbon, \$135,815.67; Cascade, \$225,530.89; Cascade, \$182,496.61; Carter, \$228,110.63; Dawson, \$91,251; Deer Lodge, \$117,379.52; Fergus, \$156,727.21; Flathead, \$185,489.36; Gallatin, \$121,548.65; Granite, \$49,647.66; Jefferson, \$63,024.19; Lewis and Clark, \$300,232.81; Lincoln, \$34,824.23; Madison, \$73,846.81; Meagher, \$96,193; Missoula, \$341,772.47; Park, \$104,709.62; Powell, \$67,728.97; Ravalli, \$100,087.29; Rosebud, \$170,583.69; Sanders, \$56,425.49; Silver Bow, \$204,510.95; Sweet Grass, \$54,634.29; Teton, \$88,056.13; Valley,

Montana's Winsome Daughter Miss Sweet Grass Celebrates Her Sixteenth Anniversary

Sixteen years ago last Sunday, Feb. 26, 1895, Sweet Grass county was given a place on the map of Montana as a separate geographical and political unit. The act creating the county became effective immediately.

In its formation Park to the west, Meagher to the north and Yellowstone to the east, each was obliged to contribute territory. Now in retaliation, the last named demands that Sweet Grass surrender a goodly strip to the men who are anxious to have Stillwater county created. But that is a different subject.

Started In Modest Way.
Although rich in area, the baby county began its existence in a modest way as regards wealth and population. Reference to the treasurer's records for the first year show the total assessed value of all taxable property in the county to have been only \$1,524,458. The taxes collected on that amount were \$46,731.78.

Grumbling about high taxes was probably common, for the levy was a high one—24 mills on the dollar. Of this the county retained 19 mills, the remaining 5 mills going to the state. In addition to this were the school lev-

ies in the state. As regards the manner in which the county's affairs are managed attention is directed to the summary of the state examiner's annual report, which appears in this issue of The Pioneer.

Its First Officers.
The first officers of the county, named in the bill by which it was created, were as follows:
County commissioners—A. C. Logan, J. W. Bailey, P. O. Fallang.
Treasurer—E. O. Clark.
Clerk and recorder—George F. Hudson.

Sheriff—Jake DeHart.
Attorney—Sydney Fox.
Assessor—W. A. Harrison.
Superintendent of schools—Leon Olmstead.
Clerk of the district court—Charles N. Skillman.
The county formed a part of the same judicial district then as now and Judge Henry, as now, was on the bench.
Public administrator—R. P. Dunham.
Surveyor—E. E. Everett.
Coroner—W. G. Strong.
The officers were all chosen at a mass meeting held in this city. Part of the

FINAL STRUGGLE NOW ON OVER SENATORSHIP

Balloting to Continue Until Choice Is Made or Legislative Assembly Expires by Limitation—Conrad Retains Lead Over Walsh.

Today will see the finish of the battle at Helena over the election of a United States senator, as this is the last day of the session. What the outcome is to be is problematical. Judging from the manner in which things have been going, it is almost a certainty that the deadlock will continue until the session shall adjourn sine die.
Under the agreement entered into by the democrats, when the balloting began at noon today there was to be no intermission and the voting was to continue. By a strict party vote the joint assembly yesterday decided that there was to be no adjournment sine die until the motion had been regularly put and carried by a 70-60 vote and the result of such vote announced.
Yesterday's Proceedings.
When the first ballot was taken, Martin of Sweet Grass, who had been voting for Walsh from the first, turned to Conrad, as did also Brady of Park. man of C...

Second Ballot.	
Carter	44
Walsh	22
Conrad	24
Scattering	9
Failed and absent	3
Total	101
Third Ballot.	
Carter	44
Walsh	22
Conrad	24
Scattering	9
Failed and absent	3
Total	101

The fourth ballot was a repetition of (Continued on Page 8.)

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Figure 5: Old Keyser Farm—circa 1947 or so...



Figure 6: Anna Keyser & Kids, with Mike Wynn (neighbor) on Toboggan



Figure 7: (Top) Carol Ann and Baby sister Ruth.



Figure 8: (center) Anna Keyser, her sisters Neva and Ruth





Figure 9: Anna Keyser (Mom) and Carol Ann

Tuna Salad
 1 pkg. lime gelatin (3.oz)
 1/2 t salt
 1 C Boiling water
 3/4 C cold water
 1 C (7oz) Tuna drained
 and coarsely flaked
 2 hard cooked eggs, sliced
 1/2 C dill pickle
 1/4 C diced celery
 Dissolve gelatin + salt
 in B. water, add vinegar
 + cold water. Chill until
 thickens. Fold in in-
 gredients. Pour into a
 1 quart mold or loaf pan,
 + chill until firm.





Figure 10: Anna Keyser and sister Neva Salasek



Figure 11: Thanksgiving Dinner—Dewey and Anna Keyser and kids

Florence's Raisin Filled Cookies
 1 C Shortening
 2 C Gran Sugar
 2 egg beater
 approximately 5 1/2 C flour
 1 T Salt
 4 T B Powder
 1 T Soda
 1 C Milk
 2 T Vanilla

Filling
 2 C ground raisins
 1 L Sugar
 1 C water
 2 T flour
 1/2 C Chopped Nuts

Mix all and
 refrigerate for
 Cook until all
 water is consumed
 and thickened, add
 nuts last



Figure 12: Another Holiday photo with Dewey, Anna, and family

Tomato Soup to Can
 1 gal Tomato juice
 1 bunch celery (3 or 4 ribs)
 1/2 doz onions (Med)
 salt, pepper, 1/2 C sugar, 1 C flour, 1 C butter
 Cook onions & celery put through sieve,
 add to juice, mix salt, pepper & sugar flour
 with some of the juice to make a paste add
 to juice add butter boil until thickened
 then cook 5 Min. Can in sterile jars



Figure 13: Dewey and Anna Keyser



Figure 14: Portrait of Anna Keyser



Figure 15: Bennie and Doug Rice



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Figure 17: Doug Rice in his 4-H Garden on the Farm





Figure 18: Grandma (Anna Keyser) Serving Bennie Rice Hot Mush



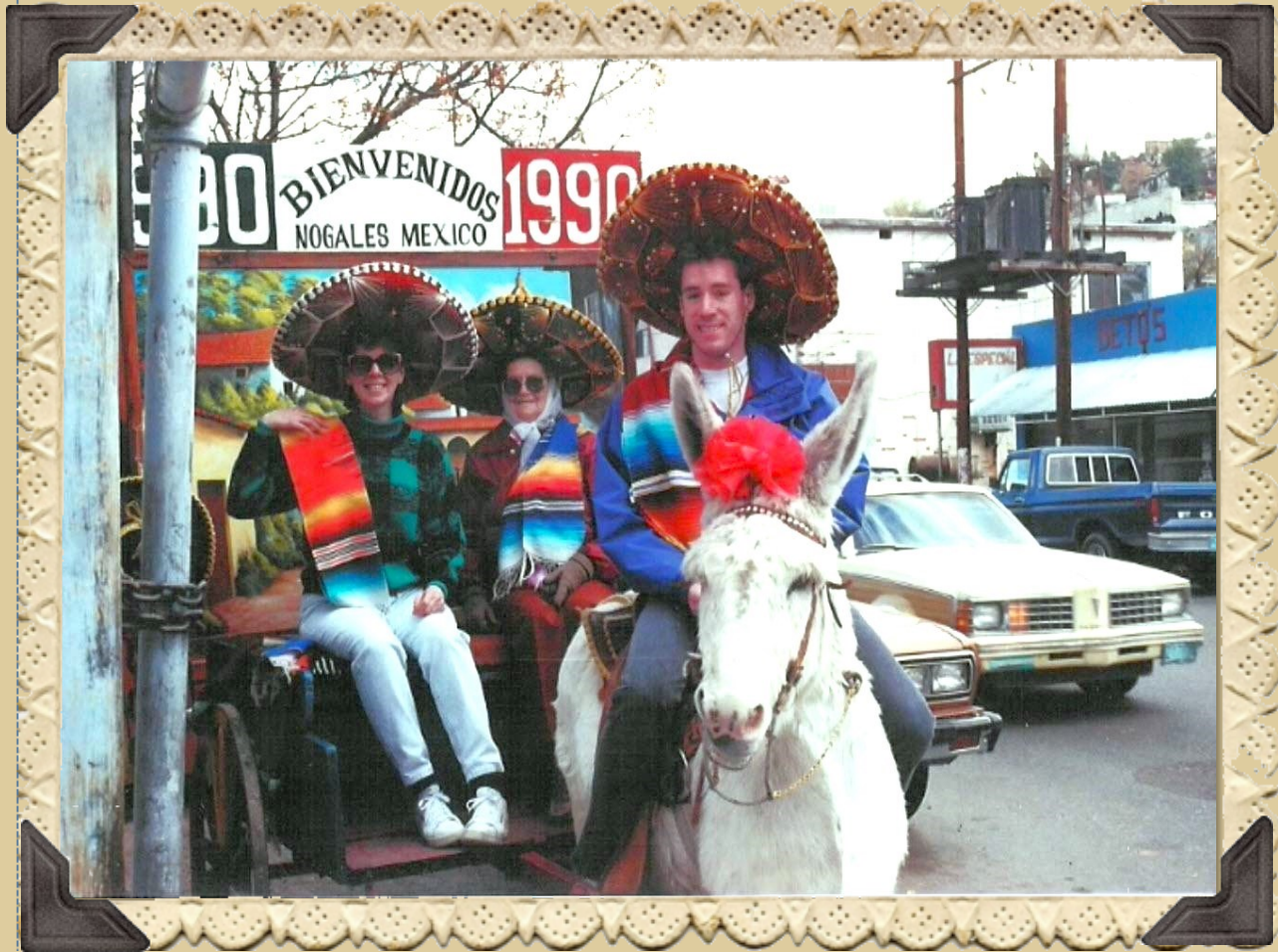


Figure 19: Anna Keyser with Carol and Doug Rice Down in Old Mexico





Figure 20: Anna Keyser with her Brother George Orner, Sisters Ruth Shepherd & Neva Salasek





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Figure 21: Carol Ann

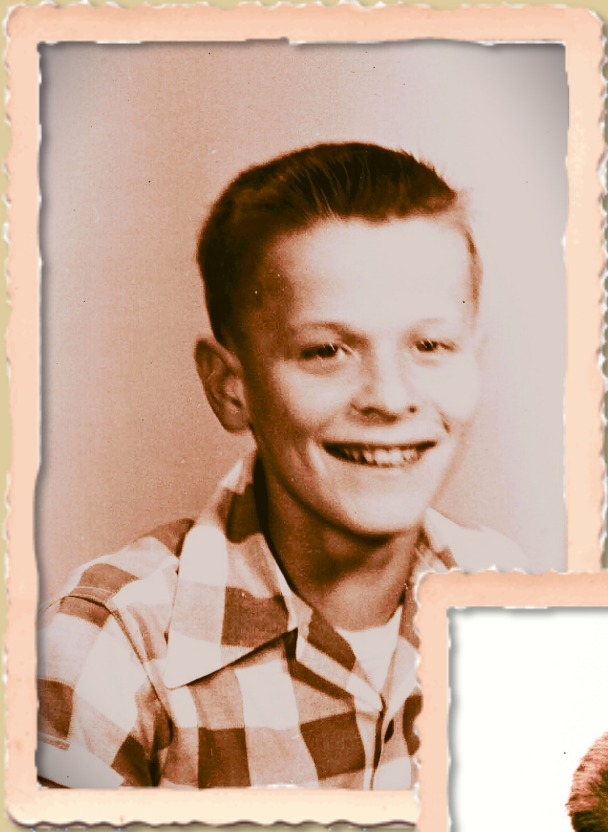


Figure 22: Charles Keyser





*Figure 23: George & Jeanne Orner with David, Mary Francis
& Bette Jeanne*



James Keyser



George Keyser



Rufh Keyser

Carol Keyser



Charles





Figure 24: The Five Keyser Siblings-Charles, James, Carol, George & Ruth

Rhubarb Custard Pie

- 1 Unbaked pie shell
- 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ C Gran Sugar
- 2 T flour
- $\frac{1}{2}$ t nutmeg
- 1 T Butter
- 2 eggs slightly beaten
- 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 4 C cut up rhubarb (small pieces)

Fit pie shell in 9"-10" pie pan
 using small left over pieces to make
 lattice on top: Combine rest of (over)



Figure 25: Louis & Neva Salasek





Figure 26: Lawrence (Pud) & Ruth Shepherd—Larry, Nancy, Ronald, Donald, Gerry & Terry



Figure 27: Carol Ann Showing Off Her Christmas Present

Cowboy Coffee Cake

2 1/2 C flour
 1/2 t Salt
 2 C B Sugar
 7/3 C Shortening
 2 t B Poord.
 1/2 t Soda
 1/2 t Nutmeg Cinnamon
 1 C Sour Milk
 2 egg Beaten

Combin first 4 ingred sets
 in bowl Mix until crumbly
 reserve 1/4 C Mixture for Top.
 Add B Poord, Soda, spice to
 remaining ingred. Stir in
 Milk + eggs Pour in 9x13 pan
 Sprinkle reserved 1/4 top
 Bake 375 till cake
 tests done



Figure 28: Anna Keyser & John Theotonia

Heat & Stir Sugar syrup water in
3qt. Saucepan till sugar dissolves. When
Syrup balls blend in butter. Stir often
after 230°. Add nuts at 28°. Stir con-
stantly until hard stage 305°. Remove
from heat. Quickly Stir in Soda. Mixing well.
Pour onto 2 cookie sheets. Stretch thin by
lifting & pulling from edges by fork. Loosen
from pans soon as possible. Break up.

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Meat Loaf 3500
2 TB
1 C Omelet Stk.
1 TB salt
1/4 Pepper
2 eggs
Onion
1 1/2 TB sauce
1/2 sauce
2 TB B. sugar
1/2 vinegar
1/2 c sugar
2 TB mustard



Figure 29: Family Picnic

Chocolate Cake
 1/2 c. shortening
 1/2 c. sugar
 2 eggs
 2 c. cake flour
 Sift dry ingredients
 given. Add cocoa
 in 350° oven - layer 25:

1 t. soda
 1 t. baking powder
 1 c. buttermilk
 1/2 c. cocoa
 1/3 c. hot water } make
 mit in order } parts.
 Bake



Figure 30: Dewey & Anna Keyser, & Carol—On the Wall

Cake

Butter Cookies.

1 lb. butter
 1 c. sugar
 overnight
 2 eggs
 4 c. flour
 Mix with hands. Let stand
 Roll out dough, cover with beaten
 eggs & sprinkle with cinnamon, sugar
 & chopped almonds.



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Florence's raisin filled cookies
 1C Shortening
 2C Gran Sugar
 2 egg beaten
 approximately 5 1/2 C flour
 1 t Salt
 4 t B Powder
 1 t Soda
 1C Milk
 2 t Vanilla
 mix all and refrigerate hr.

2C ground raisins
 1 t Sugar
 1 C water
 2 T flour
 1/2 C Chopped Nuts
 Filling
 1. until all

Corn Bread

1 1/2 C Corn Meal
 1 1/2 C Flour
 1 t B Powder

Tomato Soup to Can

1 gal Tomato juice
 1 bunch celery (3 or 4 ribs)
 1/2 doz onions (med)
 salt, pepper, 2C sugar, 1C flour, 1C butter
 Cook onions + celery put through sieve,
 add to juice, mix salt, pepper, sugar, flour
 with some of the juice to make a paste add
 to juice add butter boil until thickened
 cook 5 min. can in sterile jars

Peanut Brittle (Bullseye)

2C Gran Sugar
 1C white corn Syrup (Karo)
 1/2 C Water
 1C Butter or Oils
 2C Peanuts Raw
 1 t Soda
 (canned)

Method on back

Heat 1 t Soda sugar Syrup water in
 3qt. Saucepan till sugar dissolves. When
 Syrup balls blend in butter. Stir often
 after 230°. Add Nuts at 28°. Stir con-
 stantly until hard stage 305°. Remove
 from heat. Quickly stir in Soda. Misting well
 Pour onto 2 cookie sheets. Stretch thin by
 lifting + pulling from edges by fork. Loosen
 from pans soon as possible. Break up.

Hot Loaf

380°

1/2 lb. lard
 1/2 salt
 Pepper
 egg
 onion
 1/2 of sauce

Sauce

B B sugar
 C Vinegar
 sugar
 mustard

