

uct being marketed through its own selling organization. Mr. Hart, an Iowa man, is president of this corporation.

In the spring of 1928 Mr. Green organized the Lewistown Airways, in association with Howard and Albert Royston, the latter of whom is an airplane pilot with Government license, and they proceeded to develop their fine air field on a tract of forty acres adjacent to Lewistown. This may be termed a natural landing field and is free from all obstructions. The field has been supplied with a modern hangar and subsidiary structures demanded, and here a well ordered flying and training school is maintained, the field having at the time of this writing a corps of five skilled flyers, one of whom owns his own machine.

Mr. Green was one of the organizers and incorporators of the Central Bank & Trust Company of Lewistown, and was its vice president from the beginning. He is a director of the Lewistown Chamber of Commerce, his Masonic affiliations include his membership in the local chapter of Royal Arch Masons and the local commandery of Knights Templars, while as a Noble of the Mystic Shrine he has membership in Algeria Temple, in the City of Helena. He is a member of the American Legion and in politics is a Republican. He and his wife attend and support the Presbyterian Church in their home city.

July 12, 1922, at Great Falls, Montana, Mr. Green was united in marriage to Miss Gladys Pearl Hunnewell, who was born at Burlington, North Dakota, and who received the advantages of the public schools of that place and of Lewistown, Montana, to which latter state she came with her parents when she was a girl, she being a member of a family of three sons and two daughters. Mr. and Mrs. Green have three children: Elizabeth Pearl, Robert Harrison, and Thomas. The attractive family home in Lewistown is known for its hospitality and good cheer, with Mrs. Green as its popular chatelaine.

JAMES O. PATTERSON, stock rancher, whose headquarters are five miles east of Montague in Chouteau County, manager of the Lost Lake Live Stock Company, is an old-timer of Montana. He has been in the state since the summer of 1883. He came here about the time the Montana region was made accessible by railway transportation to the eastern markets. He has been a sheep and cattle man, and his early associations brought him in contact with many of the famous outfits and individuals of the industry in Eastern Montana.

Mr. Patterson was born in Harford County, Maryland, March 12, 1865. His father, James O. Patterson, was also born in Maryland, and the family have lived in that state since Colonial times. One of the Pattersons married a member of the distinguished Bonaparte family of Maryland. The wife of James O. Patterson, Sr., was Jane Della Roche, whose father came to America with General Lafayette and lived at Georgetown in the District of Columbia. He was a civil engineer and laid out the first cemetery at Washington. James O. Patterson, Sr., died in 1886, and both he and his wife are buried at Fort Benton, Montana, where they had lived for several years. Their sons all became prominent Montana ranchers. Their daughters were: Jane, widow of Lieutenant Thies and living at Minneapolis; Sophia, of Los Angeles, widow of Major

Cabaniss; and Mrs. J. E. Bower, whose home is at Helena and whose husband was one of the Bower brothers of the Judith Basin country.

James O. Patterson grew up on a Maryland farm. In 1870, when he was five years of age, his parents moved to Howard County, that state, and five or six years later went to Baltimore County. Mr. Patterson had only ordinary school advantages, and his chief training for life was the practical experience of the farm and the Montana ranch, and his knowledge has been broadened by reading and contact with men. He was eighteen years old when, in 1883, he left Baltimore County and came out to Montana to join his brothers. These brothers were George D., William Alfred and John F., all of whom settled in the same locality in Chouteau County. George D. Patterson later served for about a dozen years or more as clerk of court of Chouteau County, and died and is buried at Fort Benton. William Alfred Patterson was more or less closely associated with his brothers in ranching, and died unmarried at Fort Shaw in 1908. John F. Patterson had come out to Montana in 1880, following his older brother, and for two years was in the stock business near Montague, and then took up ranching for himself. He died at San Diego, California, and is buried at Fort Benton. He was survived by three children.

James O. Patterson on coming to Montana worked for his brother during the lambing season, and altogether spent three years, three months in the employ of his brothers, losing only eight days of time. He then accepted the offer of a partnership as a sheep man with the T. C. Power & Brother Company. He was given the opportunity to buy a third interest in the business, and later he bought out the Power partners. His first independent ranching was done in the locality where he is today. His business enterprise has developed until his operations are now conducted on a domain, of over 15,000 acres, known as the Lost Lake, which drains into the Big Sag. As a sheep man he started with 1,600 head of ewes. His business has been in part a reflection of the history of sheep and cattle ranching in Montana, though as a result of his experience and close attention to business his results have undoubtedly been above the average. He sold the sheep on his ranch in 1914 and since then has emphasized Hereford cattle. He has been breeding that stock for thirty years, and his herd has reached almost the grade of registered stock. Before the advent of farmer settlers and the cutting down of the range lands his enterprise had reached the proportions of about 2,200 head of cattle and 8,000 sheep, but a large reduction in the number has occurred in the past ten or fifteen years. His chief live stock market has been Chicago. Mr. Patterson during the 1890s sold wool as low as six and a half cents a pound, and while this price hardly paid a profit, he did not materially decrease his flocks, holding on for better years. His experience in the cattle industry has seldom failed to show some profit every season, and he was in a position to benefit from those years when cattle brought about fifteen cents a pound.

The Lost Lake Live Stock Company Ranch was opened on the bare ground, with only a tent to shelter Mr. Patterson as its manager. During the first winter he looked after the flocks himself. That was the hardest winter ever known in Montana, when ranchers all over the state lost their sheep and cattle by the thousands, and Mr. Patterson was much more fortunate than most stock

men during that time. The first building put up on Mr. Patterson's ranch now serves as the kitchen of his present home, a commodious house which was completed in 1893. The Lost Lake Live Stock Company belongs to the Highwood-Arrow Creek Stock Association and the Montana State Live Stock Association.

Mr. Patterson has lived an exceedingly busy life, and for years he was seldom away from his land and live stock for any length of time. For several years he and his family lived in Fort Benton, and while he was there he was an alderman and a member of the school board when the high school building was put up. He grew up in a Democratic family and cast his first presidential vote for Cleveland, but for many years has been a Republican. He was made a member of the Masonic Lodge at Fort Benton and an Elk at Great Falls. He was reared in the faith of the Episcopal Church.

Mr. Patterson married in Baltimore County, Maryland, February 16, 1898, Miss Eugenia Cary Hurst. She was born in Virginia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hurst, and was left an orphan when a child. She grew up in the home of an aunt in Baltimore County, where Mr. Patterson met her. Mrs. Patterson was college trained, studied art in France, and for a time was an art teacher in Baltimore. She died in 1910, leaving two children. Her son, James Orville, was educated in high school and is associated with his father's ranching business. He married Zella Webb, who died in April, 1929, leaving twin children, Robert and William. Mr. Patterson's daughter by his first marriage is Eugenia Cary, now the wife of N. A. McCown, of Honolulu. Mr. McCown is associated with the *Star Bulletin*, a leading newspaper of the Hawaiian Islands. Mr. and Mrs. McCown have a daughter, Charley Jean. The three other children of Mr. Patterson's first marriage died in childhood.

In December, 1913, he married Miss Amy Amadon, who was born in Missouri, daughter of Edward Amadon. Mrs. Patterson is a graduate of Northwestern University of Evanston, Illinois, and was a teacher for several years before her marriage. The five children born to Mr. and Mrs. Patterson are Amy, Nora, John, Patricia and Ann.

JESSE A. BRIGHT. The record of an interesting man as well as an old time rancher and citizen of Montana is that of Jesse A. Bright, who with his wife and sharer of his experiences and fortunes is now living retired at Fort Benton. Mr. Bright came to Montana nearly half a century ago, and put forth his most productive efforts in this state. Here his children grew up, and most of his children and grandchildren are active Montanans today.

Mr. and Mrs. Bright were born in Missouri. His birth occurred near Fulton in Callaway County, June 6, 1841, and his wife was born near Mexico in Audrain County, January 20, 1844. His father, David Bright, came from Virginia, and died when his son Jesse was a small boy. He is buried in the Concord Cemetery in Callaway County. David Bright married Betsy Price, also a native of Virginia, and the Price family likewise were early settlers of Callaway County, and farmers. David Bright and wife had three daughters and two sons: Samuel, who went across the plains to California in 1849 and was never heard of again; Mrs. Margaret Jane Thompson, who died in Missouri; Ann, who married Mack Crocket and died at Warrensburg, Missouri; Mary, who married

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