

# NITRO CAPTAIN COMPLETES TASK

### R. G. Smith and J. C. Wade to Receive Claims of Montana Men.

Captain F. E. Townsend, government representative who has been here investigating claims of Montana men who were sent to Nitro, W. Va., last November, but returned dissatisfied, saying conditions there were not as had been represented to them, left for New York city last evening, accompanied by his secretary, Roland R. Horning. Captain Townsend has appointed R. G. Smith and J. C. Wade, two Great Falls men who have had considerable experience handling claims of various kinds, to duty at the local office of the United States Employment service. They will receive claims turned in by the men and forward them with the necessary accompanying data to the proper officials at Nitro. All claims finally approved at Nitro will be settled for by the disbursing officer of the plant. Smith and Wade will also visit the other larger cities of the state to receive claims there.

**Governor Approves Plan.**  
While at Helena Captain Townsend submitted the government's plan of treating the men to Governor Stewart and the state's chief executive has approved the plan. Captain Townsend has divided the claims into two classifications. No. 1 will include all claims for transportation to and from Nitro, all baggage charges, applications to have baggage now stored at Nitro returned, bills for meals and lodging en route to or from the plant and statements calling for reimbursement of transportation on the bodies of men who died at Nitro. No. 2 claims will include anything else turned in by the men. The first classification is definite. That is, the government authorities Captain Townsend to approve all apparently fair statements turned in.

# GRIP, INFLUENZA

### Hamlin's Wizard Oil a Reliable, Antiseptic Preventive

During influenza epidemics spray the nose and throat several times a day with one part Wizard Oil and two parts water, using an atomizer. If you haven't an atomizer, gargle the throat and sniff the mixture up the nose. This treatment sets up an antiseptic wall of defense against "Flu" germs.

Chest colds and sore throat lead to grip. Stop them at once with Wizard Oil before they can develop into dangerous influenza.

Get it from the druggists for 50c. If not satisfied, return the bottle and get your money back.

Ever constipated or have sick headache? Just try Wizard Liver Whips, pleasant little pink pills, 50c at druggists. Guaranteed.—Adv.

for any of the things mentioned in class 1. The claims which will fall in class 2 will have to be considered. They do not come under the government list of what will be done for the men, but the government, according to Captain Townsend wishes to treat the men fairly and realizes that there is a possibility some of the men may have peculiar claims which the government may have overlooked. While very few claims containing anything else except those under the first classification will be considered, still there are some that will be, and it is probable, according to the captain, that some of the men will be reimbursed for them. They are cases that will be considered on their individual merits.

**Requires Much Tact.**  
Captain Townsend says he found conditions at Helena, Havre and the other towns he visited on this matter about the same as in Great Falls. In many instances he believes the claims turned in are too high and unreasonable. Then again some of the men having small claims, when informed that they must sign and the information they must give the government to have their claims considered, simply drop the matter on the spot, saying it is too much bother. Captain Townsend says this is unfortunate because these men will probably have a mistaken impression about the government's way of dealing with them. The government will be glad to treat the men fairly but must have the necessary information before doing anything. Some of the claims turned in include a request for reimbursement for lost time. Captain Townsend again stated that the government will not reimburse the men for lost time because this would require congressional action and approval.

# SALVATION ARMY SPECIAL SERVICE

### Watch Night Program at Citadel Is Religious in Character—Meeting Tonight.

Adjutant M. G. Sainsbury had charge of the special Watch Night services held by the Salvation Army last night at the Citadel from 11 to 12, following the regular meeting called early in the evening. The services were purely devotional and special music was given by Lieutenant May Phillips. Visitors at the gathering were Lieutenant Margaret Conrad and Ensign Alice Warren of Helena.

**BUTTE TELEPHONE STRIKE ORDER MAY NOT BE BINDING.**  
Butte, Dec. 31.—Members of the electricians' union hold today that the strike vote taken last evening against the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph company may not be binding as they claim the meeting was not sufficiently advertised in accordance with the bylaws of the union.

# TO MAKE LOANS. NEW SPECIALTY

### Cascade Bank Inaugurates Farm Loan Department—J. W. McKenzie in Charge.



In order to more fully meet the demands of its customers who are engaged in the agricultural industry, the Cascade bank of this city today inaugurates a new policy and opens a new department to be known as the farm loan department. The bank has called to the position of manager of this department J. W. McKenzie, who has had a broad experience in that line of banking and who has been located in Great Falls for the past year. Mr. McKenzie expects to build up a department that will fully meet the needs in that line in every particular.

According to the president of the bank, C. B. Roberts, the Cascade bank is expanding in this instance because of the rapidly growing field of business that the bank has enjoyed and because of its recognition of the need of a closer attention to the demands of the farming interests in the field it serves. Mr. Roberts takes the position that one of the fundamental necessities of this section of Montana is the building up of the farming interests, and he believes that in order properly to encourage that in a farm loan department is essential to the successful operation of any bank.

"We are in the infancy of our agricultural industry," said President Roberts yesterday. "We do not have to be prophetic to foresee that this infant is going to be a strapping and healthy youngster very quickly and we, who are engaged in the banking business, are asleep if we do not realize that in order to benefit the development of the farming interests we must become helpers in bringing about that development. Community welfare comes from community action, and those who lag behind and fail to do their share in promoting development are failing to measure up to the needs of right action and good citizenship. Now we, of the Cascade bank, believe that our duty can best be performed if we help to encourage the farming interests, and that we can do that best if we organize a special department to handle the business. We have an organization thru our affiliation with other banks in northern Montana thru which we can reach the farming needs of a large section of our state. Happily, we are so situated that we have friendly relations with eastern institutions which will give us ample capital for the fullest service of the patrons of our territory. In putting Mr. J. W. McKenzie in charge of the department, we have selected a man experienced in that line of banking, and we are pleased to commend him to our former friends and also to invite them to come and allow us to assist, advise with and help them in any way we can."

**DEMOBILIZATION NEED NOT WORRY**  
**That Is Bank's View of Problem Coming From Readjustment. Montana Outlook.**

That there need be no fear about the demobilization of the American army bringing an army of unemployed, but holding that demands for labor will readily absorb and utilize the forces thus turned back to profitable employment, is the position taken by the January issue of The Monthly Financial Review published by the American Bank & Trust company of this city. Here is a paragraph from The Review discussing that point:

"Prices should fall, probably not abruptly, but certainly, the effect may be eased off by months of peace parleys furnishing the opportunity. There need be no alarm about demobilization of the army giving a surplus of labor which will be hard to absorb. Labor shortage from natural causes eliminates that danger and unbiased analysis proves that view. There is no need for expensive bureaus ostensibly to 'take care of returned soldiers.' Consider the problem thoughtfully. Decreased immigration to America for the four years of war has left a labor shortage of vast proportions. For 1915-17 inclusive the total was 921,000 compared to 1,218,480 in 1914. Immigration from 1912-14 inclusive was 3,294,959, so by comparison it is found the country at the close of the war is short 2,375,000, which otherwise would have been available from immigration. Those came into a few ports and were assimilated into the employed classes without trouble and without machinery for handling them. Soldiers will be demobilized by states and sent back to the field that needs them. New fields have been opened in dyestuffs and the merchant marine. Some will remain in Europe to assist in rebuilding the war-torn sections. Shipbuilding will go on. Many plants turned to munition factories have been turned back, almost over night and employees have resumed their work. Building trades almost ceased to operate during our second year of war and they will be revived, calling a vast army to service. Two things, then, seem certain. In due course, there must be a recession of prices, quite general in its nature, which will prove a temporary

# TALKS OF BUICK PRICE FORECAST

### Manager Jordan Tells of Word Concerning Selling Schedule for 1919.

An interview with Manager J. W. Jordan, of Western Motor Co., local Buick distributor, makes certain that the purchaser of a Buick car between now and the end of the 1919 season is not running any chance that the price will be subject to further change during that period.

"I have just received a letter from the home office," said Mr. Jordan, "concerning the revised price schedule effective January 1, 1919, covering the various Buick models during the remainder of the season. Four models have been reduced in price and the other two remain untouched."

There has been considerable speculation as to what the Buick Motor company was going to do about the prices of their cars, as the close of the war left things in such an uncertain condition regarding the price and quantity of raw material available that a good many people felt it would be impossible for the really big manufacturers to find their bearings for some time to come.

This prompt action on the part of the company shows that they have been able to clear the situation up sooner than anybody expected, and I for one am delighted with the announcement so early in the season.

Their war orders which have been demanding the major part of their energies, have been completed and the announcement of the present prices is evidence that the Buick Motor company now has a measure of the situation and sufficient material is in sight that will permit laying out a definite building schedule which again proves the buyer of a Buick automobile is at all times protected against unwarranted price changes.

"Orders for Buick cars are piling up on us very fast and I feel reasonably sure that we shall be able to take care of the greater part of them within a reasonable time. We shall continue to follow our old policy of filling orders, and will make every effort to see that no favoritism is shown our waiting list which plan has worked out so admirably in the past."

"Buick enthusiasts appreciate the importance of this announcement, because all uncertainty has now been removed, both as to the possibility of getting Buick cars this year and the possibility of the prices being raised or lowered."

# MRS. McCORMICK TO HEAD G. O. P. WOMEN



**Mrs. Medill McCormick.**  
As a leader among women, Mrs. Medill McCormick, wife of the senator-elect from Illinois, is preparing to take a full part in the reconstruction plans as affecting the interests of women. Mrs. McCormick, who has inherited political ability of a high order from her father, the late Senator Mark Hanna, has been assigned an important part in the republican national organization.

She has been selected as chairman of the republican women's national executive committee, with headquarters in Washington. Plans are under way for a complete working organization among the republican women of the country and for full participation in party affairs.

Thru Mrs. McCormick the committee has announced its intention of championing the cause of wage-earning women in the readjustments growing out of the return of the country to a peace basis.

Also very active in politics, Mrs. McCormick admits that her time outside of public affairs is largely devoted to her favorite pastime, which is agriculture. As a girl she lived on her grandfather's farm in Ohio, and the knowledge she gained there she now puts to practical use in the management of her own large 1,500-acre farm. But farm management and politics do not occupy all of her time for this very modern and progressive woman is the mother of two beautiful children, Katrina, aged six, and Medill, two years old. It is significant that Mrs. McCormick feels that all of her outside activities help her to be a better, broader mother instead of causing her to neglect her maternal duties.

**MARRIAGES LICENSES**  
Frank Sherry, 45, and Hetty B. Pruner, 38, both of Spokane, Wash.  
William Albert King, 45, and Tillie Katherine Blesie, 28, both of Great Falls.

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check, but when it has passed, business will go forward with force and vigor. The other fact is that demobilization will not be attended by any great surplus of labor because the industrial world is needing perhaps even more than the war at power which the breaking up of the army will give it."

In discussing Montana conditions, the following paragraphs among others, appear:

"Montana conditions give promise of an active year in all lines. Business men while conservative in their declarations, universally forecast a record making era in 1919. The agricultural outlook affords plenty of reason for optimism. The acreage seeded to winter wheat has been large and there is also a vast amount of ground broken to turn to spring planting. Perhaps no year has seen so much breaking in the fall as 1918. Weather conditions favored great effort and farmers spurred by failure to the need of recouping thru another attempt, have met the situation aggressively, indicating the Montana weather, much plowing was done in November and December. That the last two seasons have been dry, furnishes the basis for firm expectation of good crops next season. One thing needed for Montana farmers is a stronger encouragement to grow hogs. More pork should be grown here. Just how that can be brought about is a subject for study by commercial clubs and farmers' organizations. Montana's alfalfa makes a fine hog food and her barley, wheat and rye furnish excellent finishing grains for quality pork. When grain prices recede somewhat, pork prices ought to justify general interest in hog raising."

# KELLEY APPROVING LOANS

W. L. Kelley, of the Federal Land bank at Spokane, arrived yesterday morning and is already hard at work approving seed and grain loans to be made to the farmers in the northern tier of counties who suffered losses from last summer's drought. Mr. Kelley's headquarters are in the seed loan office in the federal building.

# HILL HERE FROM WINNIPEG

C. B. Hill, representing the Canadian customs department with headquarters at Winnipeg, arrived in Great Falls yesterday and will spend some time here and at Havre on official business. Mr. Hill is with the automobile section of his department and stated yesterday that his call here at the present time is in connection with a number of matters up for disposition.

# ITS ANNUAL MEETING

New Year's services will be held today at Our Savior's Lutheran, 1408 Second avenue north, as follows: English service at 11 a. m., and Norwegian service in the evening at 8. Thursday evening at 7:30 the annual business meeting will be held at the church. The Ladies' Aid will meet simultaneously, and after transaction of business will serve refreshments at the social session following. All friends of the church are cordially invited.

# DIES OF INFLUENZA.

Special to The Daily Tribune.  
Shelby, Dec. 31.—The 2 1/2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Sims died late Friday night from pneumonia, following influenza. She had been ill about a week. The funeral was held Sunday at the Catholic church. Interment was in the Shelby cemetery. Their little son, Vincent, is very ill with influenza.

# OLD PRESCRIPTION FOR WEAK KIDNEYS

Have you ever stopped to reason why it is that so many products that are extensively advertised, all at once drop out of sight and are soon forgotten? The reason is plain—the article did not fulfill the promises of the manufacturer. This applies more particularly to a medicine. A medicinal preparation that has real curative value almost sells itself, as like an endless chain system the remedy is recommended by those who have been benefited, to those who are in need of it. A prominent druggist says: "Take for example Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, a preparation I have sold for many years and never hesitate to recommend, for in almost every case it shows excellent results, as many of my customers testify. No other kidney remedy that I know of has so large a sale."

According to sworn statements and verified testimony of thousands who have used the preparation, the success of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is due to the fact that, so many people claim, it fulfills almost every wish in overcoming kidney, liver and bladder ailments, corrects urinary troubles and neutralizes the uric acid which causes rheumatism.

You may receive a sample bottle of Swamp-Root by Parels Post. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., and enclose ten cents; also mention the Great Falls Tribune. Large and medium size bottles for sale at all drug stores.



We Wish to Extend Our Heartiest Greetings and Hope That Your New Year May Be One of Prosperity and All Good Fortune.

and we wish to assure our customers of our appreciation of their patronage in the year past.

In starting this new year, which we believe to be one of great opportunities, we take liberty to emphasize that Berger's is to be conducted in the future as it has been in the past, as a store where

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Always will be our main attraction, made possible by elimination of all expense necessary to an economic, efficient service to our patrons.

It must be evident if we are to get at the real cost of merchandise and establish a standard buying power for your dollars, that such merchandise must be stripped as far as possible of all so-called overhead charges.

By adopting the cash and one price policy we have eliminated an enormous amount of unnecessary expense, and the patrons of this store buy at the lowest possible of this store buy at the lowest possible can be sold.

We believe that our steadily increasing business is due to the people of Great Falls and vicinity having accepted this plan and realized its advantages. And now that we are entering upon a New Year—a year of peace and opportunity, we look with confidence to the future, believing that a great and bright prospect lies ahead of Great Falls.

# FURNITURE THAT MAKES HOMES OF OFFICES....

Each article of our office furniture has wonderful possibilities—the possibility that it will help to make some office comfortable. It is the sort of office furniture that helps people to read their ideals. You can find just the thing you need for your office at Coy's, and you can be assured that you are not burdening yourself with unnecessary expenses, as all our office equipment is moderately priced—a price consistent with good quality.

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