

FORECASTS EXPRESS COMPANIES' DEATH

Davy Lewis Says That Passing of Railway Pay Laws Will So Result—Parcel Post to Be Broadened.

SCHEME HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL

Figures Quoted Which Prove Adoption of New Service Was Profitable Move—Entitled to Business.

By Congressman C. H. Tavenner. Washington, Sept. 4.—When Davy Lewis, the father of parcel post, first came to Congress from his coal mining district of Maryland, he told Congress that the American post office was the most efficient big transportation organization in the world, and that it could transport packages at less cost than the express companies.

The standpat leaders in the House pooh-poohed his statements and adopted the attitude that no ex-coal miner could come to Washington and tell them anything about business. They repeated the old argument of those opposed to government ownership that private enterprise is always more efficient than government operation.

An Opportunity. There was given to Davy Lewis the other day the opportunity to stand up in the house and produce the figures which completely substantiated his first utterances on the subject of parcel post. After nearly two years of operation the parcel post now has its own statistics on the handling of express packages.

Companies Experience. "What is the express company's experience? Its experience is that its parcel is 33 pounds in average weight, and that it costs about 24 cents to handle it, barring the cost of railway pay.

Revenue \$78,000,000. "The express revenues, after they pay the railway this year, are about \$78,000,000. There can be no question, I can say with the confidence of a student on this subject, that this mammoth postal establishment, as the greatest express agency on earth, can take the whole express business at rates that now obtain and clear from thirty to forty million dollars as an annual surplus by its superior economic efficiency in handling the parcels."

Morally Entitled. "We are entitled morally, as well as on economic grounds, to the whole express business. We have more than a million miles of rural routes, and can thus give a service that the express companies can never give. "We can handle the shipments for (Continued on last page.)

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ISSUES PROCLAMATION

Governor Eberhart Recommends All Places of Business Should Be Closed Next Monday, Labor Day.

PROPERLY HONOR FACTORY MEN

Recommending that all places of business be closed, Adolph Eberhart, governor of Minnesota, has issued the following proclamation concerning Labor Day, next Monday. "It is fitting and proper to recognize the vital forces of society. As the years go by and we obtain a better perspective on history, there comes a keener realization of the dignity and importance of labor. To those who toil, to those who keep the wheels of industry moving, to those who perform the tasks that a complex social organization and human existence demand, an exalted tribute is due.

"Monday, September 7, is the day that has been fixed upon as the occasion for this tribute. Accordingly, I, Adolph O. Eberhart, governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Monday, September 7, 1914, as Labor Day, and recommend that on that day all places of business in this state be closed, and that the day be observed by all citizens in a manner that will properly honor the men in the factory, the workshop, the mines and all engaged in any form of industry. "In observing Labor Day it would be well to bear in mind the interdependence of all social organizations with a view of eliminating clashes between these different forms of society that should work in friendly harmony and not in the spirit of hostility.

"Adolph O. Eberhart, Governor."

"Happy" to State Fair. H. E. (Happy) Anderson of this city, considered as one of the state's leading clarinet players, and the clarinet soloist of the Bemidji concert band, will leave tomorrow afternoon for Thief River Falls, where he will join the band of that city, which plays at the Minnesota state fair next week.

There will be a private dance in the City hall this evening.

ELKS TO INITIATE

Large Class to Join Antlered Tribe First Thursday in October. Another large class of candidates is to be initiated into the Bemidji lodge of Elks, 1052, on the evening of the first Thursday in October. This will be the next regular meeting night and as a large number of applications have been acted upon it is expected that between ten and fifteen will take the degree.

REV. WENIGER TO LECTURE

Returned Missionary From South America to Address Convention of Epworth League Union Tonight.

PICNIC TOMORROW AFTERNOON

With a large number of delegates in attendance, the third annual convention of the Beltrami County Epworth League Union, will convene at the Presbyterian church, where all meetings of the three-day session will be held, this evening. Tonight Rev. F. W. Weniger, returned missionary from South America, will give the opening lecture of the conference, when he will take as his subject, "Qualifications of a Missionary," a topic which he is well fitted to discuss. He may also touch upon the Mexican situation. His address will be preceded by a praise, prayer and song service, led by Charles Gerlinger, president of the Union, which will begin at 7:45, and it will be followed by a registration of delegates.

Rev. F. McMartin, a student of a Louisville seminary, will have charge of the Quiet Hour, which will take place at 8:30 tomorrow morning. This part of the program, will be followed by an address, "The Present Crisis in Missions," to be given by Rev. E. E. Test of Mizpah. Then will come the business session, at which the minutes of the 1913 Blackduck convention will be read and the various reports given.

After the dinner hour there will be a study, "Home and Missions," led by Mrs. J. Essler of Bemidji, and an address by Rev. J. H. Frarey of Blackduck on "The Missionary Committee, Its Work and Organization." At 3:15 the election of officers will be held, followed by a picnic at Diamond Point.

AN ATTRACTIVE BOOKLET

Jester Describes "Outers' Paradise" in Farm Resort Announcement.

"The Outers' Paradise," is the term applied to the Jester Farm Resort at Plantagenet, in an attractive little booklet which has just been placed in circulation by the owner, Al. H. Jester, president of the Bemidji Onion Growers' association, and one of Bemidji's most energetic and progressive business men. The booklet tells of the beautiful location of "The Jester Farm Resort," and of its centering in a territory unequalled for its big and small game, fishing and boating. In speaking of Bemidji, the booklet says: "You will find in Bemidji all that it's appellation, 'The Magic City of the North,' might imply. It is a city comprised of progressive citizens—a good place to visit and a good place to establish a business and a home. This 'Magic City of the North' has been built on the shores of two beautiful lakes during the past sixteen years and has forged ahead of cities which have been centuries in building. It possesses all the advantages of older communities without the defacing scars of old age."

A want ad will sell it for you.

ARCHBISHOP URGES CLERGY TO AID CAUSE

Most Reverend John Ireland Says Clergymen Should Co-operate in Making Corn Week of Value.

YEARLY GAINS IN IMPORTANCE

Need of Well-Chosen Seed Admirably Set Forth in Bulletin Which All Farmers Should Secure and Read

Clergy of Minnesota are urged to co-operate with the Extension Division of the College of Agriculture in the promotion of Seed Corn Week, September 14-19, by the Most Reverend John Ireland, Archbishop of St. Paul. Archbishop Ireland is a believer in the planting of good seed if one would grow good crops. In response to a letter from the College of Agriculture, outlining the plans for Seed Corn Week, the Archbishop sent the following: "Permit me, as a citizen of Minnesota deeply interested in the intelligent development of its agricultural resources, to thank you for your plans for 'Seed Corn Week,' September 14-19, 1914.

An Important Crop. "More and more, each year, corn is becoming the important crop of Minnesota. To all labor connected with it, farmers of the state should give most serious and careful attention—being especially vigilant as to the proper selection of the grain to be used for seed. The importance of well-chosen seed is admirably set forth in your Extension Bulletin No. 9, copies of which, I understand, will be at once mailed to all who call for them. I have read this bulletin with very much interest, and on turning over to its last page, I said—'What a blessing, if every farmer in Minnesota—without exception—were to read this paper, and scrupulously follow out its counsels.' Count On Co-operation.

"You ask me whether in my opinion you may count on the co-operation of clergymen in making efficient distribution of Extension Bulletin No. 9, and in securing a widespread observance of Seed Corn Week. I should be very much surprised if this co-operation were not readily granted. "To clergymen, who may hearken to words of mine, I say: 'Put yourselves immediately in communication with the office of publications at the College of Agriculture, asking for copies of Bulletin No. 9, and put without delay a copy into hands of every farmer in your district.' MISS HENRIONNET AN ARTIST

Bemidji Girl Startles Large Audience By Unusual Talent.

That in Miss Rubie Henrionnet, Bemidji possesses an elocutionist of unusual ability and talent, was the conclusion of all who attended the recital given by her for the benefit of the Methodist church last evening. Even those, who had known of her many honors attained while a student at Pillsbury and Northwestern university, were surprised and delighted by her accomplishments. Assisting Miss Henrionnet were Miss Dorothy Torrance and Miss Hazel Southworth, and their selections were much appreciated, both receiving repeated acclamations. The church was attractively decorated with garden flowers and asparagus.

London's largest electric sign, recently erected, contains 1,000 lamps.

FAVOR PUPOSKY SITE.

Sanatorium Board Makes Recommendation to State Commission.

If the advisory board of the State Tuberculosis commission acts favorably on the recommendation of the site committee of the Beltrami-Koochiching-Hubbard counties Sanatorium board, the \$50,000 hospital, which is soon to be built, will be located at Lake Julia, near Puposky. This conclusion was reached last evening following inspections made by Commissioner Lake of Hubbard county, Commissioner Durrin of Koochiching county and Rev. S. E. P. White of Bemidji, members of the site board, after they had made a close investigation of the various locations offered. Several members of the advisory board will visit Bemidji tomorrow and definite action will then be taken.

GIVEN CORDIAL WELCOME

Two Hundred Bemidji Visitors Enjoy Visit at Red Lake Indian Fair—Special Train Well Filled.

It was with much cordiality that the 200 Bemidji visitors to the Red Lake Indian fair were received at the reservation this morning, the well filled special train of the Red Lake line reaching Redby on schedule time. The band, representatives of the Merchants' association, and others, were made to feel welcome immediately upon their arrival and festivities of the day were at once begun. Before the special pulled out from the Red Lake depot, the band, led by Alden Remfrey, director, and twenty strong, paraded the business district of the city and also played several selections at the station. The organization attracted much attention at the fair grounds where they provided music during the entire day.

It was with much interest that the various exhibits were inspected by the Bemidji folk, the display of bead and other industrial work, corn, alfalfa, clover, and especially the stock being excellent. The women paid much attention to the fancy work, which was thoroughly appreciated. While only Indians were allowed to participate in the premium entertainment program was the best shown. Being Bemidji Day at the fair, the entertainment program was the best of the entire three days. Superintendent Dickens is deserving of much credit for the success of the fair and the great showing made, and the fair amply demonstrates the manner in which the Indians of the reservation are taking advantage of their opportunities.

"HEARTS" ADRIFT TONIGHT. Mary Pickford Week Closes At Grand Tomorrow Night. Mary Pickford the star of Famous Player movies, will appear at the Grand this evening in "Hearts Adrift," a picture in which the clever little actress is at her best. Tomorrow night Mary Pickford week will come to a close. The Grand has had record attendances during the week.

Another Assistant for Chief. A boy, weighing eight pounds, was born to Chief and Mrs. George Lane this morning. The new arrival gives the Lane family four boys and an equal number of girls. Heretofore an importer of metal in all its forms, Japan has become an exporter of refined zinc.

ALLIED FORCES FAIL TO STOP GERMAN ONRUSH NEARING PARIS

(American Press.)

London, Sept. 4.—A correspondent of the Times at Dippe, under Thursday's date, indicates that the Germans are less than twenty-five miles from Paris. He says: "All day yesterday the head of the wedge which now forms the German right, is furiously forcing its way to Paris, battering rear of the retiring French through Creil, Senlis and Crepy-en-Valois. The cannonading broke windows in Chantilly, seventeen miles north of Paris."

St. Petersburg, Sept. 4.—An official statement says: Austrians in Galicia are retreating before Russians after desperate fighting, leaving four thousand dead on the field. In Russian Poland the Austrian attack was repulsed and the offensive was taken by the Russians.

London, Sept. 4.—The German advance has reached Senlis, thirty-two miles northeast of Paris. The French are rushing preparations for a threatened investment of the capital city.

Vienna, via Rome, Sept. 4.—German artillery is being sent to aid the hard-pressed Austrians now operating in Galicia, and are now nearing the front. The approach of these reinforcements is greatly encouraging the Austrians.

Washington, Sept. 4.—President Wilson today in a special address to the joint session of congress, asked the imposition of an international revenue tax, sufficient to raise one hundred million dollars annually because of the dwindling customs revenues as a result of the European war.

CLUB TEAM TO BE WINNER

Large Number of Candidates Try for Positions—Organization Will Be Fast and Heavy.

DIFFICULTY FORMING SCHEDULE

With a large number of candidates trying for positions on the Bemidji Athletic club football eleven, prospects for a championship team could not be better. Several practices have been held and much interest is being shown.

Coach Jacobson has been shifting the men, playing them at various positions in an effort to discover just where they are most valuable and it is his intention to form two complete sets of backs, a heavy and a light. With this plan he expects to be able to use a speedy backfield when necessary and also have a heavy line bucking trio.

The line is sure to be heavy and fast and among those who are trying for positions are Bell, Brandon, Brinkman, Stanton, Peck, Ted Getchell, Cords, Rube Ripple, Alec Ripple, McDonald, Lycan and Naugle. For the backfield the coach will be able to pick from Lycan, Huffman, Peck, Brandon, Hendrickson, Naugle, McDonald, Traffon and several others of promising ability.

Because of the many teams of this section which have not organized for the season, some difficulty is being met in the arranging of games, but an interesting schedule is assured as soon as other elevens begin practice.

"KINDLING" MAKES HIT

Second Play of Margot Beaton Company Produced at Brinkman

Well staged and every character of the cast taken in professional style, "Kindling," the famous emotional drama, was presented by the Margot Beaton players at the Brinkman theater last evening. Special scenery was used for the production. That the Beaton company will have a successful engagement here is now certain and the seating capacity of the Brinkman is packed to its limit at each performance. The same play will be presented this evening.

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