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## FOR POSTMASTER

### J. A. LEMIRE WINS

According to first hand information received by the publisher of this paper, the friendly contest for the postmastership at Ronan has closed, with J. A. Lemire first under the wire. From the best information obtainable, Mr. Lemire's appointment has been a foregone conclusion for more than two years past and had this information been given out at the time, the various other applicants for the position would undoubtedly have continued in their daily pursuits and thought nothing of political preference. Being led to believe, however, that the selection was still to be made, some of them put up a good fight, which, under ordinary circumstances, would at least put them in the finals.

Mr. Lemire is eminently fitted to fill the position and will give the patrons of the office good service, and even those who aspired to the position, as well as the community in general, will extend congratulations.

That Mr. Lemire is to be our next postmaster was told to the writer on the fair grounds in Helena last Friday by Congressman Evans. The Hon. John M. also stated that the location of the office would be left to an inspector from the postoffice department at Washington, who would be sent here to look over the situation and decide where it should be. That seems fair enough, if the inspector comes free handed and makes the selection on the merits of the location. Outside influences have had considerable bearing in some cases and might have in this, but the patrons of the office will live in hopes that they will be given consideration to some extent at least, and that the site chosen will be central, convenient and fair to all concerned.

## BEST EXHIBIT OF GRAIN WON BY MISSOULA COUNTY

Last week marked the most successful year in the history of the Montana State Fair. Visitors from every nook and corner of the state came to Helena during the week, swelling the attendance to an appreciable increase over the big crowds of last year. The entries exceeded 1914 by 2,000 and the grain and stock exhibits were by far the finest ever shown in Montana, surpassing any of the west.

On Thursday over 20,000 people were on the grounds. Special trains were run from six Montana cities to the biggest composite program ever offered in the northwest. State, sectional, national and world's records were broken by famed auto drivers competing for \$5,000 in prizes. De Lloyd Thompson sensationalized the throngs with his wonderful flights. Horse racing took place daily and between the other many events a nine act vaudeville program was run twice each day.

John Hiner of Reed Point, Sweet Grass county, was awarded the Studebaker auto wheat prize. Missoula county won first prize as the county having the best exhibit of grain; Madison county was declared champion producer of grasses and forage crops; Custer received the blue ribbon for the best exhibit of vegetables and root crops; Cascade for the largest variety of products, and Fergus first prize for the best display and arrangement of any county exhibit.

In the boys and girls contest, Elizabeth Cooley of Bozeman, took the gold medal in the pea canning contest; Albert Pahrman of Miles City for the best corn and Frank Kohlenbauer of Cascade county for the best potatoes. Montana herds in competition with live stock from states as far east as the Great Lakes and as far west as the Pacific, brought in the lion's share of blue ribbons.

### Off On Big Hunt

A hunting party composed of G. E. Broughton, J. D. Githart, R. G. McBride, Jim McConnell, Dr. Fuhrer, W. G. Brown and Bell Trosper left Ronan Sunday last for a big hunt on Wolfe creek west of Marion. They expect to be gone about two weeks and come home with all the game that the laws of Montana will stand for.

### Lost

\$5.00 reward for the return of bay horse colt with star in forehead and branded C Z on left front shoulder.—Chas. Zaruba, Horte, Mont. 21tf

## BULGARS DENY AGGRESSION

MOBILIZATION IS NOT AGAINST GREECE OR ROUMANIA.

Bulgarian Premier Fails to Disclaim Designs on Serbia in Informing Entente Powers.

Sofia, Bulgaria, via London, Sept. 28.—The protocol providing for the handing over of territory ceded by Turkey to Bulgaria, by virtue of the Turco-Bulgarian agreement, was signed by Turkish and Bulgarian delegates at Demotika, 20 miles south of the Turkish fortress at Adrianople, according to the semi-official Bulgarian newspaper Narodni Prava.

London, Sept. 28.—The situation in the Balkans and the intentions of Bulgaria are still surrounded with considerable mystery. Bulgaria, which had been definitely placed on the side of the central powers as the result of recent news from Sofia, officially informed the entente powers that her mobilization had been ordered in the national interests and that it had not the slightest aggressive character.

Premier Makes Statement. The Bulgarian premier, M. Radoslawoff, in an interview with the Sofia correspondent of the Berlin Taegesblatt, reiterated this statement but it is noteworthy that while he said the measure was not directed against Greece or Roumania, he omitted Serbia, attacks upon which state have been considered to be the intention of the Bulgarian government in their effort to regain Macedonia.

Mrs. Dunwoody Dies.

Minneapolis, Sept. 28.—Mrs. Kate L. Dunwoody, wife of the late William H. Dunwoody, died at her residence, 104 Groveland terrace. She survived her husband by 20 months. She had been in failing health since last January. Mrs. Dunwoody was Miss Kate Patton before her marriage. After her marriage to Mr. Dunwoody in Philadelphia she came to Minneapolis with her husband in 1889 and had lived here since that time.

To Help Defend Assailant.

Winona, Minn., Sept. 28.—Bishop Patrick R. Heffron will help pay for legal talent to defend Father Lesches, the priest who attempted to kill him because the bishop declined to give him a parish.

This became evident, following the notice served by the Winona diocese, of which Bishop Heffron is the head, the diocese will help pay for the best legal talent to defend the demoted priest.

Transylvania Believed Sunk.

New York, Sept. 28.—According to private advices received here the large British transport reported by wireless from Berlin on Sept. 21 to have been sunk off the island of Crete, in the Mediterranean by a German submarine was the Cunarder Transylvania. This big liner was a 14,000 ton vessel, 548 feet long formerly plied between New York and Liverpool.

## STANDING OF THE CLUBS

AMERICAN LEAGUE.		W. L. Pct.	
Boston	98 46 .681	New York	46 80 .452
Detroit	92 52 .639	St. Louis	42 85 .422
Chicago	87 57 .604	Pittsburgh	37 90 .388
Washington	80 64 .558	Philadelphia	40 105 .276

No games scheduled.

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

W. L. Pct.		W. L. Pct.	
Philadelphia	89 36 .708	St. Louis	71 70 .473
Boston	78 46 .628	Pittsburgh	61 80 .434
Brooklyn	78 68 .534	New York	68 78 .466
Cincinnati	69 76 .476	Chicago	69 77 .469

Results: Cincinnati, 4; Brooklyn, 3; 12 innings. St. Louis, 3; New York, 2. Philadelphia at Chicago, rain. Other game not scheduled.

## GRAIN AND LIVE STOCK.

**Minneapolis Grain.**  
 Minneapolis, Sept. 28.—Wheat, Sept. 28, 1915, Dec. 31, 1915, No. 1 northern, 85¢; No. 2 northern, 82¢; No. 1 durum, 95¢; No. 2 durum, 92¢; No. 1 white oats, 32¢; barley, malting, 45¢; No. 2 rye, 51¢; No. 1 flax, 11.82.

**Duluth Grain.**  
 Duluth, Sept. 28.—Wheat, Sept. 28, 1915, Dec. 31, 1915, No. 1 northern, 85¢; No. 1 durum, 91¢.

**South St. Paul Live Stock.**  
 South St. Paul, Sept. 28.—Cattle—Steers, \$3.50-\$5.00; cows, \$4.00-\$5.50; calves, \$3.00-\$4.00; hogs, \$7.25-\$9.00; sheep and lambs, \$5.75-\$8.00.

**Chicago Live Stock.**  
 Chicago, Sept. 28.—Hogs—Receipts, 15,000; easy, unchanged to 5¢ under Saturday's average; bulk \$7.15-\$8.25; light, \$7.25-\$8.25; mixed, \$6.50-\$7.50; heavy, \$6.50-\$7.50; rough, \$6.50-\$7.50; pigs, \$6.00-\$8.10.

**Better Eggs and Poultry.**  
 Minneapolis, Sept. 28.—Butter Creamery extras, 1b, 25¢; extra nests, 24¢; firsts, 22¢; seconds, 22¢; dairies, extra firsts, 22¢; parking stock, 13¢.

**Live Poultry—Turkeys,** fat, 10 lbs. and over, 14¢; thin and small, 3¢; chickens and culms, unsalable; roosters, 9¢; hens, 4 lbs. and over, 12¢ under 4 lbs. 10¢; 11¢; geese, fat, 10¢; guineas, dozen \$4.75; broilers, 2 lbs. and under, 15¢; 15¢; springs, over 2 lbs. 11¢; ducks, 11¢.

## KING OF GREECE



Constantine, king of Greece, has replied to Bulgaria's call to arms by ordering a general mobilization of the land and sea forces of Greece and convoking the chamber of deputies.

## AUTO GOES INTO RIVER; 1 DEAD

PLUNGES FROM ROAD AT FERRY IN THE DARKNESS.

Big Car Comes to Rest in Twenty-five Feet of Water Near Carver, Minnesota.

Carver, Sept. 28.—Carried into 25 feet of water when their automobile plunged from the road at a ferry-way on the Minnesota river, near Carver, W. H. Peterson of Sibley, Iowa, and his four sons, faced death. Herman Peterson, 12 years old, was drowned. The others were towed ashore by John Peterson, 23 years old, the eldest of the boys. He is a powerful swimmer.

The five were part of a family group on a tour from their home to St. Paul, where they were to visit friends. Mrs. Peterson and two baby children left the automobile at Mankato because of fatigue and came into the city by train.

Mr. Peterson told of the accident at the home of George G. Benz, 668 Cable avenue, St. Paul. There the survivors met the mother of the family. The body was found later and taken home by the Petersons.

Big Car Plunges Off.

"We hadn't been over the road before and did not suspect the proximity of the river until the car topped a rise after a sharp bend to the right," said Mr. Peterson. "It was 2:30 and the moon was obscured. We could see no danger signal." The big car came to rest in 25 feet of water. Only John, who sat at the steering wheel, could swim. He dove over the foredoor of the machine. Herman had disappeared when the rescuer swam back to where he had seen the boy last. The body was recovered a quarter mile below the ferry.

## JULIUS BLOCK PASSES AWAY

Former Treasurer of Minnesota Dies of Bright's Disease at Duluth Hospital.

Duluth, Sept. 28.—Julius H. Block, who was treasurer of the state from 1901 to 1907 and Republican candidate for state auditor in 1914, died at St. Mary's hospital in Duluth of Bright's disease.

Mr. Block was born in 1860 at Gallon, Ohio, and came to Minnesota in 1870 with his parents, locating in Le Sueur county and later in Nicollet. His political career began in 1900 when he was elected sheriff of Nicollet county.

## Greek Premier Wins Victory.

Athens, Sept. 28.—The result of the kaleidoscopic political changes of the last few days in Greece is considered here to be a decided victory for Premier Venizelos. The most scrupulous observance of the treaty of alliance between Greece and Serbia now is believed to be assured, as also is the active co-operation of Greece with the entente powers in the event of a Bulgarian attack on Serbia.

## American Steamer Released.

London, Sept. 28.—The American tank steamer Cortina, from Baton Rouge for Malmo, Sweden, with a cargo of refined petroleum and naphtha, has been released by the authorities at Kirkwall, where she put in recently. On account of the detention of the steamer, the American embassy has asked the foreign office for an explanation.

## ELMER AMBROSE SPERRY



Elmer Ambrose Sperry, one of the members of the naval advisory board, is among the leading inventors of electrical appliances, and was the first to perfect practical apparatus for the stabilization of ships and aeroplanes.

## ANOTHER SALE COMING OF FLATHEAD LANDS

The register and receiver of the Missoula land office have received notice that a second sale of surplus lands on the Flathead will be held in both Missoula and Kalispell on the dates given below. Judge McPhaul, who conducts the sale, writes as follows:

"To give the farmers and homesteaders who were busy harvesting during the sale of the Flathead lands at Kalispell and Missoula an opportunity to purchase the adjoining tracts, a further sale of such lands will be held at Kalispell on November 17 and at Missoula on November 22, 1915. All unsold lands, grazing, barren, etc., will be offered under terms similar to those of the last sale. Notify all newspapers of the facts and dates of the further sale."

Register McHaffie writes that many of the settlers who desired to buy lands at the former sale either could not raise the money at the time or could not leave their harvest fields, but now that the harvest is practically over, they will find themselves in a position to buy. Also that it is through the request of so many homesteaders that Judge McPhaul decided to give them another chance to acquire the lands desired. This will probably be the last opportunity and should not be passed up.

## LAND AROUND RESERVOIR OPENED FOR SETTLEMENT

The Commissioner of the General Land Office, by letter K of Sept. 24, 1915, says that Unit E, lots 6, 7, Sec. 3, T. 19 N., R. 20 and lot 6, Sec. 34, T. 20 N., R. 20 and Unit J, lot 7, Sec. 35, T. 20 N., R. 20 W. M. M., are appraised at \$7.00 per acre and will be subject to settlement Nov. 1, 1915, and to entry Dec. 1, 1915. "Warning is expressly given that all persons who go upon any of the lands to be restored hereunder prior to 9 a. m., standard time, November 1, 1915, or who are on or occupying any part of said land at such hour, will be considered and dealt with as trespassers and will gain no rights whatever under such unlawful settlement and occupancy; provided, however, that nothing herein shall prevent persons from going upon and over the lands to examine them with a view to thereafter going upon and making settlement thereon when the land shall become subject thereto in accordance with this notice."

## GOVELL TAKES CONTRACT ON GOVERNMENT CANAL

Earl D. Covell, formerly with the Flathead irrigation project in the employ of the government, has been awarded a \$50,000 contract on the canal west of the Round Bay. He will put in the concrete work and drops and do a lot of finishing work on the laterals and main distributing canal and has been in Ronan this week making arrangements to commence work. As soon as he gets his camp in shape and materials collected he will put on about 50 men and figures that it will take practically all winter to complete the job. Mr. Covell will make Ronan headquarters for his work.

## YAQUIS BURN 60 PASSENGERS

SET CAR ON FIRE NEAR TORRES, SONORA.

Indian Deserters from Mexican Fractional Army Derail Southern Pacific Train.

San Diego, Cal., Sept. 28.—Eighty passengers of a Southern Pacific Mexican train were thrown into a car containing hay and the car set on fire by a band of Yaqui Indians near Torres, Sonora, according to radio advices received here from Hermosillo via Guaymas.

Only 20 passengers have been accounted for thus far, the others having been burned to death.

The Indians, according to the report, numbered about 60 and were deserters from one of the Mexican fractional armies. They first derailed the train. Most of the passengers were women and children. No Americans were on the train.

## U. S. Holds Up Ammunition.

Laredo, Texas, Sept. 28.—United States customs officials held up half a million rounds of cartridges and a large number of army rifles, destined for use by the Carranza forces, on orders said to have emanated from Washington. All shipments of ammunition will be so held pending further orders, it was said here.

## Ordered for Investigation.

Washington, Sept. 28.—Treasury department officials explained that the shipment of arms held up at Laredo had been detained merely for "investigation."

## BRITISH OVERSIGHT OF WAR

Special Committee Appointed by Asquith to Assume Functions of Dardanelles Body.

London, Sept. 28.—Premier Asquith, it is announced, has appointed a special committee of the cabinet to be charged with general oversight of the war.

The committee, which is composed of the premier, Lord Kitchener, David Lloyd-George, Arthur J. Balfour, Sir Edward Grey, Lord Lansdowne, Andrew Bonar Law and Winston Spencer Churchill, will act as a sort of executive committee, absorbing the functions of the cabinet's Dardanelles committee.

## ITALY READY TO AID ALLIES

Will Send Wherever Necessary Contingent of Troops Sufficient to Influence Developments.

Rome, Sept. 28 (via Paris).—A meeting of the Italian cabinet ministers, which a prominent statesman said might be called a council of war, has just been held. Premier Salander presided. Italian military experts affirm that all preparations have been made to send wherever necessary a contingent of Italian troops sufficient to exercise considerable influence on developments.

## Freight Train Kills Widow.

St. Cloud, Minn., Sept. 28.—Mrs. John Mertes, a widow, 74 years old and resident of Avon, near this city, was struck by a freight train while picking up wheat in the Avon freight yards and instantly killed. She leaves three sons and two daughters.

## Winnipeg to Poison Rats.

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 28.—With only 6,000 rats killed in Winnipeg during the last three months under the county bounty system recently instituted by the city board of health, the scheme has been abandoned and an active poisoning campaign will be conducted. The danger of diseases being spread by the rats, which infect some districts of the city by thousands, has been responsible for the activity of the Winnipeg board of health.

## Chicago Garment Workers Strike.

Chicago, Sept. 28.—A strike of 15,000 garment workers was planned as a result of the refusal of the employers to grant a higher wage scale and improve conditions. Union leaders say the strike will completely tie up the industry in Chicago. Police reserves were detailed to patrol the clothing manufactures district, as W. M. Cahn, president of the Wholesale Tailors' association, said he believed that workers might attempt violence. He asked police protection for the plants affected.

## Talk Across Continent

Wireless telephone communication across the continent was accomplished for the first time today, when experiments extending over several months culminated in successful transmissions of the human voice by radio from the great naval plant at Arlington, Va., to the station at Mare Island, Cal., 2,500 miles away.

## WESTERN BANKERS TO DISCUSS LOAN

New York, Sept. 28.—The Anglo-French financial commission and eastern bankers have reached a virtual agreement on the details of the proposed half billion dollar credit loan to Great Britain and France. Four members of the commission will leave here at once for Chicago, to confer with Western bankers over the tentative terms.

Following is the details of the loan upon which the commission and the bankers of Eastern states are in virtual accord: The amount—Approximately \$500,000,000.

The securities—Joint Anglo-French notes.

The interest rate—Five per cent to yield the investor about 5 1/2 per cent by the notes being offered at slightly under par.

A conversion privilege at maturity of the notes—the holder to receive cash or joint Anglo-French 15 or 20 year bonds bearing 4 1/2 per cent interest.

It became known also that the entire program had been submitted by cable to London and Paris and that the attitude of the home governments, so far as disclosed, is one of approval for all that the commission has accomplished.

## Adoption of Program Assured.

It is assumed that the parliaments of both Great Britain and France would have to authorize the issuance of the loan, inasmuch as it is an external loan and therefore would not be covered by any of the loans authorized so far.

Whether Paris and London, in addition to approving the work of their delegates, had formally ratified it in addition was not divulged. It was thought doubtful, however, if this had yet been done, or would be done until the agreement passes beyond the tentative stage.

If the Western bankers are in accordance with the tentative agreement upon which the Eastern financiers and the commission have reached an understanding the program will stand, barring unforeseen developments and its final adoption is as good as assured. This assertion was made by an American financier who has been of the inner circle throughout the period of negotiations.

A member of the firm of J. P. Morgan and company will be in Chicago. Bankers of the Twin Cities, St. Louis and other Western and Middle Western cities will attend the Chicago conference.

## SLAVS HOLD BACK GERMANS

Russians Possess Fortress Triangle, Including Dubno, Kovno and Lutsk—Repulse Austrians.

London, Sept. 28.—Some of the fiercest fighting of the campaign is in progress on the Russian front. The Germans continue their furious attacks in an effort to drive the Russians out of Dvinsk, while in Volhynia and Galicia the Russians continue to harass the Austro-Germans, who had designs on Kiev, from which town they are now further away than they were a few weeks ago.

## Austrians Driven Back.

General Ivanoff apparently is determined to hold back the Austro-Germans and his efforts are meeting with success. The fortress triangle, which includes Dubno, Kovno and Lutsk, is almost entirely in the possession of the Russians.

In Galicia the Austrians have been driven back across the rivers which run parallel to the border. The Italians, like the rest of the Allies, report a number of successes in taking fortified mountains from the Austrians.

## HAITIENS ATTACK AMERICANS

Forty Rebels Are Killed in Encounter With U. S. Troops—Refuse to Disarm.

Cape Haitien, Sept. 28.—In an attack by Haitian rebels on an American force, about two miles from Cape Haitien, 40 Haitians were killed. Ten Americans were wounded.

The rebels have refused to disarm and the Americans are marching on Haut du Cap, in the Plain of the North.

## Old Chicago Church Burns.

Chicago, Sept. 28.—Grace Episcopal church, 1430 South Wabash avenue, a landmark erected in 1868 and one of the largest and best known churches in the Middle West, was destroyed by a fire which also razed a six story building occupied by the Western Furniture Exposition company, causing a property loss of more than \$500,000. The blaze started in the furniture building shortly after 4 o'clock in the morning and was communicated to Grace church by falling walls.