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ANNOUNCEMENT

WE are authorized to announce J. B. ROGERS as a candidate for re-election as County School Commissioner of Monroe County at the school election to be held April 4, 1905.

There is only one argument against the bill providing for county school supervision in all the counties of Missouri, as passed recently by the House and is now before the Senate at Jefferson City. That argument is the cost, and that is based on false ideas of economy. By the passage of this bill the efficiency of the money expended under the present system will be more than doubled. The bill becoming a law means that the cause of education will receive an impetus which will make the men and women of Missouri grander, nobler, better throughout the ages yet to come. Money which is spent for better education is wisely invested and will yield the greatest returns. In Missouri we have the greatest University in the West and several excellent Normals supported by the people, besides many private and denominational schools which are a credit to our grand Missouri. They are all right and as Missourians we are proud of them. But, did you ever stop to think that only the few attend these schools. The masses receive their education in the public schools of the state. This being the case it is of the greatest importance that the public schools be improved. This county school supervision will do. Every city of 2000 inhabitants (and many with a smaller population) employs a superintendent for its schools. It is important that the bill become a law and every loyal Missourian owes it to himself, to his state, to the school children to do all he can to secure the passage of this bill.

Is there no relief in Missouri from the Fire Insurance trust? Business men of Moberly, Chillicothe, Brookfield and other North Missouri cities are arranging to seek relief from the almost prohibitive rates of the trust companies by organizing a strong mutual company. That there is a trust is very apparent as the rates are fixed by a board and the companies all at the same rate. Since the matter has been under discussion the companies have sent representatives to Moberly to throw out a sop in the form of making some slight reduction there. The rates in this city are entirely too high. Something should be done.

President Roosevelt deserves the moral support of all American citizens in his efforts to free the country from trust rule.

Write to your State Senator and urge him to do all in his power to pass the county school supervision bill.

Get your neighbors to write all the State Senators with whom they are acquainted urging the passage of the county school supervision bill. Get up a petition at once and send that in.

The election of United States Senators by popular vote would have saved our Republican friends much trouble and the tax payers of Missouri considerable money.

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New R. F. D.

Mr. Stonerook, Rural Route Examiner has been to this city and departed.

The citizens between this city and Hatch applied for a new route to reach them and they would have put up some 75 boxes BUT, The actual route is only 18 miles long because about 3 1/2 miles of each end of the route nearest this city is all ready covered by service. Therefore, from what we can learn, the chances are, the application will be turned down by the department, while at the same time those people are entitled to the route just the same as others.

BRUTAL RUSSIA.

Grows More Brutal as the "Little Father's" Throne Totters.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 25.—Another butchery of Russian workingmen occurred yesterday. The victims' only crime was an attempt to reach the Czar with a petition for equality. Hundreds—perhaps thousands—were slain.

Next the hangman will do his work. Grand Duke Vladimir has decreed the execution of all members of the provisional government formed by the revolutionary party to succeed the country's present rulers.

Among the most illustrious of his intended victims is the novelist, Maxim Gorky. The latter was arrested today at Riga, where he was summoned from the capital by the critical illness of his wife.

Nero fiddled while Rome burned. The news from St. Petersburg says: The terrible scenes of Sunday made no impression on the Czar. Although he moved his place of residence, he whistled unconcernedly, in fact was less preoccupied than Gen. Grant or Von Moltke before one of their critical engagements. The Empress is described as perfectly indifferent.

Rome, Jan. 26.—In the chamber of deputies a member of the extreme left denounced Emperor Nicholas of Russia as an autocratic assassin. Meetings to express sympathy with the Russian agitators are being held throughout Italy.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 26.—Evidence accumulates that the strikers are supplied with money to meet their present needs. It is said that they have a fund of \$2,000,000, some of which was supplied by German socialists. It is seriously believed in some quarters that money is being furnished from Japanese-British sources to bring revolution.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 27.—By pledging himself to see that the Russian workingman's demands are met by the great employers the Czar has largely removed the outward show of revolt in St. Petersburg.

Throughout the rest of empire the strike is spreading, but without serious manifestations of violence. In the capital many of the men, convinced that they are to have higher pay, shorter hours and better working conditions, are returning to their employment.

Yesterday's battle between the troops and strikers at Riga resulted, today's reports show, in the death of twenty-nine women and two men, the wounding of thirty-nine civilians and eight soldiers.

Although in the city calmness induced by the presence of the military exists, the court is filled with intrigue and terror. The latest sensational report is that the Emperor and imperial family have fled to Lavadia.

London, Jan. 30.—For forty-eight hours anarchy has ruled in Warsaw. Scores of persons killed and hundreds wounded by repeated charges of the Russian troops. All Saturday night and all day, Sunday cavalry and infantry fired on the crowds. Many persons were run down by huzzars and sabred. Others were shot down by foot soldiers. In at least one case artillery was used.

All the factories, shops, schools and theaters are closed.

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The street railway lines have suspended. The electric light and gas plants are idle, and street lamps extinguished.

Warsaw Jan. 31.—The First Aid society has suspended operations, telephonic communication is interrupted and conditions throughout Warsaw are such that it has been impossible thus far to ascertain the number of victims. Two additional regiments of infantry and two regiments of dragoons have arrived here.

St. Petersburg Jan. 31.—Gen. Kuropatkin's attempt to break through the Japanese left wing and outflank Field Marshal Oyama's position proved an utter failure and cost him 15000 men.

Tokio, Jan. 30.—The casualties during the fighting at Chenchiepao and Heikoutai, where the Japanese were victorious, are estimated at 5,000 Japanese and 10,000 Russians.

NO CHANGE.

Senatorial Deadlock Remains Unbroken. No Election In Sight.

From day to day the Missouri legislature has been meeting in joint session, taking one vote for U. S. Senator and then adjourning until the next day. Neidringhaus appears to have lost out and it does not yet appear who will be Senator Cockrell's successor. Yesterday afternoon the Buffum Telephone Co., posted the following as the vote of Feb. 1st:

Cockrell 78
Neidringhaus 72
Kerns 12
Pettijohn 1
Pinklinburg 1.

Prof. J. B. Rogers announces this week as a candidate for re-election as County School Commissioner of Monroe County. Prof. Rogers is a successful teacher and is enthusiastic in the cause of education. By his work he has proven himself a competent and efficient officer. The office is far more important than many people imagine as the future of our country depends on the training of those who are in the schools to-day. We feel sure that should Prof. Rogers be re-elected he will give the people no cause to regret his election.

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BALL

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Aliceville, Kan., Jan. 27, 1905. Mr. W. J. Rouse, Monroe City, Mo.

My Dear Sir—As I have changed my location, please change my paper from Aliceville, Kansas to LeRoy, Kansas. It was my intention to come back to grand old Missouri when I traded out, but when she went and done what she did I concluded to stay in Republican Kansas a while longer for it will not be long until Missouri will be in the same fix as Kansas is taxed to death. With best regards I remains yours truly, J. R. LEWELLEN.

Washington, Jan. 28.—The house has passed the bill regarding to the Keokuk and Hamilton Water company, giving authority to construct a dam across the Mississippi at Keokuk, Iowa.

Elmer E. Elzea of the firm of livermen Elzea and Hogan, Hannibal, has sold his interest to J. L. Goff, of Paris.