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### GOOD GOSPEL.

Yesterday at the noonday meeting of the chamber of commerce, J. Adam Bede told us that he came near to locating in Missoula twenty years ago. He congratulated the city upon having got along so well without him. On her part, Missoula desires to compliment Mr. Bede upon having made such good progress without Missoula. But, more seriously, Missoula wishes to thank Mr. Bede for his exposition, yesterday, of the gospel of optimsm and of co-operation. If the remarks made yesterday by Missoula's distinguished visitor could have been heard by every man and woman in western Montana, this section would benefit amazingly. It was a splendid elucidation of the advantages of the pull-together policy, and it supplemented perfectly the suggestion made by Secretary Odea of the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, for unity of action on the part of the business organizations of the west-end counties. This is a proposition in which Missoula has long been interested and in which she is heartily willing to participate. Pull together; then the pull will win.

### TO THE POINT.

The Missoulian recently printed the speech delivered by Representative Pray in support of his bill for the creation of a bureau of mines. There has been plenty of indorsement of this measure lately; in fact, the numerous fatal accidents in the coal mines this winter have furnished the most powerful argument that could be made in furtherance of the provisions of the Pray bill. Succinct and pointed are the resolutions adopted by the National Civic federation; they express briefly the argument in support of the bill, but they are complete:

Whereas, The increasing loss of life in American mining operations and the enormous waste of resources essential to both the present and future welfare of the nation, plainly indicate the need of more uniform, rational and enforceable mining laws and regulations in each of the several mining states; and

Whereas, There is now pending before the congress of the United States a bill to establish a bureau of mines in the department of the interior, for inquiry and investigation, to aid in the accomplishment of these purposes, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the National Conference on Uniform Legislation, That we earnestly urge upon the governers of the several states the importance of co-operating with the federal government to procure uniformity upon which intelligent state legislation may be based.

### GO IT, HIGH SPEED.

This is the last day; if you have gaities, proceed to get gay between now and midnight tonight, for the ban of Lent will fall when the clock strikes twelve, and sackcloth and ashes will supplant silken hosiery and the small, hot bird. The world, the flesh and the devil will proceed tonight to take a back seat and the beef trust will feel the effect of an influence more powerful than a boycott against prices. Whatever there is upon your calendar in the way of high-jinks should be crowded into the few short hours that remain of the open season for that variety of game. There is need for the forty days of abstinence; there is need for physical relaxation as well as for spiritual renewal. So clear your date-book today and close it until Easter.

### EASIER CONDITIONS.

Henry Clews continues to be optimistic regarding the condition of the money market; his comment in his weekly financial letter is in pleasing contrast to the tone of some of the pessimistic predictions which have been rife lately. Mr. Clews says:

"An easier condition prevails in the money market. Funds are generally returning from the interior quite freely, and the liquidation of the last few weeks has tended to lessen the demands for accommodation. The fall in securities has induced bankers to scrutinize collateral a little more closely, but the monetary situation as a whole is satisfactory. The banks have been strengthened by liquidation and will be the better prepared for resumption of business activity in the spring. For bonds the demand continues indifferent, the sales in January showing a large shrinkage compared with a year ago. Some pending issues are still held up waiting a better market; investors showing a preference for stocks which at current prices give much better returns than bonds. Very soon there will be larger demands upon the money market through the borrowings of various governments. A Panama bond issue must soon be forthcoming, especially as government revenues continue to fall below expenditures, and Germany will also soon be out with a large loan. But there are no serious demands upon the money market in sight, and fair, but not high, rates of interest seem probable until the crop demands again assert themselves."

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Mr. Bede summed up the high-price situation admirably: "If you want to give up the automobile and the telephone and the electric light and the steam heat and the other conveniences, you can live as cheaply as your grandfather did. You can, but you don't want to."

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The pull-together plan, now indorsed by the chambers of commerce of Hamilton and Missoula, is the sure way to success in publicity work. If Flathead and Sanders will take hold, the pull will be all the more effective.

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In Washington state they exterminate coyotes by feeding them dynamite. We might employ this method to get rid of the knockers in Montana; it would be easy, because they would furnish the dynamite.

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When you size up J. Adam Bede and, at the same time, review Missoula, you realize what an opportunity for each was missed when the man and the city didn't get together, twenty years ago.

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While they shiver in a temperature of 22 degrees below zero, there are some New York people who feel sorry for those of us who live in the Rocky mountains.

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The best boost that western Montana gets is found in the complete satisfaction which her people feel in getting home after trips east or west.

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One more day of sinfulness, one more night misspent—then, with throbbing headache, we'll sober up through Lent.

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The co-operation of the various publicity workers in western Montana will make the efforts farther-reaching.

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Although her latest gun man bears the name, St. Regis does not claim that he is the lost Charlie Ross.

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The noonday meetings add to the popularity and the influence of the chamber of commerce.

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There is nothing so terrible as a winter in the canyons amongst New York's high buildings.

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Mr. Heyburn said he would vote no, if he voted all alone—and the roll call showed that he did.

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Aesop's story of the old man and the bundle of fagots is as true now as it was centuries ago.

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The one sure thing in the Kansas City inquiry is that Thomas Swope is dead.

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Missoula will meet Hamilton more than half way in the co-operation plan.

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Senator Heyburn didn't deliver the old Foraker speech with telling effect.

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It is true, there is a Heyburn; but it is also true that there is a Davis.

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New York's cold wave takes the nerve out of the meat boycott.

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The boost that counts is the boost that is broad-gauged.

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Now subscribe to the Red Apple banquet list.

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The Red Apple belt is the championship belt.

## PROHIBITION BILL GOES TO COMMITTEE

Washington, Feb. 8.—The bill introduced in the house by Representative Scott of Kansas extending prohibition to the Hawaiian islands, has been referred to the judiciary committee. Mr. Scott announced today that he would move to have the bill transferred to the committee on territories, where he said it properly belonged. A bill similar to the Scott measure was introduced in the senate and is before the committee on Pacific islands and Porto Rico. The bill has not been favorably reported by the latter committee.

### CASTRO ARRIVES.

Washington, Feb. 8.—The American consulate in the Canary islands today reported to the state department that ex-President Castro of Venezuela had arrived there from Spain.

## CITY TREASURER'S REPORT

**T. G. HATHEWAY, JR., MAKES STATEMENT OF MUNICIPAL FINANCES FOR MONTH.**

Following is the report of City Treasurer T. G. Hatheway, Jr., for the month of January:

**General Fund.**

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| Receipts: | |
| Balance on hand at last report | $5,884.33 |
| Licenses collected | 4,021.00 |
| Northern Pacific Railroad, special police | 85.00 |
| Building permits | 42.00 |
| Police court | 640.00 |
| Total | $10,672.33 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Warrants paid | $ 147.03 |
| Warrants and interest paid | 1,427.03 |
| Cash balance | $9,345.30 |

**Library Fund.**

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|---|---|
| Receipts: | |
| Balance on hand at last report | $4,948.12 |
| Receipts | 34.80 |
| Total | $4,982.92 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Warrants paid | $ 780.00 |
| Cash balance | $4,202.92 |

**Road Fund.**

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|---|---|
| Receipts: | |
| Balance on hand at last report | $3,599.43 |
| Automobile numbers sold | 2.00 |
| Total | $3,601.43 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Warrants paid | 12.16 |
| Cash balance | $3,589.27 |

**Cemetery Fund.**

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|---|---|
| Balance on hand at last report | $ 588.09 |
| Receipts, month of December | 149.50 |
| Receipts, month of January | 356.50 |
| Total | $1,094.09 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Warrants paid | $ 221.70 |
| Cash balance | $ 872.39 |

**Pound Fund.**

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|---|---|
| Balance on hand at last report | $ 68.70 |
| Receipts | 26.50 |
| Total | $ 95.20 |
| Cash balance | $ 95.20 |

**Fire Fund.**

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|---|---|
| Receipts: | |
| Balance on hand at last report | $ 125.00 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Warrants paid | 25.00 |
| Cash balance | $ 100.00 |

**Sinking Fund.**

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|---|---|
| Receipts: | |
| Balance on hand at last report | $6,765.06 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Invested in cement sidewalk warrants | 2,000.00 |
| Cash balance | $4,765.06 |

**Fireman's Disability Fund.**

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|---|---|
| Receipts: | |
| Balance on hand at last report | $2,853.47 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Invested in cement sidewalk warrants | 2,686.00 |
| Cash balance | $ 167.47 |

**Sprinkling District No. 1.**

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|---|---|
| Receipts: | |
| Balance on hand at last report | $ 249.66 |
| Receipts | 21.25 |
| Total | $ 170.91 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Warrants paid | $ 2.85 |
| Cash balance | $ 268.06 |

**Sprinkling District No. 2.**

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|---|---|
| Receipts: | |
| Balance on hand at last report | $ 216.27 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Warrants paid | 2.30 |
| Cash balance | $ 213.97 |

**Sprinkling District No. 3.**

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|---|---|
| Receipts: | |
| Balance on hand at last report | $ 249.77 |
| Receipts | 43.48 |
| Total | $ 293.25 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Warrants paid | $ 6.30 |
| Cash balance | $ 286.95 |

**Sprinkling District No. 4.**

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| Receipts: | |
| Balance on hand at last report | $ 255.56 |
| Receipts | 18.05 |
| Total | $ 273.71 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Warrants paid | $ 7.55 |
| Cash balance | $ 266.16 |

**Sprinkling District No. 5.**

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| Receipts: | |
| Balance on hand at last report | $ 230.61 |
| Receipts | 9.36 |
| Total | $ 239.97 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Warrants paid | $ 6.85 |
| Cash balance | $ 233.12 |

**Improvement District No. 1.**

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| Balance on hand at last report, cash balance | $ 11.94 |

**Improvement District No. 2.**

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|---|---|
| Balance on hand at last report | $ 99.86 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Coupons paid | 1.73 |
| Cash balance | $ 98.13 |

**Cement Sidewalk and Curb Fund.**

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|---|---|
| Balance on hand at last report | $ 135.26 |
| Receipts | 40.26 |
| Total | $ 175.52 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Coupons paid | 33.28 |
| Cash balance | $ 142.24 |
| Total cash on hand | $24,558.18 |



## PARSONS DEFEATED BY AN INSANE MAN

Washington, Feb. 8.—The name of Elliott G. Mathews, an alleged insane man, on the ballot as a third candidate for congress in the fifth Virginia district, drew enough votes from John M. Parsons, republicans candidate, to elect E. W. Saunders, democrat, according to Parsons' statement today to the house election committee No. 2. Mathews, released, it is said, from an asylum just before the election, obtained a place on the ballot by sending his name to the secretary of the commonwealth with the required attestations. Fourteen thousand ballots were cast, and Saunders' plurality over Parsons was about 80. A sub-committee will count the ballots.

Mathews is said to be again in an asylum.

## WILL GO TO JURY BY NEXT FRIDAY

Portland, Ore., Feb. 8.—As arranged by agreement between Judge Charles E. Wolverton of the United States district court and counsel today, the case of former Congressman Binger Hermann, who is being tried on a charge of conspiracy to defraud the government of public lands, will go to the jury Friday. Arguments will begin tomorrow and each side has agreed to the limiting of itself to a day and a half. After the introduction of testimony in the case had been completed the rest of the day was spent by Colonel Worthington of counsel for Hermann, in an effort to have the case non-suited on points of law. Colonel Worthington argued for three hours in support of his contentions.



## ADVOCATES RELIEF FOR WORKMEN

**TAFT SENDS MESSAGE TO CONGRESS IN BEHALF OF INJURED CANALMEN.**

Washington, Feb. 8.—President Taft today sent a special message to congress urging relief for a number of workmen injured on the Panama canal prior to the passage of the act of May 30, 1908, which definitely fixed the compensation to be allowed injured employes or to be granted their families in case of death.

In his message the president said:

"It needs no argument to establish the obligation which the government of the United States is under to provide relief for its employes who are permanently disabled or maimed and for the families of those who are thus injured or killed, through no fault of their own, while employed upon work of such hazardous character as that connected with the construction of the isthmian canal. This obligation is recognized by the act of May 30, 1908, and by section 8 of the Panama canal bill (H. R. 12316), now pending before the congress. It seems right that some general law should be enacted which will enable a reasonable allowance to be made to employes who were permanently disabled or maimed and to the families of those who were killed in accidents occurring prior to that date through no fault of their own."

### WILL BE LITTLE CHANGE.

Joplin, Mo., Feb. 8.—There will be little change in the management or methods of the Cockerill Smelting company, the bankruptcy of which was announced last night, according to a statement today by Mr. Cockerill, president of the concern. He said he would be general manager of the reorganized corporation, and that it would be buying ore again in the Joplin district within a few days.