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## Jeannette Rankin Unanimous Farmer Labor Candidate for Senator

### FARMERS NAME COOPER, HALL AS CANDIDATES

NONPARTISAN LEAGUE CONVENTIONS TAKE ACTION ON MEN FOR SUPREME COURT AND RAILROAD COMMISSION.

### Party Lines Cut Out by County Conventions

ATTEMPTS OF OLD GANG COPPER INTERESTS TO DISRUPT ORGANIZATION MEETS WITH FAILURE, IS REPORT.

Returns coming in from the recently held county conventions indicate unanimous choice of Jeannette Rankin for United States Senator, Jack Hall for Railroad Commissioner and Chas. H. Cooper for Associate Justice of the Supreme court.

The conventions seem to have carefully considered various nominees for the State and National offices before taking any action. True to Nonpartisan principals the matter of party does not seem to have entered into the debates to any great extent as is evident from the fact that Miss Rankin is running on the national ticket, Jack Hall on the democratic and Cooper on the republican. The candidates who survived the nomination contest however, were all given careful consideration and from the complete list the above three were chosen.

#### COUNTY TICKET NAMED.

The general tone of communications and reports reaching this office, imply that the real question in the minds of the delegates was, who is for us and who against; and upon this basis the final choice was made. County tickets were also realigned in many places and quite a number of full tickets made up but it indicates a real understanding of the fight and its objectives that there were no nominees upon either ticket upon whom the conventions felt they could implicitly rely. Those places were left blank.

#### OLD GANG TRIES TO HORN IN.

The old gang of course, had not entirely given up hope and every means were used to influence various delegations in the direction of copper. Special organizers were in the field striving to have the conventions endorse Landstrum or Walsh. They vehemently pointed out that since these were republican or democratic conventions—which they were not—it was the duty of all to go on record for the complete ticket which they happened to represent. The Leaguers smiled the self same smile which flitted across their faces on a certain historic occasion when slopping the pigs was the burden of the gang's melody and turning calmly to the perspiring copper courier softly warbled the swan song to which many an old gang hope has been interred.—"We'll stick!" They chanted and they did.

#### GLOOM EXPERTS PLENTIFUL.

Another line of attack was developed by what are known as gloom specialists. These assume the attitude of a friendly adviser and with a great deal of kindly commiseration deplore the fact that the League case is quite hopeless and under the cir-

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### BUY BONDS AND STRIKE A BLOW AT THE KAISER

PATRIOTISM AND GOOD BUSINESS JUDGMENT BOTH URGE YOU TO GET IN THE GAME—MAY DESTROY THE GERMAN MORALE.

The fourth Liberty bond campaign will be started all over the United States today, Saturday, Sept. 28, and should have the support of every resident of the nation. You have sent your sons to the front to battle for democracy, but their efforts on the firing lines will be useless unless they are backed up by money with which to furnish the sinews of war in the way of food, munitions, clothing and other essentials to the successful prosecution of the war.

The government at this time is offering a more liberal plan of purchase and interest than has been the case in the past issues and it is expected that the response will be the more generous as a result. There will be no excuse for the state of Montana not being able to put the present issue over and above the required amount as announced by the national board having in charge the selling of the new issue of Liberty bonds.

The distribution of the sale over the state has undoubtedly been arranged with an idea to local conditions. There are some sections where the farming communities will not be able to invest very heavily in the bonds on account of the very good reason that they have no money and have no prospects of getting any money until the next harvest. These sections will have to be given smaller allotments than are other more fortunate regions in Montana.

There will, however, be no question as to the loyalty and patriotism of any part of the state. Every one is surely going to go the limit and do more than their bit in this great work. The agricultural sections of the state can be depended upon in this campaign, as they have in the past, to "give until it hurts."

States where the Nonpartisan league is well organized have made great records in past Liberty bond campaigns and it is up to Montana now to set a pace for the world. Let every one get in the game. Buy bonds to the limit yourself and see that your neighbor does the same. Make yourself a committee of one to see that every person able in your precinct is enrolled among the bond buyers for the fourth issue. Each one should buy according to his means. It is not merely a patriotic duty for you to buy bonds at this time, but it is one of the best investments that you can make. Find out who your county and township chairmen are and consult with them as to how you can best aid in the drive. Get in at once and see that everyone else does the same. Time is as big an item as amount. If Montana can be announced as one of the first states to go over the allotment it will be another mighty fine advertisement for the state.

Do not neglect this opportunity to help your government and help yourself. Keep in mind the fact that if you do not buy Liberty bonds, that your son or your neighbor's son is not getting a square deal if he is over there fighting for you and yours. Remember that there is no time like the present and that if you delay one day in buying you will be giving aid

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### MISS JEANNETTE RANKIN



Miss Rankin, whose candidacy for the United States senate has been endorsed by the farmers and laborers of the state is making her appeal for support strictly on a "Win the War First" platform. Her record in congress as a supporter of every war measure announced by the President is clear. In her announcement of her candidacy she stands first for winning the war. The elimination of profiteering, the prevention of the use of grain in the manufacture of liquor, the adequate compensation for farm products and the immediate putting into force of national prohibition are also some of the things she stands for.

National woman suffrage, federal control of prices of food and all necessities of life and the lowering of the present prices of farm implements and machinery are also among the things she has worked for and will continue to work for after being elected United States Senator.

Here are a few of the measures for which Miss Rankin has made a fight and a few of the reasons why she should be sent to Washington from Montana as the first woman in the nation to have a seat in the upper house of the Congress of the United States.

She voted for war measures recommended by the President including conscription, the newspapers to the contrary notwithstanding. Has stood consistently for the cause of the plain people, the farmer and the laborer.

Was in charge of the campaign that put suffrage through the Montana Legislature in 1911-1913, and as chairman of the Montana Suffrage Association, campaigned throughout the State in the fight for equal suffrage in 1918 and 1914.

Has studied industrial and social conditions in almost every state in the Union. Without her efforts the suffrage bill would not have passed the House of Representatives in Congress.

Was born in Montana and is a graduate of the University of Montana and of the New York School of Philanthropy.

The women of Montana need a woman to represent women and children. She is one of the most widely known and most influential women in the world.

She places human rights above property rights.

#### THE FARMER IN POLITICS

(Butte Daily Bulletin.)

The farmer can assist in improving government when he becomes just enough of a politician to take an active part in the primaries and assist in nominating men who come up to the standard of honesty, and to vote for and persuade other men to vote for such men, whether they belong to his party or another. The

farmer has it in his power to make himself felt in the political world if he but asserts himself with some vigor. The politician fears the farmer's vote, and many it varied are his devices to keep it in inactivity unless he can get the farmers on his side. Be enough of a politician to see that the right men are elected to office, and that the wrong ones who have been elected are retired.

—Be Sure To Register—

### CONVENTIONS IN STATE CALL ON WOMAN TO RUN

RECORD IN HOUSE IS SUFFICIENT RECOMMENDATION FOR HER ELECTION—HAS GOOD CHANCE TO WIN.

### 3 Cornered Fight is Interesting Tangle

MISS RANKIN'S FIGHT FOR BETTER CONDITIONS IN LABORING CIRCLES IS BIG FEATURE IN HER CAREER.

Miss Jeannette Rankin, first woman in the United States to be elected as a member of the national congress is the unanimous choice of the farmers and laborers of Montana as a candidate for the United States to be elected at the general election on November 5. She enters the race with the indorsement of the National Nonpartisan league, with the backing of various labor organizations of the state and with the support of the women of Montana.

County conventions now being held over the state by the regularly elected delegates of the Nonpartisan league have, in every instance given Miss Rankin their unqualified indorsement and the campaign in her behalf has been started. With the three cornered fight which now is assured, Walsh and Landstrum dividing the support of the copper crowd, there is every indication that Miss Rankin will represent Montana in the upper house of the national congress to succeed Walsh, the present senator.

Miss Rankin is a candidate of the people, one to whom the demand that she make the race for the senate in the face of seeming great odds comes as a call of the oppressed. Her plea for support is to be made upon the record she made while in congress in her work for the people, for the farmers, for the women workers and for the children of the nation. She will have the opposition of all the big interests. The copper ruled crowd will lend their strongest efforts towards her defeat. Big Business interests outside of the state, knowing her fight and her stand, will assist in every way possible in an effort to bring about her defeat and it will demand the combined and persistent efforts of the farmers, the laborers and the women of the state to accomplish her election.

#### MONTANA AT FRONT.

Montana has the happy distinction of sending the first congresswoman to Washington.

Montana by this act engraved upon the page of history, golden legends which shall shine as long as history is.

To all the babble of reaction, the vociferous clamor of standpatism, the foggy fatuities of out of date sex privileges, Montana turned a deaf ear. Together, men and women marched to the polls and made good with a mighty avalanche of ballots the new spirit come among us. They have never regretted the act Jeannette Rankin, to whom the honor fell has worthily upheld the vast responsibility and with true vision and stand-