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## SIX IN RACE FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Voters in District Number Seven Have Plenty Material From Which to Choose.

### Election Saturday

Interest in Election Develops as Time for Voting Draws Close at Hand.

Interest in the election of school trustees for District No. 7 has developed considerably during the past few days. There have been six placed in nomination by petition, as candidates for election. Two places are to be filled on the board. The candidates are well known in the district, and the race will be a keen one for all.

Saturday last the names of Mrs. W. H. Lovelace and W. S. Irwin were filed, and Monday petitions were filed for George P. Finch and Fred Brown, and for Mrs. Mabel McLeod and J. H. Aakjer. Little campaigning is being done, except by friends of the various candidates, who are urging all to turn out and vote.

The work of administering business affairs of District No. 7 is of importance to the people of Bozeman, and with the present discussion of school matters taking prominent place, a heavy vote is predicted. The Taxpayers' Association planned upon holding a meeting this week to consider the various candidates, with a view of selecting their preference. This was not done, due to spring conditions of the roads, so there will not be the concerted action by the Association which was expected.

The polls will be open from 2 o'clock until 6 o'clock on the afternoon of Saturday, April 1, at the Emerson school building. A feature of the election will be the serving of John Fabrick, E. J. Parkins and J. M. Wylie as judges without cost to the district. These men have donated their services that the election may be held with as little expense as possible.

## MORE HOUSES HERE FOR CITY TO GROW

L. W. Truitt Gives Optimistic View of Real Estate Outlook for Bozeman Future.

Members of the Rotary Club decided at the meeting Monday to hold one evening luncheon each month. This is to give all members an opportunity to discuss affairs of the club without a limited time preventing full consideration of the matters. The fourth Tuesday of each month has been set aside for the evening meetings.

The attendance at the meeting Tuesday was large, with four guests present. These were William Smith, of Lewistown; Howard Post, of Oakland, who holds a membership at Kansas City, Mo.; Mr. Mason, testing engineer for the State Highway Commission, and Mr. Thornton, the contractor who built seven and a half miles of road in West Gallatin last year.

An invitation was extended to Rev. E. J. Osborn to speak to the Rotary Club next Tuesday. He will give the club an outline of the National Guard organization and the work that may be accomplished through training in it.

President Lovelace appointed a nominating committee of three, consisting of J. R. Chambers, Henry Hamill and Chet Sweet, to place before the members ten or more names as candidates for election as directors of the club for the coming year. The election will be held in April.

L. W. Truitt was speaker for Tuesday, giving a classification talk upon real estate business in Bozeman. His talk was both instructive and interesting. Among other things which Mr. Truitt impressed upon the members was the necessity for more houses in Bozeman. Homes, he said, are the foundation upon which a city is built, and with more houses in this city for renting purposes the growth would be very noticeable.

Pointing out that the real estate business is in a healthy condition, Mr. Truitt stated the values in the city have not and are not now inflated. There are opportunities of securing good resident lots for anywhere from \$350 to \$600, which is not a high price. Comparing values in Bozeman with those in other cities in the state, he brought attention to the

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## STUB CREW BLAMED AS CAUSING WRECK

Investigation Held by Official of Railroad Show Orders Were Not Obeyed.

The findings of the investigating committee into the cause of the wreck at Walsh's siding when train number 220 met Number 1 of the Northern Pacific in a head on collision on Mar. 17th. lay the blame upon the train crew of the stub. Two persons were killed and several others injured in the wreck.

Division Superintendent, G. S. Jacobus, W. E. Weeks and Vincent Wilhelm conducted the investigation which was completed last Saturday. The hearing brought out the fact that Engineer N. A. Nielson, and his fireman Don Caldwell, had not complied with orders received to pass number one at Walsh siding, and that Conductor A. H. Stephens was at fault for not stopping the train when it was apparent that the engine crew were disregarding the orders.

Don Caldwell was one of the men killed in the wreck. Stephens and Nielson have been discharged by the Northern Pacific. These two men were among the oldest employees of the railroad company, and were considered most careful and capable men. Nielson had been an employee for 39 years and Stephens for 32 years.

### MIDDLE CREEK PARK.

President Harding has signed the measure just passed by the Senate providing means whereby the Middle Creek recreational park may be established. The bill was passed by the House last fall. It provides that the forestry department may exchange lands it has in other parts of the state for land owned by the Northern Pacific within the district which comprises the recreational park. The scenic beauties of the Middle Creek canyon are unsurpassed in grandeur in the United States, and some who have visited there give it preference over any in the world. With the creation of the recreational park, many citizens of Bozeman plan upon establishing summer homes there.

## FIRE IN BELFAST CAUSE NEW TERROR

Bombs Thrown Into Crowds Watching Firemen Attempt to Save Burning Factory.

BELFAST, March 28.—Several fires broke out in different parts of the city early this morning. A bomb was thrown into a crowd watching the burning of a factory in Unity street and three persons were severely wounded.

Among the buildings burned were a store, a flour mill, and a shop, all of which were in the central area. The factory was situated in Unity street, which is inhabited by large numbers of each faction. Each faction accused the other of starting the fire, and it was in the midst of this hubbub that the bomb was thrown.

BUNCRANA, County Donegal, Ireland, March 28.—Notices have been posted about town ordering all Orangemen to leave by this evening—a measure of reprisal for the recent MacMahon murders in Belfast. Irish provisional government troops have taken over the police barracks here which were evacuated by the Royal Irish constabulary.

An unsuccessful attempt was made last night to burn Masonic hall. The windows were smashed and petrol was sprinkled about the premises.

DUNDALK, Ireland, March 28.—In response to the notice posted near the town hall yesterday threatening reprisals for Catholics killed in North Ireland, a group of Protestants met today and reaffirmed their abhorrence of all outrages on Catholics.

The Protestants also expressed regret that any section of their fellow townsmen with whom they had always lived on good terms should have had any doubt concerning their views of the outrages.

## BOTH MUST PULL TOGETHER TO CRACK THE NUT.



## Bozeman Chamber Cracks The Nut

Membership Campaign Now Under Way Meeting With Great Success—Teams Signing Up Many New Active Members.

The campaign workers who are conducting the membership campaign for the Chamber of Commerce met in the grain room of the chamber last Monday evening to organize and plan for the campaign. Cards bearing the names of the various business concerns and individuals were distributed among the workers, and teams were organized as follows:

No. 1—Nelson Story, Jr.  
No. 2—A. G. Berthot, W. S. Davidson.  
No. 3—Alfred Atkinson, Allan Cameron.  
No. 4—L. W. Truitt, D. H. Budd.  
No. 5—L. K. Pence, J. P. Fabrick.  
No. 6—E. J. Hines, H. F. West.  
No. 7—J. R. Chambers, C. S. Kenyon.  
No. 8—F. O. Wilton, C. W. Sweet.  
No. 9—John Gary, M. F. Getchell.  
No. 10—S. C. Moore, E. J. Poetter.  
No. 11—M. J. O'Connell, Henry Lehrkind.

No. 12—H. W. Lovelace, C. C. Jameson.  
No. 13—W. D. Bell, A. E. Westlake.  
No. 14—R. A. Schuyler, John Hines.  
The following executive committee was appointed to have charge of the campaign and to direct the workers: A. G. Berthot, chairman; W. S. Davidson, C. W. Sweet, D. H. Budd, Nelson Story, Jr., H. H. Howard, L. W. Truitt.

Most of the workers started out at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, and up to date have met with very gratifying results. Among the business concerns most of them signed up for their usual quota. Some who have been paying rather excessive subscriptions were slightly reduced. Others whose subscriptions were not so large were increased. Many new members have already been added to the membership roll. With very few exceptions, the committees have been received pleasantly, and have met with very hearty response.

## PLANS FOR GENERAL WALKOUT COMPLETE WITH MINERS EXPECTING LONG BATTLE

Wage Scale Committee to Meet Operators for Final Negotiations in Effort to Avert Strike.

### Last Effort To Prevent Strike

Miners Will Show Operators Underpay Labor and Overcharge Consumer, and Profit Can be Made at Wages Asked.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Labor members of the anthracite wage scale subcommittee returned from Cleveland today to renew negotiations with the operators in an effort to avert the strike called for April 1.

Both operators and miners expressed a desire to end the general discussions which marked the opening days of the conference last week and to confine future sessions to consideration of the nineteen demands of the workers.

Demanding a 20 per cent increase in wages, the miners say they propose to demonstrate that wages in the mines failed to keep pace with wages in other industries during the war; that the total increase has been only 65 per cent since 1916; that the mine operator is making an excessive profit by underpaying his labor and overcharging the consumer; and that the mines could continue to show a reasonable profit to the operator after granting both an increase in wages and a reduction of prices.

The operators indicated that they would make known the percentage of wage cuts they advocate in counter proposals. The operators say that the market for coal has suffered because of the public's inability to pay prevailing prices.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 29.—Airing upon his promise to coal operators, President Frank Farrington of the Illinois union miners this morning wired presidents of three of coal operators' associations of Illinois that he would meet them in conference at

10 o'clock Wednesday morning in Chicago. When asked if this conference might result in a separate wage scale for Illinois miners, Mr. Farrington said "Not at this time, I believe."

INDIANAPOLIS, March 27.—With plans complete for the nation wide coal strike, union leaders here today awaited developments in their program for a complete tieup of the country's coal industry through their call to 200,000 non-union miners to join the half million union workers in the suspension of work next Friday at midnight.

The nature of the activities among the non-union workers had been left to the discretion of the district leaders, but within each field it was understood the union already had many organizers who had been enrolled some time ago as non-union employees.

While developments in the New York anthracite conference this week were expected to clarify the stand of the operators, union men here held out no hope that the walkout in the anthracite districts would be averted. On the contrary, they expected the negotiations would continue some time after April 1, and that the hard coal fields would be tied up pending the settlement.

For the soft coal fields, no settlement was in sight for any field, although both northwest states and Illinois union officials were to hold wage negotiations with operators. Only a change of the union's policy might permit a settlement.

## GALLATIN HIGH IS AT MUSIC CONTEST

Representatives Go To Big Timber for State Contest in Special Coach.

Gallatin's representatives in the state music contest, numbering in all 65 people, left Wednesday afternoon, March 29, on No. 2 for Big Timber, where the contest will be held on Thursday and Friday. A special car for Gallatin students will be attached to avoid confusion and disorder.

Miss Dampiere left on Tuesday in order to complete some of the details with Mr. Marshoff, of the Big Timber high school. The other instructors of the music department, Mrs. Dickson, Mrs. Currier and Mr. Fechter, will act as chaperones, as will also Mr. and Mrs. Woodard and Miss Chadwick.

The music department is paying the railway fares of all its representatives and three chaperones from the proceeds of the different musical comedies it has given. From this fund it has also made and donated seven banners to be given as prizes in the contest. These banners, together with various trophies won by the high school, will be used to decorate a window for Gallatin in one of the Big Timber stores.

### BOZEMAN MEN HONORED.

Two Bozeman men were elected to office in the state organization of Disabled American Veterans of the World War, at the convention held at Great Falls. John Mahan was elected state commander and Herbert L. Lange was elected adjutant. Other men elected were Al Griffith, of Great Falls, vice commander; C. L. Sheridan, of Helena, treasurer; Ira M. Watson, of Butte, sergeant-at-arms; G. E. Masters, of Missoula, historian; James R. Van Horn was elected chaplain. There was a large attendance at the convention and a great deal of work done for the benefit of the disabled soldiers. Plans for caring for those needing assistance were perfected. The next state meeting will be held at Missoula in 1923.

## MIDDLE CREEK HAS ALPS OUTCLASSED

Kiwanis Club Hears Story of Wonder Land Within Short Distance From Bozeman.

George D. Pease was the speaker at the noonday meeting of the Kiwanis Club Monday, and told members of the wonderful beauties of Middle Creek canyon. Mr. Pease has devoted a year of energy and a good deal of money in fostering the measure recently signed by President Harding making it possible to create a recreational park in Middle Creek.

In speaking of the work of accomplishing this movement, credit was given by Mr. Pease to Forest Supervisor Burr Clark, who he stated had put every effort behind it and furnished material and data which was most valuable. Senators Myers and Walsh and Congressman McCormick were praised for their activity in bringing about passage of the measure in Congress.

Describing the scenic beauties of the Middle Creek, Mr. Pease stated he did not rely upon his own views so much as he did upon those of people who had traveled over the whole world. The many beauties of this canyon, situated within 20 miles of Bozeman, surpass that of anything found in the Alps, he stated. Hundreds of beautiful waterfalls, rugged rocky formations rearing thousands of feet into the air, little valleys of wooded parks, he stated, where ideal summer homes may be built, are to be found.

In an exploration trip taken with a representative of one of the biggest feature film concerns, up into the almost unknown part of Middle Creek canyon, Mr. Pease stated the name of Cathedral Falls should be given to one that drops 200 feet in a beautiful shower into a tributary of Middle Creek.

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## PASSENGER FARES REMAIN THE SAME

State Supreme Court Discussing Suit Filed Over Year Ago By Attorney General.

### Higher Authority

Federal Decision in Cases Similar Favor Ruling of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

After more than a year of waiting the people of this state are now informed that there is no relief from the present passenger rate. The information comes in a decision of the supreme court, and passenger fares in Montana will continue at 3.6 per mile. The supreme court yesterday dismissed the suit of Attorney General Wellington D. Rankin to compel the railroads to observe the state law limiting passenger fares to 3 cents per mile.

The state's suit was filed in January, 1921, and a decision has been held up on account of similar suits pending in the United States supreme court. The federal tribunal last month decided similar cases from Wisconsin and New York in favor of the interstate commerce commission ruling that the interstate body had the power to fix fares despite any state statutes to the contrary. The state court in its order dismissing the case, declared:

"As sweeping and as revolutionary as these decisions may appear to those jealous of states' rights, the questions herein included must be accepted as finally determined. Our view as to the proper constructions of the federal constitution and statutes become wholly unimportant and there is nothing left to be done other than to bow to the paramount authority asserted by the federal government."

The decision was written by Associate Justice Albert J. Galen.

Miss Mary Herrin and Miss Hazel Hansen were hostesses to a number of friends last Thursday evening.

## TAXPAYER'S LETTER ASKS FOR ECONOMY

Advise Election of Trustees Who Will Consider Finances of County in School Matters.

Due to the bad road conditions at the present time making travel uncertain the Gallatin County Taxpayers have decided not to hold a meeting at the present time. It was intended to hold a meeting before the coming school election to consider candidates.

To remind taxpayers of the country of the necessity of turning out on Saturday to vote for school trustees, the following letter has been addressed to the members by Secretary J. M. Wylie, "lest we forget":

Gentlemen: In view of the high percentage of the taxpayers money which is paid in taxes going into the public school fund, it has been thought wise by the executive board of the Gallatin County Taxpayers Association, that a statement of the conditions as they exist at the present time be given to the several School Boards throughout Gallatin County.

The Governor of Montana and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, make the statement that "we must raise more money for the support of schools in Montana."

Miss Trumper's statement at Missoula in the "two weeks" course for county superintendents, shows that an increase in teachers salaries from 1914 to 1922 is 44%, while farm products and farm wages decreased 66 2-3 during the period from 1919 to 1922.

Dean Hamilton at the Missoula "two weeks" course, advocated maintaining this high standard of salaries gained during the war period, recommending a labor board organization to attain this end.

We do not ask that a reduction of 44% in teachers salaries be made, but we do ask that a very material reduction in all salaries officers be made in keeping with other industries, which are the chief source of supply

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