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## DEMOCRATS IN COUNTY CONVENTION

**RESOLUTIONS POINT TO INACTION OF REPUBLICANS—CONDEMN CONVENTION LAW**

An enthusiastic county convention was held by the democrats of Morrison county at the city hall Tuesday afternoon. The attendance was good, considering the condition of the roads and the fact that there were no contests. The women delegates were in real evidence, there being nine in attendance, taking part in the deliberations.

After the purpose of the meeting was stated by Chairman P. J. Vasaly, delegates were accepted as qualified to sit in the convention as reported to the chairman by the county auditor.

P. J. Vasaly and N. N. Bergheim were selected by the convention as temporary chairman and secretary respectively, action later making the selections permanent. These officials have acted in like capacity for a number of years. Mrs. P. S. Randall, who has been women's chairman, was made permanent vice-chairman and Mrs. Ella Caldwell permanent vice-secretary.

It was decided that delegates be elected to the state convention at St. Paul, but that no delegates be selected to the congressional convention at St. Cloud.

The committee on delegates composed of P. J. Lauerman, Mrs. Ella Caldwell, Martin Viechorek, Miss Nellie Hughes, Ed. Barton, David Houle and D. M. Cameron, nominated the following to attend the state convention at the West hotel, Minneapolis, beginning at 2 o'clock Friday, March 31:

Mrs. Mae Amundsen, E. F. Shaw, Mrs. P. S. Randall, N. N. Bergheim, P. J. Vasaly, George Moeglein, Sr., J. W. Falk, Asa Curtis, Miss Nellie Hughes, Ed. Barton and Martin Viechorek.

The delegates were accepted by the convention.

E. F. Shaw, Mrs. P. S. Randall, Geo. Moeglein, Sr., Mrs. Minnie Cochrane, Joseph Borash, Mrs. Mae Amundsen, Mrs. Elizabeth Kerich, F. E. Hall, Leo Leidenfrost, Ernest Kastner and J. J. Trutwin, committee on resolutions, brought in resolutions, which were adopted as read.

The resolutions are as follows:

**Resolutions**

We again renew our allegiance to the fundamental principals of Democracy as laid down and practiced by the fathers, "Equal Rights to All, Special Privileges to None." With justifiable pride we call attention to the constructive legislation of the late National Democratic Administration, and its forward and humanitarian efforts to bring the world into peace, and happy understanding; and which efforts were frustrated by a partisan republican senate. We are pleased also to call attention to the distinguished services rendered the State of Minnesota by such men as John Lind, John A. Johnson and Winfield Scott Hammond as its governors. We do not have to arraign the present national administration or state administration for their short comings. They are patent and we note that no one attempted to defend either of them in the late Republican county convention held on the 18th instant. In this point its resolutions are as silent as the grave. We realize that the agricultural interests of the United States are paramount and that they have suffered more than any other, during the past year and we favor such legislation either by Constitutional Amendment or Congressional Action as will give relief; specially to favor the passage of laws as will permit the extention of rural credit.

We favor construction of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Deep Water Way project and urge upon Congress its speedy consideration. We are mindful of our soldiers, sailors and marines and their patriotic devotion and we favor such legislation as will meet the approval of the American Legion in regards to adjusted compensation.

We recognize the fact that tax exempt securities are a menace and a hindrance to legitimate business. Tax exempt securities are the special delight of the idle rich, for "they toil not, neither do they spin." Over sixteen billion dollars of tax exempt securities, most of which are in the hands of the idle rich, are locked in vaults, thus taking from active business a large amount of working capitol. We favor the passage of such laws either by constitutional amendment or otherwise, if possible, as will remedy this evil. We oppose the ship subsidy bill now before Congress and sponsored by President Harding. We believe it to be a sop to the shipping interests, and against the interest of the people as a whole. It is only a specie of graft.

We oppose the expenditure of large sums of money in seeking public office. Its continuance is a menace to free government, for it puts public office on the auction block to be struck off to the highest bidder. As was shown in the Newberry case, and we denounce the seating of Newberry as a Senator of the United States and chide those who aided in this unholy act.

We believe in the people's primary, and believe that the present pre-primary law, passed at the behest of the present republican state administration to perpetuate itself in power, is a movement to take government from the hands of the people and place it in the hands of the political bosses; and we favor its repeal.

We charge the present National administration with inaction, and a do nothing policy. Whatever remedial legislation has been enacted was put through Congress by what is known as the Agricultural bloc, opposed by the leaders of the National Republican Administration, and composed of many democrats and a few republicans. As the Manchester Union, a strong republican paper puts it, "this Congress has 'gummed up the tax revision proposition.' It has handled the whole tariff [illegible] 'scientific' of itself by [illegible] the house [illegible]. As a record 'must surely give every thoughtful republican cause for alarm.'"

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## FAVOR CONTINUING BOARD OF COMMERCE

**MEMBERS AT ANNUAL MEETING FAVOR FULL TIME SECRETARY**

Members of the Little Falls Board of Commerce at the annual meeting Monday evening unanimously agreed that a strong active civic organization is needed now as never before because of the innumerable civic problems that must be met and because Little Falls must keep pace with the stride set by neighbor cities. It was brought out that the present organization, now four years old, has gone through an unusual period in history and has done well, and that consequently it would be poor policy to make any change "in the middle of the stream," so to speak.

The annual meeting was held at the Buckman hotel and was preceded by a family dinner. More than eighty men were present, President A. F. Koslosky, presided. The Misses Loretta, Mildred and Ione Koslosky played several piano selections which were very pleasing.

In the election of officers Dr. S. R. Fortier, E. A. Berg, C. Rosenmeier and J. C. Patience were chosen as members of the board of directors, Mr. Patience being re-elected. The others succeed Ed. M. LaFond, T. C. Gordon and Geo. H. Peterson. H. E. Biddinger was re-elected recording secretary and N. J. Peterson was re-elected treasurer.

Secretary Biddinger read a long report on the activities of the Board of Commerce in which he expressed the belief that the organization has done much for the city and county which could not have been done without such an organization. He pointed out that the four years that the organization has existed have been four very difficult years, and he went on to say that there has been some unjustified criticism during the past few months regarding the apparent inactivity of the Board of Commerce. A little sane thinking, he said, will prove that a civic organization must necessarily be affected by the stress and strain of the times and that no new undertakings have been started is accounted for by the fact that it would not have been a good policy to do so. He named several important accomplishments of the organization during the last year, such as speeding up the Little Falls Paper Products Company; looking after various road matters, including the proposed paving from Royalton to Little Falls. For the coming year, he suggested the following: Attention to a detour to Brainerd while the trunk highway is being paved; improving Broadway west from the bridge to Pine Grove park; paving First avenue northeast between First and Second streets; improving the dairy business in this section; obtaining better train service on the Morris branch, particularly so as to allow people more time in Little Falls between trains; investigating complaints regarding taxation. In connection with the last named Mr. Biddinger called attention to the fact that the Itasca Paper Company had complained of excessive taxes, in proportion, on its pulp mill property here.

A. F. Koslosky, president gave a short talk emphasizing the need of getting back of civic movements in Little Falls, as there are many things to be done the coming year. The ganization has had hard sledding, he said, but that was only natural and the same as with everything else and it is now up to us to reconstruct. Criticisms should be freely made if justified but they should be offered at the meetings, he said.

Treasurer N. J. Peterson made a report of the finances of the organization which showed a small balance on hand.

The principal question discussed by the members was whether a paid full time secretary should be employed, or whether a part time local man should be engaged. This discussion took up the greater part of the evening, the following speaking on same: L. W. Vasaly, R. B. Millard, J. K. Martin, Jos. Moeglein, Geo. Kiewel, L. S. Ryan, Geo. L. Hughes, J. A. Anderson, Theo. L. Streukens, F. A. Nelson, C. Rosenmeier, W. H. Ryan, L. O. Wessel, Dr. E. W. Kaliher, Chas. Sylvester, Dr. S. R. Fortier, P. J. Vasaly, Dr. C. H. Longley, Max Gamradt and A. A. Barton. It was finally decided to engage a paid full time secretary, if possible and the board of directors was asked to consider this and report at a meeting to be held two weeks later.

At a meeting of the board of directors Tuesday afternoon, W. H. Ryan was elected president for the ensuing year. He succeeds A. F. Koslosky. The directors considered the full-time secretary plan and decided to make an effort to get the necessary memberships at once, whereupon they will know as to the possibility of same. It was also decided to have the dues payable quarterly instead of annually or semi-annually.

**STATE BOARD EXAMINATIONS**

State examinations will be held in a large number of schools in Morrison county on Thursday and Friday, March 30 and 31. The program for Thursday includes spelling, grammar and composition and elementary American history and for Friday arithmetic, geography and elementary citizenship. Pupils must pass these examinations in order to win the eighth grade diploma. All who do not pass in these examinations will have a chance to try again in examinations to be given the week of May 26.

Following are the school districts in which the examinations will be offered:

Districts 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 29A, 30, 35, 36, 37, 39, 41, 42, 43, 44, 46, 47, 49, 50, 52, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 60, 62, 63, 65, 66, 68, 69, 70, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 82, 86, 87, 89, 91, 93, 94, 99, 102, 104, 110, 111, 113, 115, 116, 117, 118, 120, 121, 122, 123, 125, 127, 129, 131, 133, 136, 138, 140, 142, 145, 146.

The West hotel on the West side will be opened for business next Tuesday. The name of the hotel has been changed to The Jefferson hotel. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bridge are the new proprietors.

## GRAND AND PETIT JURIES DRAWN

**FOR APRIL TERM OF COURT—FOURTEEN WOMEN ON GRAND JURY**

Grand and petit jurors were yesterday drawn for the spring term of district court, which will commence on Monday, April 10. Judge Nye of Moorhead is expected to preside. The grand jurors are ordered to report on Monday, April 10, at 10 a. m. Tuesday, the 11th, will be naturalization day, and 11 applicants will be examined. The petit jurors are ordered to report on Wednesday, April 12, at 10 a. m.

Following are the jurors drawn:

**Grand Jury**

Mrs. Hans Hanson, Pike Creek.
Mrs. Wm. Frerichs, Darling.
Geo. Seelen, Granite.
Peter Vosen, Lastrup.
Mrs. A. A. Fitch, Royalton.
Mrs. Rosa Mueller, City.
B. J. Thielen, Bellevue.
Mrs. J. N. Carnes, Bellevue.
Mrs. Justus Burggraff, Two Rivers.
Mrs. Laura Batzer, Royalton.
Kenneth Barton, Bellevue.
Mrs. Asa Curtis, City.
Mrs. Martin Viechorek, Swan River.
James Hollenbeck, Bellevue.
Mrs. R. C. Tedford, City.
Mrs. Kate Zwack, Two Rivers.
C. J. Smith, Platte.
Mrs. Oliver Bastien, City.
Anton Bellefeuille, Belle Prairie.
Jos. Otremba, Pierz.
Mrs. A. Simonet, City.
Mrs. T. Amo, City.
Gilbert B. Anderson, Belle Prairie.

**Petit Jury**

E. M. Thompson, Richardson.
Henry Hedin, Upsala.
E. E. James, Platte.
Louis Kobilka, Buh.
Geo. A. Rogers, Ripley.
Mike Baron, Bellevue.
Matt Meyer, Agram.
Joe Brandl, Buckman.
Geo. Newbern, City.
A. C. Barton, Two Rivers.
Wm. Gissell, Swanville.
Mike Meyer, Pierz.
Louis Spanfellner, Pierz Village.
Joe Trutwin, Swan River.
J. J. Jacobson, Elmdale.
C. E. Hoffstedt, Parker.
Charles Cantleberry, Scandia Valley.
Frank Konen, Buh.
Frank Zilka, Flensburg.
Fred Sears, Motley.
Wilson Hayes, Platte.
Joseph Zeller, Granite.
Nick Mueller, Buckman.
Geo. Reidner, Bellevue.
Aug. Kapsner, Granite.
Andrew Gusten, Swan River.
Frank Nilson, Rosing.
Joe Hortsch, Buckman.
Matt Zenner, Buckman.
Jule St. Onge, City.

### Died

Nels Olson of Pike Creek, one of Morrison county's most prosperous and progressive farmers, died at his home yesterday morning at 9 o'clock from nerve trouble. Mr. Olson had been ill for some time and was confined to bed for over two months. He was 67 years old.

Mr. Olson was born in Vimmelslof, Skane, Sweden, April 3, 1854. He was married there in 1881 and in 1888, he came to this country, his family joining him in 1893. They located at Bonilla, S. D., where Mr. Olson was engaged in railroading. In 1902, the family moved to Morrison county and located on a farm in Pike Creek, about three miles west of Little Falls, where they have resided ever since. Mr. Olson was a very successful farmer and developed one of the biggest stock farms in the county.

Surviving are his wife; two sons, Alfred of Miles City, Mont., and Otto, who lives at home; and two daughters, Mrs. Hilda Mason of Isle, this state, and Mrs. Wm. Leibl of Pike Creek. He also leaves three sisters, Mrs. Peter Nelson of Oakes, N. D., and the other two living in Sweden.

Funeral arrangements have not been fully completed, pending word from the son at Miles City and the daughter at Isle, but the funeral will probably be held next Monday afternoon from Bethel Lutheran church, Broadway west, Rev. C. E. Sholander officiating. Interment will be in Oakland cemetery.

B. H. Peterson, father of N. J. Peterson of this city, died Saturday afternoon at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Freda Sundeen of Seattle, Wash., from senility. He was 86 years old.

Mr. Peterson was born in Varmland, Sweden, December 20, 1836 and was married there. The family came to the United States in 1888 and located at Hoffman, this state. In 1897, the family moved to Little Falls. Mr. Peterson was for many years employed at his trade of tailor, with M. J. Bracke of this city. Mrs. Peterson died 16 years ago and in 1915 Mr. Peterson went to Seattle to live with his daughter.

Surviving are three sons, Charles of Seattle, J. P. of Minneapolis and N. J. of this city; and two daughters, Mrs. Christina Wallner and Mrs. Freda Sundeen of Seattle.

The remains will be brought here for interment but arrangements have not been completed and it not known just when they will arrive.

Michael Kruger died yesterday at St. Gabriel's hospital from old age and a complication of diseases. He was 77 years old. Mr. Kruger formerly lived on a farm in Little Falls town but had been at the hospital for a number of months. The funeral arrangements have not been completed.

John M. Werner, a resident of Little Falls for a number of years, died at his home, 114 Fourth street northeast, last Friday at 6 o'clock p. m. from dropsy. He was 81 years old.

Mr. Werner was born in Germany October 15, 1840. He was married in that country in 1866 and the family came to the United States soon after. His wife died the following year and in 1869 he was married to Augusta Seadt at Milwaukee, Wis. In [illegible] the family located on a farm near Pierz and lived there [illegible] years, when they moved to Little Falls. [illegible]

## $6,122 SAVED FOR FARMERS OF COUNTY

**FARM BUREAU AND CREAMERIES AGENCY BLOCK FREIGHT INCREASE OF $204,000**

Prompt action by two farm organizations has saved the farmers of Morrison county $6,122, by forestalling an increase in freight rates on dairy products.

Railroads serving this territory proposed to make shippers of perishable products pay the cost of icing, when shipments were in less than carload lots, according to information from the state farm bureau offices. It is estimated that this extra expense would have increased the cost of marketing the county's dairy products by approximately 12 per cent.

This county produces 2,550,990 pounds of butter every year. It is estimated that 80 per cent of the butter produced in Minnesota is marketed on the big terminal markets of the east, and that the average freight rate is 2½ cents a pound on less than carlots. On this basis, the freight bill paid by this county on butter every year amounts to $61,223. An increase of 12 per cent on less-than-carlot shipments would have added $6,122 to this amount. In the case of the 15 co-operative creameries in the county, it would have meant a direct reduction in net income and a direct loss to their patrons.

A hearing was held in Chicago before a committee of railroad executives early this month. Representatives of two of the biggest farm organizations in Minnesota were on hand to defend the interests of the dairy farmers. H. B. Nickerson, president of the Minnesota Co-operative Creameries Association, Inc., spoke on behalf of the 300 co-operative creameries which have organized the new state marketing agency, and E. H. Heaton, director of dairy marketing, and O. W. Sandberg, traffic expert, of the American Farm Bureau federation represented the farm bureau. They bitterly opposed any increase in transportation costs, declaring that an increase now is absolutely unjust and unwarranted.

Throwing the cost of refrigeration charges on the shippers, they said, would force the co-operative creameries of Minnesota to pay $204,000 a year more to ship their butter to market.

The practical value of farm organizations was demonstrated this week, when the Minnesota Farm Bureau federation received a telegram from its national organization, stating that the railroads' committee had decided to abandon the proposed increase, at least for the present.

"Even if this proposed increase revived and put into effect in 1923, the fact that it has been blocked at the present time means $200,000 to Minnesota dairy farmers this year," A. J. McGuire, manager of the creameries association, said. "That one case saved more money for the farmers of the state than the total cost of operating both the creameries association and the farm bureau the entire year."

## BRIDGE OR VIADUCT CAN BE DEMANDED

**CITY ATTORNEY HOLDS RAILWAY COMPANY MUST PROTECT PUBLIC**

The city council held a brief session Thursday evening of last week to canvass the city election returns. The returns were found correct and the officials declared elected as shown by the returns. A number of bills of election judges, clerks, police, and for rent of polling places, were allowed.

City Attorney Vernon made a written report of his findings in connection with the West side railroad crossing. In his report, he stated that it is the duty of the railroad company at its own expense to extend a highway over or under its tracks by means of a bridge or viaduct whenever it is reasonably necessary for the convenience and safety of the public to travel over the highway. The necessary procedure by the council would be the passing of a resolution or ordinance, and in case of failure by the company to comply with same, to institute mandamus proceedings to compel same. He suggested, however, that the matter be taken up with the proper N. P. officials in a friendly way, as it would be desirable to avoid the delay, expense and ill feeling created by legal procedure.

A petition for a 12-inch sewer on First street southeast was read and the city clerk was instructed to give notice of a public hearing on same to be held on Tuesday, April 4.

**P-WORD PUZZLE PICTURE**

Have you worked out the objects in the Herald P-Word Puzzle Picture? It's interesting and a lot of fun. Remember you qualify for the larger prizes by sending in subscriptions with your words. Contestants will please number the words selected. Puzzle picture is on page three.

Dr. A. E. Amundsen has purchased the residence at 306 Third street northeast.

The local dentists will conduct free dental clinics at the various public schools today.

and then retired from farming and moved to this city. Surviving are his wife and thirteen children.

The funeral was held from the Sington mortuary Sunday afternoon at two o'clock, Rev. Louis Denninghoff officiating. The remains were taken to Long Prairie Monday morning for interment.

[illegible] Gunson of Belle Prairie died Friday from old age. He was 86 years old. Funeral services were held from the Belle Prairie Lutheran church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, the family residing in Belle Prairie. The deceased is survived by [illegible]

## SHRINKING FUNDS LIMIT ROAD WORK

**BOND INTEREST TAKES TRUNK FUNDS—FEDERAL AID REDUCED—LESS FOR ROADS**

Winter and early spring contracts together with maintenance and other fixed charges taking the available trunk highway funds for 1922, which are greatly reduced in comparison with the 1921 total, Charles M. Babcock, state highway commissioner, today cancelled the call for bids April 6 on projects estimated at nearly $500,000 and announced that no additional construction can be undertaken this year.

Results this year on the trunk route system, however, will compare favorably with those last season, in spite of the reduction in available funds, the commissioner said. New construction is well up to the mark set, he said, and maximum provision has been made to continue maintenance operations on virtually the same lines as last season.

The unfortunate side of the situation as viewed by highway officials, is that the state is without extra funds to build needed highways on a bigger scale now that bids demonstrate that $4 will do the work of $5 last season. Indications are that the lowest price levels have been reached and costs may go up next year, but the state cannot take advantage of the unusually favorable conditions because special legislation is necessary and the next regular session of the legislature will not open until January.

County reimbursement bond projects on trunk highways which top the list of expenditures include the paving from St. Cloud north beyond Little Falls at $900,000, Red Lake county work at $175,000 and many smaller jobs to be built this season.

The Northfield-Westcott paving contract at $700,000 was part of the winter work program to speed the highway program and relieve unemployment. Those and other items show how the department put 1922 work under contract early and at low prices while the 1921 projects could not be started until June.

**State Road Forces Start 1922 Upkeep**

Orders toward early resumption of daily dragging, mending and other work on trunk highways—the so-called Babcock roads—went out this week from St. Paul offices of the state highway department to maintenance superintendents in all districts.

Special spring break-up operations were authorized. Instructions were given to open ditches and otherwise provide free drainage, also to remove slow melting snow and ice from shaded cuts. Efforts must be made, highway officials said, to dry the roads in the shortest possible time.

Preliminary work well advanced, the big army of trunk route patrolmen—one for each 5-mile section—will go back on jobs. Equipped with teams, graders, drags and other necessary equipment, the patrolmen will put in their entire time again this season mending and smoothing their sections.

Patrol and maintenance operations on the trunk system last year not only spread early benefits under the Babcock Plan to every part of the state but were generally credited with a big share of the noticeable improvement. The organization of this force of more than 1,000 men, nearly all living on or near their road sections, in less than 60 days last season was rated one of the remarkable accomplishments under the new plan. Some changes have been effected in the maintenance personnel, according to highway officials and greater efficiency is expected this year.

Patrolmen have orders to serve all highway users as if they were direct employers. People meeting mishap or trouble on the trunk routes may call on the patrolmen for reasonable assistance which must be given without charge, according to the highway bulletin.

**VISITING DAY AT HAWTHORNE SCHOOL TODAY**

Today will be visiting day at the Hawthorne school building. All parents and guardians of children who attend there, should make a special effort to visit school on that day, hours from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. The annual penmanship exhibit of work done since September will be shown in each grade class room. The penmanship paper from each child will be arranged so as to show his work from the beginning of the year to the present time. The work is arranged in two divisions; one containing everyday practice papers, which are called drills. These are given for a foundation in writing. The other is applied penmanship, used namely in spelling, language, history and geography or other written work. No pupil will be slighted, as the work of each will be displayed. There are some very fine specimens, work which the parents and friends should examine. In the afternoon at 3.30, the regular meeting of the Mothers' club of the Hawthorne school will be held. The following program will be rended:

Piano solo .....Naomi Randall
Short talk on care of teeth.....
.....Dr. W. H. K. Moyer
Group of songs by Third Grade, "Windmill, Strange Land, North Wind" .....
A talk—"What we Can Expect From Teaching of Penmanship".....
By Miss Bess M. Hatch, supervisor of penmanship in the local schools.

Lunch will be served, after which all visitors are invited to go to the different class rooms, where the teachers in charge will be present to answer questions concerning the work. Visitors will be asked to register in rooms visited.

### In Justice Court

Thomas Barnes, Jr., of Bellevue was arrested the latter part of last week by Marshal Felix and was brought before Justice Randall charged with threatening to do bodily harm to Wm. M. Dowson of Bellevue. He pleaded guilty and was given [illegible] days in the county jail. [illegible]

## HALLAM FORCES WERE DEFEATED

**UNINSTRUCTED DELEGATION, BUT LOOKS VERY MUCH KELLOGG**

Kellogg forces won out at the republican county convention held last Saturday, when they elected E. A. Kling temporary chairman over Samuel Hammerbeck by a vote of 25 to 14. The cleavage was easily discernible, those from the city and villages being practically all for Kellogg and the Hallam supporters were from the rural districts. There were about forty delegates present. While the Kellogg adherents would likely have won out even if all delegates were present, the contest would have been much closer. Chas. Jensen was made temporary secretary.

H. A. Rider, was selected as chairman of the republican county committee and Chas. Jensen secretary.

Congressman Knutson was endorsed, but the resolutions were silent as to the state and national administrations.

The state delegation has very much of a Kellogg color. Some of the Hallam supporters were put on the congressional delegation to St. Cloud.

Delegates to Congressional convention at St. Cloud, March 30: E. M. LaFond, city; A. P. Stoll, Pierz; Theo. Thielen, Buh township; Samuel Hammerbeck, city; Charles Sylvester, city; A. H. Vernon, city; George Wilson, Royalton; Math Zwilling, Swanville; M. N. Young, Swan River; John Super, Flensburg; Herman Riitter, Randall.

Delegates to state convention at St. Paul March 31: C. Rosenmeier, city; Otto Hitzman, Swanville; Tim Perry, city; John Berglund, Motley; E. A. Kling, city; I. W. Bouck, Royalton; J. H. Carnes, Bellevue; E. G. Haymaker, Motley; A. H. Vernon, city; Charles Jensen, city; H. A. Rider, city.

**Report of Committee on Resolutions**

Whereas the American Farmer has born the brunt of the present economic readjustment and the Christensen constitutional amendment, permitting rural credits legislation, is the most important measure that will be submitted at the ensuing election,

Be it resolved, that this convention endorse the Christensen amendment and urge every voter to work and vote for its adoption.

Be it further resolved that this convention commend the Hon. Harold Knutson for the faithfulness with which he has looked after the interests of his constituents and endorse him for re-election as Republican nominee from the Sixth Congressional District.

Be it further resolved that in order to relieve distress sand uncertainty in American agriculture, we urge that all agricultural legislation now pending in congress be given the utmost consideration and preference.

Be it further resolved that this convention hereby endorses the five fold adjusted compensation bill approved by the American Legion and urges its enactment by congress without further delay.

Be it resolved that this convention endorse the St. Lawrence Deep Waterway project and urge our senators and representatives in congress to use every honorable means to ensure its speedy construction.

Be it resolved that this convention urge that permanent tariff legislation be enacted without further delay, to terminate the existing uncertainty in the economic life of the nation and to protect properly the interests of the American farmer and wage earner.

Be it resolved that this convention is unalterably opposed to the cancellation of foreign debts owing to the United States.

Be it resolved that this convention protest against the discrimination shown by the federal reserve bank towards Minnesota's greatest fundamental industry, agriculture, by its oppressive action in dealing with our banks.

Charles Sylvester, I. W. Bouck, C. Rosenmeier, J. N. Carnes, Gust Franzen, Grace W. LaFond, Samuel Hammerbeck, A. H. Vernon, Theo. Thielen, A. J. McRae.

Delegates who attended the convention:

J. N. Carnes, Bellevue.
Theo. Thielen, Buh.
Fred Bergstrom, Culdrum.
O. F. Lindquist, City.
Charles Lundwall, Cushing.
Samuel Hammerbeck, City.
William Frerichs, Darling.
Dan J. Bell, City.
J. B. Hartman, Granite.
John Bowman, City.
George Hammerbeck, Little Falls.
E. E. Hall, City.
John Berglund, Motley.
Jos. Chmarowski, Pulaski.
Gust Franzen, Rosing.
E. J. Skoog, Swan River.
August Smith, Scandia Valley.
M. N. Young, Swan River.
Math Zwilling, Swanville.
A. J. McRae, Flensburg.
Theo. Ortmann, Lastrup.
E. G. Haymaker, Motley.
Renn Harris, Motley.
A. P. Stoll, Pierz.
F. G. Gilbride, Pierz.
Herman E. Riitters, Randall.
Anton Koziol, Sobieski.
O. H. Hitzemann, Swanville.
I. W. Bouck, Royalton.
A. A. Fitch, Royalton.
George Wilson, Royalton.
Henry A. Rider, City.
Charles Sylvester, City.
Chris Rosenmeier, City.
Grace W. LaFond, City.
A. H. Vernon, City.
E. A. Kling, City.
H. E. Biddinger, City.
Robert Harris, City.
Tim Perry, City.
M. A. Engstrom, City.

Miss Addie Roth left the first of the week for Faribault, after a visit with her brother, Mrs. John St. Laven, for several months.

The county board of audit is in session this week examining the books of the various county officers. [illegible]

## PAVING CONTRACT TO MCCREE-MOOS

**ST. PAUL CONCERN HAD LOW BID FOR ROYALTON-BELLE PRAIRIE PROJECT**

At a meeting of the Morrison county board of commissioners Tuesday afternoon the contract for the paving of Minnesota Trunk Highway No. 27 from the Benton county line, just below Royalton, through Little Falls to Belle Prairie, a total distance of approximately 16 miles, was let to McCree-Moos and Company of St. Paul. Mike Barrett's bid for grading was accepted, as was that of A. B. Peterson for monolithic culverts. The total amount of the three bids for the completion of this work was approximately $349,622.49. C. M. Babcock, state highway commissioner, was present and the bids were satisfactory to him, which means that there is little doubt of any further delay on this paving project. All the bids were taken to the state offices to be checked over and while it is possible that the total may be changed one way or the other, it is not likely that the difference will be great.

McCree-Moos and Company promised completion of the paving job by October 15. Representatives who were present stated that the company is prepared to commence work at once and will be on the job as soon as the contract is closed and the bond approved.

Eight bids were received for the paving from Royalton to Little Falls; six for the stretch from Little Falls to Belle Prairie; nine for grading; six for monolithic culverts and six for portable culverts. The Russell Grader Company was awarded the contract for furnishing portable corrugated culverts for the projects at $407.75. This amount was not included in the total given above.

The bid of the McCree-Moos and Company was $1.99 per square yard, for gravel base paving for the job from here to Belle Prairie, known as Project No. 27-01 and F. A. P. 264. On the Royalton-Little Falls job, known as 27-22 F. A. P. 154 their bid was $1.99 for gravel base paving and $2.28 for the crushed rock base. Only 10,000 tons of crushed rock will be used, so that the proportion of paving of this class will be only about one-third of the entire amount.

On grading Mike Barrett's bid was 32 cents per yard and 2 cents per yard overhaul on Project 27-22 and 25 cents per yard and 1½ cents per yard overhaul on 27.01. Adolph Peterson was second lowest bidder for the grading with 34 cents per cubic yard on the entire job. A. B. Peterson's bid on the culverts was $22.50 per cubic yard flat, including steel. The next lowest bid for this job was $300 more.

Besides Mr. Babcock the following from the state highway department were present at the meeting Tuesday: Geo. C. Scales, division engineer; O. L. Kipp, construction engineer; and Chief Engineer Mullen. E. S. Norstrom of the federal bureau of public roads was also present.

The cost of the paving will be approximately $21,875 per mile, or about 10 per cent less than the lowest bid received at the meeting in December. The bid of Butler Bros. then was $2.23 per square yard for gravel base concrete, 24 cents higher.

The following submitted bids on the paving job and some of these also bid on grading and culverts:

Pickus Engineering Company of Iowa;
Johnson, Drake & Piper, Minneapolis;
Siems, Helmers & Schaffner, St. Paul;
McCree-Moos Company of St. Paul;
Foley Bros., St. Paul.
McCusick Contracting Company, Hibbing;
Miller-Hutchinson Company of South Dakota;
Ostrander & Hallock of Crosby.

**INTER-SCHOOL BASKETBALL**

Coach Dunphy has organized an inter-school basketball league of eight teams here and they started playing Wednesday afternoon after school. The players of the high school first team have charge of the teams, each one selecting his own team from among the high school boys.

Playing commenced after school Wednesday, the Crose team defeating the Kiewel team and the Abrahamson team defeating the Lasky team. Yesterday afternoon the Bastien, Fortier, Baker and Brown teams were to clash. The semi-finals will be played this afternoon.

This evening the finals will be played beginning at 8:30. The public is invited to these games, for which an admission charge of 5 and 10 cents will be made.

Mrs. Arthur Schmitt, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at St. Gabriel's hospital last week, was discharged yesterday.

Miss I. B. Patterson, with the children's bureau of the state board of control, was in the city yesterday on business connected with her work. Miss Patterson will return next week to reorganize the county child welfare board. Mrs. G. M. A. Fortier, the secretary, has resigned and Mrs. L. D. Brown will soon be leaving the city. Other members of the board are County Commissioner Berglund and Superintendent of Schools Sheldon.

### Born

OLSON—To Mr. and Mrs. Anton Olson, Tuesday, March 21, a son.

VALLEY—To Mr. and Mrs. Albert Valley of Belle Prairie, Friday, March 17, a daughter.

ZYWIALOSKI—To Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Zywialoski of Anchorage, Alaska, March 10, a son. They formerly resided here.

KRUSZEWSKI—To Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] of this city, Wednesday, March 15, a [illegible]

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