

E. E. LOMMEN,

Of Polk Co., Selected As the Man to Defeat Eddy.

The Contest in the Convention Between Lommen and Dr. Johnson.

The following are extracts from the excellent report of the convention given by Wheelock's Weekly of Fergus Falls.

Chris Johnson of Otter Tail, chairman of the committee, called the Seventh district populist convention to order in the Lyceum theatre at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, July 15. The auditorium was full of delegates. The call was read by Dr. Christian Johnson, secretary of the committee. The congressional committee recommended Nels Quam of Kandiyohi for temporary chairman. He was elected unanimously. I. I. Kaasa of Polk county was similarly recommended for temporary secretary and elected. Mr. Quam spoke of the surprise to himself, and hoped there would also be one for the old parties this fall.

H. L. Shirley of Wilkin was elected assistant secretary.

It was agreed that one member of each of the usual committees should be selected by each county delegation. The committees were thus made up as follows:

On Credentials—A. P. Messer, Becker; S. H. Schjolberg, Big Stone; E. H. Probstfield, Clay; P. M. Larson, Douglas; Ole Johnson, Grant; P. H. Frye, Kandiyohi; P. M. Hendricks, Kittson; John Sinclair, Marshall; S. J. Lee, Norman; Thos. Cole, Otter Tail; Martin O'Brien, Polk; W. R. Holly, Pope; A. Waag, Roseau; August Mueller, Stevens; J. F. Uhl, Swift; H. G. Marshall, Traverse; A. A. B. Peterson, Wilkin.

On Permanent Organization—E. J. Moore, Becker; D. P. O'Neil, Big Stone; Samuel Frazier, Clay; John Kron, Douglas; Herman Hillman, Grant; P. J. Dale, Kandiyohi; Ole Melahl, Kittson; Frank Remillard, Marshall; Hans Juelson, Norman; C. W. Smith, Otter Tail; O. P. Ronne, Polk; J. G. Dickson, Pope; D. J. Brenden, Roseau; L. J. Schlattman, Stevens; John McGovern, Swift; J. E. Dodds, Traverse; C. M. Wray, Wilkin.

On Resolutions—B. Hanson, Becker; Dr. R. Patterson, Clay; Joseph Penner, Douglas; J. Sackett, Grant; Victor E. Lawson, Kandiyohi; W. R. Ball, Kittson; R. Glavin, Marshall; B. M. Chesley, Norman; A. C. Hatch, Otter Tail; P. M. Ringdahl, Polk; L. B. Cantleberry, Pope; Fred Bjorge, Roseau; R. J. Hall, Stevens; D. P. Carney, Swift; G. A. Westphal, Traverse; Robert Glover, Wilkin.

The committees retired and the candidates were called on for speeches. Mr. Boen took the floor first and made a red-hot speech.

Mr. Lommen excused himself from speaking because he had a very bad cold.

Geo. N. Lamphere of Moorhead spoke next.

Dr. Christian Johnson, of Willmar, was called for. He thought the call for speakers from among the candidates did injustice to Mr. Lommen who could not speak. He hoped the convention would give Mr. Lommen his just dues. It was victory the convention was assembled for, and the man best calculated to bring it was the right man to nominate. The heel of monopoly was heavy, and this convention was to nominate a man who would help relieve these burdens. The farmers do not get a just share of attention from the government. Congress says: "We can't help you." The farmers look at the east and are met with the statement by the coal men, the iron men, the capitalists, that they aren't doing very well either; and congress listens to that complaint and passes another law to aid them, but the farmers of the west get no such attention. We investigate and find the abrogation of the bi-metallic system is responsible, for much of the trouble that has come upon us.

We are asked: "How will free silver help you?" Some people think the United States is going to buy gold and silver, coin it and give it to the people. Some of the republicans still think this would happen. Under the old system we could coin either gold or silver freely at the mints if we had it; and if we had products we could trade them for the bullion, wherever we could find the gold and silver—either in Asia, Africa or Europe. In 1873 the government stopped coining silver. The effect was that we could no longer trade with the man who had silver, but had to cut our market in two. Now,

all great constitutional lawyers will tell you and have repeatedly told the country this change is not constitutional; that congress has no power to change the law of coinage. By that unconstitutional act the government has cut in two the value of products. We ask the government to go back and put us where we were before—nothing new or strange; only for our rights under the constitution. But the republican party says we cannot right this wrong unless England gives us permission. The declaration of independence was formed suppose Jefferson and Adams had said, "Hold. Let us see if we can get the permission of Great Britain for this departure." We who have come from foreign countries would be still toiling for tyrants. This country is the last battle-field for humanity. The old world is kept down by a standing army. The fight must be fought here. Yet the republicans tell us that we must wait for those other countries, whose people have no right to speak or think for themselves. No; we must run our own business. They call us anarchists. That is the last answer of a small boy who turns and howls a foul name at the one who whips him. I believe you will do the right thing to-day and thus we shall do what we can toward that universal liberty toward which we all look with hope.

Dr. Johnson's address while evidently without preparation was not only full of sturdy eloquence but contained enough strong argument and vigorous defence of the cherished principles of populism to bring out the heartiest applause of the day at frequent intervals.

H. W. Barker of Elbow Lake, delivered a carefully prepared and magniloquent speech which failed to catch the convention as Dr. Johnson's off-hand but eloquent common sense had done.

Load calls for "Daly" finally brought our own M. J. to the platform, though he said he was not in order, not being a candidate. He spoke briefly, extending a welcome to the delegates in behalf of Otter Tail and Fergus Falls.

George Ketcham of Herman came next, and he kept the hall in a roar for ten minutes by a fire of witticisms and shrewd hits that tickled everybody. Mr. Ketcham is a quizzical looking man with a rugged, clean shaven face and bald head which he referred to very humorously during his remarks.

The committee on credentials made its report, showing 218 delegates present. The report was adopted.

R. J. Hall of Stevens and ex-State Senator R. M. Probstfield of Moorhead were called for and spoke briefly, both making excellent points in their remarks.

The committee on platform and resolutions reported. The platform in effect was as follows: It declares the present financial policy wrong, demanded its reversal; pledged the party to free coinage of silver and gold; favored abolition of national banking system, and the use of a safe currency suitable for the needs of the people; endorsed the Monroe doctrine as applicable to the monetary system; declared against all monopolies; favored the referendum direct to the people of all public questions; and endorsed all acts showing gratitude to the old soldiers of the rebellion.

The platform was adopted. The committee also reported certain resolutions, the gist of which was as follows:

1. To unify the reform forces of the United States, and instructing the delegates to the national convention to work to that end, if possible.

2. In favor of liberating the people at home from all tyranny and oppression before trying to right the wrongs of other countries.

3. In favor of free homesteads on the Red Lake reservation and other lands that may hereafter be opened for settlement.

The next business was the nomination of candidates. P. M. Ringdahl of Polk, in a speech which reviewed carefully his candidate's record in the past, placed in nomination E. E. Lommen of Crookston. N. T. Moen

of Norman county seconded Mr. Lommen's nomination.

C. A. Nye of Moorhead appeared to present Geo. M. Lamphere of Clay, which he did in an energetic and dexterous manner. E. J. Moore of Becker seconded the nomination.

F. G. Smith of Stevens county nominated R. J. Hall of that county. Big Stone seconded the nomination. G. A. Westphal of Traverse also seconded Hall's nomination.

P. H. Frye of Kandiyohi nominated Dr. Christian Johnson in a homespun sort of speech that was nevertheless effective. F. E. Davidson of Swift seconded Dr. Johnson's nomination.

M. J. Daly nominated H. E. Boen in a speech of true eloquence, in which he conceded the truth of all the good things that had been said of the other candidates, but took the grounds that it was poor politics to swap horses in the middle of a stream, and urged Mr. Boen as the logical candidate.

Grant county presented H. W. Barker of Elbow Lake.

P. M. Larson of Douglas county nominated H. G. Lewis of that county. Pope county seconded the nomination.

Marshall county seconded Mr. Lommen's nomination.

An informal ballot was taken, resulting as follows:

Lommen	74
Boen	40
Johnson	29
Lamphere	23
Lewis	21
Hall	21
Barker	8
Probstfield	2

A formal ballot was taken, resulting nearly the same as above. Becker and Clay voted for Lamphere, Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Polk for Lommen, Otter Tail and Roseau for Boen, Kandiyohi and Swift for Johnson, Grant for Barker, Douglas and Pope for Lewis, Big Stone, Stevens and Traverse for Hall, and Wilkin divided its vote.

Balloting proceeded rapidly, Lommen and Dr. Johnson gaining steadily. Boen's strength melted away on every ballot. The following table shows the course of the voting.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Lommen	74	70	67	64	61	58	55	52	49	46	43	40	37	34	31	28	25	22	19	16
Boen	40	37	34	31	28	25	22	19	16	13	10	7	4	1						
Johnson	29	26	23	20	17	14	11	8	5	2										
Lamphere	23	20	17	14	11	8	5	2												
Lewis	21	18	15	12	9	6	3													
Hall	21	18	15	12	9	6	3													
Barker	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1												
Probstfield	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1												

Clay made the break for Lommen which nominated him on the eight ballot. The northern counties stood by him steadily. Otter Tail on the last ballot threw 26 of its 34 votes to Johnson, toward whom it had been steadily tending.

The eight ballot, giving Lommen 126 and Dr. Johnson 87 votes settled it, and a shout went up that almost raised the roof. Mr. Boen moved to make the nomination of Lommen unanimous and it carried with a whoop. Mr. Lommen was escorted to the platform and returned thanks briefly, but his unfortunate cold prevented him from saying more than a few sentences. All the defeated candidates in turn took the stand and pledged themselves to support the nominee and work for the ticket, and the heartiness and cordiality with which this was done might have been taken as a good lesson by the old parties.

The delegates to the national convention were selected without friction as follows:

H. E. Boen, Otter Tail.
R. J. Hall, Stevens.
C. A. Nye, Clay.
Judge Ives, Polk.
Dr. Christian Johnson, Kandiyohi.
S. H. Schjolberg, Big Stone.
H. L. Shirley, Wilkin.
G. N. Lamphere, Clay.
B. F. Partridge, Otter Tail.
P. J. Wrangleberg, Douglas.
D. O. Westman, Traverse.

The convention named a congressional committee as follows, and adjourned:

E. P. Skaiem, Becker; M. C. Barrie, Clay; D. P. O'Neil, Big Stone; P. M. Larson, Douglas; Ole Johnson, Grant; Nels Quam, Kandiyohi; P. M. Hendricks, Kittson; R. Glavin, Marshall; B. M. Chesley, Norman; M. J. Daly, Otter Tail; Martin O'Brien, Polk; H. A. Adams, Pope; A. Waag, Roseau; L. J. Schlattman, Stevens; F. P. Olney, Swift; J. E. Dodds, Traverse; Robert Glover, Wilkin.

The committee met afterwards and elected Martin O'Brien, chairman; M. J. Daly Secretary.

Swan Has His Say.

Editor Tribune.

The nomination of candidate for congress at Fergus Falls did not turn out favorably to this end of the district as we had our hearts set on having Dr. Johnson nominated, and in this respect it was a great disappointment to us. This year we have to conduct a vigorous educational campaign and the Doctor, without a doubt, was the best fitted man for that purpose.

We will not however skulk in our tents, but will pull of our coats and do our share of redeeming this district. I think I voice the sentiments of Kandiyohi Co. populists in saying that Candidate Lommen has our good will and will rally to his support unanimously.

There is a movement on foot in Minneapolis to groom Ames for governor on the populist ticket—I am not aware how wide spread that sentiment is, but there is one thing sure, Dr. Ames will not be nominated for governor next 26th of August by the populists. I think the majority of the populists in this state favor the nomination of John Lind. He is the only available man at the present time that can unify the different reform forces and carry the campaign to a successful culmination.

SWAN NELSON.

The silver convention at Minneapolis recommended John Lind for governor. There is no doubt that both the Democrats and populists will accept John Lind as their nominee for governor. Public sentiment of all free silverites has by a sort of spontaneous impulse united John Lind as the man for governor. There is some opposition to him among certain populists but nine out of ten of the party are for him and he will be nominated with a whoop. The people have taken hold of the reins of conventions this year, and no plotting against public sentiment will be of any avail.

From New London Times.

PUBLISHED SATURDAY.

Sheriff Odell was up on official business Wednesday.

Mrs. M. F. Lundquist called at Willmar yesterday.

Fred Clough closed his term of school at Norway Lake last week.

Our pedagogues are at Willmar attending the training school.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Krause visited at Willmar Thursday and Friday.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Lundin, of Lake Andrew, last week.

New London can now boast of a band again. The boys are making rapid progress.

The wheat crops promises to be good at some places but quite poor in other localities.

Anthony Anderson who has been assisting Mr. Fink at surveying in Willmar returned home yesterday.

Dr. Hoftee is well acquainted with Mr. Lommen the Populist candidate for congress from this district and pronounces him a good clean reputable man. He will not however be such a strong campaign worker as Dr. Johnson would have been.

New Londonites are honored. They must be good parliamentarians. Nels Quam was elected chairman of the Populist District convention at Fergus Falls, Wednesday; two years ago Dr. Johnson was chairman of the convention and W. J. Pinney the chairman of the Republican convention.

Rev. Handside and his young bride were given an ovation at the Hawick depot Monday by a large number of the good Roseville people. Amid the noise of tin pans, cowbells, etc., they were covered with showers of rice, as they stepped on the train for Minneapolis, a token of the many well wishes for their future prosperity.

The funeral was held on Wednesday July 15th.—Litchfield Independent.

A Sabbath School Institute will be held at Green Lake, Spicer, beginning July 31st, and continuing over the following Sabbath. A cordial invitation is extended to all Sabbath School workers to be present. Prominent workers from Minneapolis and elsewhere have been secured to take part in the program. Beautiful camping grounds will be provided free to all those wishing to bring tents and combine pleasure with the privileges of the convention. Board and hotel accommodations at reasonable rates.

THOMAS SCOTTON, Presbyterian S. S. Missionary.

The gun club met last Wednesday evening, and the shoot resulted as follows:

Gold medal

R-H. Otterness 19 out of 25
D. N. Tallman 18 " " "
B. F. Miller 17 " " "
J. C. Freese 17 " " "
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C. C. Silvig 16 " " "
F. W. Minton 16 " " "
H. Craswell 15 " " "
W. See 15 " " "
Sam Osmundson 14 " " "
W. H. McCue 14 " " "

We were unable to give a correct report of the distribution of prizes offered at the gun club tournament held the fourth, which was thus: D. N. Tallman, of Willmar, secured first best average prize; C. M. Ahlstrom, of Grove City, 2nd best; N. P. Nelson, of Grove City, 3rd best; Robt Otterness, of Willmar, 4th best. Our crack shots that have been banging away so long didn't seem to be on deck with their skill.—Litchfield News Ledger.

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DR. NIVEN,

Will be in Atwater at the American House, July 25-26 and 27.

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Ed. Sanbo, the former proprietor of the Willmar Restaurant, is making this burgh a visit.

Sven Newslets.

(Intended for last week.)

Farmers are now busy sowing. The weather is favorable for such work.

The 4th of July picnic at this place was a success, although the program in the forenoon was frequently dis-

turbed by base-ball players whose "yells and screeches" exactly resembled the sounds of a pack of the wildest and most ferocious animals. It was simply outrageous.

The receipts from the auction reached up to \$99.86, while the receipts from the stand and dinner were about \$60. Considering the many attractions around us, a lot of people gathered with us and partook in the festivities.

Rev. and Mrs. J. O. Lundberg attended the wedding of Rev. A. F. Nelson at Willmar last Thursday.

Mr. Nels Stromberg and Mary Carlson were quietly, very quietly, wedded last Wednesday by Rev. J. O. Lundberg. None but the parents of the contracting parties were present.

Rev. J. G. Callberg from Hector and his family are visiting relatives and friends.

Sunday school commenced last Sunday July 5th.

Mr. Albert Hegstrom from this place will teach 5 weeks parochial at Willmar this summer.

The growing grain looks splendid in this locality, although it is more or less affected with rust. Still we are dependent because we can not tell what may turn up to spoil it before the grain is harvested. A hard windstorm, hail or a cyclone may do its damage without a moments warning. We can not ward it off one night. Simply stand as lookers-on and take what is sent. Yes indeed we are dependent on a higher authority for help and what we need for our daily bread. Are we as a people worthy of all the blessings showered upon us? It is a question that will bear all the pondering and thinking that we are masters of? We have not, as many other states and counties, been visited by these terrible awe-inspiring and demoralizing cyclones. We have something to be thankful for. Would that we could appreciate what we have as we ought. We are ungrateful beings to our Almighty Maker and Protector. Who knows but we may be visited next by some calamity. Let us wake up!

Mrs. L. A. Freeberg and Mrs. A. N. Nelson made a trip to Tripolis last Friday.

Miss Mary and Edna Olson of Tripolis are to make a short stay with their sisters, Mrs. O. Lundgren and Mrs. A. N. Nilson.

Last Monday afternoon there occurred at Long Lake, near Eden Valley the accidental drowning of Macy Hardy the fifteen-year-old son of Thomas Hardy of Eden Valley. Accompanied by three Doran brothers young Hardy was taking a swim in the lake. The party had two boats and were about 20 rods from shore in about 18 feet of water. The boy was unable to swim, and was in the water holding to one of the boats. In some way he lost his hold and sank. He was not noticed until he was sinking for the last time, and there seems to be an idea that he did not rise at all. As soon as possible the alarm was given and the work of attempting to recover the body was begun. It was not until the next day, about 24 hours after the accident that the body was brought to the surface. Attempts were made to raise the body by exploding dynamite, but this was ineffectual, and the task was finally accomplished by means of hooks.

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LOST—A gray coat, between Henderson's place in Green Lake and Peter Nordstedt's, New London. Finder please leave same at the post office at Spicer.

ALBERT ANDERSON.

Please read that letter of John Lind found on the inside. It is a gem. In fact we believe that letter is the best thing we have yet seen on the present money situation. Hand the TRIBUTE to your neighbor and have him read this.

Leo Haneys, the jolly Veterinary Surgeon of Swift County, made this city a visit last Wednesday. He has a large practice which also extends into this county.

A picnic will be held at Green Lake by the A. O. U. W. and Degree of Honor July 21st.

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