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OBSERVATIONS

(By the Cornfield Philosopher)

Fun at Republican Convention

Editor Tribune:
I had no end of fun at the recent Republican State Convention in St. Paul interviewing delegates and getting their opinion of political conditions in this state in general. I could not get a single delegate to approve the idea that the convention should endorse the seating of the unrepentable Newberry. The repeal of the excess profits tax on war profiteers, or the infamous Cummins-Esch railroad law, in specific terms. The boys thought that if not mentioned the voters would forget them before election day. In vain I told them that the opposition would talk of nothing else.

LEGION'S ATTITUDE TOWARD LABOR

Tribune Requested to Publish Interesting Article on Above Subject

The following article was written by Gen. L. Berry, national vice-commander of the American Legion and President of the International Printing Pressmen and Assistants Union of North America:

It is because of the permanency, the stability and the potential importance of The American Legion as an American institution, and like-wise because of the far-reaching economic and humanitarian advantages accruing to the workers of the country thru the instrumentality of the American Federation of Labor, that certain interests and individuals have undertaken the enforcement of a program calculated to estrange these two organizations and to attack both of them.

By an analysis of the legislative program of The American Legion and the American Federation of Labor it will be observed that there is little, if any, difference in the aspirations of these two organizations from that point of view. That this is true is best evidenced by the fact that the legislative committees of the two organizations have been and are now working in harmony at Washington in the interest of educational and Americanization measures.

Following the establishment of The American Legion there were persons of un-American tendencies, and others misinformed, heard to say that Wall Street was sponsoring and financing the Legion and that its conduct in industrial controversies would be one of partisanship towards the employers. As one associated with the Legion from its inception and preliminary meetings in Paris in 1919, and during all this period an active official of an international trade union, the declaration that the financial interests of the country were backing the Legion was given no consideration by me because of the utter fallacy of any such declaration.

It has taken time, however, to prove the ridiculousness of the claim, it being best exemplified by the national unity of the best banking interests and the Chamber of Commerce against The American Legion's adjusted compensation legislation. It should be said here that the real opponents of The American Legion in this great and meritorious issue have been the Chamber of Commerce and the banking interests of America, and that the strongest force of co-operation with The American Legion in pressing the final adoption of its compensation measures has been the uncompromising support of the American Federation of Labor.

Thus time has proved the utter posterousness of the claim that outside interests and particularly the moneyed interests of America controlled the destinies and the aspirations of The American Legion. The fact is that no outside influence, without regard to class, creed or influence, runs The American Legion. It is a militant, fighting, virile, independent, non-partisan organization, run from within and resisting meddling influences from without.

The American Legion, in addition to its efforts to maintain the contact of comradeship that grew out of the world conflict, has adopted a program of Americanization, that proposes an unceasing campaign to eliminate from our republic every evidence of illiteracy and to co-operate with every educational, religious, economic and public spirited organization that is willing to make this great fight in the interest of intellectuality.

In addition, The American Legion has said that it proposes to press home to every man, woman and child, the principle of Americanism to perpetuate the traditions of our republic, and to build up a spirit of loyalty and love for the ideals which the republic has stood for and fought for at home and abroad. This is in brief the policy and purpose of the American Legion and it is actuated by no other ambition.

It is obviously true that there is a line of demarcation between international unions and The American Legion in that the former concentrates largely in economic developments. The American Legion is not an economic organization but purely a fraternal and legislative organization with its objectives the things that have already been referred to. However, so far as the economic struggles of international labor unions are concerned, The American Legion has very properly determined that it shall not and will not inject itself into controversies arising from economic disputes between employer and employe organizations. That this position is the correct one is borne out by the fact that The American Legion is made up of men from all walks of life—union men, men unaffiliated with unions, professional men, business men and statesmen, and hence, of course, it would be highly improper for the Legion to take a position of partisanship in industrial controversies.

It is the height of sophistry to attack The American Legion because some member of the Legion may engage himself in industrial controversies, whether his act is partisan to the trades union movement or partisan to the organizations of the employers antagonistic to organized labor. No organization is free from imperfection. There are members of the Chamber of Commerce who have denounced the policies of this organization and have withdrawn from it. This does not mean that the act of such a member of the Chamber of Commerce represents the sentiment and the policy of the organization. By the same token there are instances where members affiliated with international labor unions have withdrawn from their organization and joined forces with the employer in defeating the efforts of the union in which they formerly held membership. This does not mean that the union is responsible for such an act.

There is no good reason for the existence of any other than the most cordial, friendly relationship between The American Legion and the American Federation of Labor and any effort to engender antagonism between them will fail because of its lack of merit and reason.

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BILL PASSED WITHOUT OPPOSITION

Sunburg, Minn., April 17, 1922.

Willmar Tribune.
Dear Editor: There appears in the first column of the last issue of the "Minnesota Leader" the following: "The rural credits amendment, if passed and properly carried out, will give our farmers long time loans at cost. It was forced through the legislature by the Non-Partisan leaguers." Because I happened to have some to do with this amendment, permit me just to comment a little on the above for the sake of giving some information. The first sentence is correct, but the latter one is not. The true history of the thing is this: The measure in question providing for the so-called rural credits amendment, to our constitution to be voted on next fall was introduced in the House by Rep. Theo. Christanson on Jan. 6th, 1921, as House File No. 34 which is noted on page 38 of the house journal. A companion measure was introduced in the senate on Jan. 21st by Senators Ganderud, Hopp, Hall and McGarry as Senate File No. 218. See senate journal page 113. It passed the House on Feb. 8th without a dissenting vote, house journal pages 324 and 325. It passed the senate on March 15th without a dissenting vote. See senate journal page 600. There was absolutely no opposition to the measure in either branch of the legislature. Such a thing as "forcing it through" by anybody in particular did not exist. Yours truly,
P. A. GANDRUD.

WILL USE SHOTGUN

Oscar Ness, who resides southwest of town is quite provoked and rightly so. Some thief entered the premises between Saturday night and Monday and carried away four small pigs of this year's crop. He threatens to use the shotgun on anyone caught pilfering after this warning. This is not the first time that his premises have been raided. On one occasion someone stole 20 gallons of gasoline, and at another time some feed was taken from the farm. The repeated thefts are becoming quite annoying, he thinks.—Litchfield Saturday Review.

Cause for Alarm.

Briggs—So you didn't hear the burglar until he was leaving the house. Were you alarmed?
Griggs—I should say so. I thought it the cook sneaking out on us.

OBITUARY OF THE LATE ANDREAS PALMESON Norway Lake Resident Dated Life Here Back to 1872

Andreas Palmeson of the Town of Norway Lake died from influenza on April 4th, after a few days illness, at the age of 86 years, 5 months and 23 days. Mr. Palmeson was born in Sier, Norway, on Oct. 6th, 1836. In 1863 he was married to Aagot Ostenson from Tin, Tellemarken, Norway. To this union was born three children, Gina, Peter and Anton. In 1867 his wife died and he was left alone with the three small children. In 1870 Mr. Palmeson left his native land and immigrated to America; in these days there was only sail boats, and it took his boat sixteen weeks to cross the Atlantic. He went to Decorah, Iowa, on his arrival to America and stayed with his brother-in-law, Mr. Halvor Austenson for two years. He was then married to Kari Austenson, and in the spring of 1872 he came to Kandiyohi County and located on a homestead in Norway Lake township where he resided until his death. In 1898 his wife passed away. In 1900 he was married to Miss Randy Botten. In 1909 he was left alone again by the death of his wife. He then sold his farm to his son Peter.

Mr. Palmeson held many positions; was postmaster at Holm P. O. (now discontinued); was treasurer in the Town of Norway Lake several terms and school treasurer in District No. 72 for a number of years. He helped to organize the Sunburg Lutheran congregation in 1874, where he was a member until his death. He was laid to rest at the Sunburg Lutheran cemetery on April 7th. Rev. B. S. J. Sund preached a strong and eloquent funeral sermon.

Those early sturdy pioneers are rapidly thinning out in this locality, and in a few years there will be none left. Blessed be the memory of our old pioneers.

HOME TALENT PLAY

A home talent play and basket social will be given at the schoolhouse in Dist. 87, a mile and a half southeast of Roseland on Saturday evening, April 22. Program will begin at eight o'clock. Everybody is cordially invited. Mrs. Henry G. Seehusen, teacher. 15-2

Supt. J. P. Jensen who has had charge of the schools in Dassel for the past seven years, presented his resignation before the board of education on Tuesday evening of last week. The resignation was accepted.

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