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DISTRICT LUTHER LEAGUE MEETING

Delegates Will Meet at Penneck in Annual Convention Saturday and Sunday

The tenth annual convention of the Willmar District Luther League will be held Saturday and Sunday at Penneck. Delegates from the various congregations and pastors will attend the business session on Saturday afternoon. Friends and members of the congregation are invited to the programs which will be held Saturday evening and all day Sunday.

On Saturday afternoon the business session will be opened at 3 o'clock. A program will be given in the evening at eight o'clock. Speeches will be delivered by Rev. A. F. Almer of New London and Student Gilbert Bengtson of Lake Lillian.

On Sunday morning at ten o'clock there will be high mass and Holy Communion. These rites will be conducted by the Revs. M. LeVander of Atwater, A. F. Almer and A. F. Sestrand. A sermon will be delivered by Rev. G. Rast of Litchfield.

In the afternoon another program will be given at 2:30 o'clock. Among the numbers is a talk by Prof. Harry Wahlstrand of Willmar. Another speaker may be added to the program if one can be secured.

The evening meeting begins at 8 o'clock. All the programs contain in addition to the speeches musical numbers and readings. This convention is expected to attract excellent audiences at all meetings.

BROKE LEFT LEG

Little Lawrence Klingenberg Suffers Fracture of Limb at Home Friday Morning

While playing with a group of children little Lawrence Klingenberg, age three, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Klingenberg, accidentally ran against a table in one of the rooms of the home, fell down on the floor and suffered a severe fracture of the left leg near the hip. Mrs. Klingenberg, at work upstairs, called to the children not to run about in the room as they might fall down. She had scarcely given this advice when she heard the child fall and cry with pain.

Mr. Klingenberg was summoned home and perceived that the injury was indeed a fracture. The child is now in the Willmar Hospital where he will be confined for a period of five or six weeks.

NEXT BAND CONCERT THURSDAY (TOMORROW)

The following program will be given by the Willmar Municipal band this Thursday (Aug. 24) evening, at the courthouse yard park:

March, Royal Decree, W. P. English. Selection, The Red Mill, Victor Herbert.

Waltz, Swanee River Moon, H. Clark Overture, Deboutante, F. A. Myers. March, Washington Greys, C. S. Grafulla.

Selection, Water Lilies, F. J. St. Clair.

Overture, Faust, A. L. Hayer. Fox Trot, Stumbling, Zez Confrey. March, Transcontinental, J. S. Taylor.

FORD TOURING CAR STOLEN FROM HUTCHINSON PARTY

A 1917 model Ford touring car was stolen from Christ Jepsen of Hutchinson last Thursday evening between Third and Fourth Street West on Becker avenue. He left the car there at seven o'clock and when he returned at nine o'clock the car had been taken. Mr. Jepsen is employed at the County Ditch No. 47, west of the city. The car was bearing license No. 57-680.

CATCH BIG PIKE

The boys are hauling in some lengthy fish at Eagle Lake these days. Either they come fresh out of the water suspended on a hook or the waves wash them into shore. One long chap measuring some 29 inches was found on shore recently with a hook in his mouth. The Enderbes and Elmer Berquist are advertising well the fact that they caught a pike weighing some seven pounds. Friday morning "Bob" Johnson succeeded in landing in the boat a pike fully 28 inches in length and tipping the scales at 7 pounds.

CLOSED BUSINESS

Mike Kavanaugh closed his business last week in the Jorgenson building on Fifth Street. Mr. Kavanaugh conducted a repair and sales shop for the past two years. He is now selling his stock of tires and repair equipment. He is undecided as to his future choice of occupation.

FATALLY BURNED WHILE PLAYING WITH MATCHES

Little Winifred La Due Meets Death 12 Hours after Playing With Matches

Last Monday afternoon occurred the funeral of little Winifred La Due, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Nelson La Due at Hill City. The little child had secured matches and was playing with the same in the yard when she lighted one of them which set her dress on fire. She was badly burned and died twelve hours later from the wounds. Winifred was two years, 3 months and 20 days old.

Little Winifred La Due died on Friday and the remains were shipped to this city for burial. She was the youngest child of the family and besides her parents there are two sisters and one brother to mourn her death. Her mother was formerly Nellie Rasmussen, daughter of Peter Rasmussen of this city.

The funeral took place last Monday afternoon from the Lutheran Free church. Rev. E. E. Gnyild officiated. The interment occurred at the Fairview cemetery.

TWO COUNTY BOYS TO STATE FAIR

Clarence Melbye and Edward Peterson Will Enjoy Entire State Fair Free

Free round trip to Minneapolis, admission to grounds and all features of the fair, board and lodging will be given to Clarence Melbye and Edward Peterson of the county at the 1922 State Fair Sept. 2 to 9.

These two boys won honors in the pig club work at the County Fair last year and therefore have earned the award as mentioned above. Clarence is the son of N. L. Melbye of Atwater Route 6, and Edward the son of R. J. Peterson of Atwater, Route 3.

The two boys will be in the big camp of pig club workers who are being entertained as guests by the state fair. There will be two boys from each county of the state and they will be assembled in one big camp. Every boy will have his railroad fare to Minneapolis and back to their home city paid. Arriving at the Fair they will enter the camp which will be in charge of directors. Meals and sleeping quarters are provided with no expense of any kind. The boys will see everything in the Fair and will be taken on tours by the directors.

The only work required of them will be ushering in the grandstand during the programs. The boys will leave so as to be on hand to the opening day.

NATIONAL GUARD FIGHTING FIRES

Co. E Received Hurry Call to Duluth To Give Assistance to Forest Fire Fighters

Co. E of this city was ordered from their training camp at Lake City to fight the forest fires on Friday of last week. Capt. Henry G. Young received orders to move to Duluth at 6 P. M. with the company. They were ready to leave Lake City at 8:16 P. M. with the Worthington Company of the National Guard. They are now stationed at the army in Duluth.

Lieut. Russell Curran, Sgt. Nelson and Cpl. Brogren together with nineteen men left Duluth for Kelsey. Sgt. Harris, Cpl. Norling and Privates Clarence Benson and Roy Paulson remained at Lake City.

Before they received the orders to move it was intended that they should return to Willmar on No. 9 next Saturday evening. No word has been received from the boys whether they will return to this city next Saturday.

PARCEL SHOWER

Mrs. Emil C. Lundquist entertained at a shower Friday night in honor of Miss Ruth E. Carlson, a bride of the future. She was ably assisted by Miss Mabel Lundquist and Mrs. Paul Peterson. The rooms were all decorated in yellow and white streamers and wild flowers. Various games were played during the evening after which a delicious luncheon was served at a late hour. Miss Carlson received many gifts.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

An ice cream social will be given at the E. S. Barker home on Thursday evening, August 24th, for the benefit of the Bethesda Orphans Home. The Willmar Band will render a program.

MILITARY BURIAL ACCORDED SLETTEN

Remains of the Late Ingvald J. Sletten Laid to Rest at Solomon Lake

Full military honors were accorded the remains of the late Ingvald J. Sletten at Solomon Lake church and cemetery yesterday afternoon. The flag bedecked casket was borne by former comrades in arms and members of the Austin F. Hanscom Post of the American Legion. At the grave a firing squad fired three volleys over the grave at the conclusion of which two bugle calls were sounded.

Ingvald J. Sletten passed away on Thursday August 17th, at the St. Thomas Hospital at Minneapolis. Here he passed away the last two months of strife against the insidious disease, tuberculosis. With this malady he had been ill some four months.



The Late Ingvald Sletten

Ingvald J. Sletten was born on Jan. 22, 1891, in the city of Willmar. He spent the days of youth on the farm at Solomon Lake in Mamre township. He entered into the carpenter work to a large extent.

When the world war broke out he enlisted on August 14, 1918, at Bowbells, N. D. He was transferred to Fargo and attended the North Dakota Agricultural College from August 15, 1918, to November 4, 1918. He was a member of a motor transport Co. stationed at El Paso, Texas. From there he was transferred to Morfa, Texas, where he remained until he was discharged.

He is survived by his sorrowing parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Sletten and the following sisters and brothers: P. O. Sletten of Noburn, N. D.; Mrs. W. H. Halvorson, Mrs. Geo. F. Pofel, Mrs. J. H. Solmanson of Willmar; Norah, Marvin and Clarence at the home. Other relatives are J. P. Sletten of Willmar, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Rykken, of Danvers, Mr. and Mrs. J. Rykken and family of Willmar P. O. Sletten, brother of the departed, was unable to be present.

The funeral as stated was held yesterday at the Solomon Lake church. Rev. Arnt Vaaler of the congregation officiated. Special musical numbers were rendered as follows: "Angels of Jesus" Birdie Rykken at the home; "Den Store Hvide Flok" by Ingvald Rykken and "Face to Face" by Olga Elkjer.

Interment was made in the church cemetery. The pall bearers were Edward, Olaf, Hjalmar Hoglund, Elroy Peterson, Ingvald Rykken, Ole Carlson and John Tiegeland, who are all ex-servicemen.

The flowers were profuse and beautiful showing the high regard in which the young man was held.

You are gone but not forgotten. Your memory will e'er be sweet. We'll remember your last few words. That some day again we'll meet. Our last goodbye was greeted with a smile. Which lit upon your face. But now you are going higher. Where God has prepared a place. Norah Sletten.

LUTHER LEAGUE PICNIC

The Vinje Luther League will hold a Weiner and marshmallow roast at Diamond Lake Friday evening of this week. The outing will be held at Schoolhouse 27 on the West shore of the lake in the evening. Members of the League should meet at the church at six o'clock when cars will leave to carry them to the lake. Elders and members of the congregation are urged to attend the outing.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

An ice cream social will be given at the E. S. Barker home six miles southwest of town on Thursday evening. The proceeds will go toward the Orphans Home.

WON CUP AT ALEXANDRIA Willmar Men Lose in Championship Flight but Tallman Wins Consolation Contest

Messrs. D. N. Tallman and Oscar Oman and Mrs. D. N. Tallman, daughter Esther and Miss Eleanor Lightner, former open golf state champion, and who is visiting the Tallmans, participated in a tournament at Alexandria last Friday and Saturday.

In the ladies contest Miss Lightner won the cup and Miss Tallman finished third.

Seven flights of eight men each began on Friday, a tournament in which all amateurs were permitted to play. Tallman and Oman qualified for the championship flight. Tallman however lost to Harry Legg, ten times state champion, while Oman failed to keep time with Runcie Martin.

In the consolation match however Tallman came out first and secured a beautiful loving cup as the award. Fifteen of the players were from Minneapolis and some from Omaha.

FIVE FAMILIES LEAVING FOR THE TWIN CITIES

Emil Carlson, Marius Johnson, Dr. Forsell, Mrs. Sandin and Mrs. Rodlun Leaving City

Five families of this city are leaving for the twin cities to reside. Four of these families are going to Minneapolis and one to St. Paul. Emil Carlson and family left Monday morning for Minneapolis and will make their home at the Y. M. C. A. building, 9th and La Salle until Sept. 1st, when they will move to 693 13th ave. northeast. Marius Johnson and family also left Monday for Minneapolis and will live at 3716 14th ave South until spring when they will erect a residence. Mr. Johnson has rented his house here to D. K. Auman. Dr. G. D. Forsell and family will also leave in the near future and will reside at 1549 Breda St., St. Paul. Mrs. Cecelia Rodlun and son and daughter will move to Minneapolis and Mrs. Isabella Sandin and daughter Ruben will leave this week for the Mill City where they will reside on Portland avenue.

MINNEAPOLIS BOY ARRESTED

Came to Town Yesterday With a Stolen Truck and Confesses Theft

William Plinck and several other picketing shopmen on the highway approaching the roundhouse picked up a young man yesterday who was driving a truck, but who was out of gasoline and had no money with which to buy more. Their first impulse was to take up a collection to get some gas, but their suspicions were aroused by the boy offering to sell the car for \$75.

They called up Chief of Police Westgard. The latter came out and soon had a confession from the boy that he had stolen the truck from the Troy Laundries & Cleaners, Inc., of Minneapolis. Moreover the officer found the following note scribbled on the back of an old envelope which evidently the boy had intended to attach to the car if he had been obliged to abandon it on the road:

"To whom it may concern, this car has no gas and it belongs to the Troy laundry, so someone must return it. The car is stolen and I am going to end it all my name is George Wright."

The authorities at Minneapolis were notified and Officer Chas. Van Rickley came up today with a representative of the laundry. The officer had a warrant for the boy whose real name is Benjamin Van Kaplan and who has been an inmate at the state school at Fairbault, to which institution he is likely to be returned. The officer and prisoner took the bus back this evening and the laundry-man took back his car.

PRACTICE BEGINS

The Willmar High School football team will commence practicing this evening. Maynard Linn is the captain. The boys will spend most of the evenings from now on practicing for one of the strongest teams which has ever represented the local high school. Most of last year's men will be back and vacancies made by those not returning will be filled by excellent prospects.

DORCAS SOCIETY

The Dorcas Society will meet on August 30th in the afternoon in the basement of the Lutheran Free church. Mrs. A. Borgan will serve.

PIONEER CITIZEN SUDDENLY CALLED

E. A. Erickson Did Not Regain Consciousness After Fall in Stepping From Auto

E. A. Erickson, well known resident of the city of Willmar and formerly of Whitefield township met with a fatal accident, last Thursday evening. He was coming back home to town at 8:20 o'clock after assisting his son-in-law, Peter Anderson, with his threshing. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson were in the seat of the Ford truck, which Mr. Erickson drove. Mr. Erickson and Maurice Dahlheim were sitting behind with their feet over the end, the end-gate being lowered. At First and Minnesota, Mr. Anderson turned west to take his wife to the band concert, calling to his father-in-law to stay on as he would drive right back again. Mr. Erickson, however, stepped off, lost his balance, falling backwards

and sustaining the fatal blow. The truck was running at a low speed and this may have led Mr. Erickson to think that it was safe to step off in the way he did. He was taken to the hospital in an unconscious condition and never regained consciousness. He died at six o'clock the next evening, August 18th.

Erick A. Erickson was born at Skolose, Kristianstad's lan, Sweden, Jan. 20, 1854, thus attaining the age of 68 years, 6 months and 28 days. When Erick was fourteen years of age, the family moved to America, locating first at Vasa, Minn., in 1868. The father, Anders Erickson, prospected over the Western Minnesota prairie and located a homestead claim in Section 2, Whitefield township, to which the family moved the next year. The first year proved a sad one to the pioneers for two sons, brothers of Erick, one day in the fall ventured out on Lake Waugonga in a leaky boat and were both drowned.

Later Erick purchased the home farm. On Sept. 12, 1875, he was married to Miss Carrie Anderson. Six children were born to them, two of whom died in infancy. Those living to mourn their father are Edwin who now lives on the old homestead and Arthur and Hulda (Mrs. J. P. Johnson) all of Whitefield; and Edla (Mrs. Peter Anderson) of Willmar. There are 16 grandchildren, and one sister, Mrs. Hannah Peterson of St. Paul, and two brothers-at-law, Nels Simonson of Deerwood and Peter Anderson of Millaca.

Mr. Erickson took a prominent part in the public affairs of his community. He served Whitefield township as supervisor a number of terms, and was on the School Board of Dist. No. 57 at various times. With his folks he joined the Swedish Baptist church at Willmar in 1875, and thus may be reckoned as one of the charter members of this congregation, of which he has remained a faithful member for 47 years. In 1903 he retired from the farm and since then has lived at Willmar.

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FAREWELL PARTY GIVEN IN BEHALF OF 14 MEMBERS

Members of Baptist Church Gave Farewell Party for 14 People Saturday

A farewell party was held at the Baptist church last Saturday evening in honor of fourteen members who are leaving for the Twin Cities where they will reside. A large number were in attendance and several talks were enjoyed.

The members who are leaving are Dr. and Mrs. G. D. Forsell, and three children, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Carlson and four children, Mr. and Mrs. Marius Johnson and Mrs. Cecelia Rodlun.

The speakers for the occasion were Rev. E. A. Lagerstrom, D. T. Carlson, P. E. Parsons, and remarks were heard from Esther Johnson in behalf of the Philathea Class, Ruth Carlson for the Young Peoples Society, Mrs. Edward Hanson for the Ladies Aid. Responses were heard from Emil Carlson, Mrs. G. D. Forsell and Marius Johnson. Dr. Forsell and Mrs. Rodlun were unable to be present at the gathering.

BENEFIT GAME FOR SHOPMEN

Fifty Per Cent Will Go to Willmar Shopmen and Fifty to St. Paul Shopmen

The St. Paul All Star team representing the striking shopmen of St. Paul are slated for next Sunday afternoon at the local ball park to play the Willmar team. The combat is called for three o'clock. This is a benefit game and fifty per cent of the profits will go to the Willmar striking shopmen and fifty per cent to the St. Paul striking shopmen.

This, no doubt, will be an interesting game and a record breaking crowd will be in attendance. The visiting team is captained by Roy Glockner, a well known ball player. They will come in automobiles and the only expenses will be the trip. None of the St. Paul players will receive any pay for Sunday's battle.

Everyone of the local crafts are busy selling tickets this week and a large crowd is looked for next Sunday. Sunday, Sept. 3rd, and Monday, Labor Day, Sept. 4th, the fast team from Hutchinson will appear at the local ball park. They have a record of winning an even dozen games during the 1922 campaign. The leading pitcher for Hutchinson is Naegeli. They will come with the intention of taking one or both battles. Herbert E. Duc, who is remembered as playing first base for Willmar a couple of seasons ago, will hold down that position for the visitors.

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J. C. PENNY CO. TO OPEN SEPT. 2

R. E. Wyatt is Local Manager. Willmar Store is One of 371 in the Country

The Willmar branch of the J. C. Penny Company chain of merchandise stores throughout the country will open for business on September 2nd according to Mr. R. E. Wyatt, manager of the local house. The Willmar store is one of the 371 branch houses owned and operated by the J. C. Penny Company and is one of the four new stores opened by that large concern this year in the state of Minnesota. There are now seventeen Penny stores in this state. Stores this year were opened at Willmar, Fairbault, New Ulm and Winona.

Work is now going on in remodeling the quarters now vacated by the Fred J. Hallin Drug Store on Fifth Street. The quarters are part of the Ruble block. The store has a front of 25 ft and a depth of 90 feet. A brick front with nine feet deep display windows will give a very attractive appearance to the entrance side. The entrance will have an inclined floor. The firm will also have an entrance on Benson Avenue with a front of 20 feet. This wing of the main room has a depth of 50 feet. The total floor space will come to 3250 square feet.

The fixtures which are in their entirety new have come from Grand Rapids, Michigan. These will be installed at once. The construction work, etc., is being done by J. H. Ojaen & Company.

Mr. Wyatt has been in the city several months. The Penny company determined to locate in this city during the fore part of April and rented the Ruble quarters that month. Assisting Mr. Wyatt is Mr. B. C. McNiven. A competent force of help will be employed.

The local store stresses its advertising campaign. It has a matrix service for newspaper advertising which is received by the local manager weekly. Mr. Wyatt stated that the public will be kept informed thru newspaper advertising of the business of the store here.

The following are some of the facts regarding the J. C. Penny Company which may be of interest:

Twenty years ago the J. C. Penny Company opened a general store in Kemmerer, a small Wyoming town. In the first year of its existence it did a business of nearly \$28,000. This spring says the New York Times of July 22nd the J. C. Penny Company of which Mr. Penny is the founder and chairman of the Board of Directors, issued a single check for \$1,671,693.51 in payment for shoes it had bought and this check covered only a part of the company's purchases from a single manufacturing concern.

Last year the total business done by the company was \$46,042,000. Sales for 1922 may reach \$54,000,000.

The bulk of this buying by the Penny Company is done in New York City. Some \$20,000,000 in business will be placed this year.

The total shoe business which the company expects to make during the coming year is set at \$1,000,000.

4,000,000 yards of muslin and sheetings were sold last year, gingham 3,750,000 yards, 6000 miles of percales, 9,000,000 pairs of hosiery, 3,100,000 handkerchiefs, 1,400,000 pairs of socks and 4,000,000 spools of cotton thread, 100,000 men's belts, 1,000,000 caps and hats, 148,000 pairs of trousers, 1,845,000 men's and boys' shirts.

The company employs some 4,000 persons.

LADY JUSTICE OF SPICER FINED SPEEDER \$10.00

A. A. Buckley of Morton was brot before Justice Ida Dahlquist in the village of Spicer last Friday morning and pleaded guilty to the charge of driving an auto at excessive speed. He was fined \$10 and \$2 costs. The complaint was made by Sheriff Peter Bonde who arrested Buckley because he was driving an auto at the rate of 40 miles an hour within the village limits of Spicer.

WHEELS TORN OFF

A tourist experienced some trouble Sunday when near here he ran his Buick six against a bank on a sharp turn of the road. One of the front and one of the rear wheels were torn off completely.

TEA GAVE

Ten strikebreakers have laid down their tools at the local sawmills. One of the men was a Willmar work-er. Word has been received that at far west as Willmar the strike men are out 100% strong.