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S. WORKERS VOTE CONVENTION FINE

EARNESTNESS OF SPIRIT IS VERY EVIDENT AMONG S. S. SOLDIERS

NECESSITY SHOWN OF MAKING DEMOCRACY SAFE FOR THE WORLD

Minnesota's two Sunday School Conventions were held at Worthington and Bemidji from June 11 to 16. The first of these conventions was held at Worthington from June 11 to 13 where over one thousand delegates were in attendance. Every city, town and village and rural district in this county was represented there. Those in attendance from this city were: Mrs. F. H. Krook, Supt. Elementary Department of Brown Co.; J. H. Haenze, president of New Ulm district, and the Misses Glorine Dirks and Gladys Grussendorf, the chosen delegates.

Two Conventions This Year. Since 1859 an annual State Sunday School Convention has been held but in only one city each year during this period of sixty years. This year it was deemed advisable to hold two conventions in order that more of those interested in Sunday School work might take advantage of the excellent opportunities to hear the twelve S. S. experts and to meet with the great host of workers all interested in similar problems.

Much Practical Work. A well balanced program covering every phase of S. S. work was carried out. The general sessions gave much strength and inspiration and vision to plan and to fulfill. At the Schools of Methods held every afternoon in four different churches it was pointed out by experts how best to do the work. Abundant time was given to general conference work. The many problems and difficulties of a large number of faithful workers in the Sunday Schools of Southern Minnesota were discussed and solved for the benefit of all interested. Forty periods of instructions for pastors, superintendents and all Sunday School officers and teachers were held.

Large Audiences. Every evening the general sessions were held in Worthington's Chautauqua Auditorium on the shores of a large and beautiful lake just outside of the city limits. This place has become quite a famous summer resort. The auditorium has a seating capacity of 2,500 people and every seat was occupied thus indicating that these sessions were intensely interesting, entertaining and instructive.

War's Effects Noted. The jollification and banquet spirit which characterized these conventions heretofore was entirely absent at this convention, being replaced by one of reverent and earnest purpose in due consideration of the great sadness caused all over the entire world in numberless homes on account of the great world calamity in Europe.

A Great Organization. In order to dignify the great Sunday School movement in the eyes of the readers it is proper to quote Mr. Frank L. Brown of New York, Supt. of the largest and best organized Sunday School in America and Secretary of the World's Sunday School Association who was present and said in part: "The Sunday School is the biggest business in the world and the largest organization and movement whose principal aim is to introduce the world to Jesus Christ thus making the world better and happier and safe for all eternity. There are over 30,000,000 people who directly belong to this great movement and probably 100,000,000 who are relatives of these and therefore interested. This business is gaining 1,000,000 new customers every year." Mr. Brown who devotes his entire time to the Sunday School work training Sunday School, teachers and officers, has been the inspiration of hundreds of thousands of Sunday School workers, mostly laymen, in this country and to some extent, the world over as he has written a number of books on Sunday School work.

Brown Co. Stands High. Brown County has seventeen organized Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 1592, belonging to the Minnesota Sunday School Ass'n. Out of eighty-three counties in this state it ranks sixth in having attained the international Sunday School Standard.

H. Bendixen of Springfield, president of the Brown County Ass'n. was placed on the nominating committee at the Worthington convention justly recognizing Brown county as high in the attainments of the State Sunday School movement in Minnesota. Dr. G. F.

Reineke of our city is one of the State Board of Directors.

Making Democracy Safe

One of the themes discussed was: "Big armies are engaged in making the world safe for democracy, so the Sunday School army must be trained to make democracy safe for the world. When our boys return home from the trenches as victors and find the world a godless world their victories have partly been in vain. The Sunday School is an agency to make democracy safe for the world. The person is not an educated person who leaves religion out of his school curriculum. Ignorance is the enemy of democracy and individualism weakens democracy. We must act as a unit, in one solid mass, in order to win this war to make the world safe for democracy, likewise must all the people act as one unit to make democracy safe for the world."

"The greatest traitor is the man or woman who lifts his finger against our public school. Such should be interned. Keep commercialism, politics and religion out of our public schools, and we will find that people of all creeds will more largely patronize our public schools."

"Trained leadership, trained teachers is the imperative need in the Sunday Schools just as it is in the public schools and the commercial world. You cannot saw wood with a hammer nor can you train boys and girls in the Sunday School in right living by unskilled teachers. The life you live is the lesson you teach. It is better to put ten men to work than to do the work of ten men. We have a fourfold life: A social life, a mental life and a spiritual life. If any one of the four elements is lacking our life is not complete. Religious education of the whole people is vital in making democracy safe for the world."

Echo Meeting Later.

Plans are now being made to hold a so-called State Sunday School Echo Meeting in the near future in one of the church parlors in this city at which time those who were in attendance at the Worthington Sunday School Convention are to give reports and all Sunday School workers interested will be welcome. The date and place will be announced later.

BURNQUIST LEADS IN EARLY RETURNS

METROPOLITAN DISTRICTS GO STRONG FOR PRESENT EXECUTIVE

OTHER CANDIDATES ON SAME TICKET RUN BETTER THAN BURNQUIST

At 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon according to reports received from St. Paul, Burnquist was leading Lindbergh for governor by over 40,000 votes. According to tabulated returns from 1279 voting precincts Burnquist, had received 108,094 and Lindbergh 67,308 votes. There are still 1897 precincts to hear from, most of which are from the rural districts. Lindbergh is running well in the rural districts but it is hardly to be supposed that he will be able to overcome the lead which Burnquist had at 4:00 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Lead Will Diminish.

At Non-partisan League Headquarters those in charge were not willing to concede the nomination of Burnquist but admitted that it was going to be almost next to impossible to get enough votes in the rural districts to overcome Governor Burnquist's lead, although practically all the reports now coming in are in Lindbergh's favor and will eventually greatly reduce the majority of Governor Burnquist even if they should not overcome it.

Cities Go For Burnquist.

According to latest advices Ramsey County rolls up a majority of over 2000 for Burnquist and it is expected that Hennepin County will give him a majority of between 5000 and 10,000. Ralph E. Crane who has the endorsement of the Non-partisan League for Lieutenant Governor has developed considerable strength and it is barely possible that he may secure the nomination for this office.

Other Candidates Do Better.

All of the other Burnquist ticket candidates will be nominated by even larger majorities than the one Governor Burnquist will eventually have.

Election returns for the county so far as they are complete at time of printing will be found on page 3 of this issue.

Incomplete returns from the County give Lindbergh a majority of at least 1000. The Democratic race has almost become extinct in Brown County. Former Democratic strongholds failed to muster even a corporal's guard and

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NEXT CONTINGENT LEAVING TUESDAY

JUNE 25TH SET AS DATE FOR ENTRAINMENT OF BOYS FOR CAMP GRANT

NEW ULM FURNISHES NEARLY HALF OF ENTIRE FORCE WHO WILL GO

According to telegraphic communications received late last week the next draft contingent from Brown County will leave next Tuesday afternoon, June 25, for Camp Grant, Rockford, Illinois. Notices to those who are to go were sent out by the local board Monday. They are directed to report at the Armory not later than Tuesday 10:30 o'clock A. M. They will depart via the Chicago & Northwestern at 3:30 P. M. arriving at Mankato at 4:35 in the afternoon, leaving that city at 5:15 P. M. and arriving at Camp Grant near Rockford, Illinois Thursday morning at 7:15. The others who will go in the special train are 65 men from Lyon County, 60 from Lincoln, 122 from Blue Earth and 118 from Olmstead making a total of 447 men on this special train.

After this contingent is gone there will still be 89 men left in Class 1 for the next draft. The following are those who will have to report for induction into the service next Tuesday:

- Robert F. Schnobrich.....New Ulm
- Henry H. Veigel.....New Ulm
- Carl O. Engelbert.....New Ulm
- George Grunnert, Jr.....New Ulm
- Alfred H. Windland.....New Ulm
- August H. Lendorf.....New Ulm
- Carl F. Stucke.....New Ulm
- Alfred N. Maidl.....New Ulm
- Henry Stechmann.....New Ulm
- Adelbert E. Blauer.....New Ulm
- Rudolph H. Becker.....New Ulm
- William Adam.....New Ulm
- Frank A. Zoyer.....New Ulm
- Wm. J. Puchner.....New Ulm
- Joseph Schardt.....New Ulm
- Hugo M. Schnobrich.....New Ulm
- Ora C. Alwin.....New Ulm
- Joseph N. Schneider.....New Ulm
- Otto Hogen.....New Ulm
- Henry Terhoffer.....New Ulm
- Wm. A. Hubner.....New Ulm
- Charles A. Polta.....New Ulm
- Harry J. Heymann.....New Ulm
- William Schardt.....New Ulm
- William Terhoffer.....New Ulm
- Niels C. Madsen.....New Ulm
- Otto Ring.....New Ulm
- Otto Adam.....New Ulm
- Rasmus Madsen.....New Ulm
- Charles H. Dorn.....New Ulm
- William Wandersee, Jr.....New Ulm
- Henry Wild.....New Ulm
- Albert Schroeder.....New Ulm
- Alfred J. Lamecker.....New Ulm
- Cornelius Burk.....New Ulm
- Louis E. Roesch.....New Ulm
- Wenzel Lampl.....New Ulm
- Peter Haas.....Sleepy Eye
- George P. Nielson.....Sleepy Eye
- Jack Sackl.....Sleepy Eye
- Chris Peterson.....Sleepy Eye
- August Franke.....Sleepy Eye
- George Baar.....Sleepy Eye
- Frank J. Maurer.....Sleepy Eye
- Joseph Maurer.....Sleepy Eye
- Peter L. Nothardt.....Sleepy Eye
- Fred W. Wenger.....Sleepy Eye
- Johnston Walker.....Sleepy Eye
- Reuben B. Prosch.....Sleepy Eye
- Edward Slewitzke.....Sleepy Eye
- Wm. M. E. Berg.....Sleepy Eye
- Harry G. Dirks.....Springfield
- Arthur A. Bottger.....Springfield
- Fred E. Bowmann.....Springfield
- Albert Langermann.....Springfield
- Peter Bielen.....Springfield
- Walter F. Krueger.....Springfield
- Fred John Frank.....Springfield
- Wm. F. Schade.....Springfield
- Bernhard J. Engelen.....Springfield
- Albert U. Smith.....Comfrey
- Arthur E. Stark.....Comfrey
- Kjeld T. Kjeldsen.....Comfrey
- Axel Erickson.....Comfrey
- Anton Mattson.....Comfrey
- Edward Nielson.....Comfrey
- Albert J. Stocke.....Comfrey
- Henry Hoagland.....Comfrey
- William H. Wall.....Comfrey
- John J. Schunik.....Comfrey
- Niels K. Aabel.....Comfrey
- Floyd Renburg.....Comfrey
- Rangvold Joten.....Hanska
- Eliert J. B. Ellefson.....Hanska
- Christopher Kjolstad.....Hanska
- Elvin G. Helling.....Hanska
- Herman A. Prah.....Hanska
- Louis Severson.....Cobden
- Oliver S. Christensen.....St. James
- Gust Holm.....Elkton
- Russell E. Lindsey.....Muscatine, Ia.
- Reinhardt W. Salchert.....Watertown, S. D.
- John Glasbrenner.....Wood Lake
- Orin Hansen.....Evan
- George Gimpl.....Hinckley
- Walter Sorensen.....Buffalo Center, Ia.

MANKATO BACKS UP ACTS OF HOODLUMS

PAYS FINES OF MEN ARRESTED FOR ASSAULTING MEMBERS OF BOOSTER TOUR

FARMERS SLOWLY BECOMING AROUSED AND ANGER WILL FIND EXPRESSION

To be denied the right of passing over a bridge to which the tax payers of Nicollet County had contributed fully \$9000 was the experience of the farmers of that county who made a trip thru Nicollet County last Wednesday in the interests of the candidacy of Chas. A. Lindbergh for governor. Everything had moved along very nicely and according to program until the party attempted to cross the bridge from North Mankato into Mankato. Here they were met by a crowd of hoodlums who tore the Lindbergh banners and Non-partisan League pennants from the cars, tore off the U. S. flags, threw them on the ground and trampled them under foot and also tore off the Liberty Loan and Red Cross buttons from the coats of quite a number of the men. Expression like "yellow dog", "Hit him, paint him yellow" and "string him up" were quite common. A traveling salesman by the name of E. A. Kehoe, according to the Mankato papers, was one of the main leaders of this assault upon the Non-partisan League boosters.

St. Peter Police Make Arrests

The party reached St. Peter about 1:00 o'clock and drove to Gorman Park where they had their lunch. Altho the welcome at St. Peter was not a very cordial one, still the farmers of Nicollet County were satisfied with the reception given them by the citizens of St. Peter and nothing would have happened in St. Peter to mar the trip if a big car containing eight Mankatoites had not appeared on the scene who began to tear off the Lindbergh banners. Fortunately the Chief of Police hove in sight before there was any serious trouble and placed the ruffians under arrest. Three of the men, however, managed to get away and the other five were brot before Justice Miller. Nelson Kesler, Leo Glennen and William Abdo were fined \$10 each and Hugh James and Frank Dalton were acquitted. Wm. Walsch another Mankatoite who got into a fistie encounter with one of the visiting farmers was also arrested and fined \$10.

Poverty Stricken Bunch

Only one of the Mankato bunch had enough money to pay his fine and the others were given a jail sentence but later some one from Mankato advanced the fines and the prisoners were then discharged. The story published in the St. Paul Pioneer Press and in the Mankato Free Press to the effect that St. Peter business men had raised the amount of the fines by subscriptions is without foundation. The St. Peter Free Press is authority for the statement that the man who advanced the money wanted to know how he was going to get his money back when one of the crowd said "Never mind, get the receipt from the justice and present it to the Mankato City Council where it will be taken care of."

New Ulm Friendly

Upon their arrival in the city of New Ulm the boosters gave an open air concert on Minnesota Street and later on repaired to Turner Hall Park. A committee consisting of Samuel Gieseke, chairman, Herman Albrecht, Math. Meurer, J. H. Meurer, Nicholas Reinhart, Alb. Sievert, Hy. J. Braun, J. H. Dorn, Herm. Fitzke, and R. D. Wagner presented the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

To His Excellency, President Woodrow Wilson:

"We, the undersigned, farmers of Nicollet County, Minnesota, while on a booster tour thru Nicollet County on June 12, 1918, in the interests of the candidacy of Charles A. Lindbergh, Republican candidate for Governor of the State of Minnesota, were most shamefully assaulted by a lot of hoodlums while crossing the bridge from Nicollet County to Mankato in Blue Earth County, and several United States flags were torn from the autos, thrown on the ground and trampled under foot. The farmers, numbering about six hundred with their families had done nothing to provoke this assault.

"We most respectfully call your attention to this desecration of the Flag, for the purpose of having the government take such action as may be necessary to prevent any further such flag desecrations and to punish the guilty parties. The undersigned committee will cheerfully assist the Federal authorities in prosecuting these parties by furnishing

all the information in their possession." (Signed by above named committee.)

Mankato Gets Orders

These resolutions were wired to Washington, D. C. from St. Peter, the County seat of Nicollet County and it is reported that the Mankato city officials have word from Washington to the effect that they must see to it that in the future any one attending to his own business be allowed to pass thru their city without being molested.

The booster tour started at Courtland from there went to Nicollet, North Mankato, Mankato, Kasota, St. Peter, Traverse, Lake Prairie, Bernadotte, Lafayette, Klossner, and New Ulm. The Courtland band accompanied the tour and furnished music at every stopping place.

Uncle Sam and Miss Columbia were represented in the booster tour by Ray Meurer and Miss Harriet Meurer, his sister, of Nicollet. In spite of the little unpleasantness that the Nicollet County boosters had at Mankato and also at St. Peter, they felt that the trip was a success in every way.

TURNVEREIN ELECTS OFFICERS

At the annual meeting of the New Ulm Turnverein held last Saturday the following officers were re-elected for the ensuing year: President, Albert Steinhauer, Vice President, Otto F. Oswald; Recording Secretary, Alfred Schroek; Corresponding Secretary, Charles Emmerich; Treasurer, R. M. Pfander; First Turnwart, Geo. Hogan; Second Turnwart, R. R. Kanski; August Mueller, chairman of Committee on Mental Culture.

The heavy rain of Monday night was highly appreciated by all gardeners and the fresh cool air of Tuesday morning was a boon to all. The rainy weather of this season has come just when needed and has been of such quantities as to cause the liveliest gratitude among agriculturalists.

"WAR BRIDES" NOT SUFFICIENT EXCUSE

NEWLY MARRIED MEN MUST HAVE OTHER DEPENDENTS THAN WIVES

NEW RULE DESIGNED TO SEE THAT NO ONE ESCAPES SERVICE

Monday Sheriff Julius received the latest amendments to the selective service regulations defining dependency on account of marriage. There are about nine married men here who may be affected by these new rulings and the board will take up and pass on all married men of Class 1 to determine whether they should be transferred to Class 2. The rules promulgated are: (a) The fact of dependency resulting from the marriage of a registrant who has become 21 years of age since June 5th, 1917, and who has married since the date of the introduction of the joint resolution in Congress requiring his registration, to-wit: January 15th, 1918, will be disregarded as a ground for deferred classification.

(b) If a registrant who has attained the age of 21 since June 5th, 1917 and who has contracted marriage subsequent to the date of the enactment of the Selective Service law, to-wit: May 18th, 1917, but on or prior to January 15th, 1918, claims deferred classification on the ground of dependency resulting from his marriage, the fact of dependency resulting from his marriage will be disregarded as a ground for deferred classification, unless the dependent is a child of the marriage, born or unborn on or prior to June 9th, 1918, in which case such a registrant upon satisfactory proof being made shall be classified in Class 2.

(c) If a registrant, other than one who has attained the age of 21 years since June 5th, 1917, who has contracted marriage since May 18th, 1917, claims deferred classification on the ground of dependency resulting from his marriage, the fact of dependency resulting from his marriage will be disregarded as a ground for deferred classification, unless the dependent is a child of the marriage, born or unborn on or before June 9th, 1918, in which case such a registrant upon satisfactory proof being made shall be placed in Class 2.

Must Not Evade Service.

(d) Nothing contained in this amendment to Rule V shall be construed as requiring the transfer to Class 2 of any registrant who has been finally classified in Class 1 on the affirmative finding that his marriage since May 18th, 1917 was made with the primary view of evading military service.

COMFREY GOES MAD FROTHS AT MOUTH

SIGHT OF NON-PARTISAN TOUR DRIVES SOME VILLAGERS QUITE INSANE

USE WEAPONS OF EVERY SORT ON UNARMED MEMBERS OF BOOSTER TOUR

As a rule when boosters go out on a booster raid thru their own county they are given a loyal welcome at almost every place that they choose to stop and the citizens of any of the places would feel hurt if for some reason or other their own hailiwick was left out of the itinerary of the boosters. But these are strange times!

A Shame To The County

Non-partisan booster tours had been planned by the Non-partisan Leaguers in practically every county in the state and in quite a few of the counties there was more or less unpleasantness at some of the places thru which the boosters passed but it was left to Comfrey in Brown County to show such a spirit of hostility and such a disregard of the rights of the people that the doings at that place will always remain a blot on the fair escutcheon of Brown County.

Trouble Prophesied

It was intimated to the boosters before they left Springfield that there might be some trouble at Comfrey. However, no one ever dreamed that people would arm themselves with clubs, rocks, iron bars and guns or would use such weapons upon people who came there unarmed, peacefully inclined and only intending to pass thru the streets of the village. When the first cars reached the village they found a barricade built of hay racks and other material placed across the public road and 50 to 100 men and young boys on guard with clubs and other weapons which they immediately commenced to put into use. For some time the air was literally filled with flying stones, eggs, and clubs. Not only were the defenders of Comfrey intent on keeping the boosters out of the confines of their village but after they had started to turn back and get away from people who showed such a hostile spirit, they were followed for half a mile and quite a number of the cars were damaged by being struck with clubs and daubed with yellow paint.

Cowardly Attack

Several of the boosters were severely bruised, among them John Grabner, sixty years of age, a farmer living south of Sleepy Eye and Alex Waibel who was struck over the head with a club, causing quite a scalp wound. Grabner was knocked down from behind and clubbed as he lay on the ground. There were quite a number of others who had scalp wounds but these were not of a serious nature. For a time it was feared that Grabner had been struck by a bullet, as a number of shots were fired by the Comfreyites but from latest advices it would seem that this was not the case. One of the men poked a gun at a woman of the booster party and made threats of shooting but the woman did not show any signs at all of being afraid and called the man a coward and dared him to shoot. Some of the men of the booster party managed to get possession of some of the clubs and wielded them also, apparently with fairly good results as would appear from later accounts that have trickled into New Ulm from Comfrey.

If the reports that have reached this office are true, it would appear that the Comfreyites had deliberately planned a battle to the finish because it is said that back of the first line of attack they had stored quite a number of clubs, iron bars and rocks, so that in case they were forced to retreat they would always have weapons to continue the fight.

Interesting Souvenir.

Robt. C. Lambrecht managed to secure and retain one of the clubs that were used by the Comfreyites and showed it on the streets of New Ulm the following day. This was a most vicious looking weapon about four feet long and at the end almost as thick as a base ball bat. The twigs were cut off in such a manner that there were at last a dozen sharp, strong prongs sticking out. It is a wonder that no more serious harm came to the farmers than actually did.

Cowards Ask Sheriff's Help.

An attempt was made by one of the Non-partisan Leaguers to reach New Ulm by telephone but he was unable to get any service. Others however, seemed to be able to get service over the telephone because Melton Hamman, a barber of Comfrey who was one of the leaders of the mob and who was toting a shooting iron around, shortly thereafter

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