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### SALARY INCREASE FOR OUR TEACHERS

NEW ULM SCHOOL BOARD HAS GRANTED ADVANCE OF 30 PER CENT.

RETURN TO PRE-WAR STATUS OF GERMAN LANGUAGE IN 6th, 7th, 8th GRADE.

An increase of 30 per cent in teachers' salaries was voted at the regular monthly meeting of the New Ulm school board, Monday evening. The action of the school board came after a meeting of the state's school superintendents on Friday and a meeting of the School Boards on Saturday in St. Paul. At both these meetings the salary situation in the state was discussed but no definite decision was taken leaving it to the different communities to fix the teachers' salaries according to their ability and willingness to pay for this service.

Length of Service Recognized. In addition to the flat increase of thirty per cent which is applicable to all teachers in the employ of the local school board it was decided to grant an extra allowance of varying amounts in recognition of the length of service of each teacher. In some cases, this means an increase of nearly \$500 per year.

The full list of the teachers appointed for the coming school year 1920-1921, together with the old and new salaries may be seen at the end of this article.

Return of German. At the meeting Monday evening the School Board also took action in regard to the teaching of the German language in the public schools of the city. It was decided to return to the pre-war status and give the children of the 6th, 7th and 8th grade an opportunity to study this language. In the new school year starting next fall German will be a regular subject of the public school curriculum.

Reports on Meetings. County Attorney W. T. Eckstein, who also is a member of the New Ulm School Board, was present at the Superintendents' and School Boards' meetings and furnished this paper with the following report:

"I was able to attend the Superintendents' meeting on Friday, and the meeting of School Boards and the members of the State Department of Education on Saturday. The Friday meeting was held at the Engineering Building of the State University; the Saturday meeting at the Farm School.

"There was a large attendance at both of these occasions; more especially so at the Saturday meeting.

"The chief topics of discussion and presentation on Friday were the testing of mental capacities of the child; the incorporation of a Junior High School, aiming to condense some of the work of the regular high school into a course for the use and benefit of those who can not continue school work to the length of time required by the regular course;

the admission that overdue emphasis was and had been placed upon the matter of adenoids, tonsillitis, eye strain and toothache being causes of interference with the mental capacities of the child and grown-ups; or having such deleterious consequences on the child's school work as heretofore asserted; the contention that manual training was due to being ousted, in the form it was now occupying on the school program, and a change being made to general industrial training, covering the entire field of the work-a-day world's operations (?), etc., etc. (All they need now is to add a BABY UNIVERSITY at the end of our country High School, and then the world will be saved. Writer.)

"The serious situation of securing workers in the field of education was presented and statistics cited galore, indicating that teachers had gone on a STRIKE (if that term is appropriate) and employing certain bureaus to formulate rules and orders whereby the lot of the instructor of our youth may be bettered. AND IT SHOULD BE BETTERED; however, will we listen to reason any better than the other classes of toilers?

"At the Saturday meeting the State Board of Education, thru its officers, presented the gist of the teacher shortage and salary situation; comparative

HUNTERS' CONFERENCE AT LAKE WASHINGTON IN JULY. Minnesota Game Protective League Prepares Big Program for Members in State.

A three-day conference will be held by the Minnesota Game Protective League at Lake Washington, July 15, 16 and 17. A big program will be arranged, consisting of business meetings, sports, contests and an auto trip around the lakes in the surrounding country.

Decision to hold the sessions was made at a recent gathering at Mankato, when committees were appointed to take charge of the preparations for the midsummer gathering. Two New Ulm members of the League were appointed on these committees, Judge W. B. Mather is on the general arrangement committee and Ed. J. Berg is a member of the committee on finance and entertainment. Dr. F. E. Heide of Mankato is general secretary of the organization. The local branch of the Game Protective League was represented by Geo. Hogen and Ed. J. Berg at the Mankato meeting.

### PARSONS HEADS WAR VETERANS IN STATE

MINNEAPOLIS CONTINUES AS NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS OF ORGANIZATION.

BIDS OF SEVERAL CITIES FOR NEXT YEAR'S CONVENTION ARE HEARD.

Carl O. Parsons of Minneapolis was elected state chairman of the World War Veterans of Minnesota at the closing session yesterday of the first annual convention of the former service men's organization. T. O. Johnson was elected state secretary-treasurer. An executive committee of seven members from cities of Minnesota where posts of the organization have been established will be named.

Minneapolis still remains the national headquarters of the World War Veterans, although it is designated in the official proceedings as the Western division headquarters.

Lester Barlow, temporary national chairman of the organization, was not keenly enthusiastic about the proposal to hold the national convention of the organization in Minneapolis next July. His suggestion that other cities and villages desiring to entertain the World War Veterans' annual convention make bids for the gathering and that the best bid be accepted, was approved.

"Minneapolis did not give us a very good welcome," Mr. Barlow said, "and doubtless some of the other places desiring the convention will extend us a real welcome and show up the people of Minneapolis."

Suggests Clear Lake, Iowa. One of the delegates suggested the convention be held at Clear Lake, Iowa, a summer resort near Mason City. This delegate said he and Mr. Barlow had been invited to shake the dust of Mason City from their feet when they went there to establish a post of the World War Veterans, and added that they had warned the people of Mason City that the World War Veterans would return 25,000 strong to clinch the argument for the right of free speech. He said he hoped 25,000 World War Veterans would assemble at Clear Lake, near Mason City, to show the people of Mason City that the organization has real strength.

A delegate from Kansas City suggested the national convention be held there, as the city is near Leavenworth, and the delegates might find it convenient to visit their friends at the federal prison.

Invited to St. Paul. St. Paul delegates asked that the convention be held in that city, promising that the voters of St. Paul will have elected a labor mayor by next July who will welcome the World War Veterans with open arms.

Mr. Barlow suggested that the convention be held July 22 to 28. Other delegates suggested a longer period and would have the convention in connection with a big encampment in which

3,865 PUPILS GET TOTAL OF \$10,435

MARCH SCHOOL APPORTIONMENT IS COMPLETED BY COUNTY AUDITOR.

EACH SCHOLAR IS ENTITLED TO \$2.70 OF STATE AID. THE FIGURES.

According to the March school apportionment which was completed by County Auditor Louis G. Vogel some time ago, the 3,865 pupils who attended the Brown county public schools the required number of days to receive state aid, are entitled to \$2.70 each, the total appropriation amounting to \$10,435.50.

The March school apportionment last year aggregated \$8,990.70, or \$2.30 for each of the 3,909 scholars participating. The October apportionment last year amounted to \$15,460, so that each of the 3,865 pupils received \$4.00.

The number of pupils and the total apportionment for each school district in the county in the March apportionment this year is as follows:

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### CLUB BANQUET WILL BE HELD THURSDAY, APRIL 8.

Committee Busy Preparing for Big Affair at Turner Hall. Ladies Are Invited.

Turner Hall was chosen as the place for the annual banquet of the New Ulm Commercial Club. The affair will be held there tomorrow, Thursday, April 8, at 6:30 p. m. Preparations which are in charge of a committee headed by Judge W. B. Mather are nearing completion. Wives, daughters and lady friends of the club members will attend the banquet. A change has been made in regard to the set program which is other years followed the banquet. This part of the affair was dropped entirely this year. There may be a short address, however, and some piano numbers.

Dancing and cards will keep the banqueters together for several hours following the dinner. Hofmeister's Orchestra will furnish the music.

Miss Ida C. Baar, who is employed as nurse in Minneapolis, enjoyed a few days' visit with New Ulm relatives and friends recently.

### TWO CONFERENCES UNITE IN STATE

METHODIST CHURCHES OF MINNESOTA ARRANGE FOR NEW MERGER.

NO EFFECT ON STATUS OF GERMAN CONGREGATION IN THE BODY.

At a special session of the North German Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church held at St. Paul recently it was decided by vote to merge with the Minnesota Conference of the same denomination. The action was taken on an invitation submitted to the meeting by the Minnesota Conference and a large majority of those present voted for the merger. The reason for the stand taken in this matter was that for a number of years the Northern German Conference has been unable to secure the necessary young men for the ministry. Seeing no change in this condition for the near future the conference was compelled to take this step.

No Effect on German Churches. The change has no effect on the standing of the German churches in the conference, with the exception of some smaller congregations that may be united with another church in the same community. But in that case, the pastor of the combined church will be able to preach in both languages, American and German. No change will be made in regard to the local Methodist church, but in Sleepy Eye the two existing Methodist churches may be united into one. It was made plain at the meeting in St. Paul, that there is nothing in the move that could be construed as opposed to the use of the German language in the service. It was merely a question of expediency as far as the demands of the pulpit are concerned.

Other Merger Proposed. At the St. Paul meeting, it was also proposed to effect a merger with the Northwestern German Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church; but owing to the large territory which would be covered by the combination it was found undesirable to bring about such a merger. The Northwestern German Conference includes the States of Iowa, South Dakota, and parts of Wisconsin, while the Northern German Conference comprises Minnesota, North Dakota and parts of Wisconsin. Traveling expenses would be increased considerably for the delegates to the annual conventions. It, therefore, was found more expedient to unite with a co-extensive organization.

The German Conference will meet for its last annual session in Faribault during the month of September. After that it will be a part of the Minnesota Conference. The general conference which meets in May will have to grant the enabling act to make the merger lawful.

Captain Mallon was included by General Pershing in his selection of the 100 greatest war heroes from among the American expeditionary forces. Captain Mallon also served in the Spanish-American war and the Philippine insurrection. When the United States entered the World War he attended the first officers' training camp at Fort Snelling. He was in the army two years, serving one year overseas. He was wounded in action and returned one of the most decorated of American soldiers. He won the congressional medal of honor, the Croix de Guerre with

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### INTRODUCING THE N. P. CANDIDATES

ST. PAUL LABOR BUREAU GIVES SHORT BIOGRAPHY OF MEN SELECTED.

LABOR-FARMER STATE CAMPAIGN OPENED AT JOINT CONVENTIONS.

In a short summary about the joint farmer and labor, conventions recently held in St. Paul the Press Bureau of the Working People's Nonpartisan Political League publishes the first correct information in regard to the candidates for state office endorsed by the two conventions. The most enthusiastic and one of the largest state political meetings of years was held last Friday night at the St. Paul Auditorium when the labor-farmer state campaign opened, says the bureau's report.

Principal speakers were the candidates selected at the conventions Wednesday and Thursday in St. Paul of the Nonpartisan league and the Minnesota Working People's Nonpartisan Political league.

These candidates are Doctor Henrik Shipstead of Glenwood for governor; Captain George H. Mallon of Minneapolis for lieutenant governor; Thomas Volton of Erskine for secretary of state; Miss Lily Anderson of Franklin for state treasurer; Thomas V. Sullivan of St. Paul for attorney general; P. I. Qstby, Freeborn county farmer, for railroad and warehouse commissioner; George L. Siegel of St. Paul for supreme court justice.

Other speakers at the meeting, who will aid in the state campaign, were William Mahoney, labor candidate for mayor of St. Paul and president of the state Working People's league; James Manahan of St. Paul, former congressman; Thomas Van Lear, former mayor of Minneapolis and secretary of the state political league, and Congressman John M. Baer of North Dakota.

Fully 3,000 people crowded the Auditorium and cheered the speakers to the echo. The meeting was the culmination of the two days' conventions, as enthusiastic and determined political gatherings as the state has ever witnessed. Friday afternoon the 500 delegates and visitors in attendance at the convention's made a tour of inspection through the recently completed building in Minneapolis to be occupied by the Minnesota Daily Star, new daily paper representing the farmer and labor interests.

Doctor Shipstead, the farmer-labor candidate for governor, is a dentist at Glenwood, Pope county, where he has lived and practiced his profession the last 18 years. He is 39 years of age. He was born in Kandiyoohi county. In 1911 and 1912 he served as mayor of Glenwood, becoming widely known for his progressive qualities. In 1916 he was elected a member of the house in the state legislature, and in the 1917 legislative session soon forged to the front as one of the progressive leaders.

In 1918 Doctor Shipstead was the Nonpartisan league candidate for the Republican nomination for congressman in the seventh district, opposing Congressman A. J. Volstead, who defeated him in a close race. During the war period Doctor Shipstead was chairman of the Pope county safety commission, head of Liberty loan, Red Cross and other war fund campaigns, dental adviser to the county draft board and a leader in many other patriotic activities. He was commissioned a lieutenant by the federal government and was preparing to enter army service at the time the armistice was signed.

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Receives Vindication At Hands Of Fellow Citizens

Backer Re-elected City Clerk. Mueller Wins Councilorship In Second Ward.

### HEAVY VOTE POLLED

P. Liesch Endorsed By Townsmen As Constable. Hogen and Henningsen Are Justices.

By a very decisive majority, the voters in all three wards of the city registered their choice for mayor at yesterday's election, giving Dr. L. A. Fritsche an almost two to one vote against his opponent, Willibald Eibner, the present mayor. A better vindication could not be given Dr. L. A. Fritsche, his vote being 1,028 to 560 for his opponent. This vote is not a slap at Mr. Eibner but rather a rebuke to a small coterie who have been trying to run the town for some years and who have frowned upon any one who dared have an opinion different from their own, especially what they considered patriotism, loyalty and true Americanism.

In this election, United Labor made its first bow to the community. Heretofore labor has been content to have this or that big gun, or this or that ward healer and politician tell him how to vote, but the laboring man has been learning in the last five years and he now sees the necessity of taking an active interest not only in national and state politics but also in municipal politics. Dr. Fritsche was their candidate and they rallied to his support most admirably. Besides electing their candidate for Mayor, the labor candidates for councilor in the first and third wards were also elected as were their candidates for City Treasurer and Justice of the Peace. The vote given Martin L. F. Eyrich, labor candidate for the city clerkship, is indeed very gratifying considering that without making any campaign whatsoever, Mr. Eyrich pulled a tremendous vote. The friends of Mr. Eyrich believe that he is better off to have lost out, because he will be retained in the newspaper game where such excellent editors as he is are so sorely needed.

Heavy Vote Polled. One of the surprises of the election was the heavy vote polled. The first ward turned out 485 votes, the second 474 and the third 636. The total vote cast was 1,595, the largest ever cast in this city. The addition of the returned soldiers' vote and the coming to age of quite a number of young men was the cause of this great increase.

Those managing Dr. Fritsche's campaign figured on a vote of about 1800 and when the toll kept climbing and climbing, they became somewhat apprehensive as to the outcome. According to their estimates, they figured Dr. Fritsche would carry the election by a majority of 100 to 150. It was their turn to be surprised when the actual results were made known, giving the election to Dr. Fritsche by an unprecedented majority of 468.

The election was stubbornly fought and hotly contested. When it became known that Mayor Eibner had been prevailed upon to make the contest, every one knew that a big fight was on. The vote actually cast is the best proof that it was a battle royal that found its climax in yesterday's election. As early as six o'clock the Eibner supporters were on deck and they fought without a let up until the polls closed. The friends of Dr. Fritsche were on the job also until the last man had voted.

The Mayoralty Contest. The result of the vote on mayor by wards, is as follows:

FIRST WARD.  
Fritsche ..... 324  
Eibner ..... 157  
Fritsche's majority ..... 167

SECOND WARD.  
Fritsche ..... 298  
Eibner ..... 178  
Fritsche's majority ..... 125

THIRD WARD.  
Fritsche ..... 408  
Eibner ..... 230  
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TOTAL VOTE.  
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Eibner ..... 560  
Fritsche's majority ..... 468

Wm. P. Backer Wins.  
The vote by wards was as follows:  
FIRST WARD.  
Backer ..... 269  
Eyrich ..... 195  
Backer's majority ..... 74

SECOND WARD.  
Backer ..... 251  
Eyrich ..... 213  
Backer's majority ..... 38

THIRD WARD.  
Backer ..... 393  
Eyrich ..... 239  
Backer's majority ..... 154

TOTAL VOTE.  
Backer ..... 913  
Eyrich ..... 647  
Backer's majority ..... 246

Mueller Defeats Heck. The only other contest on the ticket was the one for aldermanic honors in the second ward, where Dr. Emil Mueller, the present incumbent, defeated Alois Heck, the labor candidate by a majority of 121 ballots. The vote was: Mueller, 275; Heck, 154; Mueller's majority, 121.

Other Offices. Gottlieb Oswald was re-elected treasurer, having no opposition. The votes cast for him were: First ward, 386; second 251, third 509, total 1,146. Geo. Hogen and N. Henningsen were re-elected justices of the peace, the former, whose name was on the ballot receiving 395 votes in the first, 469 in the second and 499 in the third. Henningsen received 21 in the first and 26 in the third. Jerry Reardon was elected alderman in the first ward without opposition, 315 votes being cast in his favor. Wm. Lieb received 480 votes for alderman in the third ward, there being no candidate opposed to him.

Constable Contest. Quite a contest developed for the jobs as constable, Philip Liesch gave the labor candidates a good run and came out victorious by a majority of 14 votes over his nearest competitor, John Herzog, the two of them to share the honors together. Friends also tried to get Henry N. Somsen elected but the judges failed to count the ballots in all but the second ward, where he got 18 votes. Rumor has it that H. L. Beecher also received a number of votes for this office but they were not recorded by the judges. The vote for constable follows:

First Second Third.  
P. Liesch ..... 26 37 -  
J. Herzog ..... 26 14 9  
A. Harmening ..... 29 12 7  
H. N. Somsen ..... 18 - -

Liesch's majority would have been handsomely increased but his votes in the third ward were not counted.

As soon as the result became known the friends of Dr. Fritsche gave expression to their joy by serenading the new Mayor and escorting him to his home. All the other elected candidates were also serenaded by the bands, including P. Liesch who had received such a magnificent vote for constable.

SUCCESSFUL BAZAAR. The apron bazaar and lunch, which was held by the Ladies' Aid of the Ev. Friedens church in the church basement, Monday afternoon, proved a decided success, the proceeds amounting to over \$130. The aprons and other articles on sale were disposed of readily and the ladies are grateful for the generous manner in which their efforts were rewarded.