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SEN. LAFOLLETTE MAN OF THE HOUR

LESTER P. BARLOW CHEERED
WHEN WISCONSIN MAN
IS MENTIONED.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION AT
CHICAGO ARRAIGNED
BY SPEAKER.

New Ulm citizens who attended the Turner Park meeting last Saturday evening to listen to one of Lester P. Barlow's classic speeches roundly cheered the orator when he mentioned Senator Robert M. LaFollette's name as candidate for president on the ticket of the National Service Party. This party is composed of all progressive organizations and elements in the country who are dissatisfied with the rule of either of the two old-time parties, the speaker pointed out, and he advised to have as many as possible attend the convention of this party which will be held at Chicago, July 10, 12, 13 and 14.

Dr. Fritsche Presides.
Mayor I. L. A. Fritsche presided at the meeting. Following a few opening remarks, he introduced H. A. Fuller as the first speaker of the evening. Mr. Fuller referred to the outcome of the recent election thanking the voters of New Ulm and Brown county for the splendid support given the legitimate candidates.

Mr. Barlow's talk followed immediately and he spoke for about an hour and a half about the present political situation in the nation in general and the Republican National convention in particular.

Coalition Necessary.
In speaking about the National Service Party Mr. Barlow emphasized the necessity of bringing all progressive elements and organizations together and of forming a strong coalition movement. Only through this combined strength it will be possible to keep both of the two old parties out of power in the coming November elections, he said. If America is to be saved from the stranglehold of the old party "gangs" it has to be done in 1920 and it is to this end that the World War Veterans are working, he explained. The latter do not want anything for themselves, they are not after fat jobs in the government offices, but all they want is a thorough cleaning and purgation of the political atmosphere which will be in the interest of the people and of America. To bring this about, the ex-service men, organized in the World War Veterans' organization, of which Mr. Barlow is national president, ask the people to bring about the formation of a new political party. To do this, is nothing but their duty, Mr. Barlow explained.

Agree on Candidate.
In looking about for a suitable candidate for president on the ticket of this new party, the National Service Party, the World War Veterans were unable to find a better man than Senator Robert M. LaFollette of Wisconsin, who always was a champion of the people's rights, who never failed them in the past, but who was vilified and persecuted by the enemies of the people for his courageous stand in the fight to safeguard the most essential rights of the people: Free Speech and Free Press. Senator LaFollette has indicated his willingness to enter the fight in the present election campaign if he will get the united support of all progressive organizations and groups in the country, the speaker said. He also stated that the Senator was not in favor of running on a labor ticket because, in his opinion, the American government should not become a class government, but should remain in the hands of all the people, and therefore, he wants to get his support from all classes and strata of society.

Raps England.
In the course of his speech, Mr. Barlow took a hard fling at John Bull. He said, England should be forced to let loose of Ireland, Egypt and India. No more British secret service men should be tolerated in this country, he continued. As a proof of British propaganda during the war, Mr. Barlow mentioned the fact that only recently Sir Asquith expressed his surprise at the criticism of some Americans directed against the money spent by the British here in America to make our entry into war so much easier. This criticism and Mr. Asquith's surprise show that the Germans were not the only ones busy in this country before our entry into the war. "We did a good job during the war." (Continued on page 8.)

ADVISE LOWER ASSESSMENTS FOR RIVER BOTTOM LANES

State Tax Commission Has Matter
Under Consideration. State-
ment Given Out.

For a number of weeks, the state tax commission considered the request made last year by a number of land owners in the lower river area for lower taxes. Regarding this matter the commission has now issued the following statement: "We fully realize that it is not an easy task for the average assessor to fairly value such property. If sales of such land were more frequent they would form a basis for their valuation, but we understand that they are not bought and sold as freely as the uplands. The basis of valuation is the price for which the property would sell at private sale. With few sales to use as a basis, it becomes a matter of judgment on the part of the assessors to determine the taxable value of the land in question.

Carefully Determine.
"If the assessors would carefully determine and classify each farm according to the quality of the land and use to which adapted, many of the present errors in valuation would be avoided. For instance if a farm of 160 acres contained seventy acres of first grade grain land worth \$120 an acre; forty acres of second grade land worth \$90 an acre; forty acres subject to periodical overflow worth \$40 and ten acres of meadow land worth \$30 the total of these values being \$4,633, its taxable value would be \$4,633, or one-third of full value. This method makes an allowance of any factor that affects the value of a given number of acres."

SYNOD VINDICATES PROF. ACKERMANN

HIGH OFFICIAL SAYS FORMER
COLLEGE DIRECTOR WAS
WRONGLY ACCUSED.

REV. I. F. ALBRECHT OF FAIRFAX
ELECTED PRESIDENT OF
SYNOD AT MEET.

A complete and far-reaching vindication from all charges and aspersions cast upon his character as a citizen of this country and upon his pre-war and wartime activities by unscrupulous local super-patriots and character-assassinating politicians has finally come to Prof. A. Ackermann, former director of Dr. Martin Luther College of this city and a prominent New Ulmite for many years. The much-delayed exoneration from the despicable charges came during the session of the Minnesota District of the Ev.-Lutheran Synod of Wisconsin at Mankato the latter part of last week, when the president of the district made a public statement on the floor of the synod to the effect that certain charges that had been filed with him against Prof. Ackermann by unscrupulous politicians were absolutely unfounded. This official also admitted that he had been led to believe these false charges by the character-assassins who filed them without questioning their source. The president also stated that he would do all in his power to rectify the wrong done Prof. Ackermann.

Rev. Albrecht is President.
Rev. I. F. Albrecht of Fairfax, son of Rev. C. J. Albrecht of this city, was elected president of the district, succeeding Rev. J. R. Baumann of Red Wing. Rev. John Plocher of St. Paul was re-elected as first vice president. The other officers are: Second vice president, Rev. Henry Boettcher of Gibbon; secretary, Rev. Adalbert Schaller of Redwood Falls, and treasurer, A. L. Boock of New Ulm, the latter also being re-elected.

Last Session Today.
The bi-ennial session of the district convened at Immanuel Lutheran church, Mankato, Thursday of last week and will continue until today, probably with an evening meeting. The following New Ulmites were in attendance: Rev. C. J. Albrecht, Profs. John Meyer, G. Burk, R. M. Albrecht, H. Klatt, E. R. Bliedernicht, M. J. Wagner, Fr. Reuter, and H. P. Palmbach; Teachers Wm. Blauert and J. F. Gawrisch, and A. L. Boock, who represented the local Lutheran church as lay delegate.

H. J. Huse and family of Storm Lake, Iowa, came to New Ulm the latter part of the week. Mr. Huse bought the Haas property in the southern part of the city and they intend to make their home here.

GAME ENDS IN 14-INNING TIE

COMFREY AND LOCALS BATTLE
UNTIL SIX O'CLOCK. NO
SCORING.

THREE BIG GAMES AHEAD FOR
COMING WEEK. FAIRMONT
THURSDAY.

What was without doubt the best game of baseball ever played on the local diamonds took place last Sunday, when the crack Comfrey team clashed with the New Ulm nine on the local ball field. For fourteen innings the game raged, neither team being able to get a man across the home plate. Because of the six o'clock state law, the game had to be called at that hour. Those who witnessed the game are under the impression that it would have lasted for at least six more innings without a score.

High Class Twirling.
The feature of the game was the efficient twirling of the slab artists on both teams. Bertsch, the local twirler got thirteen of the Comfrey batsmen on strikes. Seven hits were gathered off his offerings, four of which were infield hits. Noel, who did the twirling for the visitors, pitched the best game of his career, striking out fourteen men and allowing two hits, both of which were made by New Ulm's pitcher, Bertsch.

Both pitchers were very effective in the pinches. Several times when things looked threatening for New Ulm old "Frosty" was there and got the opposing batsman on strikes.

Good Fielding.
Another feature of the game was the sensational fielding of Petersen, the local third baseman. Seven assists were made by him, several of which were hard chances. Wick, the Comfrey short, also comes in for special mention, his fielding pulling down considerable applause from the local fans. Both teams played real ball and there are several others on the teams that pulled off some good plays. Born, the local backstop demonstrated his "whip" by catching several of the Comfreyites in an attempt to steal second.

Will Meet Next Sunday.
Next Sunday the two teams will meet again on the Comfrey diamond. As a result of Sunday's game the outcome is closely watched and it is anticipated that a large number of local fans will accompany the team on their trip to that place.

Fairmont Thursday.
Next Thursday the local team will cross bats with the crack Fairmont team on the Fairmont diamond. The Fairmont boys are still smarting from the stinging defeat tendered them a few weeks ago by the locals and they have secured the addition of several new players to help defeat the local boys. A number of fans have pledged to accompany the team and back them up. As Fairmont is holding a water carnival on that day a good time can be assured. Be there!

Sleepy Eye Next Monday.
Next Monday, July 5th, the local nine will cross bats with the Sleepy Eye contingent. This game will be part of the Fourth of July celebration of that city and both teams will do their utmost to win the game as it will no doubt be played before a large crowd. The box score of Sunday's game follows:

Comfrey	ab	R	H	A	P	O	E
L. Armstrong	6	0	0	2	5	0	
Wick, ss	6	0	2	7	1	0	
Brooks, 1st	6	0	0	0	19	0	
Claussen, rf	6	0	0	0	0	0	
Noel, p	6	0	1	6	0	0	
C. Armstrong	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Petersen, lf	4	0	2	0	1	1	
W. Armstrong,	4	0	2	0	0	1	
Cady, cf	6	0	2	0	0	0	
Leahy, c	6	0	0	2	15	0	
Totals	51	0	7	11	41	2	

New Ulm	ab	R	H	A	P	O	E
Petersen, 3rd	5	0	0	6	1	1	
Muesing, 2nd	5	0	0	3	3	1	
Guentner, cf	5	0	0	3	1	1	
Born, c	5	0	0	2	16	1	
Pfeiffer, rf	5	0	0	0	0	0	
Bertsch, p	5	0	2	2	0	0	
Goblirsch, 1st	5	0	0	0	14	0	
Williams, ss	4	0	0	3	2	1	
Dahms, lf	4	0	0	0	3	0	
Totals	43	0	2	16	42	5	

Other League Games.
Springfield 17, Morgan 0.
Lamberton 5, Sleepy Eye 2.

CO-OPERATIVE STORE TO BE OPENED SATURDAY

Former Bierbaum Grocery on Min-
nesota Street Completely Re-
modeled.

The new co-operative store of New Ulm will be opened next Saturday, July 3. The store is located on Minnesota street, in the former Bierbaum grocery which has been entirely remodeled during the past three weeks. New fixtures, new show cases and new shelving was put in and everything painted in white. The stock was enlarged materially a big supply of everything being on hand on the opening day to satisfy the customers. The store is owned by the New Ulm Co-operative Association which was organized here last fall, with a capital stock of \$20,000. This was later increased to \$100,000. O. J. Wich of St. Paul is manager of the new store.

CELEBRATE AT DOMKE'S.

The farmers of the Sleepy Eye vicinity have arranged for a big Fourth of July celebration at Wm. Domke's grove, just east of that place, next Monday, July 5. There will be a band concert at 9:30 a. m. and the patriotic program will commence at 10 o'clock. Attorney Alfred W. Mueller of this city has been engaged to deliver the address of the day and the Liberty Band of Sleepy Eye will render good music during the day and evening. Aside from this there will be races, field sports and other amusements, with a dance in the evening. A basket dinner is planned for noon and refreshments will be served on the grounds. The public is cordially invited to attend.

TURNERS TO BE HERE SATURDAY

TWO-DAY FESTIVAL OF TURN-
BEZIRK WILL ATTRACT
LARGE CROWDS.

INTERESTING PROGRAM HAS
BEEN ARRANGED BY LO-
CAL COMMITTEE.

New Ulm will be the host of the Minnesota Turnbezirk members next Saturday, Sunday and Monday, the occasion being the annual gymnastic tournament. The preparations for this festival were in the hands of a local committee which reports that everything is in readiness for the big event.

It is exactly five years since the last tournament of the Bezirk was held here. The event in 1915 will be remembered by many as one of the most enjoyable affairs of this kind and it is expected that this year's Turnfest will surpass the last one in many respects. The Commercial Club has given its assurance to assist the committee in charge of preparations in getting matters in shape. A committee has been appointed to help in the disposing of badges. The owner of a badge will be admitted to the exercises and other functions of the celebration.

Reception Night.
Saturday, July 3, will be reception night. The visitors from the Twin Cities will arrive in a special train and a band or bands will meet them at the depot when the train arrives to escort them to Turner Hall. The St. Paul and Minneapolis delegations will be several hundred strong and from the moment of their arrival there will be something doing all the time.

Gymnastic Contests.
The full program was arranged at a meeting last Wednesday evening when Prof. A. F. Schintz of St. Paul was present. Mr. Schintz is instructor of the St. Paul Turner Society and for a number of years he has taken active interests in the annual tournaments of the Bezirk, as state gymnastic director.

The gymnastic contests will be held on Sunday, July 4th, in the afternoon, many classes of the affiliated societies participating. Gymnastic exercises and field events will feature the performance. In the evening, a band concert will be held at Turner Park to furnish entertainment for the visitors as well as local people. Hofmeister's band has been engaged for the whole occasion.

Parade on Monday.
Several features have been scheduled for the Monday program. A big parade will be held early in the afternoon. It will start at the Monument on Center street at 1 p. m. sharp and later on disband at Turner Hall where a big gymnastic exhibition will be held. All the local turber classes, including the ladies juniors, will participate in this ex-

RESIGNS AS HEAD OF D. M. L. C.

PROF. J. MEYER ACCEPTS CALL
TO LUTHERAN SEMINARY
AT WAUWATOSA.

PROF. E. R. BLIEFERNICHT IS
PROFFERED DIRECTORSHIP
OF LOCAL COLLEGE.

At a meeting of the board of directors of Dr. Martin Luther College of this city, held at Mankato Monday evening, July 3, request of Prof. John Meyer, for the past two years director of the local institution, to be released, so as to be able to accept a call to the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Wauwatosa, Wis., was granted, and a call was extended to Prof. E. R. Bliedernicht, a member of the college faculty, to the directorship, succeeding Prof. Meyer. Prof. Bliedernicht is in attendance at the Lutheran district conference at Mankato and when he was informed of his choice as prospective head of the local college, asked for a few days' time to consider the matter. This request was granted.

Fourteen Years at College.

Prof. Meyer was a member of the faculty of Dr. Martin Luther College for twelve years, prior to resigning to accept the pastorate of the Lutheran church at Oconomowoc, Wis., five years ago. After residing at that place for three years, he accepted the call as director of the local college two years ago, succeeding Prof. A. Ackermann. He has been at Yakima, Wash., in the interests of the church for about two weeks and is expected to return home tomorrow or Friday. Upon his return the family will no doubt make preparations for their removal to Wauwatosa.

Faculty Member 11 Years.

Prof. Bliedernicht has been a member of the local college faculty for the past eleven years, coming to New Ulm but four months after being ordained a Lutheran pastor. Prior to accepting the call to the Luther College he was engaged as missionary at Darfur, Lake Crystal and Mountain Lake, where new Lutheran congregations were being established. Only a few weeks ago he received a call to a professorship at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Wauwatosa, the same institution that Prof. Meyer has been called to, where two vacancies existed. Prof. Bliedernicht declined this call, however, preferring to remain at New Ulm.

Comes as a Surprise.

The call to the directorship of the local college came as a surprise to Prof. Bliedernicht, as he had no previous knowledge of his being considered in this connection. His many friends here and elsewhere sincerely hope that he will decide to accept the call, as he is well fitted for the position.

Local Men Attend

The three local members of the board of directors of Dr. Martin Luther College attended the meeting at Mankato Monday evening. They are: Teacher J. F. Gawrisch and Messrs. F. H. Retzlaff and F. H. Schweppe.

AUCTION OF LUMBER AND BARN AT FAIR GROUNDS

Sale Will be Held Next Monday, July
5, by Brown County Agricultural
Society.

The Brown County Agricultural Society announces an auction sale of used lumber and barns, which will be held at the Fair Grounds in New Ulm, next Monday, July 5. The sale will commence promptly at 10 o'clock in the forenoon and the terms are cash.

As all the building material included in this auction is in good condition and the prevailing prices of new lumber are still high, it will no doubt prove a popular sale and a large attendance is anticipated.

Rev. Otto Klett and W. A. Redemste, both of Watertown, S. D., stopped off at Mankato, where they are attending the conference of the Minnesota District of the Ev.-Lutheran Wisconsin Synod. While in this city they viewed some of the picturesque and historic spots here.

The celebration will close with a dance at Turner Hall on Monday evening. The visitors will leave New Ulm on a special train, Tuesday morning, July 6.

DEAD BODY OF YOUNG MAN FOUND NEAR MINNEAPOLIS

Carl Wolfinger, Formerly of This
City, Believed To Have Commit-
ted Suicide.

A dead body was found near Cahill, 10 miles from Minneapolis, last week by Herbert E. Day, 4924 Chicago avenue. The only clue to the identity of the dead man was a draft registration card, bearing the name Carl Wolfinger, New Ulm, found in his coat pocket.

Mr. Day reported to the police that he had gone to Cahill on a fishing trip, and while walking through the woods ten miles from the village had come across the dead man in a secluded spot. The body was in an advanced state of decomposition, said Mr. Day, but it appeared as if death had come by hanging, for a rope was still about the dead man's neck. The rope had broken, letting the body down on the ground.

Bert Morton, keeper of the morgue, took the body to Minneapolis.

SPRINGFIELD AUTO CARAVAN.

To advertise the big Fourth of July celebration Springfield's business men arranged for a big booster auto caravan which visited a number of surrounding cities and villages yesterday. The following places were visited: Sanborn, Lamberton, Wabasso, Redwood Falls, Morgan, Evan, Sleepy Eye, Cobden and Comfrey.

Greeta Morrison of Sleepy Eye was a New Ulm visitor recently.

IN THE INTEREST OF BETTER ROADS

MEETING AT ARMORY IN FAVOR
OF BABCOCK PLAN FOR
GOOD ROADS.

SPEAKERS AND MOVING PICT-
URES SHOW NECESSITY
FOR IMPROVEMENT.

A good roads meeting was held here at the Armory last Friday, under the auspices of the Minnesota Highway Improvement Association. Several outside speakers were present to explain the meaning of the McGarry bill for the establishment of a state trunk highway system. In spite of the heat quite a number of people gathered in the big hall to listen to the different speakers. They were partly attracted by the playing of the Union band in front of the Armory.

Mayor Dr. L. A. Fritsche who presided at the meeting, introduced the different speakers, Senator H. Schmechel, of Renville county, Nonpartisan League member of the state senate; B. Mullen, state highway engineer, and C. M. Babcock, state highway commissioner.

No Additional Tax.

All three speakers emphasized the point that the Babcock plan is so completely co-ordinated that the entire program can be carried out without raising a single additional penny by taxation. The trunk highway system is to be financed entirely by an increased tax on motor vehicles, which, however, strange as it may seem, will be returned three fold to the motor vehicle owners through decreased costs of operation, the speakers explained.

Further, by establishing this trunk highway system, the counties and townships are relieved of the burden of building and maintaining their most expensive roads. This leaves their present local funds—state aid, county and township levies—available for the building of other roads. These local funds reach the enormous total of \$10,925,000 a year.

7,000 Miles.

The amendment embodying the Babcock road plan establishes a trunk highway system to be "located, constructed, re-constructed, improved and forever maintained as public highways by the state of Minnesota," the speakers explained. This system embraces approximately 7,000 miles of our most important highways. Besides these, the secondary road system will be financed by the same state, county and township levies now being made. If all this money were used to build graveled roads, it would finance the construction of 21,850 miles in ten years. This would mean a total system of 28,850 miles of improved road—7,000 miles of trunk road and 21,850 miles of laterals or feeders.

WORLD WAR VETS TO HOLD PICNIC

GIGANTIC ENCAMPMENT AT FT.
HILL, SATURDAY, SUNDAY
AND MONDAY.

BARLOW, MARTIN, LUNDEEN
THOMASEN AND OTHERS
WILL SPEAK.

An event of great moment, politically and otherwise, for all the common people in this section of the state, is the gigantic three-day encampment of the World War Veterans to be held at the historic Fort Hill picnic grounds, on the shores of beautiful Lake Hanska, 20 miles south of New Ulm, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, July 3, 4 and 5. All ex-service men, including members of the American Legion, and the general public are invited to attend this big picnic and enjoy a three days' outing.

National Service Party Day.

Sunday, July 4, is National Service Party Day and has been set aside for the political sessions of the encampment. It is proposed, on this day, to endorse Senator Robert M. LaFollette of Wisconsin as the new third party's candidate for President of the United States, and all those attending the picnic are invited to participate in the political arrangements looking toward this goal.

Barlow, Lundeen, Thomason.

Numerous prominent speakers have been engaged to deliver addresses during the encampment, among them being: Lester P. Barlow, national chairman of the World War Veterans and well known to many Review readers; L. W. Martin, national speaker of the same organization; Ernie Lundeen of Minneapolis, also well known here; O. M. Thomason, probably better known under the name de plume of "Rip, the Reporter," and others. Every one of these speakers has a vital message to deliver to the common people and distance should be no barrier to those desiring to receive first-hand information about the big issues of today.

It is anticipated that about 25,000 people will be present and ample provision has been made for their entertainment, aside from the speeches, in the nature of sports of various kinds, dancing and music.

MEDICAL EXAMINER.

Dr. O. J. Seifert has been appointed medical examiner for the Bureau of War Risk Insurance. The appointment was made by the federal government and reached Dr. Seifert several days ago. The local district comprises the city of New Ulm. The duties connected with this position are to examine all ex-service men who are disabled, to take care of all claims for compensation and to re-examine ex-service men for government insurance. This whole service is free of charge to the men.

Elmer Tappe and Oscar Sandau departed for Spicer, Minn., Sunday, to enjoy a week's outing at the Chas. Spaeth cottage at that place.

Copies of the amendment were distributed among those attending the meeting and Mr. Babcock advised all to take it home and study it and then vote either for it or against it in the November election. Mr. Babcock also referred to the wrong impression made among the voters of the state by the false report that the adoption of the amendment would mean the authorization of the legislature to spend a total of \$100,000,000 for good roads. The amendment only says that the state legislature will be empowered to construct good roads in the state.

Over 300,000 Autos.

Mr. Mullen stated, in the course of his remarks, that at present there are more than 300,000 motor vehicles in the state of Minnesota. This is an increase of over 80,000 since last summer. The state highway department made a traffic survey to establish the average traffic on each road in the state. The result of this investigation was 359 autos, 14 trucks and 18 wagons on each road per day. The average for the main roads in the state was, however, 1100 autos, 80 trucks and 25 wagons per day. A gravel road cannot stand such heavy traffic, Mr. Mullen stated. No matter, how much money is spent, these roads cannot be kept in good condition.

A motion picture showing the advantages of good roads was shown at the end of the meeting.