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SPEAKERS TELL OF NEW FREEDOM

LABOR DAY ORATORS REFER TO CHANGED CONDITIONS AFTER THE WAR.

SEVERAL HUNDRED PEOPLE ATTEND CELEBRATION AT RIVERSIDE PARK.

The weather man was truly "on the job," Monday and proved unstinting in his favoritism for the big Labor Day celebration which was held at Riverside Park by organized labor and their friends of New Ulm and vicinity. The attendance exceeded expectations, as the park was filled to overflowing with people who had come to hear the speakers, the music and partake of the festivities in general.

Parade in Forenoon.

Owing to the heavy fog which lay over the city during the early morning hours, there was a delay in starting the parade, which was scheduled for nine o'clock. The foggy atmosphere evidently dampened the ardor of the many union men, judging by the small number who participated in the parade. A very creditable showing was made by the New Ulm Arbeiter Verein and the Carmen's Union, aside from whom the Carpenters' Union had the largest representation. There were two bands in line, Hofmeister's and the impromptu musical organization made up by the Carmen. Four members of the city council, as well as two of the speakers marched along. The entire procession was on foot, a real, old-fashioned democratic parade.

The Addresses.

In the absence of Mayor L. A. Fritsche, who left early Sunday morning on a much-needed vacation, Capt. Albert Steinhauser complied with the urgent request of the committee on arrangements to deliver the opening address in the forenoon, following the parade. After complimenting the Eastsiders for their enterprise in laying out and maintaining Riverside Park, he dwelt at some length on the evolution of the labor movement and the various transition periods intervening the feudal system of old and the conditions as they present themselves today. He referred to the new freedom that is awaiting the common people if they but unite to abolish the corrupt political and economical power now in the hands of a small coterie of idle rich.

Mr. Steinhauser also suggested that organized labor locally become interested in further developing and beautifying Riverside Park which would prove a future monument for them.

Albert Pfaender Speaks.

The afternoon program was opened with an address by Attorney Alb. Pfaender of this city, candidate for judge of the district court in this district. He spoke briefly of the origin of Labor Day and how its observance had increased in importance. He then launched into a discussion of the League of Nations, stating that in his opinion this was the most important question before the American public at this time. He declared himself opposed to the League of Nations as proposed by President Wilson, claiming that, instead of ending wars, it would involve us in further conflicts brought about by the intrigues and jealousies of European nations. He stated that it had actually been tried out in the case of Poland and Russia, and had failed miserably. The speaker gave the full text of Article 10 of the League, which sets forth that "the members undertake to preserve the territorial integrity and the existing political independence of the members of the League," and claimed that with any interpretation of the English language any fair-minded person would have to admit that it would force us to help England, for example, in case of revolution in India or Ireland. Mr. Pfaender asserted that the covenant was a bundle of promises without a particle of performance. In the matter of reducing armies and armaments, although much is promised, no step is taken looking to a reduction of the armies or navies of the nations, and, in fact, more

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VALUATIONS RAISED.

Assessments on the valuation of real estate property in Nicollet county were raised 10 per cent by the state board of equalization. This increase for the entire county includes not only property, both platted and unplatted, but improvements on all property in the county as well. Adding the increases of the county board to the 10 per cent increase of the state tax commission the percentage of increases for the cities, villages and towns of the county are as follows: New Sweden, 10 per cent; Brighton, 10 per cent; St. Peter, 10 per cent; Bernadotte, 15 per cent; Courtland township, 50 per cent; Granby, 40 per cent; Lafayette township, 30 per cent; Lake Prairie, 20 per cent; Nicollet township, 30 per cent; Ridgely, 10 per cent; Traverse, 25 per cent; West Newton, 30 per cent; Lafayette village, 45 per cent; Nicollet village, 25 per cent.

WILL JUDGE POULTRY.

County Agent F. M. Bane of Sleepy Eye announces that he has succeeded in securing the services of N. E. Chapman, well-known poultry expert at the University Farm, to visit different farms in Brown county, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, and give practical demonstrations in the art of distinguishing poor layers from active hens. These demonstrations will no doubt prove of great interest for Brown county poultry fanciers. County Agent Bane will, upon request, give detailed information relative to the visit of Mr. Chapman in Brown county.

Miss Anna Hellmann was a guest at the home of Editor and Mrs. B. G. Schulze at Nicollet, Thursday and Friday.

YOUTH ADMITS STEALING GOODS

IRA KOBERSTEIN CONFESSES STANDARD STORE THEFT AT SLEEPY EYE.

TOOK ARTICLES VALUED AT \$150. BOUND OVER TO DISTRICT COURT.

While William Koberstein, a farmer residing some three miles from Sleepy Eye, was doing the chores, Thursday morning, he accidentally discovered the place in his haymow, where the articles stolen from the Standard Store at Sleepy Eye, August 20, had been concealed. In preparing to throw down some hay, his fork struck a hard object, and upon closer investigation this proved to be the loot from place of business mentioned.

Notified Police.

Mr. Koberstein immediately notified the Sleepy Eye police, who drove out to the place and took possession of the goods. When he made the discovery, Mr. Koberstein little realized that his own son, Ira Koberstein, was guilty of purloining the various articles found in the father's haymow, but such proved to be the case, when the young man was questioned and finally confessed to the theft. Ira is 19 years old, apparently bright and does not give the impression of being criminally inclined. Whether he alone committed the robbery is not known, but further developments are anticipated.

Guilty on Two Charges.

The young man was brought to New Ulm by the Sleepy Eye police, Friday evening, and lodged in the county jail here. Saturday morning he was taken before City Justice George Hogen for a preliminary hearing, which he waived, whereupon he pled guilty to the two criminal complaints lodged against him by P. J. Gordan, manager of the Standard Store. One of these complaints charges him with the theft of numerous articles, while the other is for burglary with the intent of committing larceny.

Goods Valued at \$150.

The criminal complaint charging young Koberstein with larceny sets for a list of the various articles found in the cache in his father's haymow, together with their value, as follows: a 12-gauge Winchester repeating shotgun, \$60; a 22-caliber Remington repeating rifle, \$30; 22

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OLD DOCUMENT TELLS OF GIFT

GENEROUS DONATION OF LOTS FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES IS RECALLED.

GRANT WAS MADE BY GERMAN LAND ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA IN 1859

We are indebted to a prominent friend of the local public schools for a copy of a warranty deed, executed September 28, 1859, by means of which the German Land Association of Minnesota, the original owners of the present site of New Ulm, donated to "the school district of the township of New Ulm" a total of 25 lots, located in different parts of the city, for school purposes.

Interested in Education.

This generous gift proves beyond a doubt that the men who made it were intensely interested in the education of New Ulm's juvenile population even at that date. To awaken a similar interest at this time, the Review publishes the entire document which no doubt will be read with interest by our readers. Here it is:

WARRANTY DEED.

This indenture, made the 28th day of September, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, between the German Land Association of Minnesota, represented by G. W. Otto Barth, Pres., H. Kompe, Sec., and Lambert Naegele, Treasurer, all of New Ulm, Brown County, and State of Minnesota, of the one part and Jacob Barbier, Andreas Pfaff and Philipp Gross, the trustees of the School District of the township of New Ulm, of the same place, on the other part;

Witnesseth, that said German Land Association of Minnesota as well as and in consideration of the natural, political and moral affection which the said Association hath and bears unto the said School District and its school boys and girls, as also for the better maintenance, use and profit of the school of said township, has given, granted, aliened, enfeoffed and confirmed by these presents, does give, grant, alien, enfeoff and confirm unto the said School District of New Ulm township all those tracts or parcels of land lying and being in the town of New Ulm, Brown County, Minnesota, described as follows, to-wit:—

Lots ten (10) and eleven (11), in Block thirty-six (36); Lots ten (10) and eleven (11), in Block forty-eight (48); Lots ten (10) and eleven (11), in Block sixty-one (61); Lots four (4) and five (5) in Block one hundred and forty-six (146); Lots four (4) and five (5) in Block one hundred and fifty-nine (159); Lots four (4) and five (5) in Block one hundred and seventy-one (171), South of Center Street; and also

Lots ten (10) and eleven (11) in Block thirty-six (36); Lots ten (10) and eleven (11) in Block forty-eight (48); Lots ten (10) and eleven (11) in Block sixty-one (61); Lots four (4) and five (5) in Block one hundred and forty-six (146); Lots four (4) and five (5) in Block one hundred and fifty-nine (159); Lots four (4) and five (5) in Block one hundred and seventy-one (171) North of Center Street, the whole according to the new map of the town of New Ulm as entered on record by the German Land Association, together with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining; the school house on Lot twelve (12) in Block sixty-one (61) north, (part of present Lincoln school site) with the wood-house, two school tables; six school benches (benches) with the table annexed to them, five small benches (benches) and one repository for books, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof, and all the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever of it, the said Association have in and to said premises.

To Have and to Hold all and singular the premises hereby granted and confirmed or mentioned or intended so to be, with their and every of their appurtenances unto the said School District of New Ulm township, to the only proper use or benefit of it, the said School District and of its inhabitants thereof.

In Witness Whereof the said party

BASEBALL FANS JOURNEY TO NORWOOD, SUNDAY, SEPT. 12

Special Train Chartered for American Legion Picnic and Big Diamond Event.

There will be a grand exodus of local baseball fans to Norwood, Sunday, September 12, if the day proves to be a congenial one as far as weather conditions are concerned, for on that day the New Ulm nine will cross bats with the diamond artists of Young America at a big picnic to be arranged by the American Legion.

Manager Wm. S. Vercoe of the local horsehide-pounders' aggregation informs us that he has made preliminary arrangements for chartering a special train on the M. & St. L. road to take the baseball enthusiasts and others to Norwood and return. The Baseball Band has been engaged to accompany the New Ulm delegation and the occasion will be one grand round of pleasure.

As between 250 and 500 tickets must be disposed of in advance, all those desiring to go to Norwood on Sunday, September 12, are urgently requested to notify Manager Vercoe as soon as possible, so that pending arrangements for the special train can be carried out.

The price of the tickets for the Round Trip is \$3.15. Let's all go. Make it 500 strong. If 100 fans will chip in 50c each the base ball band can go along, as \$50.00 will pay the fare and meals of the band boys.

BEAN GUESSING CONTEST.

The bean guessing contest staged by the A. J. Vogel Lumber Co., of this city at the Brown County Fair proved quite an attraction, no less than 700 people venturing to estimate the number of beans in a jar that was exhibited in the lumber company's booth. To make it more difficult to solve this interesting problem, an empty container was concealed inside the jar. The correct number of beans was 2,679, and the prizes were awarded as follows: First prize, \$8.00, Ben. Altman, West Newton, 2,673 beans; second prize, \$4.00, Fred Dalueg, Milford, 2,660 beans; third prize, \$2.00, Miss Eleanor Walzer, address not known, 2,700 beans.

NEW TRIAL DENIED.

Motion for a new trial on the part of the defendants in the case of Mrs. Bonnie Olsen against Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Olsen of this city, was denied by Judge Wilbur F. Booth in the United States court at St. Paul last week. It will be remembered that this case was tried in the United States court at Mankato during the April term. Mrs. Bonnie Olsen at that time brought an action against her parents-in-law, to recover \$50,000 for alleged alienation of the affections of her husband, Leslie Olsen, a son of the defendants in the action. The jury in the case awarded Mrs. Bonnie Olsen a verdict of \$25,000, but the defendants, asked for a new trial of the case, which has now been denied by Judge Booth.

Dr. L. A. Fritsche departed early Sunday morning for a two weeks' vacation trip to Duluth, Detroit and Ann Arbor. His alma mater is located in the latter city and this will be his first visit to that institution in 30 years. Dr. Fritsche has not enjoyed a vacation for many years and while regretting to disappoint those in charge of the Labor Day celebration at Riverside Park, Monday, the plans for his trip could not very well be altered.

of the first part has hereunto set their hands and seal the day and year first above mentioned.

Sealed and delivered in presence of G. W. OTTO BARTH, Pres. JOHN C. TOBERER, HENRY MEIERDING, H. KOMPE, Secy. LAMBERT NAEGELE, Treas.

State of Minnesota, County of Brown, ss.

On this 28th day of September, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, G. W. Otto Barth, Pres., H. Kompe, Sec., and Lambert Naegele, Treasurer, of the German Land Association of Minnesota, personally appeared before the undersigned and acknowledged the foregoing instrument by them sealed and subscribed, to be their free act and deed.

HENRY KOMPE, Justice of the Peace. New Ulm, Brown County, Minn. (L. S.)

Filed for record December 23rd, 1860, at 4 o'clock P.M.

ROBBERS LOOT COMFREY STORE

ERICKSON & TRAUTMAN VICTIMIZED SECOND TIME IN FOUR YEARS.

SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS' WORTH OF GOODS TAKEN. TWO SUSPECTS.

The general store of Erickson & Trautman at Comfrey was again visited by a band of auto thieves, Thursday night, who secured between \$4,000 and \$5,000 worth of goods and succeeded in making their get-away. The robbers experienced no difficulty in making their haul, as Comfrey had no night policeman and the main street of the village was deserted when the robbery was committed.

Take 150 Men's Suits.

The principal item among the bandit's big loot were 150 men's suits. They also garnered an entire show case full of silk neckties, as well as eight or 10 men's silk dress shirts, a large number of ladies' silk hose and three men's raincoats. The robbery was not discovered until Friday morning, when the store was opened for business.

Heard Cars Departing.

Some of the village residents heard a few autos departing from Comfrey between one and two o'clock Friday morning and it is believed that these were the cars in which the robbers made their get-away with the stolen goods. No one paid particular attention to the noise made by the departing autos.

Two Men Visit Store.

During the day, Thursday, two strangers entered the store and inquired whether the firm had any second-hand goods for sale. One of the men remained in the front part of the building, while the other accompanied Ora Trautman, one of the members of the firm, to the rear. It is now believed that these two men were implicated in the robbery and that the man who remained in the front part of the store devoted his attention to the location of the goods which later were stolen. He had ample opportunity to do so while his companion was talking with Mr. Trautman.

Good Description.

The two strangers who visited the store were closely observed by members of the sales force, which enabled the latter to give the authorities a good description of each of them. Nothing in their actions or appearance aroused suspicion as to the real object of their visit.

The man who accompanied Mr. Trautman to the rear of the store is described as follows: About 5 feet, 9 or 10 inches tall; heavy built; full face; about 35 years old; wore a blue suit and tan shoes with English laces.

His companion looked like a Jew. He was about 5 feet, 6 to 8 inches tall; dark complexioned; about 40 years old; had a small, black moustache, and wore a black-and-white striped suit and a sailor straw hat.

Cars and Men Seen.

People traveling the road between Dotson and Comfrey noticed three strangers and two cars at a point a short distance from Dotson, Thursday evening at about 7 o'clock. Nothing was thought of their presence there at the time, but since the robbery different parties have informed the authorities of what they saw. The descriptions of the two cars vary considerably, some of those who saw them claiming that they were Fords and that one had the appearance of being a delivery wagon. Others maintain that it was a car with a re-built body. The auto in which the two men drove up to the Erickson & Trautman store was a Ford.

Take Only Three Raincoats.

The fact that the robbers selected only three raincoats from the supply in the store, leads the authorities to believe that three men were implicated in the robbery. The stock included quite a number of these garments, but the bandits apparently took along only as many as they themselves could wear.

Sheriff's Office Notified.

The sheriff's office in this city was notified of the robbery, Friday morning, and immediately got busy on the case. Cards, bearing the descriptions of the two suspects, were printed and sent out broadcast in the hope of apprehending the bandits. Their

destination is not known, but it is surmised that they headed for the Twin Cities to dispose of their loot.

Generous Reward Offered.

Erickson & Trautman offer a reward of \$500 for the return of the stolen goods, while an additional reward of \$100 will be paid by the Merchants National Detective Bureau, of which the Comfrey firm is a member, for the arrest and conviction of the guilty parties.

Robbed Four Years Ago.

The store of Erickson & Trautman at Comfrey was robbed of a large amount of merchandise in October, 1916, nearly four years ago. In spite of a vigilant search for the culprits at that time, they were not apprehended.

FAIRFAX TAKES TO THE TALL TIMBERS.

New Ulm has been roasted by the press of her neighboring city, Fairfax, for everything imaginable and has been accused of being about the crookedest and rottenest bunch of base ball fans in existence. Now it is New Ulm's turn. Her fans have never gotten cold feet or been accused of being yellow as our neighboring fans have shown themselves to be. The manager of the Fairfax Ball Club made the statement that he would play New Ulm for a \$200 side bet on some neutral grounds. The manager of the New Ulm club went him one better by going to Fairfax with a certified check for \$200 and offering to play on the Fairfax diamond on Monday, Labor day, Sept. 5. Mr. McCormack agreed to this. Then his backers and supporters showed yellow clear through by backing down.

By their action they not only acknowledged that New Ulm had the better club but that they show themselves to be "tin horn" sports as well.

To show how scared they were of us W. S. Vercoe and "Billy" Born tried separately to get Mr. McCormack over the long distance phone, and the telephone operator said she couldn't locate him. On two different occasions the operator delivered a message which to the above two gentlemen showed that it was dictated by some one else, presumably Mr. McCormack. Fans can you imagine anyone with so little back bone?

Anytime Fairfax wants to come to New Ulm and play for a \$200 side bet, we are ready and waiting for them. And we won't flinch either.

Elmer Kohls of Morgan has entered Dr. Martin Luther College here.

BANQUET FOR OLD SETTLERS

ANNUAL CELEBRATION TO BE HELD AT TURNER HALL OCTOBER 7.

BUSINESS MEETING OF JUNIOR PIONEERS WILL FOLLOW FESTIVITIES.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Junior Pioneers held Monday afternoon it was decided to have the annual banquet for the old folks, October 7th, as usual, and the chairman was empowered to appoint a committee to make the necessary arrangements. A nominating committee was also appointed to present names of nominees for the new executive committee to be elected at the annual meeting of the Junior Pioneers which will be held immediately following the banquet.

The committee having charge of the celebration scheduled for the anniversary date of the first battle of New Ulm reported verbally that they expect to have \$50 left over after paying all expenses. Mrs. George Schneider, Mrs. Carl Crone and Mrs. George Marti were voted the thanks of the Association for the several pieces of hickory furniture which they had purchased and placed in the log cabin. The President of the Association was given permission to place the log cabin at the disposal of Pioneers, Junior Pioneers and Junior Pioneers Junior who may desire to use it for social purposes. The President reported that he had given the Junior Pioneer Card Club and also the Hecker Circle permission to use the log cabin and that he did not feel that he should do this without having the authority of the executive committee. Several bills were audited and ordered paid, whereupon the meeting adjourned.

Text of Resolution. The text of the resolution, which was finally adopted by a unanimous vote of the board, after a few minor changes "Whereas, it is the wish of a large majority of the inhabitants of the City of New Ulm that instruction in the German language be re-instated in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades of the public schools of this city; and

"Whereas, instruction in the German language has formed a part of the school curriculum of this district in all the grades ever since the creation, organization and existence of the said school district, except for a brief period; now, therefore,

"Be it resolved, by the Board of Education of the Independent School District of the City of New Ulm aforesaid, that instruction in the German language be re-instated in the school curriculum of this district and that instruction in the German language be elective and that non-election of instruction in the German language must be made by the parents or the legal guardians of the children attending said classes; said non-election so made to be in writing and submitted to the Superintendent of our city schools."

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SCHOOL BOARD TABUS DANCING

"FEET EXERCISE" PROHIBITED IN ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS HERE.

STUDY OF GERMAN SELECTIVE IN SIXTH, SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADES.

The local board of education took a great deal of the joy out of school life for the budding society debutantes and embryo beau Brummels among the high school students, when it decided, at a special meeting held Saturday evening, to eliminate dancing from all of the local public school buildings. Numerous complaints by parents of high school students as well as teachers last year to the effect that the young folks were evidently paying more attention to the exercise of their feet than of their grey matter, formed the basis for this action, as certain board members were determined to abate the terpsichorean extravagance in the hope that the students will apply themselves more thoroughly to the development of their mental faculties.

German Study Selective.

One of the most important matters taken up by the board at its meeting Saturday evening was the question of re-instating instruction in German in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades of the local public schools, and the discussion pro and con continued for over an hour. Two paragraphs forming the preamble of a resolution introduced by John Henle and seconded by Dr. J. H. Vogel, dealing with this matter, brought on a verbal battle, which, at times, grew rather heated. It was all occasioned by a difference of opinion relative to the statement in one of the preamble paragraphs to the effect that instruction in the German language had formed a part of the schools curriculum of this district in all grades ever since the organization of the district.

Attorney Mueller Objects.

Attorney Alfred W. Mueller objected to the introduction of this paragraph in the resolution re-instating the study of German in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades of our public schools, stating that a former member of the board of education claimed that German instruction did not form a part of the school curriculum in all the grades when he assumed office some 22 years ago. This claim is not based upon facts, however, as all those who attended the local public schools in bygone years can testify. President W. T. Eckstein took issue with Mr. Mueller's statements, as did other members of the board who well remember that instruction in German did form a part of the curriculum of the local public schools until set aside by the then board of education some three years ago.

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