

ORGANIZATION OF THIRD PARTY IMPORTANT POLITICAL ACTION

National Progressives May Affect Future Elections

The official decision to launch a third party—called the National Progressive Party, and headed by Governor Philip LaFollette of Wisconsin—is of major political importance. The chief significance of the move lies in its possible effect on the existing parties, and on future elections.

The history of third party movements in this country has been generally a history of practically complete failure, so far as the parties themselves were concerned. Today who remembers the Locofocos, the Free Soilers, the North Americans, the Blue Light Federalists, the Anti-Masons—all important third party movements in their time? The last third party drive that got anywhere at all was that of 1924, when the senior LaFollette ran for president with Senator Wheeler as his team-mate and polled a total of 5,000,000 votes out of 30,000,000 cast. But the ticket received the electoral vote of only one state, Wisconsin.

Occasionally, however, a third party bolt has been the decisive factor in a national election, and has so made an important contribution to the course of government. This was the case in 1912, when Theodore Roosevelt, having split with Taft and the regular republicans, led the "Bull Moose" revolt. The Rough Rider did not get elected, in spite of the advantage that he had been President, and enjoyed an immense popularity—but he took enough of the republican vote to elect Wilson, and to leave Taft the worst beaten incumbent in American history. And the wounds that the split caused in the republican ranks took a long time to heal, and are generally believed to have been a major factor in the re-election of Wilson in 1916, when he beat Hughes by the narrowest of margins.

The potential importance of the National Progressive Party thus lies in the possibility that it may have some such effect as this on the current political set-up. And the stage is certainly set for a political upheaval, and the realignment of political groups.

The party in power, the democratic, has its most dependable support in the south. It was this solid south following which kept it going during its bad years after the war, when many commentators forecast its imminent demise. But, as everyone knows, the south is largely conservative. The principal southern senators—Byrd, Harrison, Glass, Bailey, etc.—inclined toward the right. The New Deal on the other hand, is leftist. Its most consistent congressional supporters are northern democrats, from states which in former times were often or usually counted in the republican ranks—Pennsylvania, New York, the New England group, the corn-belt, and the far west. It is the industrial east and middle west, rather than the agrarian south, which is most enthusiastic for the Roosevelt policies.

At the same time, there are many followers of the New Deal, including a sizable bloc in the house, which believe that the President has not gone far enough left. These men are semi-radicals—they do not go as far as do the extreme left-wingers, who vote for minority tickets such as the Communist. And it is to this left group, and to the left sympathizing constituents who elect them, that Governor LaFollette's new party will offer its principal appeal. Furthermore, the party starts with one stage apparently "in the bag"—Wisconsin has always supported the LaFollette with hardly a deviation, and there is no indication that sentiment among Wisconsin voters has changed.

To sum up, the LaFollette movement is for the first time offering these semi-radicals a party headed by men with national political reputations who will sponsor platforms that are largely in accord with left wing views. At the same time, there is a growing movement on foot for a coalition between republicans and orthodox democrats for the purpose of beating the New Deal and to elect, if not a republican, a conservative democrat. It is said that in some states, such as Florida, where it is practically impossible for republicans to win a seat in the senate, republican voters have changed their registry, so that they may vote for anti-New Dealers in the democratic primaries. And even so strong a republican spokesman as Mark Sullivan has given his approval to this course.

So, if the coalition of conservatives makes headway, and at the same time

HOME MAKERS CLUB HOLDS FINAL MEETING OF YEAR

Annual Reports Are Read—Officers Elected

The Home Makers Club held their final meeting for the year, last Tuesday, at the home of the president, Mrs. Ralph Neher. Sixteen members attended.

Annual reports were received from the secretary, Mrs. Ray Willard, and the treasurer, Mrs. Arthur Neely. The following slate of officers was elected to serve during the next club year:

Mrs. Ralph Neher, President.
Mrs. Kenneth Huyck, Vice-Pres.
Mrs. Ray Willard, Secretary.
Mrs. Arthur Neely, Treasurer.

The club has had a very profitable and enjoyable year, several new members have been added to the roll call, and the interest and enthusiasm has been noticeable.

A short program was presented in the hands of Mrs. Hoyt, music chairman. Memory songs were sung in unison. Mrs. Harriet Whitmore sang, "Danny Boy," accompanied by Mrs. Glenn Carpenter. Mrs. Carpenter played a few bars from several old time melodies, and prizes were awarded to the ones guessing the most titles of the songs. Mrs. Ray Willard won first award, and other small prizes were given.

Punch and small cakes were served and the club then adjourned for the summer. The annual picnic will be held in July.

P. T. A. HOLDS MAY MEETING

Reports Read, New Officers Installed And Enjoyable Program Given

The May meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association took place in the auditorium on Monday evening. Preceding the meeting members viewed a large poster demonstration, arranged by teachers and prepared by pupils of all the schools of the district.

Annual reports were received. The sum of \$70 was realized by the association from the appearance of the Manlius Cadet Band, after paying expenses.

Mrs. Jay Sholes, program chairman for the year, presented a report on what had been accomplished during the year. A report on child welfare work, written by Miss Noyes, was presented by Mr. Whitney, president. Adult education unit report was given by Mrs. Angell. Certificates were presented for dramatic awards also Red Cross awards made.

The W. C. T. U. presented prizes to Laura Emhof, Johanna Nelson and Lowell Greene, on posters made on temperance subjects.

Installation of new officers was then conducted, in charge of Mr. Whitney, retiring president. The following were installed: President, Mrs. Floyd Wilber; vice-president, Barton Williams; secretary, William F. Davis; treasurer, Mrs. Lewis Reed. Mrs. Wilber announced the following committees for next year: Program, Mrs. J. R. Hoyt; membership, Barton Williams; publicity, Miss Elizabeth Walton; magazine and book shelf, Dr. H. J. Miller; hospitality, Mrs. S. J. Gibson; refreshments, Mrs. Henry Willard.

In charge of Mrs. Frances Lewis, Mrs. Maxine Manchester and Barton Williams, assisted by Miss Crippen at the piano, a varied program, consisting of grade entertainment, motion songs, one-act plays, a mock trial, pageant, minstrel show, marionettes, etc., was presented. Pupils from the second to the sixth grades participated, the South Edmeston school assisting members of the local school.

The National Progressive Party manages to enlist a substantial share of American left wingers, who will the New Deal? It is all in the guesswork stage as yet, of course, in politics, as someone once said, almost anything can happen and it usually does. But Governor LaFollette's move has certainly broadened the room for political speculation, and has further confused the political outlook.

The business indexes show little change. Minor rises are quickly offset by drops, and drops by minor rises. The business journalist's main problem is to find something interesting to write about.

The apathetic state of affairs is neatly indicated by the stock market. April 30 marked the second slowest market session in 20 years.

STATE LIMITS PASSENGERS STANDING IN SCHOOL BUSES

Standing passengers in school buses must not exceed thirty per cent of the seating capacity under new regulations adopted this week by the public service commission.

There is no restriction on the number of standees for school buses at present, although commission rules for omnibus corporations stipulate that standing passengers shall not be allowed in excess of fifty per cent of the seating capacity in urban territory and thirty-five per cent in rural areas.

The new rules, effective next September 1st, will require step-wells to be kept free of standing passengers while the bus is in motion, require seven-passenger sedans to transport no more than ten passengers in addition to the driver, and five-passenger sedans not more than six passengers in addition to the driver.

The regulations, designed to promote the safety of approximately 135,000 children who travel in school buses, were drafted at public hearings in Syracuse, Binghamton, Buffalo, New York city and Albany.

The state education department has estimated the cost of transporting school children this year will be in excess of \$6,000,000. The state and local communities share the costs.

INDIAN RELICS FOUND NEAR THE GILBOA DAM

Interesting archeological discoveries about America's first inhabitants, the ancient Algonquins, have been made recently on the farm of Frank Stryker, near Gilboa.

In the process of changing the read near the Stryker house in the town of Gilboa, a mile from the Gilboa reservoir, along the Schoharie, the road gang struck a layer of charcoal and ashes. A group of Indian collectors then excavated a lot about fifty feet long and thirty feet wide, to a depth of three or four feet.

During excavation, there were discovered about ten perfect arrow points, two flint knives, two or three pestles, five broken celts or axes, a few scrapers, hammerstones and mullers, and a quantity of fragments of both Algonquin and Mohawk pottery at different levels. The best specimen was an Algonquin clay pipe in perfect condition, found by Ralph S. Ives, Jr., of Roxbury, about four feet below the surface.

One of the most interesting finds was a green slate Indian gorget, which had not yet been perforated, although it had been shaped and partly polished. An Indian gorget is a flat piece of stone, through which two holes were drilled, so the gorget could be worn around the neck, and used as an amulet or charm to keep evil spirits away.

Another "find" was a perfect granite axe, beautifully shaped and polished of yellowish-gray stone, striped with red and green. Two of the arrow points and one of the knives had never been used, as their sharp flint edges showed. Another important find was a bone flaker used for making flint arrow points. Frank Stryker made this find.

NEW DISTRICT MANAGER OF TRI COUNTY MOTOR CLUB

Mr. Ralph Kaufman, well known in Norwich and Chenango county for the past 22 years as an automobile salesman and dealer has been named district manager of the Tri County Motor Club for the Chenango county section in place of Adrian F. Dixon.

Mr. Kaufman will have full charge of A. A. service and activities in the Chenango area which also includes part of Hamilton in Madison county, Edmeston, Burlington Falls and down the Butternut valley in Otsego county and Unadilla in Otsego county.

Mr. Kaufman was a Buick representative for many years with the Wm. Brennan organization and was salesmanager for the Phil Ford Company.

In addition to assuming the responsibility of membership development, the garage service for members and the safety program through the schools will be under Mr. Kaufman's direction. He will also take care of the insurance service recommended by the club.

All members and official status of the club are urged to give Mr. Kaufman every possible assistance in building a strong organization of motorists within the area.

Messages should be addressed to him at the Tri County Motor Club, 37 North Broad street, Norwich, N. Y. Phone 830.

Doctor B. F. Bishop Dies Suddenly Tuesday

Prominent Physician Passes Away at Garrattville Home

New Lisbon, May 10—Dr. Bancroft Frederick Bishop passed away suddenly at his home in Garrattville at 8 this morning. While not in the best of health, but able to visit patients, he suffered a painful injury in a fall February 14, and from then on seemed to be losing ground. Three weeks ago he entered St. Luke's hospital in Utica, where he was submitted to an operation.

Despite his weakened condition, he seemed to improve and Sunday was brought to his home. He seemed as well as usual early this morning, resting comfortably, when suddenly his pulse ceased. Calling Mrs. Van Wagner of New Berlin, but Mr. Bishop expired suddenly from a heart attack.

With his passing the community is left without a resident physician.

He devoted his life to his work, regardless of the hour, day or weather, and was unselfish and untiring as long as strength permitted. He had given not only the fruits of his profession, but his own great heartedness to all. Outside his profession, he was interested in all things pertaining to the betterment of the community where he had long resided. Tender hearted, he was especially kind to the poor and needy, and was known for his warm and never failing sympathy and tender understanding.

Dr. Bishop was born at Burlington Falls June 8, 1858, a son of John and Esther (Marcy) Bishop. After completing his school education, he was taught in district school for a few years. His ambition was for progress, and deciding to become a physician, he attended Long Island Medical college, from which he was graduated with high honors June 2, 1886. After graduation, he returned to his native home, where he practiced for one year before locating in Garrattville, where he had practiced his profession for more than 50 years.

He was a member of the Masonic lodge at Edmeston, the chapter of Morris, commandery of Norwich, Shrine and Templars of Utica, director of the First National Bank of Morris, coroner of Otsego county for many years, and health officer of the towns of Burlington, Pittsfield and New Lisbon for many years.

While not a member of any church he was a contributor to both local churches. He was ever active in the Mens Community club and other societies in his home town.

Twice married, his first wife was Mrs. Fannie (Reynolds) McClellan, who died in 1918.

February 4, 1922, he married Miss Ada M. Turnbull of Garrattville, who survives. She has given him the tenderest of care during his decline. Besides his wife, he leaves an only daughter, Mrs. Mildred Dockstader of New Lisbon; two grandchildren, Frederick Dockstader of Garrattville, and Mrs. William Fisher of Newport, N. Y.; one step-daughter, Mrs. Anna Thayer of Edmeston; one step grand-daughter, Miss Dorothy Thayer of Edmeston; and one niece, Mrs. Myra Quick, and a brother-in-law, Charles Chase of Wampsville, besides a multitude of friends who will regret his passing and who will unite with the family in mourning his loss.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon from the Presbyterian church. Prayer services for the immediate family will be held at the family residence Thursday evening.

The body will lie in state in the United Presbyterian church from 11 until 1, and the funeral will be held at 2. Rev. J. S. Vance, pastor of the church, will officiate, assisted by Dr. J. C. Calhoun. Members of Masonic lodges will escort the body to the cemetery. Burial will be in the family lot in Butternut Valley cemetery at Brick Schoolhouse.—Oneonta Star.

STATE SCHOOL MONIES DISTRIBUTED TO DISTRICTS

Mrs. Grace T. Bishop, county treasurer, has received the second and final allotment of state public school money and same has been distributed to the various central and union free school districts and supervisors in the county.

The first allotment distributed by Mrs. Bishop was \$294,149.90 and the final payment was \$344,229.54, both exclusive of the city of Norwich.

The New Berlin Central School's portion of this last allotment is \$33,295.44 which was received by the district the latter part of last week.

C. & U. TELEPHONE CORP. ORGANIZES FOR THIS YEAR

Directors Are Elected At Annual Meeting Held Friday

At the annual meeting of the Chenango & Unadilla Telephone Corporation held at Norwich on Friday, the following directors were elected: C. H. Clark, L. W. Ferris, T. H. Ferris, H. L. Fuess, E. B. Guild, I. H. Griswold, H. H. Higley, A. W. Morse, W. A. Seely, O. A. Thompson and W. B. Woodbury.

At a meeting of the directors, the following officers were elected: President, I. H. Griswold; vice-president, H. H. Higley; vice-president, E. B. Guild; treasurer, T. Harvey Ferris; secretary and assistant treasurer, O. A. Thompson; assistant treasurer, Cyrus M. Higley; assistant treasurer and assistant secretary, L. W. Ferris.

The reports of the company show that during the year there was a substantial increase in telephone stations and together with the merger of the Oxford Telephone Company and the purchase of the physical plant of the Delaware Telephone Company, Inc., Franklin, New York, the total stations were increased by 660 telephones.

Taxes paid during the year amounted to \$26,241, which represents an increase of 21.5% over the preceding year and is 11.1% of the corporation's operating revenues.

The net earnings of the company were considerably less than the preceding year due to increased taxes, increased wages and on account of certain adjustments and reduction in rates made throughout the territory. These reductions amounted to somewhat over \$10,000 per annum.

During the year 1937 there was an average of 120 employees in the organization. The local calls completed totaled 6,519,600, or an average per telephone of 3.1 calls per day. The number of toll messages originating in the territory was 322,560.

The records reflected a satisfactory condition. Numerous projects for improving service and additional facilities were approved for 1938, among same being a new building and automatic equipment at McDonough—Sun.

SUCCUMBS AT MONTICELLO

Laurens, May 4—Mrs. Maude (Clinton) Tuttle, 41, a resident of this vicinity many years, died Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 in the Monticello hospital following an illness of eight months.

The body was brought to Morris Saturday, where funeral services were held at 2 o'clock in the Zion Episcopal church. Rev. L. Curtis Denny officiated, and interment was in the family plot of the new part of Hillington cemetery.

She was born in Laurens September 30, 1896, a daughter of Everett and Minnie (Weldon) Clinton. A graduate of the Morris teachers' training class, she had taught in schools in this vicinity, New Berlin and Monticello, where she had resided for 10 years. Her marriage to William Tuttle occurred in New York city June 4, 1920. She was a member of the New Berlin Episcopal church.

Surviving are her husband; an adopted son, Burton Tuttle of Monticello; an aunt, Mrs. Fred G. Webber of Laurens; an uncle, William Weldon of Laurens and several cousins. They will have the sympathy of many friends in this vicinity.

T. B. SANITARIUM MANAGERS TO ANSWER STATE CHARGES

At a recent meeting of the board of Managers of the Chenango County Tubercular Sanitarium the managers voted unanimously to answer the recent report made by an investigator from the state department of health.

The report charged that a portion of the patients at the local institution were not tubercular and recommended that the institution be closed as soon as possible and all Chenango county patients be sent to the Homer Folks State Sanitarium at Oneonta.

County welfare commissioner Percy W. Woodruff, president of the board of Managers, said that the report which was being compiled by Dr. A. K. Benedict, superintendent of the Sherburne institution, probably would be ready for publication within the next two weeks.

Mr. Woodruff states that "every member of our board feels that the state report was misleading, unjust and incorrect and we do not intend to allow it to go unchallenged. We feel that our sanitarium is properly conducted and we cannot sit idly by and allow this report to be accepted without a protest."

The members of the board, exclusive of Mr. Woodruff, are Dr. Edwin F. Gibson of Norwich, Clarke A. Tinker of Smyrna, Dr. E. A. Hammond of New Berlin and Dr. B. A. Hall of Oxford.

As soon as the answer has been completed copies will be sent to the state department of health and also to Governor Herbert H. Lehman.

BUILD MOBILE UNIT FOR MAN IN IRON LUNG

A special trailer house to provide mobility for the iron lung in which Audley Dutton, South Otsego manufacturer and war veteran, has lived since he was stricken last fall by infantile paralysis, is being constructed.

A summer cabin has recently been purchased for Mr. Dutton to live in this summer at Big Moose Lake in the Adirondacks and the trailer house will be used to transfer him there.

Dr. J. Mott Crumb, Mr. Dutton's physician, said that Mr. Dutton is improving and that he was able to remain outside the lung for about an hour. He said he expected to be able to keep Mr. Dutton out of the respirator for a slightly longer period.

Dr. Crumb explained that Mr. Dutton is subject to hay fever and he hoped to be able to have him moved in the trailer house to the Big Moose Lake cabin before the hay fever season.

MR. DICKINSON TO DISCUSS FEDERAL CONTROL OF MILK

Mr. Dickinson of the Metropolitan Milk Producers Bargaining Agency will be at the New Berlin Central School at 8 p. m., Tuesday, May 17, to discuss the new surplus control plan recently submitted to the state and federal governments for approval. The plan, if approved, will affect all dairymen shipping milk to New York city, regardless of the channel through which it is marketed.

Every dairymen in the milk shed should know the facts about this plan before taking action either for or against it. The supporters of the plan seek to raise the level of all milk through controlling the surplus before it reaches fluid markets. Come and get the facts.

Let It Rain Now!

FOR ONCE, THOSE
HAT DESIGNERS
HIT ON SOMETHING...
WHENEVER YOU WEAR
THAT HAT, I DON'T
WANT TO CARRY
AN UMBRELLA!