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LUTHERANS OF WORLD TO HOLD A CONVENTION

DELEGATES REPRESENTING 90 MILLION WORSHIPERS TO MEET IN GERMANY.

MANY GO FROM THIS COUNTRY

Greatest Religious Gathering Held in Many Years—People from All Over the World.

From Wednesday's Daily.

For the first time since the days of Martin Luther and the Reformation the different sections of the Lutheran church are meeting in convention.

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England at first resisted the new doctrines, but in the course of thirty years Henry the VIII gave authority for forming an English church. For some years all the dissenters from the Catholic teachings were dubbed "Lutherans," but when Calvin and others who differed in some respects from the Great Reformer had developed large groups that agreed with them the term Protestants came into use for those at odds with Rome and the name Lutheran was confined to such as adopted the Augsburg Confession and Luther's writings as distinctive of their faith.

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War Inited Fellowship

It was the frightful suffering during and since the active hostilities that fostered the desire to gather into one conference at Eisenach. Relief work, initiated by the American Lutherans within six months after the Armistice and soon taken up by Denmark, Sweden and Norway, excited the desire that Lutheran leaders of every country might assemble to provide for co-operation and reconstruction. The great needs engendered by sickness, famine, plague and poverty were "to the body," but as occurred when Jesus ministered to hunger and nakedness, the spiritual requirements soon made themselves felt and received attention. In the

course of four years, these spiritual objectives have come to occupy the first place, and the Eisenach meeting will discuss chiefly the doctrines, professions and practices that distinguish Lutheranism as an evangelical faith.

The most prominent men from each "area" of the church are meeting at Eisenach. They are bishops, superintendents, heads of mission societies, distinguished professors of the Lutheran schools of theology and universities, and laymen who are high up in the administration of the affairs of the church. Many of the men have been in the heart of the warfare work that has so recently closed.

Dr. Irbe of Latvia, Dr. Meyer of Russia, Dr. Bursche of Poland know personally what the Bolshevik persecutions did in their respective countries. Dr. Paul of Leipzig, whose life interest is centered in the large foreign mission fields of the German societies, saw rapidly growing Christianization projects in Africa, New Guinea, India and China suddenly and violently interrupted when the fortunes of war transferred the remote colonies of the German Empire to other nations. Bishop Imholz of Saxony faced the arduous labor of reorganizing the church of his country after the present German republic was established and the former superintendence by the state and support of the church by taxation were altered to suit the new conditions. About 2,000 delegates are gathered in the town of Eisenach, Germany, on August 19th, to deliberate on religious and ecclesiastical affairs. Only a General Council by the Church of Rome can bear any comparison to this assemblage, either in extent of representation or in the Christian interests involved.

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DETECTIVE J. M. BUEL SCORES A BIG TRIUMPH

ARRESTS FLEIGHTS SOUGHT BY OTHER SLEUTHS DURING PAST FOUR YEARS

CAPTURED IN THIRTY DAYS

Fast Work and Long Chase Results in Story that Reads Like the Old Time Dime Novel.

From Wednesday's Daily.

J. M. Buel, head of the Buel National Detective Agency of Omaha, was here today for a few hours looking after some matters, and while here related a story of a recent capture he has made of two forgers that reads like a dime novel and shows the wonderful work that Mr. Buel has accomplished in ferreting out the criminals in cases where he has been called onto the job. What is most pleasing to Mr. Buel is the fact that he landed the two forgers in one month after they had been sought for the past four years by other agencies, some of the leading detectives of the country having been on the case and unable to locate the parties sought.

Four years ago two strangers were operating at Belden, Nebraska, and in the time they were there, they fleeced the Farmers State Bank of that place out of a large amount through forged drafts and notes and made their getaway with the spoils of their crime. The bank and the bankers' association employed some of the leading detective agencies in the country to try and trace down the men but without success and it was thought that the case was about run out when the bank at Belden decided to give the case over to the Buel Agency to try and land the criminals wanted.

The previous efforts to locate the men wanted had cost the bank and the association the sum of \$3,600 and without result up to July 15th, when the case was placed in the hands of Mr. Buel. He at once started in on the tracing of the two men and never left the trail until a few weeks later he traced them down and found the men staid and respected citizens in different communities in the central west.

The chase led through the states of Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas, and finally Mr. Buel found one of the men located in Wisconsin, where he had settled in one of the small towns and was at the head of an auto and tractor manufacturing concern and where he was one of the chief men of the community and highly respected.

He was apprehended very quietly by Mr. Buel and came back to Nebraska to face the result of his wrong doing and then Mr. Buel started after the second man and on August 6th arrested his man at the Sherman House in Chicago, where the man sought was located as a high class stock salesman of one of the large bond houses of that city. Just as Mr. Buel made the arrest he was taken with a stroke of heart trouble, but was able to get his man as far as Minneapolis, where representatives of the bank met him and the prisoner was turned over to the authorities.

The two men had eluded capture for all these years and were convinced that they had successfully buried their past and were naturally much surprised to learn that their whereabouts had been unearthed, as in their new life they had become respected citizens of their communities and the achievement of Mr. Buel shows most able work on the part of the Omaha operative in sifting down the crime after the failure of other agencies.

ASKS FOR RE-APPOINTMENT

While at Lincoln yesterday, County Attorney A. G. Cole visited the state capital and took up with Game Warden George Koster the matter of the appointment of Ernest Melbern of Murray as a deputy game warden for that section of the county. Mr. Melbern has served in that capacity and his efficient work in that line was recognized by the county attorney in urging the game warden to make his re-appointment. There have been a great many hunters visiting that part of the county and annoying the farmers by hunting on their farms with permission and violating the game laws and Mr. Melbern has been very active in checking this form of law violation and which has proved a means of checking the deer and wild game poaching. The game warden, Mr. Cole, said he expected to give the matter his favorable consideration.

SAYS EUROPE FACES ANOTHER BIG WAR

SENATOR SMOOT DECLARES GERMAN ON THE BRINK OF A NEW REVOLUTION.

BODES ILL FOR UNITED STATES

Particularly For the Farmer, Whose Crops Europe Is Not in a Position to Pay For.

New York, Aug. 13.—A picture of Germany on the brink of revolution and of Europe face to face with another devastating war was brought home today by Senator Reed Smoot of Utah, who went abroad at the request of the late President Harding to study conditions in Germany as they affect the reparations problem.

Equally doleful was the impression brought back by Representative J. B. Aswell of Louisiana, who also has been on a tour of Europe. Both agreed that conditions abroad boded ill for America, particularly for the farmer, for whose crops they said Europe was not in a position to pay. Senator Smoot said he believed it still was possible for Europe to see its way out of the chaos, but he declared that unless the nations acted soon, war would surely come.

While the chief difference between France, Germany and Great Britain appeared on the surface to be over reparations, he said, he suspected that beneath this lay the problem of coal. In view of what he had seen, he said, he earnestly hoped that America could remain free of European entanglements. He did not believe, however, that entry in the world court, under the reservations suggested by the late President Harding, would constitute an entanglement. On the contrary, he thought, America could do much to help Europe in its readjustment without herself becoming unduly involved.

RECOVERS STOLEN DRAFTS

Chief of Detectives Van Deusen of the Omaha police force yesterday received through the mail two drafts from a Columbus bank, one for \$2,000 and one for \$200 which had been taken from Dr. P. T. Heilmann of this city. The two drafts had been in a pocketbook belonging to Dr. Heilmann and had been lifted off his person by a pickpocket on a Dundee street car last Saturday. In the pocketbook was \$20 in cash which the party taking the book considered his reward as it was not returned. The payment of the drafts had been stopped by the doctor, however, and with the return of the drafts everything was lovely.

VERY QUIET WEDDING

Saturday afternoon Miss Gladys Elliott and Mr. Harry Beller of this city were united in marriage at Glenwood, Iowa, where they in company with the parents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Elliott, motored to have the happy event celebrated. The wedding was a very simple and quiet event and following the marriage the party returned to this city. The bride is well known here where she has grown to womanhood and is a young lady held in the highest esteem by a large circle of friends and has been very active in the social work of the Methodist church here in the past few years. The groom is employed in the Burlington shops and is a young man held in the highest esteem by those who have the pleasure of knowing him.

The many friends will be pleased to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Beller will continue to make their home in this city.

REMOVES LAW OFFICES

Attorney Charles E. Martin, who has had his law offices with J. M. Leyda on the second floor of the Grand building, has removed to the first floor of the building in the room just north of the Donat soft drink parlor. The new quarters are of easy access, opening directly on the street and are being arranged by Mr. Martin very pleasantly and will make a most attractive office. He expects to be in the new quarters the middle of the week and will be able to handle his legal affairs there much more conveniently.

ENTERTAIN FRIENDS

Yesterday the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jelinek in the west part of the city was the scene of a very enjoyable gathering of relatives and friends from this city and Omaha in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Jelinek

CHANGE MADE IN BUSINESS HOUSES HERE

The time was spent visiting and renewing the friendly ties of the past, and a large basket dinner and supper that had been provided by the members of the party with loads of watermelons and other dainties that served to make the fest complete. The members of the family attending the event were: Herman Safed and family, Fred Safed and family, Victor Kroupa and family, Joseph Kouncl and family, Louis Dvorak and family, George Nownen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Borden, Anton Tuca and family, Philip Krumal and family and Mr. John Kalina of this city.

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WILL NOT MOVE UNTIL LATER

The H. M. Soennichsen Co. has just closed the deal whereby it purchased the stock of the Frank Fanger store as well as the three buildings on upper Main street which are owned by Mr. Fanger.

ANNOUNCES ENGAGEMENT

In the social department of the Omaha News of yesterday appeared the announcement of Mr. and Mrs. J. Fox of Avenel, New Jersey, of the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Miss Sylvia, to Mr. William Pearlman of Omaha, no date being set for the wedding. Mr. Pearlman is the youngest son of Mrs. I. Pearlman of Omaha and is well known in Plattsmouth where he was born and spent a number of his boyhood days. Miss Fox has been engaged in business in Omaha and has just returned from New York, where she has been on a combined business and pleasure trip.

GAVE TWO FINE SERMONS

Yesterday Rev. W. A. Taylor of Omaha occupied the pulpit at the First Methodist church and gave two very able and to the point sermons that were very much enjoyed by the large congregations that were present despite the heat of the day and of the evening. At the morning service the choir gave a special anthem with the solo part being taken by John Brady and at the evening service there was a song service held preceding the regular worship hour.

DOINGS IN THE DISTRICT COURT

In the office of Clerk of the District Court James M. Robertson, a petition in foreclosure has been filed by William L. Seyboldt vs. W. O. Barker et al. in which the plaintiff seeks to recover the sum of \$1,200. The plaintiff is represented by C. A. Rawls of this city.

COOLIDGE TO MAINTAIN FOREIGN DEBT POLICY

Washington, Aug. 14.—Indications were given at the White house today that President Coolidge would follow the policies enunciated by President Harding with respect to collection of the foreign debts. It was said by the administration spokesman that this government has every intention of going ahead with its efforts to fund the present obligations and collect them on the basis of such terms as may be agreed upon by the debt funding commission.

SOME FINE EGG

One of the record breaking eggs of the season is that which was gathered at the home of Ivan J. Taylor a few days ago and which shows the quality of eggs that are deposited by Nebraska hens. The egg measured six and a half by eight and a half inches and weighs a quarter of a pound. The hen laying the egg was of the Plymouth Rock variety and has been one of the best layers in the flock of Mr. Taylor's. It is certainly a record breaking egg.

WIN AND LOOSE
From Wednesday's Daily
In the first round of the doubles tournament at the state tennis tournament at Lincoln yesterday Ray Larson of this city and Charles Patterson of Arapahoe defeated Hylert and Eller in straight sets, 6-2, 6-0. In the second round played in the afternoon, Patter and Stoecking defeated Larson and Patterson by the score of 6-3, 3-6, 6-1.

DIES AT COUNTY FARM
From Wednesday's Daily
This morning, Oliver C. Clapp, a well known resident of near Wabash, passed away at the county farm west of this city where he has been for the past month, being cared for as his condition both physically and mentally were both quite poor, and owing to the crowded conditions of the hospital he could not be cared for there and was taken care of at the farm by Mr. Goodman, until death came to his relief. The deceased was seventy-three years of age and was engaged as a carpenter during the time of his residence in Cass county. The body will be taken to Wabash this afternoon and buried there.

FEELING SOME BETTER
Mrs. C. H. Parmele, one of the old residents of the city, who has not been in the best of health for the past year, is now feeling somewhat better and is able to set up some of the time and shows improvement which will be most pleasing to her host of friends over the county. Mrs. Parmele is now in her eighty-eighth year and has resided here for a long period of years.

Cordial, Friendly, Banking, Service
"Father's Bank!"
Many customers of the First National Bank transacted their first banking business here because they knew it as "father's bank" and they have been banking here ever since.
It is 52 years since we started serving the people of Plattsmouth and vicinity, and the high standard of service during all this time has made it the natural thing for old customers to bring new customers to us.
When they have once become customers, the advantages which come with dealing with an old bank of wide experience make the association permanent.

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THE BANK WHERE YOU FEEL AT HOME
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