

NORWEGIAN SINGERS' ASSOCIATION OPENS SANGERFEST TODAY

MANY VISITORS IN CITY FOR BIG CONCERTS

Parade and Reception Are Features of Afternoon Program.

FIRST CONCERT TO BE GIVEN TONIGHT

Morning Given over to Registration—City Taxed to Capacity.

Grand Forks is host today to over 500 members of the Norwegian Singers' association of America who are gathered here for the 13th Biennial Sangerfest of the association.

The city is already thronged with the visitors, and further contingents are expected to arrive before this evening.

The program for today included registration of the visitors at the headquarters of the Knights of Columbus club rooms this morning, the grand parade at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, followed by the reception at the auditorium, a rehearsal of the grand chorus and the first of the great festival concerts which will be held this evening.

Some of the singers arrived in Grand Forks Wednesday evening, but the greater number came this morning including a large contingent which arrived on a special train over the Northern Pacific railway early in the day.

The morning was devoted to the registration of the visitors at the headquarters, the distribution of maps, etc., and a number of the grand officers were taken for automobile rides about the city.

Shortly before 1 o'clock the grand parade began to fall along Fifth street, Eriks avenue and Fourth street, the head of the line being located in front of the Masonic temple.

The line of march was Fifth street to Belmont avenue, Sixth street, Central park, through the park to Third street, to Alpha avenue, to Fifth street, to the auditorium, where the parade disbanded, and the reception to the visitors was held.

The parade was headed by Grand Marshal I. A. Berg of this city, vice consul of Norway. He was followed by Julius Jaeger of Chicago, president of the association, and the other grand officers.

The various towns and cities represented fell into line as follows: Sioux Falls, S. D.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Chicago, Ill.; Duluth, Minn.; Thief River Falls, Minn.; Superior, Wis.; Fergus Falls, Minn.; Virginia, Minn.; Winthrop, Minn.; LaCrosse, Wis.; Cloquet, Minn.; Willmar, Minn.; St. Paul, Minn.; Fargo, N. D.; Hatton, N. D.; Moorhead, Minn.; Crookston, Minn.; Devils Lake, Abercrombie, Fort Ransom, Peterborough, Grand Forks.

Each of the societies was headed by its banner, and with the white caps and other regalia of the singers the parade presented a gala appearance.

On arriving at the auditorium a program of welcome was carried out. One of the impressive features of the occasion was the presentation to the association of the banner and wreath awarded at the exposition held two years ago at Christians, Norway.

At 4 o'clock, immediately following the reception, the first reception of the grand chorus with the orchestra will be held under the direction of Jens E. Flaaten of Duluth, grand director of the association.

The soloists who are to take part in the program have been in the city for several days, but this is the first opportunity that the chorus has had to practice with the orchestra which arrived from Duluth this morning.

Following the concert tonight a "box" for the singers will be held at the headquarters at which all of those taking part in the program are expected to be present.

All of the hotels of the city are already filled to the brim, and it is expected that the new arrivals of late this afternoon, and this evening will tax the accommodations of the city to the fullest extent.

There are 51 societies included in the association, most of which are represented at the present festival. Most of the grand officers of the association are also present.

The grand officers of the organization are: President—Julius Jaeger, Chicago.

Vice President-at-Large—L. K. Hassel, Grand Forks, N. D.

Vice Presidents—Dr. N. Bakke, Hoboken, N. J.; Le. Christians, Fargo, N. D.; E. Cornell, Sioux Falls, S. D.; Chr. Dahl, Sioux City, Iowa; Theo. L. Dahl, La Crosse, Wis.; Olaf Halsten, Winthrop, Minn.; A. Halmrast, Minneapolis, Minn.; Nils Nilsen, Providence, R. I.; H. L. Ostedahl, Chicago, Ill.; Anton Westeholm, Brooklyn, N. Y.; B. Winger, Omaha, Neb.

The corresponding secretary—Th. F. Hamann, Minneapolis, Minn.

Recording Secretary—Martin Bergh, Sioux Falls, S. D.

Treasurer—O. M. Olsson, Fort Dodge, Iowa.

Director in Chief—J. H. Flaaten, Duluth, Minn.

Assistant Director in Chief—E. Oulle, Minneapolis, Minn.

Grand Marshal—I. A. Berg, Grand Forks, N. D.

GUARDSMEN WITH DEPENDENTS MUST BE DISCHARGED

Washington, July 6.—All army departmental commanders have been authorized by Secretary Baker to discharge enlisted men of the national guard in the federal service who have one or more dependents.

Nordkap, Minneapolis, Minn. Twin City Quartet club, St. Paul, Minn.

Nordmaendenes Sangforening, Minneapolis, Minn. Normandenes Sangforening, St. Paul, Minn.

Sindings Glee club, St. Paul, Minn. Normanna, Duluth, Minn. Viking, Cloquet, Minn.

Norwegian Quartet club, Virginia, Minn. Nordmaendenes Sangforening, Willmar, Minn.

Viking, Crookston, Minn. Symra, Emmons, Minn. Lion, Fergus Falls, Minn.

Snorre, Fergus Falls, Minn. Brage, Thief River Falls, Minn. Norrona, Moorhead, Minn. Varde, Two Harbors, Minn. Odin Mandokor, Fertile, Minn.

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MONDAK HAS A BAD FIRE TODAY

Six Buildings Burned at Noon—Williston Appealed to for Help.

(Herald Special Service.) Williston, N. D., July 6.—Mondak, Mont., about thirty miles from Williston, was visited by a disastrous fire at 10 o'clock this morning, which, up to noon, had destroyed six buildings.

At 3 o'clock the fire was under control but it was impossible to learn anything definite as to the extent of the territory covered or the damage done.

At noon the Williston fire department was appealed to for help and responded quickly. An unusually large number of local people left in automobiles for Mondak, and they had not returned at 3 o'clock.

PROPOSAL FOR MEDIATION TO BE ACCEPTED

President Wilson and Secretary Lansing Decide Upon Course.

Washington, July 6.—The formal acceptance of Carranza's proposal that the differences between the United States and Mexico be settled by direct negotiations will be dispatched soon to Mexico City.

This was decided by President Wilson at a conference with Secretary Lansing.

Secretary Lansing will leave tomorrow for a month's vacation. It was stated whether he will prepare a reply before his departure, but the indications are that it will go forward in a day or two, at the most.

HETTY GREEN'S WILL IS FILED

Bellows Falls, Vt., July 6.—The will of Mrs. Hetty Green, long known as the wealthiest woman in America, leaves the bulk of her estate to her son, Colonel E. H. R. Green, and her daughter, Mrs. Matthew Astor Wilks.

The remainder is distributed in smaller bequests to old friends of Mrs. Green.

KILLS WIFE; SUICIDE

Ottawa, Ill., July 6.—John Wolter, a plumber, of La Salle, shot his wife to death and then committed suicide yesterday. The bodies were found in a bedroom by their 17-year old daughter, Margaret. Wolter was 45 years old.

EXPERT GIVEN HOT GRILLING

Declares that Cyanide Was Taken by Girl in Powdered Form.

Waukegan, Ill., July 6.—The cross examination of Dr. J. A. Wester, expert chemist in the trial of Will Orpet, charged with murdering Marion Lambert, today was directed in a futile attempt to break down his direct testimony yesterday that the girl died from potassium cyanide, taken in a powdered form.

COMPANY M., OF GRAND FORKS LOSES 22 MEN

Medical Examination Disqualifies Big Number—Minot Loses 30.

ONE COMMISSIONED OFFICER IS OUT

Preparations for Departure to Border Go Rapidly On.

(By Staff Correspondent.) Fort Lincoln, N. D., July 6.—Preparations for departure to the border continue at Camp Lincoln and indications are that the regiment will begin breaking camp within a day or two.

The examinations have depleted the ranks. M company of Grand Forks has had 22 men disqualified. They include one commissioned officer, three sergeants, two corporals, one acting corporal and 15 privates. Company D, of Minot, is reported to have lost 30 men.

The non-commissioned officers of M are waiting for permission of the war department, as are those of several companies. Captain Steacy, U. S. A., mustering officer, is rushing things to the utmost, and he already has moved several regiments to the front.

The captain stated today, that the North Dakota regiment is the best organization he has ever seen. He said the men knew more about military corps and military tactics than any militia men he had anything to do with.

Vaccination for small pox is to be started tomorrow.

DEATHS OCCUR IN EARTHQUAKE

Three Hundred Victims Reported Killed in Sulphur Mines.

London, July 6.—A violent earthquake at Catania, Sicily, causing the deaths of nearly 300, is reported in a dispatch from Rome. It is reported that the victims were in three sulphur mines which the earthquake caused to cave in.

There have been several reports recently of seismic disturbances in Italy. The volcano of Stromboli, on the island off the north coast of Sicily, has been in eruption for several days, causing the inhabitants of the adjoining districts to flee on relief ships sent from Messina.

U. S. MARINES IN ANOTHER FIGHT

Engagement with Dominican Rebels—One American Killed.

Washington, July 6.—Another engagement, between 250 revolutionists of Santo Domingo and American marines, in which 27 Dominicans were killed, five captured, and one marine killed, and eight wounded, was reported to the navy department today by Rear Admiral Caperton.

The fight occurred July 1 before a tentative agreement was made for the disarmament of rebels.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Washington, July 6.—The conference report on the rivers and harbors appropriation bill was submitted to the house yesterday but will not be taken up until next week after the revenue bill has been disposed of.

NEW YORK GUARD ARRIVES

Mission, Tex., July 6.—The first squadron of the first New York cavalry and equipment arrived here at noon yesterday. They will go into camp here.

PACKING UP AS TRAIN WAITS TO TAKE THEM TO THE BORDER

London, July 6.—The French continue to make more progress than the British on the western front, owing

FRENCH TEMPORARILY HALT INFANTRY DRIVE IN THE SOMME THEATER

BIG ADVANCES WERE MADE TO NORTH OF RIVER

Captured Second Line of German Trenches Along Six Mile Front.

ENGLISH TROOPS MAKE FEW GAINS

Russians Continue to Win Marked Successes in Galicia.

London, July 6.—After capturing the second line of the German positions along a six mile front, south of the Somme, in northern France, and making notable advances north of that stream, the French last night temporarily halted their offensive operations of their infantry.

Hard fighting continued along the line of the British attack and a slight advance was scored by General Haig's forces in the vicinity of Thiépval.

In Galicia the Russians continue to score marked successes.

After cutting the railway leading south from Delatyn, they advanced down the line towards Kosromezzo, Hungary, and have taken the village of Mikouphine, the half way point on the route from Delatyn.

Germany Transfer Men. Berlin, July 6.—On the eastern front, after repeated attacks on the positions of General von Bothmer's troops, along the sector of the front in Galicia had been repulsed, the Teutonic lines of defense were transferred to the neighboring sector, it is officially announced.

The attempts of the French yesterday to advance in the wood southwest of Fort Vaux, the Verdun sector, were repulsed.

Minor progress was made by the British near Thiépval, but was balanced by counter-attacks. Further south the British gained a firm foothold in an advanced trench salient.

Germany make slight gains. Paris.—Last night was generally quiet to the north and south of the river Somme, says today's official war office statement.

There were few local engagements north of the Somme during the night, in which the Germans captured two small woods a few kilometers north of Hem.

The French also captured the woods south of the Somme, the night passed quietly. The German center attack on the night of July 5, the French captured 75 cannon and several hundred machine guns.

There was no infantry fighting on the Verdun front. The war office says the Germans are attempting to bombard the cathedral at Verdun.

English Report Advances. London.—"Near Thiépval (on the Somme front) we made a further slight advance and captured a number of prisoners," war office announced today. "South of Labasse canal, after a discharge of gas and smoke, we made some successful raids into the enemy's first line. In one of these, the Royal Welsh Fusiliers especially distinguished themselves, capturing forty prisoners, a trench mortar and a machine gun."

"In Volhynia, attacks of the allied (Teutonic) armies are making progress in pushing the Russians back south of Ugrinov and west of Torchin and near Sokolovsk, which run to the east of the Pripiet river."

"The beginning of June south of the Pripiet 158 Russian officers and 23,925 men have been taken prisoner and several cannon and ninety machine guns captured."

"Italian war theater: On the Donberdo heights, fighting activity decreased considerably in the northern sector after violent engagements in which the Austro-Hungarians maintained all their positions. In the southern sector the Italians continued their attacks, which were repulsed, and then began a general bombardment."

24 CHILDREN DIE IN DAY IN NEW YORK

Infantile Paralysis Takes Big Toll—Cases Reported in Illinois.

New York, July 6.—The health department announced that incomplete figures show that during the 24 hours preceding 9 o'clock this morning, 24 children died of infantile paralysis in the greater city.

This brings the toll of deaths in ten days to 174.

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The body of the ninth trooper was located two miles distant from the others. He was wounded, and apparently dragged himself away to die in the gravelly waste beyond the town.

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Villaistas, pursuing the victory over Carranzistas at the Corral ranch July 4, have attacked Jimenez, according to reports reaching mining men here today. Military authorities in Juarez are unable to confirm or deny these reports, asserting that the telegraph lines to the city have been cut.

Reports from Chihuahua City, following the engagement at Corral said that the broken Carranzista command had returned to Jimenez, which is 12 miles east of Chihuahua City, and has been reinforced there 2,000 men under General Domingo Arrieta.

The Villaistas forces are said to number 3,000.

Bearing the bodies of the nine American soldiers, who fell at Carrizal, a train left today for the city, where they will be buried in the Mexican Central station in Juarez.

It was arranged that later in the day the train will cross the Rio Grande, bringing back home the men who went to death for their country.

At daylight a throng of people had gathered at the railway bridge on the American side to do homage to the seven troopers and their two officers.—Captain Charles T. Boyd and Lieutenant Henry T. Adair.

HURRICANE IN SOUTH REPORTED

Bad Tropical Storm Struck Mobile and Pensacola, Say Officials.

New Orleans, La., July 6.—The center of a tropical hurricane apparently struck Mobile, Ala., and Pensacola, Fla., and the section between these points yesterday and last night, according to the local weather bureau office today. The storm moved inland and a northward direction from the Gulf of Mexico at estimated velocity about 80 miles an hour. Grave fears are felt that it caused much damage, possibly some loss of life.

The British have been facing an extremely heavy resistance and large German reinforcements were hurried forward yesterday by the seven Cologne-Cambrai railway, which runs to the very center of the German front attacked by the British. The tenacity with which the Germans are holding to their positions in the face of the British attack, particularly around La Boisselle, while the French menace of Peronne is comparatively neglected, leads to the belief of the military authorities that the Germans are chiefly concerned in breaking the British offensive even at the sacrifice of some ground to the south.

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The French have now, in some places, pushed through the third and last line of the German defenses as they existed before the attack began. The Germans are hastily constructing a new line but are manifestly unable to make it as strong as the three lines destroyed after twenty days' bombardment.

WIDOWS' PENSION BILL IS DELAYED

Washington, July 6.—An unsuccessful effort was made yesterday to pass in the senate the house bill granting pensions to widows of all Spanish-American war veterans, regardless of proof of the cause of death. After four hours debate the senate voted 20 to 15 to lay the bill aside for other business. Senator Johnson of Maine led the fight for passage and Senators Stone, Smith of Georgia and Borah spoke against it.

THE WEATHER. North Dakota: Partly cloudy and cooler tonight and Friday.

UNIVERSITY READING. U. S. N. 76; maximum 80; minimum 60; southeast wind, 15 miles; barometer 30.1.