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## BICYCLE RIDING ON SIDEWALKS PROHIBITED

### New Ulm Auto Club Gets Into Action to Secure Improved Streets.

The City Council put in a long and busy evening last week Tuesday, when they met in regular session. Many matters relating to the improvement of various streets were brought before the council and acted upon and there appears to be a business-like spirit existing among the members, which will work to the end of quick and thorough improvement along needed lines. Matters of drainage, of leveling streets, and of public abuses were discussed and remedies prescribed, which if carried out with equal promptitude, will add considerable to the pleasure and well-being of our citizens. One abuse that is to be no longer tolerated is the use of the sidewalks as bicycle paths. This practice is a vicious one as it inconveniences the person walking merely to suit the whim of the rider and more than once this spring children have been knocked down on sidewalks by careless bicyclists, although, as yet, no serious results have been reported. Bicyclists ought to be decent enough to refrain from the practice, but it appears some are not and the only thing left seems to be to deal with them according to law.

It was deemed necessary to have an extra night watchman for the summer months to patrol the part of the city located along the east side of the railroads and Mayor Fritsche appointed Anton Stiemann, who also served the city in like manner last season and Mr. Stiemann went on duty last Thursday. It has been arranged that one watchman will be on duty at all hours of the night at the police station. Mr. Stiemann's salary will be \$50.00 per month.

The complaint of Albrecht Stork and Dr. Emil Mueller, representatives of the New Ulm Auto Club, as to the defective condition of certain streets where sewer and water connections have been made, was referred to the committee on streets. This complaint shows that the new auto club is getting into action.

J. A. Schroeder, overseer of the "dumping grounds," requested police authority and a star which was granted him.

Albert Everling was granted a license as electrician and Robert Berndt was given employment in the electric light plant. He will do the necessary wiring and the collecting of the light and water bills. H. F. Blomquist's plans for the enlargement of the electric light plant were laid over for consideration at a future meeting.

The street committee was given authority to have the public ditch along Garden street cleaned out and orders will be issued for the trimming of low hanging branches on trees bordering the streets.

Mayor Fritsche, President Mueller and City Clerk Meyer were constituted a committee to secure the services of a civil engineer for New Ulm.

Ferdinand Sannwald complained about the lack of drainage in the alley in the rear of his property which complaint was referred to the street committee for investigation.

A communication from J. F. Johnson, of Waconia was read, in which he agreed to tear down the iron work of the old water tower for the sum of \$250. The clerk was instructed to invite him to attend the next meeting of the council for a conference.

E. T. Webster of St. Paul, being the lowest bidder, was awarded the contract for the laying of the sewers on South State street for the sum of \$3,395.25. The other bidders were Charles Emmerich, \$3,549 and F. Desormoux & Co., of Mankato, \$3,750.

The assessor's salary was fixed at \$350.00, but of this amount he is to pay his assistant. The moneys received from liquor licenses were distributed to the following funds: Administration, \$6,000; Streets and bridges, \$2,440; Fire Department, \$2,000; Park, \$1,300 and City Hall, \$1,000. Two per cent of the total receipts for liquor licenses, or \$260, pursuant to a recent statute, goes to the state for the maintenance of the in-

ebriate asylum. The clerk was ordered to issue voucher to Brown County in the sum of \$3,900, this amount being the annual 10 per cent of the liquor license money for the past 3 years, which the city is obliged to pay over to the county in accordance with Chapter 450 of the Laws of 1909. Building permits were granted to the Friedjens church, Dr. J. L. Schoch, William Engeh, Chas. F. Kaiser, Fred. Hamann, Adolp Alwin and Martin Hose.

### May Festival and Bazaar.

Spite of the unfavorable weather prevailing the three days festival and bazaar given by the Ladies' Society of Turnverein was a big success. The rain came down steadily all day Friday, but many of the people of the city disregarded it and made their way to Turner Hall to secure some of the many beautiful articles for sale there. Saturday was more pleasant and all afternoon large crowds were present and supper was served to scores that evening and Sunday. The young folks enjoyed a dance Saturday evening. Sunday evening a one-act German comedy was staged by some of the boys of the Zoeglingsverein. Their efforts were greeted with shouts of laughter and appreciation. After the play the prize winners in the raffles were announced and the voting contest for the most popular alderman was carried to a whirlwind finish, Fred Behnke winning out by a narrow margin. Some very valuable prizes were carried off by those holding the lucky numbers in the raffles, several of them being worth from ten to twenty dollars. Very little was left on the hands of the committee when the bazaar closed at midnight Sunday and as almost everything was donated by friends the ladies netted a neat sum to use in liquidating the debts of the club room improvements. The committee extends its grateful thanks to all who so kindly and generously contributed to the success and it is hoped and expected that all will feel at home and welcome at Turner Hall Club rooms whenever it will be a pleasure to them to be there. This was the purpose in fitting up the rooms and it is desired that the citizens of New Ulm take advantage of it and make use of the rooms.

### Business Men's Gun Club.

The New Ulm Business Men's Gun Club at their last meeting decided to have their weekly shoot on Thursdays. During the month of May the practice shoot takes place at four o'clock in the afternoon and during the remainder of the season the members of the club expect to meet not later than seven o'clock in the evening. Those who are not able to attend the week-day shoot will be given an opportunity to shoot Sunday afternoons at 2 o'clock but sufficient notice must be given the secretary or field captain, so that the necessary arrangements for a shoot can be made. The object of this practice is to make the hunters proficient in hitting game birds on the wing. Clay pigeons are thrown into the air from the trap and must be broken before they strike the ground to score for the one who is shooting. At Thursday's shoot, out of a possible 25 birds the following scores were made:

Theo. Johnson	22
Cap. Nenzo	21
Wm. E. Koch	19
A. G. Bierbaum	19
Anton Simmet	19
P. J. Eichten	18
Chas. Hauenstein	18
Math. Pederson	15
J. F. Esser	15
Emil F. Garbrecht	14
Anton Bari	10

It was also decided to purchase a gold medal with a trap shooter design to be awarded to the one making the highest average score during the season which will close the last week of August. Chas. Hauenstein, Pres. of the club was delegated to secure the medal. Less expensive medals and watch fobs they expect to receive as a donation from ammunition houses. One of these will be awarded every second or third shoot to the man with the average high score.

The Board of Directors, elected at the recent annual meeting of the New Ulm Rural Telephone Company, organized by electing the following officers: President, Fred. Pfander; Vice Pres., Dr. J. P. Graff; Sec., F. H. Retzlaff; Asst. Sec., A. G. Bierbaum; Treas., Wm. James; Manager, Otto R. Kohn. The operators were voted an increase of \$2.00 per month in wages. At present the chief operator and 8 assistants are required to serve the patrons of the company and they are kept pretty busy.

## STEAM ROLLER APPLIED TO STAND PATTERS

### Taft Men in Hopeless Minority. Maj. W. W. Smith Falls of Endorsement.

The steam roller was again in evidence in the Republican County Convention held at the Opera House in Springfield on Monday of this week, the only difference being that this time the other fellow was subjected to the heroic treatment. When two years ago, the steam roller was applied to the progressives in the most approved fashion catching them both coming and going they vowed they would "come back" two years later and even up old scores; and they did.

The fight was precipitated in the New Ulm primaries Friday night. In two of the wards the standpatters sensed defeat and did not even attempt to put up a fight. In the other ward an attempt was made to force the issue and as a result two of those who had figured on a place in the delegation fell by the wayside.

The following were elected as delegates to the County Convention: 1st Ward: Jos. A. Eckstein, Herman Frenzel, W. C. Miller, Herman Held, W. E. Korih, Albin Carlson, Carl Aufderheide and H. W. Engelbert; 2nd Ward: J. Klossner, Jr., W. B. Mather, Alfred J. Vogel, Alfred W. Mueller, Paul W. Hackbarth, Emil F. Buenger, Theo. Mueller, Dr. J. H. Vogel and J. R. Higgs; 3rd Ward: Henry Durbahn, W. H. Giesecke, Emil G. Hage, N. Henningsen, L. B. Krook, C. W. A. Krook, Adolph G. Melle, John H. Langmack, F. H. Retzlaff and Henry N. Somsen.

The Convention was called to order at 11 o'clock by Ed. J. Fernholz. Henry N. Somsen and Axel Newdal were elected as temporary officers. After the report of the committee on credentials had been adopted the temporary organization was made permanent.

The resolutions which were adopted without a dissenting vote favor the initiative and referendum and recall; the election of U. S. Senators by popular vote; the extension of the primary election to all officers including preferential presidential primaries; and a tariff not in excess of the difference between the cost of production here and abroad and strong resolutions favoring Teddy Roosevelt for the Presidency. Major W. W. Smith failed of having the delegates instructed to vote for him as a unit for delegate to the national convention at Chicago.

For the District Convention which convenes at Mankato to-day the following delegates were elected: F. H. Retzlaff, Henry N. Somsen, W. B. Mather, Herman Held, Herman Frenzel, John M. Johnson, C. E. Peterson, Albert Hauser, H. C. Peterson, W. J. Steinko, J. C. Rothenburg and James Dickson. For the State Convention which meets to-morrow the following were elected: Emil G. Hage, Carl I. Stone, Jos. A. Eckstein, Albin Carlson, Alf. W. Mueller, L. G. Vogel, Hans Mo, A. Nuesse, F. H. Specht, J. W. B. Welcome, Axel Newdal and A. Frederickson.

The party organization of the County was wrested from the present incumbents and Henry N. Somsen as Chairman and Hans Mo, Jos. A. Eckstein, Carl I. Stone and Herman Polkow will shape the destinies and policies of the Republicans in this County for the next two years.

The ditch controversy in the Town of Milford will, from present indications, be settled without expensive litigation. It will be remembered that at the last meeting of the Board of County Commissioners this body against the protest of practically three-fourths of the property owners to be benefited, ordered the ditch laid out and established as prayed for in the petition. Steps were taken by several of those who felt aggrieved to perfect an appeal to the District Court. Since then the parties most vitally interested in the ditch have had several conferences and have decided to abandon the ditch as proposed by the engineer and viewers, and to build one to suit their own convenience. This means that some of the property owners will be left out, the ditch considerably shortened and the expense of building vastly reduced. This looks like good common sense to us and the parties are to be commended for showing such good judgment.

## Commencement Days.

Dr. Martin Luther College is astir with the hum of preparation for the graduation of its Senior class as is the High School. Everywhere are seen busy boys and girls in conference with teachers, friends, and fellow classmates over the details of the coming event. Commencement Day is the first really big day in a girl's or boy's life and no other days that come after it to add their eventful share of life's experiences can quite match Graduation Day in innocent, care-free happiness. The Graduate stands on the threshold of life looking forward along the road he is to travel and so far as his sight can tell him the way is smooth, the sun shines and the long, straight path climbs the hill of ambition steadily and surely. A nearer vision will show the young traveler the hard bits of the road that must be passed by earnest effort but just now in the May days he does not see these things and he is happy in the excitement of preparing for the change from school life to real life and the best wishes of parents and friends cluster about the young people soon to take their places among us as workers of the world.

Friends of the pupils in the College and the High School may like to make some comparisons between the classes of this year and those of former years.

At the College five years ago the class of 1912 had a membership of 16. At the end of four years, but 10 of this number remained and 4 new members had been added. Thus during its Junior year the class gave promise of being the largest to graduate from the College, the largest previous class, that of 1898, having had 14 members. However, 3 pupils discontinued their studies and 4 others dropped out for a time to vicariate. One new member joined the class making a total of 9 who will complete the work this spring. The class of 1912 still ties the second largest class, that of 1899, and is the largest class since that time. Besides that, it is the first class to have two girl members. The past year the number of students enrolled has been the largest since the opening of the college there being 97 enrolled from Minnesota, 10 from Wisconsin, 9 from South Dakota, 5 from Nebraska and 1 from North Dakota.

The graduates are Hertha Aufderheide, New Ulm; Otto Boerneke, Hutchinson, Minn.; Carl Fuhrmann, Firth, Nebr.; Emil C. Jacob, Manitowoc, Wisc.; Wm. Kirschke, New Ulm, Minn.; Ewald Kuester, New Ulm, Minn.; Carl Pape, Fond du Lac, Wis.; Alma Peters, Woneoc, Wisc.; Armin Retzlaff, New Ulm, Minn.

Their exercises will take place Tuesday, the 11th of June at the new chapel of the college at 9 a. m. Prof. Ackermann will deliver the address and Rev. Pankow, President of the Synod, will present the diplomas.

Six other pupils besides those named above will leave the College to continue their classical courses at some higher institution, having finished the Freshman Class (Tertia), which is the highest class of the Collegiate Department at D. M. L. C. The members of this class are William Haas, Loretto, Minn.; Richard Janke, Lewiston, Minn.; Edward Kolander, Lakefield, Minn.; Wm. Lindloff, Millville, Minn.; Henry Nitz, Dallas, Wisc. and Alfred Schewpe, St. James, Minn. Their class will combine the graduating exercises with those of the Seniors.

This year's class at the High School is the 24th in the history of the public schools of our city. The first class to complete the work was graduated in 1886 and there were no graduates in the years of 1890, 1894 and 1895. The smallest class was that of 1891 when only one graduate, Albert Pfander, carried off all the class honors. The largest class graduated last year, there being thirty-five members. This year's class ranks among the large classes there being but three larger, those of 1909, consisting of twenty-seven pupils, 1910 with twenty-five and the banner class of 1911.

In last week's issue we gave the names of the graduates of the High School. The program which has been arranged for their exercises is as follows:

Overture	High School Orchestra
Salutatory - Essay	"Do Dreams Come True?"
Music	Mabel T. Frederickson
Music	"Until the Dawn"..... Parks
Valedictory - Essay	Senior Male Quartette
Music	"Our National Songs".....
Music	Alma O. Schmidt
Address	Girls' Glee Club
Address	President George E. Vincent
Music	Presentation of Diplomas
Normal Training Class	

Invitations are being issued this week for these exercises which will be given at Turner Hall Thursday afternoon, May 30th, at three o'clock.

## Minnesota River Improvement.

Dr. L. A. Fritsche recently received word from Congressman Hammond in relation to the Minnesota River Improvement work in which he points out and emphasizes the conditions on which the Chief of Engineers recommended the construction of a dam at Lac qui Parle, namely, that half of the estimated first cost, or \$750,000 must be raised by Minnesota or by local interests before the work can begin and also that the operation of the reservoir must be left entirely to the United States.

Mr. Hammond writes further as follows:

"The House of Representatives has already passed its River and Harbor bill and there will be no hearings upon the Minnesota River proposition during this session. The House bill is now in the Senate and being considered by the Committee on Commerce of which Senator Nelson of Minnesota is chairman. That committee does not intend to take up the matter during this session of Congress for two reasons: 1st: Because it must first be ascertained if the \$750,000.00 can be raised, and 2nd: It must be ascertained whether those interested in the construction of a reservoir are satisfied to leave its operation entirely to the United States. Senator Nelson will send out a number of the reports so that the question may be considered and discussed and the committees of Congress be informed of the sentiment throughout the valley in relation to the proposition.

Since there will be no committee hearings in either the House or the Senate during this season, it is, of course, unnecessary for advocates of the measure to come to Washington."

In view of the fact that the Minnesota River is once more out of its banks the necessity of urging these river improvements becomes very apparent and the work should be expedited as much as possible.

## District Court Convenes Next Week.

The May term of the District Court for Brown County will be in session next week. The grand jury convenes on Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock and the trial of the civil cases begins on Wednesday morning at the same hour when the petit jury has been ordered to report for duty. There are no criminal cases pending which will require the attention of the Court at this term and the grand jury is not expected to return any indictments.

There will be 18 cases on the civil calendar which will be reached and disposed of in the following order:-

Nels Nelson vs. Town of Linden;
Martin Casperson vs. C. S. Gibbons;
Christina A. Olson vs. A. R. Eggenberger, George Chambard, John Hermanson and Fred Flor;
Anna Kraus vs. Geo. Kraus Sr., Mary Kraus, his wife and Wenzel Kraus;
Mary Schriefer vs. Henry Schriefer; State of Minnesota vs. Larles Larson;
Theresa Lockway vs. The Modern Woodmen of America, a corp.;
State of Minnesota vs. William Wenger;
In the Matter of the Estate of Carolina Winkelmann, Deceased, Leonora Gerber, et al vs. Wm. G. Frank, Ex.;
State of Minnesota vs. Geo. Hale;
Edward Pearson vs. Paul Gutknecht;
The County of Brown vs. The Title Guaranty & Trust Co., a corp.;
Christensen Engineering Co., vs. Albert A. Paffrath;
Martin Casperson vs. Robert Hose and Edward Humphrey;
Emma Arndt vs. Lavis Larson;
Ildor Schnobrich vs. Minneapolis and St. Louis R. R. Co.;
Henry Rudolphi and Wilhelmine Rudolphi, his wife vs. Joseph A. Wright, his wife;
Wm. Schaleben and Emil G. Hage as co-partners as Wm. Schaleben & Co., vs. Paul Falk.

## Shoot at Hunter's Rest.

At the regular target practice held at Hunter's Rest last Sunday the following scores were made:

King	Man	
W. E. Koch	180	51
Geo. Jahne	175	32
Hugo Gebser	152	29
Aug. Juennemann	151	30
Jos. Smasal	150	50
Chas. Hauenstein	149	16
O. Oswald	146	45
H. Meyer	145	10
J. Hauenstein Jr.	137	00
Henry Ahle	115	07
Jos Klaus	97	08
Hugo Windhorn	92	08

Rev. Adolph Schott, the new chaplain for the St. Alexander Hospital assumed his charge the early part of last week.

## HARMONY PREVAILS IN TWO COMMITTEES

### Dates Agreeably Settled Upon for Events of "Home Coming Week."

A delegation from Fairfax, a dozen strong, autoed to New Ulm Wednesday evening to attend a joint meeting of the executive committees which have in charge the celebrations commemorative of the Indian Massacre at Ft. Ridgely and New Ulm. The Fairfax delegation was headed by Charles Hopkins who is fairly bubbling over with enthusiasm for the coming celebration. In his opinion it will be one of the biggest events that has ever happened in this section of the State. Mayor Chas. Helman and Rev. Immanuel Albrecht, former New Ulmites, also addressed the meeting. In his remarks Rev. Albrecht stated that he has always been proud to call New Ulm the place of his birth and that with commendable pride he pointed out the clean streets and well-kept homes and yards to the other members of the delegation. He said not only that New Ulm looks beautiful but thrifty and progressive as well.

The matter of selecting the big days so that there will be no clash between the two celebrations was quickly disposed of because New Ulm had tentatively settled upon Wednesday and Ft. Ridgely wanted Thursday for the banner days and the Fairfax delegation was willing to switch their reunion for the defenders from Wednesday to Friday.

The committee in charge of the Ft. Ridgely celebration has already made application to the State for at least four companies of militia and is making an effort to secure part of the federal troops from Ft. Snelling to assist in the celebration and to give the spectators a sham battle. These plans, however, will be carried out only in case the state and federal troops can be secured without expense to the committee. Other matters of general interest were discussed and the feeling prevailed thruout that the two committees should work hand in hand to make both events an unprecedented success.

After the Fairfax delegation had left, the local committee disposed of a few matters that required attention. Following some discussion a program of events for the home coming week was agreed upon: Monday, reception of guests; Tuesday, Reunion of Old Settlers and Defenders of New Ulm with banquet and appropriate evening program; Wednesday, Grand Parade; Thursday, Ft. Ridgely celebration; Friday, Dedication of Monuments to mark historic places; Saturday, Automobile Day; Sunday, German Day.

The offer of A. J. Alwin to drill a chorus for the celebration was accepted.

Louis G. Vogel, John Henle and Henry P. Bastian were appointed as a committee to arrange the concert for which the Second Regiment Band is willing to donate its services. Dr. L. A. Fritsche, Louis G. Vogel and Albert Stelnhauser were appointed a committee to secure, if possible without expense to the city, federal and state troops for the 21st of August. Wm. J. Julius and Anton J. Ochs were appointed to secure stickers to be used for advertising purposes.

### Singers Attention!

For the purpose of drilling a grand chorus of women's voices to sing at the coming commemoration next August of the 50th anniversary of the Indian Massacre, an urgent invitation is hereby extended to all the women and girls of our city who sing to attend a meeting at the public club rooms at Turner Hall next Monday evening at 8 o'clock. At this meeting plans will be laid for a series of rehearsals of a number of appropriate four part songs to be sung at some of the functions during home coming week. It is expected that in our city where live so many people, talented in music, a chorus of at least one hundred voices, sopranos, mezzos, altos and contraltos, should easily be gotten together. Let there be a generous response from all the several church choruses and singers for this very notable affair. It is an occasion which can come to any person only once in a life time. The meeting next Monday will be devoted to the enrollment of the chorus members the classification of voices and the selecting of appropriate songs to be sung.