

## Immense Throng At Dedication

THOUSANDS CROWD PARK FOR  
LAST BAND CONCERT OF  
SEASON.

NEW STAND DEDICATED. CITY  
RESERVOIR ALSO READY  
FOR USE.

Filled almost to overflowing was German Park last Sunday evening on the occasion of the dedication of the new band stand, the concert being the last of the regular series. There must have been an attendance of at least three thousand persons. For three blocks along the side of the park and for another block stretching up Second North to Minnesota Street there was an unbroken line of automobiles on either side of the road, something like one hundred fifty being parked in the vicinity of the concert grounds. The center of the Park, near the band stand, was like a swarming bee hive, people packed together and all moving constantly, and a great humming sound went up from the mass that at times made it almost impossible to even guess at what was going on in the band stand. Every one who could not hear distinctly when the speeches were being made or when the singer stood before them, seized the occasion as an opportunity to make himself or herself heard and did a good deal more talking than necessary, thus spoiling the pleasure of those who desired to hear what was going on in the stand. It should be remembered by those who do not care particularly about hearing but prefer to be heard that the outside edges of the park are better for that purpose and offer an opportunity for conversation far superior to that afforded near the musicians.

A very pleasing selection of numbers made up the "request program." There were twelve in all and the dedicatory exercises came at the end of the first half of the program. Miss Frances Krook sang "Am Meer" most charmingly and responded to an encore with Schubert's Serenade. Miss Krook's voice is clear and pure and she has been well trained and her singing is a delight to listen to. The occasion was rather a large one for a young girl for not a great many young singers are called upon to make their first bow to an audience of thousands.

Immediately following the encore, Councillor F. H. Retzlaff introduced Mr. F. W. Johnson and called upon him for the dedicatory speech. Mr. Johnson spoke briefly and well. He touched rock bottom when he took the measure of the significance of the building of the new band stand. He reminded his hearers that the erection of such a structure for such a use practically guarantees the continuance of the park concerts and the upkeep of a band worthy of such housing. There can scarcely be a person in New Ulm who would not be sorry to have the concerts discontinued and looking at it from this standpoint alone all lovers of music must be pleased to know that there is not likely to be any reason for discontinuing the concerts for years to come.

But this thought did not express the deepest significance. That is a moral consideration, as Mr. Johnson truly said. He showed that in providing these concerts for the pleasure of her people, New Ulm is safeguarding their moral and physical welfare. He spoke eloquently of the human need for relaxation and pleasure after the toil in factory, store and office amid grime, and clamor and nerve-racking haste. The city which provides healthful recreation for its sons and daughters builds well for the future. Many cities offer only the low grades play houses the grogshop, the irresponsible dance hall and the brothel and in these places the work of destruction of the youth of a city is completed. In providing for the continuance of such wholesome pleasures as those afforded by our band-concerts, New Ulm is doing much for her citizens, young and old.

Then, too, music in itself is inspiring and uplifting. Lip language can not express the higher impulses of the soul. Music comes nearer being soul-language than words do, and in the concerts where we are enabled to listen to the work of the great masters, we are given an opportunity to attain to an understanding of them that words could never give. More noble ideals and inspirations are aroused and an upliftment of mind results such as nothing else could produce.

Mr. Johnson also showed the part

these park concerts play in getting the members of the civic family together, giving them a chance to become better acquainted, an opportunity to learn to understand one another. He declared that practically all the quarrels of the world, from the least squabble to the gigantic present day feud in Europe are all to be traced to misunderstandings arising from a lack of knowledge of one another. A community can grow only when there is harmony among its constituents and Mr. Johnson declared his conviction that the assembling of such numbers of citizens as come together at the Park Concerts is sure to redound to the welfare of the city and its people by fostering the community instinct and by dispelling the impulse to hold aloof from one another. For all of these reasons, the speaker pointed out, the dedication of the band stand is a fitting way to recognize its significance and to express the appreciation of the citizens to the Park Boards, present and past, the City Council, the founders of the city who made early provision for Parks and all others who have had a hand in providing the benefits named.

An intermission followed Mr. Johnson's speech and then the second half of the concert numbers were given. There will be a Past Season Concert next Sunday evening.

The band stand is an unusually fine structure. It is much more substantial than such buildings commonly are, being constructed of rough stone and masonry. It is very handsome also and well represents the German spirit of building for permanency and satisfaction, regardless of initial cost. The foundation, some 8 feet high is of solid rock and cement. The base measurements are 30x30. The floor and pillars are of cement. The upper portion provides more than enough room for seating a much larger band than even the Second Regiment unit and leaves opportunity for expansion. It is completely screened and brightly lighted with overhead globes, giving it the appearance of some enormous sparkling jewel in its setting of deep green among the trees. The roof supports are finished in stucco and the colors used are reds and browns. The structure complete cost approximately \$1600.00, and was erected by John Gronau. Within the foundation is a large storage room which will be utilized for storing the park benches.

The new reservoir in the Park is also completed and looks very well. However, it will be prized by New Ulmites not so much for its beauty as for its utility. Every one is anxious to have an opportunity to drink the pure, sweet water to which the city was accustomed before the trouble with the wells began and the reservoir promises to provide "safe" water without chemical treatment. The reservoir will contain 75,000 gallons and will probably be filled this week. The Circular Concrete Co. of Minneapolis had the contract for the job but sublet it to August Puhlmann. The cost to the city was \$5360.

### TRIP OVER BLACK AND YELLOW TRAIL.

Next Wednesday, August 26th, a party from Mankato, consisting of the Board of County Commissioners of Blue Earth County and some of the leading business men of Mankato will pass thru here on their tour of inspection of the Black and Yellow Trail. They will reach New Ulm about 9:30 and would be pleased to have a party from here join them and go as far as Tracy to inspect the work that is now being done on the B. & Y. It is suggested that a conference be held between the Mankato party and some of the New Ulm boosters to discuss ways and means to have this trail brought to notice of the world. It was planned to have this trip today, the 19th, but owing to the bad condition of the roads on account of the recent rains, it was decided to postpone the joyride for a week. The party expects to return home the same day early in the evening.

### WORK ON NEW BANK PROCEEDING WELL.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the new Farmers' & Merchants' State Bank, the contract for the plumbing work in the new bank building was awarded to M. Hippert for the sum of \$1492. The contract for the bank fixtures was awarded to the Thomas Robertson Co. of St. Paul.

Manganese steel will be used in the construction of both the bank and safety deposit vault and a modern burglar alarm system will be installed. Locks of the very latest design will be used to equip the safety deposit boxes. A large storage vault will be installed in the basement. This will be equipped with fire-proof doors and walls.

Rev. Guslav Albrecht of St. Peter visited at the Lutheran parsonage Monday.

## Turner Theatre Opening Early

SPLENDID ATTRACTIONS SCHEDULED FOR COMING SEASON.

BROADHURST'S FAMOUS COMEDY, "A FOOL AND HIS MONEY" HEADS LIST.

Judging from the bookings already made the approaching season at New Ulm's leading playhouse will be the best ever. The initial offering is announced for next Sunday evening, when those sterling artists, Guy and Constance Caufmann, assisted by a carefully selected company, will present, for the first time here, "A Fool and His Money." This is the comedy that started George Broadhurst on his way to fame and, like all the other farces from the pen of that clever writer, has never failed to please. The New York Journal says it is a comedy of the purest and keenest fun.

The management of the Turner Theatre also announces that they have completed arrangements to play the musical comedy, Minstrel and Vaudeville road shows of the Ned Alford Corporation of Chicago. As far as possible these shows will be offered at intervals of one week on the same day of every week. A popular price of admission will prevail, the best seats commanding only fifty cents while others may be had for half that sum. The object is to invite filled houses at a reasonable scale rather than empty houses at a high priced scale. All of the shows will carry companies of eighteen to twenty people and will be complete productions both as to scenic and electrical effects. In fact all of the attractions will be up to the standard of any heretofore provided at double the price of admission. The first one will be seen here Sunday, September 13th. From that date on every Sunday, with a few exceptions, will mark the visit of one of the shows until the entire series has been played.

"The Spendthrift," a high class production, from the pen of Emerson Browne, comes to the Turner Theatre on Sunday evening, Sept. 20th. The play will be produced here by C. S. Primrose, who last year gave us "The Thief."

### S. S. CONVENTION TOMORROW.

Tomorrow, Thursday, August 20th, the 12th annual convention of the Brown County Sunday School Association will be held in Sleepy Eye in the German Evangelical Church. Quite a number of the Sunday School members from here will attend. Rev. C. G. Hohn is down for a paper on "How to Conduct an Adult Bible Class" and Rev. C. Mayer will conduct a Praise Service. All the Protestant Sunday Schools in the Country will probably be represented.

### JUNIOR PIONEERS ACTIVE.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Junior Pioneers held yesterday afternoon it was decided to dedicate with appropriate ceremonies the monument which was erected last year in honor of those who were killed in the Town of Milford during the Indian Massacre in 1862. Athanas Henle, Henry J. Meyer and William Pfander, Jr. were appointed as a committee to make the necessary arrangements and decide upon the day which no doubt, will be Sunday, Sept. 6th.

It was also decided to have an old settler's picnic this year and the chairman was instructed to appoint a committee of 5 to make the necessary arrangements.

Unless there is a call to have the annual meeting of the Junior Pioneers at an earlier date, it will be held on October 6th, the anniversary of the day when the first settlers set foot on Brown County soil.

The question of securing the old boiler of the "Otter", Capt. Jake Hindermann's boat, was discussed and disposed of by authorizing the chairman to appoint a committee of three to make the necessary investigation about the advisability and ability of not only moving the boiler but also the hull of the boat to New Ulm.

While cranking his automobile Tuesday morning it backfired and the crank struck Ole M. Olsen on the forearm, causing a fracture. Mr. Olsen will be laid up for about six weeks as a result of the injury.

## Death Results From Injuries

FARMER, A VICTIM OF AUTO-MOBILE ACCIDENT LOSES HIS LIFE.

TWO OTHER NEAR-FATAL AUTO MISHAPS DURING WEEK JUST PAST.

Reckless driving added another to the list of automobile accidents Wednesday afternoon when Peter Hengel crashed into a car driven by Alfred Thiede, mechanic for F. W. Retzlaff. In the car with Mr. Thiede were Lawrence I. Bjorneberg and a young brother of Thiede, Mr. Hengel was driving alone. The collision occurred at the corner of Broadway and Second North Street on the Northwest corner of the intersection at about 3 o'clock.

Thiede was driving Martin Dalueg's Studebaker 25 which had been in the Retzlaff garage for readjustment. Mr. Dalueg bought the car last spring and having used it all summer had brought it in to be looked over. It was being tried out by Thiede and Bjorneberg and they were driving very slowly south on Broadway past the armory. They had remarked that the corner was a bad one because cars could not be seen approaching from the west and had slowed down so that they were almost standing still when they were struck by Hengel as he came hurtling down the hill in his Ford. He was driving at a high rate of speed and was on the left side of the street. A collision was inevitable under the circumstances and those in the Studebaker had no time to think before the Ford had crashed into them. Their car was struck almost in the center of the body and the fenders were jammed and the steering device injured, the box withstood the shock very well and the occupants of the car were saved from terrible injuries there by.

As it was, Mr. Bjorneberg was thrown out of the car, lighting on his face and was rendered unconscious. Mr. Thiede came out unhurt, but he feels the effect of the shock. His brother a boy of 12, who was sitting in the back seat, was found after the crash, hanging to the windshield with his feet dragging on the radiator. He had been catapulted over the front seat and came down on the windshield to which he was hanging for dear life with both hands. Mr. Bjorneberg was not seriously injured but was badly shaken up and bruised all over.

Mr. Hengel was not injured at all but his car is a ruin. The radiator, windshield, motor, steering device and other portions were badly smashed and one wheel was completely demolished.

An automobile accident with fatal results occurred Wednesday evening shortly before six o'clock on the Sleepy Eye road between Haubrich's and William Gluth's farms. The victim of the accident was Jos. Felber, a well-known farmer of the Town of Stark. The other inmates of the car were his wife, his daughter, Theresa and Mr. and Mrs. John Helget. It was Mr. Helget's car, a Hupmobile, and he was driving it when the accident happened.

Just how the accident was brought about is not definitely known. According to one of the party, the driver turned around to talk to some one in the rear seat and while doing so the car swerved and left the grade. In trying to get back on the grade the left wheel of the car gave way. The car was going at a fairly good rate of speed when the wheel was dished the car rolled over once and a half before it came to a stop. William Gluth saw the accident from his home nearby, jumped into his automobile and rushed to their assistance and about the same time Chas. Amann came from town. They extricated the occupants from the car and took them to the hospital where it was found that Joseph Felber was seriously hurt, having sustained concussion of the brain, and that John Helget had been very badly bruised. Miss Felber had slight bruises on the chest but Mrs. Felber and Mrs. Helget escaped without injuries. Mr. Felber suffered no pain to speak of and remained conscious until Thursday morning when he lapsed into a comatose condition and passed away at half past nine o'clock. Mr. Helget was able to leave the hospital Thursday morning.

"Chick" Williams, the coon baseball player and Arthur Krueger, employed in Becker's restaurant featured in an automobile accident Thursday afternoon between 5 and 6 o'clock which took a very fortunate turn and their escape

from death or at least from serious injury must be considered almost miraculous. They started off in Emil Hage's "Cadillac" for a joy ride and had passed over the railroad crossing on the road to the Metzen bridge when the accident happened. They were going a pretty good clip and had gotten off the main traveled track at about the point where the road turns off to the left to the stone quarries, when "Chick" Williams tried to get back on the grade. He made too sharp a turn for the speed at which he was going and realizing that, he tried to slow down. In the excitement he must have pulled the throttle wide open, and in the next moment, the car turned turtle and Krueger was pinioned under it, the car resting on his chest. Williams was thrown out but was unhurt. He came to the rescue of his friend and by almost superhuman efforts, lifted the car from his comrade's chest about 15 to 20 times before Fred Thiede came along in his car and came to his assistance. Only a few minutes transpired from the time of the accident until Mr. Thiede's arrival. By the united efforts of Williams, Thiede and the women folks that were in the Thiede car, they managed to extricate Krueger from his perilous position and he was immediately taken to town by Mr. Thiede. Krueger was quite badly bruised but was only laid up for a few days. The fender, windshield and steering wheel of the "Cadillac" were smashed and one side of the seat was cracked. The damages will hardly exceed \$50.00.

### ANOTHER "BOOSTER TOUR".

Elated with the unprecedented success of the first tour thru the County, the New Ulm boosters are planning on another tour which will prove a larger trip than the Brown County tour and for that reason the hour for the start has been fixed at 7 o'clock a. m. with the Dakota House as the starting point. This was decided at a directors' meeting of the Commercial Club held Monday afternoon and Tuesday, August 25th was selected as the date for the trip. Charles Vogel was constituted a committee of one to hire the band and secure the necessary transportation for them. All auto owners who intend to join the party are to report to Al. Stork and he will work up the necessary enthusiasm to get a sufficient number of cars. In this tour each auto owner is to invite those business men whom he wishes to carry. The tour as planned now will carry the boosters thru Evan, Morgan, Redwood Falls, Morton, Franklin, Fairfax, Gibbon, Winthrop, Lafayette, Klossner and then home. Dinner will be eaten at Redwood Falls and supper at Winthrop. With the exception of the meal stations a half hour concert will be given at each stopping place. Albrecht Stork, J. A. Ochs and F. H. Behnke are the committee on arrangements and they will see to it that the attendance is satisfactory and the tour a howling success.

### OLD PIONEER VISITING HERE.

To-day the city of New Ulm has as a guest one of the defenders who has not been here for 52 years. He is a distinguished defender and is one of the six who survived the murderous attack on the reconnoitering party which was ambushed near the present Loretto Hospital on August 19, 1862. There are only two of that brave band left to-day, Samuel McAuliffe of Rochester, N. Y. and Luther Ives who spends most of his time with his son at Tracy.

Mr. McAuliffe arrived in the city last night with Mrs. K. E. Mo of Minneapolis with whom he had visited for a few days prior to coming here. He was a close personal friend of the late Capt. George. Mr. McAuliffe is past 74 years of age, white-haired, and a quiet, unobtrusive man. In 1862 he was in the Federal army but was on sick leave. He came to Minnesota to recuperate, making the trip to New Ulm on the "Jeanette Roberts," a little light-draught stern-wheel steamer that plied between St. Paul and New Ulm. Mr. McAuliffe comes back to New Ulm just 52 years to a day after the ambush from which he so miraculously escaped. He plans to go to Ft. Ridgely to-morrow to be present at the dedicatory exercises of the unveiling of the monument erected in honor of a Chippewa Chief. He will stay here several days to look over the old stamping ground and will be pleased to meet the old defenders. He is stopping at the F. H. Behnke home.

Last Friday the 11 year old son of Martin Sorbel of the Town of Lake Hanska received severe injuries to his eyes when some gunpowder that he was playing with exploded. He was immediately brought to the hospital where he is doing nicely. It is not thought that his eye sight will be impaired.

## Mnfg. Company Is Coming Here

NOVELTY ELECTRIC COMPANY IS SECURED BY EXTENDING CREDIT.

PLANT WILL BE MOVED IMMEDIATELY. NEGOTIATIONS COMPLETED.

Another new industry for New Ulm is now practically an assured fact. Financial support necessary to launch the Novelty Electric Company has been secured the past week and Mr. C. H. Dirks left yesterday for Minneapolis to have the stock transferred to those who will have active control of the company. The moving of the plant will be accomplished in short order, and before snow flies will be in operation.

About six months ago the matter of securing this industry was first brought to the attention of the commercial club and referred to the committee on industries which made an investigation and reported favorably on the proposition. Carl Jaeger, the inventor of a dry cell battery, which is being manufactured by the company which expects to locate here, and A. L. Ditter of Minneapolis appeared before the commercial club upon two different occasions and presented their proposition. All that the gentlemen asked of the city was to procure for them a suitable building for factory purposes. A committee was appointed by the city council to find some suitable place and for a while there was talk of buying the old Schell building and moving it into the German Park. Later they discussed moving the building onto the right of way of the M. & St. L., this side of the Farmers' elevator and also considered erecting a new building at this point. All this came to naught however. The promoters then informed the committee that the second story of the Bastian block, corner Minn. & 2nd North Street would prove adequate for the start. But it seemed that the enthusiasm had completely died out and no further efforts were made to get the industry to locate here and it was generally understood that it had been lost for New Ulm.

C. H. Dirks, who from the start took a keen interest in the project, had, however, not given up hopes and he and Mr. Ditter formulated a plan which solved the problem and secures the industry for New Ulm. According to the plan, the majority of the stock will be purchased by a few people friendly to New Ulm and the plant will be moved here. Old Capt. Vanderhorck, well-known here who is one of the stockholders says that New Ulm is good enough for him and that he will retain his stock. To secure the necessary working capital about 50 of New Ulm's citizens have agreed to finance the company to the extent of \$100 each.

The Company is incorporated under the name of Novelty Electric Manufacturing Company. It is possible that the name may be changed after the removal to New Ulm. The company has sufficient machinery for a small plant and has been manufacturing batteries for the trade for some time.

In addition to the standard batteries, multiple boxes for automobiles will be manufactured, batteries for flash lights, pocket search lights and batteries for everything in electrical novelties. It is planned to purchase the different parts of these novelties and assemble them here. What may prove the biggest asset of the company is Jaeger's recently patented electric insect exterminator. Only a few samples have been manufactured so far, but these have proven very satisfactory and the company has a standing order for 500 per week of these from one Chicago concern alone.

No place has yet been selected for the factory. It is possible that Dr. Schoch will erect a building on the vacant lot opposite Mrs. Dongus' store which will give them all the accommodations they may require for some time.

### BOOKS IN GOOD CONDITION.

J. F. Root of the state bank examiners department was in the city last week on official business. In addition to inspecting the banks, he audited the books of the Brown County Agricultural Society and the Firemen's Relief Association. The books of both societies were found to be in excellent condition. This is the first time that the books of the relief association were audited and the accounts extended over a period of seven years.

Theo. G. Budde of Kellogg, Minn. visited yesterday at the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Ida Schwantes.