

County Board "Hires" Doctors

SEIFERT AND WELCOME GET JOB OF PHYSICIAN TO COUNTY POOR.

COMMISSIONERS REFUSE REQUEST OF DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE FOR FUNDS.

The County Commissioners of Brown County, Minnesota, met pursuant to a special call made by the County Auditor on Friday, February 26th, 1915 at 10 o'clock A. M. All members present except Commissioner Henle. The call being read the Board proceeded to hear the petition with the engineer's report and viewer's report in the matter of County Ditch No. 21, and said Board having duly considered said petition and reports and having heard all parties interested for or against the construction of said ditch and all matters pertaining thereto, did by motion duly carried refer said reports back to the engineer and viewers for a slight correction and change.

Emil G. Hage of New Ulm and W. G. Frank of Springfield appeared before the Board asking for an appropriation of \$200.00 for the Southern Minnesota Development League, to be used in promoting the interest of this county; was upon motion not granted.

On motion a recess was taken to 2 o'clock P. M. this afternoon.

Afternoon Session.

The Board met at 2 o'clock P. M. All members present except Commissioner Henle.

In the matter of County Ditch No. 21, the engineer and viewers returned their reports. After due consideration and being satisfied that the proposed ditch will be of public utility and conducive to public health and public benefit and convenience, did by motion, duly carried, order the establishment of said ditch by filing an order in the office of the County Auditor, duly signed by the Chairman of the Board and attested to by the County Auditor of said county.

Henry N. Somsen, Fred Behnke and City Engineer F. D. Minium representing the city council of the city of New Ulm appeared before the Board asking the Board to pay 1-3 of the cost of re-building the approaches of the Beussmann bridge and the Courtland bridge over the Minnesota river situated within the corporate limits of the city of New Ulm and under the Dunn Law, the Board by motion duly carried, granted the request. The Chairman appointed Commissioner's Graff and Henle as a committee to work in conjunction with the city council in the letting of the contracts and supervisions.

Fred Behnke of the city council of New Ulm asked whether the city could procure a suitable room for a polling place in the courthouse at general or special elections, and he was informed that the city may use the courtroom which is conveniently and clearly accessible at \$10.00 per election provided the city pays the \$25.00 now due for such rent for the year 1914.

The report of the State Highway Commission stating that the Windhorn bridge has now been completed in accordance with the plans and specifications and on motion it was resolved that the Auditor issue his warrant for \$471.71 payable to W. O'Shea & Sons, being balance due said firm on their contracts.

The application of Martin L. F. Eyrich and New Ulm Publishing Co. of New Ulm; J. F. Wendt and H. Bendixen of Springfield; Henry Anderson and Fred Christiansen of Hanska for reduction of assessments and refundment of taxes received the approval of the Board and were recommended to the State Tax Commission for consideration.

The resignation of Dr. W. A. Meierding of Springfield as Deputy Coroner was accepted.

F. D. Minium of New Ulm who was appointed by the County Board as engineer for County Ditch No. 22 is to receive \$5.00 per day as his fees for making such survey and his expenses.

The report of Commissioner Palmer as to the road leading to the Hindermann bridge was read and ordered filed.

Nels Erickson of the town of Linden was granted auctioneer license for a period of one year.

The petition of the town supervisor of the town of Burnstown asking for an appropriation of \$300.00 towards

repairing a piece of road in Section 16 of said township was upon motion granted.

In the matter of County Physicians the Board appointed Dr. O. J. Seifert of New Ulm as county physician for the First and Third Commissioner Districts at \$1000.00 per year and Dr. J. W. E. Welcome of Sleepy Eye as county physician for the Fourth Commissioner District at \$150.00 per year for 3 years. They to furnish all medical and surgical supplies and operations for the welfare of the county paupers in said districts. This to take affect March 1st, 1915 and payments for the salary be made quarterly.

Chas. N. Robertson, State District Engineer was authorized to take up the matter of improving the 2 miles of road on the county line west of Cobden with the Commissioners of Redwood County and make his report at some future meeting of this Board.

For certain reasons the County Auditor requested that the name of Jos. H. Vogel, one of the sureties be cancelled, and as the Board considered the other sureties sufficient, granted the request.

Commissioner Polkow presented a written report for filing at the culvert and bridge on State Road No. 8 in Sections 28 and 29, Township 108, Range 34 with the engineer's C. N. Robertson's approval attached thereto; and the amounts ordered paid were as follows:

Jos. Callahan, labor with team	\$ 3.00
Aug. Woll, labor with team	24.00
Ernest Johnson, labor with team	14.00
Albin Johnson, labor with team	18.00
Nels Canborn, labor with team	8.00
Chas. F. Pederson, labor with team	8.00
Chas. E. Pederson, overseer	10.50
Total	\$85.50

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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH IN PROSPERING

According to the annual statement of Holy Trinity Church which has just been made public, the total receipts of this parish during the year 1914 amounted to \$18,310.19. This with a cash balance on hand at the beginning of the fiscal year, swelled the total receipts available for church purposes to \$19,697.20. Of this amount \$17,557.66 was disbursed and there was on hand at the end of the fiscal year the sum of \$2,139.54, a gain of \$752.53 in the cash balance over the previous year. In addition to this \$3,300 was paid off on the church debt, so that in reality the church has an actual gain of \$4052.53 to record.

The receipts come from 30 different sources, the most important of which are \$2,676.50 for church support; \$5,759.57 for pew rent; \$3,506.37 for school fund; \$1,963.75 for school collection; \$1,699.14 for Sunday plate collection; \$620 for Christmas collection and \$366.78 for orphan collection. The sum of \$800 was donated by individuals and the various societies of the church contributed the following amounts: Mother Society, \$1,233.94; St. Elisabeth Society, \$949.18; St. Anne's Court, \$263.62; Young Ladies' Sodality, \$258.26; Gonzaga Club, \$64.30; St. Caeilian Society, \$165.07 and First Communion Class, \$100.

For fuel, water, light, repairs and the general up-keep of the property \$3555.81 was expended. For pastors and assistant pastors the sum of \$2050 was expended. The sum of \$2,415 was required for the salary of teachers, \$300 was paid to the organist and \$938.36 was expended for the services of the sextons. The sum of \$3,300 was paid off on the church debt, \$848 was expended for interest and \$2,970 went into the cathedral fund.

The cemetery fund shows a thriving condition also. The total receipts aggregated \$864.50. The total expenses amounted to \$640.44, leaving a surplus of \$224.06. This with a cash balance of \$284.54 on hand at the beginning of the fiscal year brings the cash balance on hand in this fund to \$508.60. For the care and up keep of the Cottonwood Cemetery only \$19.50 was received of which amount \$10.00 was expended.

In addition to the moneys paid in for actual church support, fully as much more was paid as contributions to the old school fund. In the report this amount is not totaled. Special donations were made by Johann and Maria Fischer for the altar in the basement of the church, \$200, and \$170 by Anna B. Soukup in memory of her parents for an altar also.

Fred Fehd and family of Gibbon arrived here Monday and will make New Ulm their future home. They have bought the Taylor property in the southern part of town near the Bentzin Milling Co. and have purchased in addition thereto another 4-acre tract and expect to put up a residence there this year.

Narcotic Laws Very Stringent

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL ATTEMPT TO CONTROL SALE OF "DOPE".

DRUGGISTS MUST ACCOUNT FOR EVERY GRAIN OF OPIUM BOUGHT.

Monday, March 1st the narcotic law which was passed on December 17th last year, became effective. It is known as the Harrison Act. Under this law every druggist is required to register and must pay a tax of \$1 per year, therefor. The law also requires that physicians, dentists and veterinary surgeons register and pay the registry tax.

The object of the law is to prohibit the sale of narcotic to dope fiends and to prevent, if possible the excessive use thereof. All opium preparations and its derivatives, such as morphium, codeine, heroin, etc. and all preparations obtained from cocoa leaves such as cocaine, are put under the ban. All druggists were required to inventory the narcotic above mentioned that they had on hand as of March 1st this year, and they will not be permitted to sell or give the same to anyone unless the person comes prepared with a prescription duly signed by a physician who has registered. Prescriptions must bear the physician's number and the patient's name, and the druggist is required to keep a record of the quantities prescribed.

These records must be kept for at least two years, and the druggists are liable to be checked up by government inspectors every three months. That means as often as the government deems it necessary to find out if the various druggists in the country are complying with the law; they will send an inspecting officer, who will check over the accounts. For checking up purposes, they take as a basis the amount of these narcotics that the druggist had on hand as of March 1st, the amount that has been dispensed in a legal way, and the amount that has been purchased from the wholesale houses. To make sure that the government will have a thorough and accurate check upon the sale of these narcotics the law requires that they can only be ordered from the wholesale houses on order blanks which are furnished by the government. For these the druggists pay at the rate of 1 cent apiece. The order blanks are to be made out in duplicate. The original is forwarded to the wholesale house and the duplicate is retained by the druggist. The wholesale drug house is expected to keep these original orders on hand, so that at any time when a druggist is checked up it can be determined absolutely if the amount of narcotics purchased as shown by the duplicate on file with the druggist is identically the same as the quantity ordered as appears from the original on file with the wholesale house.

The excessive use of all these narcotics by so-called dope fiends and others who are on the highway to that class of citizens has become so alarming that the government has decided upon this method for the purpose of checking it. Whether or not this will be an effective measure, will of course not be known until the law has been in operation for some time. This much is certain that unless steps are taken so that the law is enforced strictly, it might be just as well if it had never been placed on the statute books.

INJURED BY MACHINERY.

Joseph Kraus, an employe of the Eagle Roller Mill Co., narrowly escaped serious injuries at the Eagle Mill plant Thursday shortly after the noon hour. The trousers of his left leg were caught in a belt and he was thrown to the floor with such force that he was rendered unconscious. Medical aid was summoned at once and the injured was taken to the Loretto Hospital where he regained consciousness. An examination showed that no bones were broken and that he was more shocked than hurt. He remained in the hospital for 3 days and the attending physician thinks that he will be able to go to work next week.

Counterfeit dollars are once more in circulation and a warning has been sent out by the department in St. Paul where most of them seem to be in circulation.

Many Matters Given Attention

COMMERCIAL CLUB FINDS PLENTY OF WORK READY AT HAND.

WILL SPEND \$300.00 TO ADVERTISE CITY'S MANIFOLD ATTRACTIONS.

Interest in Commercial Club matters has not abated one particle. This was again proven by the record meeting held Monday evening at the Commercial Club rooms. Fully forty of the members were present and all took a keen interest in the matters under discussion. Before the session opened, President Ottomeyer was worrying, because he felt that there was really nothing of importance to take up at this meeting. But before the time for adjournment had come it was evident that there were quite a few matters that kept the attention of those present.

For the committee on transportation F. H. Retzlaff reported that he had taken up with the M. & St. L. officials the matter of getting better train service from west of Winthrop, and also he was given no definite promise, he was able to report that the officials had the matter under advisement and that if it is feasible at all they will arrange the train service so that we will have better connections on the St. Louis going west. The officials however, positively refused to consider at this time the proposition to have the night train run as far as St. James. They claim that it would mean a severe loss to them and would mean a rearrangement of their schedule, which they are not prepared to make at the present time.

The chairman of the committee which has in charge the matter of securing a detention hospital for New Ulm was not present at the meeting, but Prof. Ackermann reported on behalf of the committee that one meeting had been held and at that it developed that a difference of opinion existed in the committee itself as to whether or not it was necessary and advisable at this time to secure an isolation hospital for the city and that no further meeting had been held since that time.

On behalf of the municipal heating plant, F. W. Johnson reported that within the past few weeks a change had taken place in the management of the western office of the American District Steam Company and for the that reason it had been impossible for a representative to come to New Ulm in February as had been promised, to talk to the citizens about the central heating plant. He stated however, that in the early part of March a representative would be here to discuss this all important question. Mr. Johnson stated further that he had taken occasion to discuss the matter of a central heating plant with quite a few people since the last meeting and they all seem to be of the opinion that it is a good thing. He spoke especially with men who had had some experience along these lines. All of those that Mr. Johnson talked to, however, seemed to think that it would be advisable to connect up only two or three blocks with the municipal heating plant in the start, unless it should be found that the exhaust steam would be largely in excess of the amount consumed by these two or three business blocks. Judge Olsen, in speaking of this matter of a municipal heating plant stated that the only plant that he knew anything about personally was the one at Marshall and that this had proven very satisfactory and had earned about a thousand dollars the past year over the actual expenses of running that part of the plant.

In the matter of advertising Mr. Johnson also reported that he had invited bids for a pamphlet to be issued by the Commercial Club, similar to the one issued by the Commercial Club at Grand Forks and he read the figures received. He also submitted an envelope with advertising matter and a package containing postal cards of views of the city of Duluth, stating the price at which they could be secured.

From the discussion that followed his announcement, it was apparent that all present were willing that some money should be spent for advertising

H. A. Hings and family from Emerson, Nebr., moved onto the John Schreyer farm in the town of Cottonwood last week.

the city of New Ulm by sending out literature in the shape of a pamphlet, or booklet, but thought it was unnecessary to get it up in such elaborate and artistic style as the sample booklet, and it was finally resolved to put at the disposal of the advertising committee the sum of \$300.00, which they are to spend according to their own best judgment.

The Redstone Road and Bridge matter was called up, but no one present seemed to be able to give any information as to how far this project had advanced. Different speakers could not understand why this matter should be allowed to drag along, and one especially referred to the time the matter was referred to the Board of Public Works over a year ago and that at that time the Board of Public Works had resolved not to take up the matter of the road because they felt that it should be handled in the way that it is now being proposed. No action was taken but it was left to President Ottomeyer, to see the Chairman of the Committee in charge of the important work to get him to push this road proposition as fast as it possibly can be done.

The matter of desirable residences for transient families in the city was discussed and Mr. Weilandt, who happened to be present was questioned as to the building outlook for the coming year and he informed the club members that as far as he could find out the number of residences to be built in New Ulm would be fully as large, if not larger than last year. While this matter was being discussed, Albert Steinhauer suggested that it would be a good thing if a certain number would get together and organize an improvement league, whose business it would be to erect modern residences which could be rented out to people who

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BROWN COUNTY MAY NOT GET SANATORIA.

Unless the present legislature gives the appropriation of \$750,000.00 which the State Advisory Commission on Tuberculosis is asking, this county, with the other nineteen which have begun to organize for county sanatoria will not be able to get the state aid for site and building purposes. If the appropriation does not go thru the state will be able only to pay maintenance charges to the sixteen institutions already built or in process of building, and will have nothing for new sanatoria.

It is a matter of self preservation for all to support the appropriation and demand that the legislature recognize the economy of saving the lives and health of Minnesota people. If the appropriation is not made, Brown County will be one of many which will have no economical means, outside of the state sanatorium and private hospitals for caring for its tuberculous sick, and will have no facilities whatever for providing sickly children with open air schools and preventorium. If it becomes necessary to use the sanatoria of other counties, a poor plan at best, we will have no state aid for our patients.

Let everyone interested write personal letters to their senator and representative, urging them to support the appropriation asked for by the Advisory Commission and thus secure to us our chance to have a sanatorium in this county. Let everyone write the letter now.

INSPECTION OF MILITIA.

Pursuant to General Orders No. 1 dated February 4th, and received here February 26th the federal inspection of the Second Regiment will be made as follows: Co. "A", New Ulm, March 22nd; Co. "B", Faribault, March 12th; Co. "C", Winona, March 9th; Co. "D", Northfield, March 27th; Co. "E", Fairmont, March 24th; Co. "F", Worthington, March 23d; Co. "G", Austin, March 25th; Co. "H", Mankato, March 22nd; Co. "I", Owatonna, March 30th; Co. "K", St. Peter, March 27th; Co. "L", Redwood Falls, March 24th; Co. "M", Madison, March 25th; Regimental Headquarters and Machine Gun Co., March 23d; Headquarters and Supply Co., New Ulm, March 20th.

The inspections will be made by Major Johnson and Captain Danforth of the regular army. Major Johnson will make the inspection of all the militia companies in the city of New Ulm.

Color Sergeant Wm. Pfeiffer has been transferred from the Headquarters Co. back to Co. "A" and Sergeant Armand Groebner has been appointed in his place as Color Sergeant. The transfer of Color Sergeant Pfeiffer back to Co. "A" was made at the request of the officers of Co. "A", who desire to retain Pfeiffer in their company on account of his being an expert shot.

Falling Tree Causes Death

MAN STRUCK AND PINNED BETWEEN FOREST GIANTS FOR AN HOUR.

LEG AMPUTATED IN HOPELESS EFFORT TO SAVE LIFE BUT IN VAIN.

A sad accident with fatal results, occurred at the Fred Schmiesing farm in the Town of Albin between twelve and one o'clock Saturday and as a result Albert Schmiesing sustained injuries which caused his death at the Loretto Hospital Tuesday morning at one o'clock.

Mr. Schmiesing had gone over to his brother Fred's place in the morning to help him chop down a tree. When the tree was about ready to fall it leaned in such a manner that in falling it would strike the fence. While trying to give the falling tree a different course, the unfortunate man was caught between it and another tree and his left leg was crushed above the knee. He was caught so tightly and the tree was so heavy that it took over an hour to extricate him. It became necessary to use a jack to raise the tree sufficiently so that he could be liberated. He suffered excruciating pain from the time of the accident practically until he died.

As soon as Mr. Schmiesing was released he was taken to Fred's home where he received attention from the physician who had been called. Amputation of the injured limb seemed to be the only thing left to be done and it was decided to bring the injured man to New Ulm. On account of the severe pain that he suffered he could not be brought here until late Sunday evening and the operation was performed the next morning. Practically no hopes were entertained for his recovery because the circulation had been completely destroyed, but the operation was resorted to as the last and only hope of saving his life. Less than 24 hours after the operation he passed away.

The deceased was born March 22, 1880 in Cincinnati, Ohio and was therefore only 34 years, 11 months and 7 days old when he died. He was married October 3, 1906 at Denver, Colorado to Delia Molsbe who with four small children survives him. He came to Brown County three years ago February 9th and rented one of the Emil Hage's farms in the Town of Albin and has lived there ever since. He is also survived by his parents and the following brothers and sisters: Fritz and Harry of Albin, Mrs. Fred Fohl of Sleepy Eye and Mrs. H. Fredericksen of Hanska. The funeral will be held this (Wednesday) afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Lutheran Church. Rev. Albrecht will officiate and interment will be made in the Lutheran cemetery.

FEBRUARY WEATHER REPORT.

February weather for this year was quite different from that of last year. The average temperature was 14.48 degrees higher than it was last year, although the maximum temperature was the same for both months. Last year the warmest day occurred on the 28th and this year it came on the 18th, the temperature being 42 degrees. The coldest day this year was the 16th when the mercury dropped to zero; last year it fell 20 degrees below that on 2 days, the 7th and 8th. The total precipitation this year amounted to twice as much this year as last year, there being 2.67 inches. The total snowfall for this year was 9.10 inches and it was 12.05 inches for last year, the difference being that this year we had rain, instead of snow. The number of clear days was 4, there were 14 partly cloudy days and 10 days when the sun did not shine at all. The high temperature, no doubt, was caused by the prevailing wind from the south.

WANT POULTRY SHOW

Poultry fanciers are agitating the question of holding a poultry show in New Ulm next year and are beginning to lay plans to that effect. A meeting will be held at Schell's Hall Friday evening at 8 o'clock for the purpose of electing officers of the Association. All interested in raising of fancy birds are urged to attend and assist in reorganization. Officers must be elected as terms have expired, the last meeting having been held soooe years ago. The last "Show" was held in January, 1909, and since then interest has lagged.