

## COUNCIL PROVIDES FOR IMPROVEMENTS

**RESIDENTS ON FRONT STREET WILL HAVE WATER AND SEWER SERVICE.**

**CARNIVAL COMPANY ASKED RE-FUND FOR DAY OF NO SHOW**

Because they did not get ready to open up for business before the second day of their stay in New Ulm, the Campbell Carnival Company felt that they should receive a refund of the \$25 license paid for the day. This amount was voted by the City Council when they met at the regular monthly session last Tuesday. However, the Carnival people failed to pay their electric light and water bills and the refund just about covers that and will be retained by the city clerk, according to instructions given him by the Council. The Carnival wanted to show on the Sunday following the three days they were here to make up for the loss of receipts on Friday but the Mayor refused them permission after listening to representations of a committee of citizens who protested against Sunday carnivals.

B. Juni appeared before the council to indicate an interest which he says citizens in general are beginning to take in the enforcement of city regulations. He maintained that the council does not back up the local police officers in doing their duty; that certain saloons are allowed to run open after hours and that automobile owners generally claim the earth with a fence around it, his particular grievance against them being that owners of cars appropriate any place they find convenient along Minnesota Street to park their cars during the day.

President Behnke told Mr. Juni that the council is not an executive body and that the authority to correct the abuses mentioned must come from the Mayor. Mr. Eibner said practically the same thing and advised the complainant, after thanking him for the interest shown in city affairs, to interview the mayor and get action from him with regard to law enforcement.

City Clerk Backer brought up the matter of complying with the recent ruling of the state supreme court that firemen and police officers come under the provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Act and should therefore be provided for by increasing the amount of insurance carried by the city on its employees. The State Labor Commissioner had sent the suggestion and a policy was submitted to the council covering all city employees with the exception of those at the light plant who are already taken care of by a policy. The Finance Committee will take the matter under advisement.

Property owners along Franklin Street are anxious to have it graded, graveled and boulevarded between Center and Fifth Streets, according to a petition presented by Chas. Brust, Jr. The Board of Public Works will give the matter attention.

Property owners along Front Street are also becoming impatient about improvements in their section and a delegation of the residents of that neighborhood accompanied by Atty. A. W. Mueller who represents them attended the council meeting to urge immediate action. Their cellars are filled with water after every rain and conditions call for quick action. The sewers desired will run from Center to Fifth North Street and they also ask for an extension of the city water mains between Third and Fifth North Streets. The work has been recommended by the Board of Public Works and will doubtless be started soon also as many as thirty-three lot owners are objecting to the work. Alois Breu presented a petition setting forth their objections, but the majority seeming to favor the project, the council instructed the city engineer to go ahead with the preparation of plans and specifications.

Various small matters were brought before the council. The Ruby Theatre license was granted upon the payment of \$25 by Mr. C. J. Woodmansee, and the various billiard table owners were granted licenses to operate on payment of \$5 per table. The fees from this source amount to \$80 per year, the largest contributors to the fund being Lucas & Killand who operate seven tables and Gust Becker who has four. The other seven tables are located in as many different saloons.

The street committee has purchased a number of street signs for the instruction

of drivers of vehicles. These signs bear the words, "Keep to the right" and are to be placed at the intersections of streets where traffic is heaviest. A Ford auto truck has also been purchased and will be used by the electric light department. The cost was \$480 and it is expected that this amount will quickly be saved in transportation costs since charges for the use of teams are constantly advancing and there is considerable need for a conveyance at the light plant. Street work totaled 2406 hours of hand labor and 823 hours of team work during July, according to the report of Street Commissioner Schemann, and 157 loads were weighed on the city scales during July, as reported by City Scales Koehler.

Various bills were audited and allowed and the Frensel liquor license was transferred to Wm. Reardon, the present proprietor of the Travellers Exchange. Building permits were issued to the Rural Telephone Company for their new building on German and Second North and to Athenas Henle for the construction of a garage.

At the Friday evening meeting of the City Council, the specifications prepared by the city engineer for boulevarding and other work asked for by the residents along State Street North from Eighth to Twelfth and for the laying of water mains on North State and North Front Streets were approved and the city clerk was authorized to ask for bids for this work. The requests for bids on this work will be found in another column of this issue.

## BUILDING BOSSES ENJOY BIG OUTING

**LUMBER MEN, CONTRACTORS AND CARPENTERS PICNIC TOGETHER.**

**AUTO TRIP, FISHING, BATHING AND BASEBALL MAKE HOURS FLY.**

Nearly thirty of New Ulm's builders and lumber dealers enjoyed a two days' outing at Lake Jefferson during the past week. There all business was put aside and the men enjoyed themselves fishing and bathing and everyone of them declared the outing a success and announced that they had no objections to making another trip under the same conditions.

The party set out from this city on Saturday morning when the hands of the clock pointed to the hour of nine. From here the line consisting of eight cars wended its way thru Courtland to Nicollet where they stopped for several minutes to talk with Nicollet friends. From there the party went to St. Peter, arriving there at 10:45. Here another stop was made and over an hour had passed before the men again resumed their journey. After riding over hill and plain for nearly two hours the party arrived at the lake and immediately took possession of the hotel at that place where a hearty meal was served them.

Fishing and bathing took up the afternoon hours and late in the afternoon the party divided itself into two sides and a game of indoor baseball was arranged, men of the light brigade being on one side and the heavy weights on the other. The game was very interesting as neither side had at any time any great lead and at the end of the fifth inning, with the score a tie 5-5, the stomachs of the men began to kick and feel empty and the two teams wended their way to the supper table.

In the evening the "McCormacks" and the "Carusos" got together and ere long the sweet melodies of up-to-date songs floated o'er the lake. Late in the evening the men wended their way to beds and slept until late the next morning.

Fishing and bathing was enjoyed by most of the men during the forenoon and early part of the afternoon and some of the "horseshoe sharks" played several games of quoits. Late in the afternoon the party started out on its return trip, some cars returning by the route by which they went and others taking different trails.

Those who enjoyed the outing were: Alf. Vogel, J. H. Schmidt, F. R. Emmings, C. O. Weilandt, A. Everling, Henry Halverson, Henry Ahrens, A. Haag, Otto Huhn, Wm. Wielandt, Peter Herrian, Wenzel Rothmeyer, Alfred Guse, Herman Aufderheide, Walter Muesing, Fritz Haager, Herman Koop, Jr., John Koop, Henry Koop, Robert Uhl, Alf. Borchert, Fred Krieger, Ed. Cordes, Alf. Wielandt, John Gronau, Sr., Alfred Gronau and Geo. Puchner.

## FAIR ASSOCIATION READY FOR CROWD

**HAVE SECURED SEVERAL FINE ATTRACTIONS TO AMUSE VISITORS.**

**CHANGES MADE IN PREMIUMS OFFERED FOR HORSES AND CATTLE.**

The stage is set and the actors ready for the big annual event at the Brown County Agricultural Association grounds. In other words, the program has been arranged for the fair and the premium lists will be issued this week to all the farmers tributary to New Ulm and in other parts of the county. The lists are being printed at the New Ulm Review office and in another column of the paper appears a list of the premiums to be offered this year. A number of changes have been made in the list, particularly with regard to the prizes offered for horses which have been increased this year to include grade horses as well as thoroughbreds. Heretofore no prizes have been provided for grade animals and this has been changed since there are a number of farmers who own particularly good animals of the grade class and who have not heretofore had any opportunity to compete for prizes, which was hardly right considering that grade animals perform a large share of the work of the farms in Brown County.

Secretary Engelbert has also provided for the other attractions of the Fair by closing contracts with several companies for the free exhibitions always provided at the afternoon performances and in addition a big five-act tented attraction has been secured. The Fair Association has put up several hundred dollars to secure the various attractions and at the prices to be paid, the acts should surpass anything heretofore offered.

The tent attraction consists of vaudeville in five acts. There is a singing and dancing sister team, a comedy and musical act, blackface act, a four-dog act in which a number of Pomeranians will appear, and a novelty dancing act. The company are on a circuit of their own and will come here from the Brookings, S. D. fair.

The free acts which cost so much money this year consist of a team of casters, 4 men who perform incredible feats in trapeze work. They claim to have stunts of twisting double somersaults, looping the loop and other sensational juggling of the human body which no other troupe has on its bill. The other artists will be "Violet and Charles", with two aerial acts introducing comedy acrobatics, balancing, contortion and tumbling.

Four races have been arranged as usual consisting of a 2:15 pace and a 2:40 trot and a 2:35 pace and 2:23 trot. A purse of \$300.00 has been hung up for each race and the money will be divided 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. The entries for the races will close August 21st at 11 o'clock P. M. according to the speed programs which have just been circulated.

The growing season has forced along many of the crops in this vicinity and it is expected that some unusual specimens of vegetables and fruits will be shown. The fair comes again the last days of the week instead of the first as was the case last year and the dates are Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 31st, September 1st and 2nd.

Lamberton's Garden Club is planning to give demonstrations of canning and preserving work for the benefit of inexperienced housewives who may wish to learn. The work will be done at the school house.

## STREET CONCERT SATURDAY

Frequent applause evidences the appreciation of the crowds that attend the band concerts and encourages the Band Boys who are doing their best to supply New Ulm with music that will please and satisfy. The threatened storm Sunday evening kept a good many away from the park but those who were there were in a humor to spend and the receipts from the sale were very satisfactory so that the boys felt paid for their efforts. There will be a street concert Saturday evening on Minnesota Street and the public is urged to get out in the evening and enjoy the music while they do their shopping.

- PROGRAM.**
1. March "Chief Of Staff"..... Geo. Rosenkrans
  2. Waltz "Laughing Beauties"..... H. Prendiville
  3. March "The Ensign"..... Geo. Rosenkrans
  4. Overture "Extempore"..... Al. Hayes
  5. March "Show Boy"..... Will Huff
  6. March "Chief Of The Nation"..... R. J. Herndon
- INTERMISSION.**
7. March "California Limited"..... S. C. Fenton
  8. Waltz "Mocking Bird"..... J. R. Fegans
  9. Polka "Gaiety" (Cornet Solo by John Fritsche)..... H. Hartley
  10. Overture "My Cells"..... Geo. Rosenkrans
  11. Tango Two Step "Tres Moutards" (Too Much Mustard) Cecil Macklin
  12. March "Westmount Cadets"..... C. A. Wood

## GASOLINE GETS IN ITS DEADLY WORK

**NUMEROUS CASES OF WOMEN BADLY BURNED WHILE USING IT.**

**FORMER NEW ULM RESIDENT DIES AS A RESULT OF INJURIES.**

Papers of the past week are full of instances of housewives being burned in their homes, the worst case recorded being that of Mrs. Martin Lohrenz of Redwood Falls who died as a result of her injuries the morning after she was burned. Mrs. Lohrenz attempted to smother the flames which originated from a small kerosene stove in her kitchen.

The stove was placed on top of the kitchen table and some towels were hanging on a line above it. They caught fire and Mrs. Lohrenz seized them in her hands and attempted to smother them against her dress. She ran out of the house with them but her own clothing became ignited and the unfortunate woman was terribly burned about the face and arms and her clothing was practically burned off her body before help came. Her daughter who was in the house with her rushed to her mother's aid but could not save her and was dreadfully burned herself.

Mrs. Lohrenz was at one time a resident of New Ulm, having married Martin Lohrenz here shortly after coming to America. Her maiden name was Franziska Fogelmann and her birthplace was Neumark, Austria. She was fifty-three years of age.

The funeral was held Thursday morning and those in attendance from New Ulm were Mrs. Jos. P. Vogel, Franz Brey, Louis Brey, Wolfgang Hacker, Ant. Hacker and wife, Mrs. Alois Hacker, Mrs. John Herlick and Mrs. Hofmeister.

Another case of a woman being burned in a similar manner occurred at St. James Friday evening. Mrs. Hugo Stumm saved her own life by rushing from the house when her clothing caught fire and rolling in the grass. Mrs. Stumm had been trying to light a gasoline stove with wood alcohol and there was an explosion. She was burned about the hips and knees but her injuries are not serious.

A gasoline explosion was also the cause of a bad fire at St. James last week Thursday. J. P. Krone, proprietor of a restaurant in that city lighted a match to start his gasoline stove and the next moment the room was in flames. Apparently there had been a leak at work during the night. Prompt work of the fire department saved the block but Mr. Krone is a heavy loser. He was badly burned altho his life was not forfeit to the gasoline fiend.

Wood alcohol caused the death of a woman living near the Iowa line Monday when she threw the alcohol on some old coals in a stove in trying to revive a dying fire. She too was terribly burned and died a dreadful death.

Fires were reported from numerous other places, caused in a variety of ways, but the explosions seem to lead the list and once more call attention to the fact that gasoline is a wickedly unsafe agent.

## ARLINGTON MAN KILLS WIFE.

Martin Wiemann of Arlington is a prisoner at the Brown County jail awaiting the action of the grand jury in December. He is charged with having killed his wife, shooting her with a revolver which he had purchased recently. He also tried to end his own life by taking

a mixture of gasoline and other stuff but failed.

It seems that the family life had not been happy and it was supposed that the husband's mind was affected. Whether he went suddenly insane or whether a quarrel incited the deed is not known as the murder was not discovered for some time and the wife was dead when found. The husband is only about 28 years of age and his wife was also young. There are two little children, boys, 3 and 5 years old.

## BAD PLACES ON THE B & Y.

Editor Erickson of Springfield and his family had a narrow escape from serious injury about four miles west of New Ulm on the Black and Yellow Trail when they were on their way home from their summer vacation trip. The heavy rain of July 14th washed away the bridge at the Arbes farm. This could not be seen by the party in the auto until they came coasting down the hill and noticed a pile of sand in the roadway. About to turn out for the obstruction they discovered the missing bridge and had barely time to turn back and run the car into the sand pile. This slacked the speed of the car and prevented it from going into the washout altho it was a narrow squeak as the nose of the car rubbed against the wing wall of the bridge and pushed it over an inch or more. The water at the place was 12 feet deep.

## EUROPEAN VISITOR GLAD TO GET BACK

**A. W. BERGSTROM OF LAFAYETTE FINDS WAR'S HORRORS TOO DREADFUL.**

**RECEIVED NO WORD FROM HIS HOME DURING THREE MONTHS STAY.**

A. W. Bergstrom of Lafayette returned Monday from a trip he made to Scandinavia and found himself very happy to be back safe and sound. Mr. Bergstrom says that if he had known what the European war meant he doubts very much whether he would have found the courage to undertake the trip. It was the first time in 44 years that he had been back to his native land and he felt that he must go last April. He took passage on the Scandinavian-American liner, "Frederick VIII", sailing under the Danish flag. The trip was full of excitement. Repeatedly the ship was stopped and forced to show its right to proceed. A shot was fired across the bow a one time as a signal to halt one night when the passengers were just preparing for their night's rest. They were examined by British searchers and several parties were taken from the ship at Kirkwall, England and detained there. Two of them were women who were accused of being spies. The Frederick VIII was obliged to stay in the Kirkwall harbor for two days before they were allowed to proceed. In all the going voyage took twelve days.

The real horrors of war became apparent when the ship reached the North Sea. There the water was full of floating mines and the dead bodies of victims are so numerous that the mackerel trade of Scandinavia has been ruined, people refusing to use the fish which are frequently brought up by the fishermen with dead bodies of human beings in the nets. One could almost smell the powder, Mr. Bergstrom said, so near did the conflict seem in Scandinavia as compared with what we in America know of it.

He visited Christiania, Norway and also in parts of Sweden. He found many of his old time friends gone, of course, but those he met compensated him for the perilous voyage that he took to see them. He says that everything in the old home has much improved since he left there nearly half a century ago.

In all the three months he was away, not one letter did Mr. Bergstrom receive from home. All the mail was then being seized by England and he told of seeing great quantities of packages taken from the ships for examination in English harbors. He did not know until his return of the little baby which had come to live at the home of his adopted daughter, Mrs. Alton Quist of Brighton, and in fact, knew absolutely nothing of what his home people were about altho they wrote him frequently.

Mrs. Bergstrom met her husband in Chicago on his return and they were happily on their way to their peaceful home, far from the alarms of war that had separated them so completely for weeks.

## SOLDIERS RESENT JOB OF "GRUBBING"

**WOULD RATHER BE FIGHTING THAN DIGGING STUMPS AT 50c PER DAY.**

**REVIEW CORRESPONDENT KEEPS CHEERFUL IN SPITE OF CONDITIONS.**

Llano Grande, Texas Aug. 4th, 1916.

Special to the Review: Things go on much as ever in the military camp at Llano Grande. The heavy army wagons, drawn by big Missouri mules plow thru the heavy mud all day. The Mexicans on their mules or in their rickety wagons, drawn by little burros go along the public highway, which runs thru camp, with the same distrustful, shifty look in their dark eyes as when the troops first came.

The Texas days are short. The sun rises a little before six and sinks shortly after seven. From about 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. the sun beats down and makes things uncomfortably hot. Usually, however, a passing shower cools the air shortly after 3. Occasionally it rains very hard and the boys have to stay "at home."

During the last week a great deal of "grubbing" has had to be done. Some men have complained a great deal. They say that they came south to fight and not to grub stumps for fifty cents a day. The drills are not hard on the men as the hours for drill do not come during the hot part of the day.

The water problem has been solved. Most companies have filters now, and as long as the ice is regularly delivered the boys have fairly good, cold water.

Food, however, is not supplied as it should be. Potatoes are scarce and the bread supply is often short. Sometimes, two meals a day consist only of bread, bacon, syrup and coffee. The cooks, however, do their best and when things can be gotten at the commissary they fix up good meals.

The Co. "A" boys have been short on rations some days as well as other companies, but they have also had meals which could hardly be beaten in a first class chop suey house.

Last Sunday Cook Ed. Junge, assisted by Wenzel Gulden and Harry Wehpe put up the following bill of fare: Beef steak, smothered in onions, mashed potatoes, bread, sweet corn, peach pie and coffee. The peach pie had been made Saturday by Corp. Herman Schwerr and Cook Junge. Herman showed that he had not forgotten all he had learned at Willibald Eibner's Bakery and so the pies turned out first rate. Monday the cooks prepared some turtle soup.

Altho nobody has actually suffered from the shortage of food, it makes the men feel dissatisfied to think that they should be fed on bread and bacon while they are really doing hard work.

The number of men on the sick list is rapidly decreasing. It seems, or it is an actual fact, that everybody coming from the north is sick for a few days, or until the system has accustomed itself to the water and the different climatic conditions. People who formerly lived in some of the northern states but now live in Mercedes, state that they went thru the same experience. Once accustomed to the change they say that a person will feel better than ever.

Herman Goltz and Chas. La Duke were at the hospital for a few days but they are recovering from their illness.

Maj. Pfaender has done a great deal to add to the comfort of some of the sick boys in Co. A. He has supplied some of those more seriously affected with cold, filtered water and with blankets. At times he has even taken some to his tent.

An order was recently issued to the effect that all 2nd Lieutenants under 27 years of age must go to the regular army for four weeks. This makes it necessary for 2nd Lieut. Alf. Puhlmann to leave Co. A for a while. Just when he will leave is not certain.

Thursday afternoon, the first battalion under Major Pfaender, drilled for the first time on the new battalion parade ground.

The regimental and battalion parades are getting better each day and if they keep on improving long enough they can, no doubt, be classed with the Kaiser's forces.

On the whole camp life is not bad at Llano Grande. It is only the uncertainty that makes the men feel dissatisfied at times. They do not know the reason for which they are at Llano Grande. So far there have been no visible signs of

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