

MINN. HISTORICAL SOCIETY - 37 PAUL MINN. 2ND

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY PASSED

COLLEAGUES OF HY. J. MEYER PAY LAST RESPECTS TO THEIR COMRADE.

COUNTY AUDITOR'S STATEMENT OF TAXES COLLECTED AND APPORTIONED.

Due notice having been served on all members of the Board of County Commissioners, Brown County, Minnesota, for a special meeting to be held at the County Commissioners' Chambers in the Court House in the City of New Ulm, Minnesota, on Friday the 17th day of February, 1922, at 10 o'clock, A. M. for the purpose of taking up all such business as may devolve upon them.

The Board met at 10 o'clock A. M. All members present.

In memory of Henry J. Meyer, commissioner of the 3d district, Commissioner Joseph J. Sperl offered the following Memorial, receiving a second from Commissioner John M. Johnson and it was duly accepted for record as follows:

IN MEMORIAM

Henry J. Meyer, Commissioner, Third District.

Ah, well, the years sweep swiftly on; Death's sickle does not, may not, rest And shall not spare the brave, the best For any prayer, for any moan.

WHEREAS, on Sunday morning, February 12, 1922, it has pleased an inscrutable Providence to close the earthly career of Henry J. Meyer; and WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, Minnesota, has heard with profound sorrow of the death of Henry J. Meyer; and

WHEREAS, Henry J. Meyer, at the time of his demise, was entering upon the sixth year of service as a member of the County Board of Brown County from the Third District; and

WHEREAS, Henry J. Meyer, while such member of the County Board, was at all times unselfish in his devotion to duty, honorable and upright in his dealings with associates and fellowmen; deserving the good will and confidence of all; his daily life devoted to the public good; his conduct squaring with the principles of duty, honor and integrity; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that it is but meet and proper, and due in justice to the memory of Henry J. Meyer, that we, the County Board of Brown County, record our feeling of sorrow in the loss of our comrade and friend and extend our sincere sympathy to the family of the deceased in this sad bereavement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that these testimonials of the worth of Henry J. Meyer, coming from those who knew him best in his public career, be spread upon the minutes of this County Board, to reverent and keep the memory of his virtues; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that the County Auditor transmit to the widow of our deeply lamented friend and brother, a certified copy of these resolutions.

Routine Business.

Auctioneer's licenses were granted to Rudolph Anderson and Palm Carlson of Comfrey and to Nels Erickson of the Town of Linden for a period of one year.

The committee appointed on October 15, 1920 and July 11, 1921 to work in conjunction with the supervisors of the Town of Leavenworth, for grading and graveling certain public highways in said township, reported in writing that the work has been completed satisfactorily at a cost of \$4178.94, and, therefore, recommended that the Town of Leavenworth be re-imbursed \$1339. out of the County Road & Bridge Fund, being 1-2 of the cost of such

grading and graveling by considering the \$750.00 that has already been appropriated to said Township for that purpose. The report was accepted and the Auditor was instructed to issue his warrant in the above stated amount to said Town.

F. D. Minium, civil engineer, for the City of New Ulm, appeared before the Board with a petition for the paving of State street, and the Chairman was authorized to sign the same for Brown County.

Commissioner Joseph Sperl offered the following resolution which was seconded by Commissioner John M. Johnson:

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DISTRICT ORATORS COMPETING TODAY

HOWARD VOGEL AS SUB-DIST. CHAMPION REPRESENTS NEW ULM.

LAURELS WON AT ST. PETER MUST BE DEFENDED AT MANKATO.

Today the champions among the contestants for oratorical and declamatory honors will compete at Mankato for first place in the district and New Ulm will be represented in the contest by Howard Vogel, who took first honors among the boys at the St. Peter contest, February 10. The winners at the Mankato contest will later go to Minneapolis to compete for the state championship.

First Place In Sub-District.

When the sub-district contest was held at St. Peter, Howard was given first place by two of the three judges. The other judge gave him fourth place. Howard's ability as a public speaker has become well known to his fellow students and to the New Ulm public, generally. His ringing voice and pleasing stage appearance give him a lead over others less favorably endowed. It is a real pleasure to listen to him for every word he speaks is clear and distinct as a bell. Moreover, he looks as if he thoroughly enjoys doing it and is perfectly at home on his feet. A wonderful memory is also of much value to him in his work and there is no reason why he should not forge ahead and win honors for himself as a public speaker in days to come.

Howard chose as his selection for this year's contest, Bryan's "Value of an Ideal." Bryan, himself is one of the greatest orators of America and his public speeches are, no doubt, written with the purpose in mind of impressing his hearers and they are suited for just that thing, and Howard's choice was an excellent one.

The schools competing at St. Peter were New Ulm, Mankato, St. Peter, Le Sueur, Cleveland, Lake Crystal, and Henderson. In the girls' contest Mankato took first honors and Miss Marion Dailey will represent her city at today's contest. Her selection is "The Man in the Shadow." Second and third places went to Cleveland, Mankato, St. Peter and Henderson.

The New Ulm representative among the girls at the St. Peter contest was Elizabeth Hintz. Her selection was "Strong Heart". A number of those who heard the work felt that Miss Hintz should have at least had third place as one judge gave her second, another one third, and the third judge, fourth place. The last mentioned judge was the same judge who gave Howard fourth place. The judges were Supt. Brainerd of Fairmont, Miss Miller of the Mankato Normal, and Dr. Uher of Gustavus Adolphus.

Miss Harriet Myrick has been in charge of the students who have been training for the declamatory meets. Her work has shown very good results. The good wishes of Howard's many friends go with him to the contest today.

PATRIOTIC PROGRAM.

The following program was arranged by the teachers of the Lutheran Parochial School and was given last evening at the school house in honor of Lincoln and Washington.

- Song: America Audience
1. Piano Duet Willard Raabe and Martin Albrecht
2. Recitation: The Flag Goes By Laura Strohschein
3. Drill: Our Flag 1st and 2nd Grades
4. Exercise: Washington 3d and 4th Grades
5. Recitation: My Captain Helen Wendt
6. Flag Drill 5th and 6th Grades
7. Three Recitations by boys of the 1st grade.
8. Piano Duet Ruth Lindemann and Eleanor Laway
9. Recitation: Heil dir mein Vaterland 3rd and 4th Grades
10. Drill: Civil War Daughters Girls of the 7th and 8th Grades
11. Recitation: The Blue and The Gray Viola Hackbarth
12. Song: America My Own 7th and 8th Grades
13. Four Recitations by Boys of the 1st Grade
14. Drill: Old Glory 1st and 2nd Grades
15. Wand Drill 3d and 4th Grades
Song: America Audience

RED FRONT MOVES TO NEW QUARTERS

GROCERY STORE WILL KEEP OPEN HOUSE TO FRIENDS SATURDAY.

A GIFT FOR EVERY VISITING LADY AT FORMAL OPENING.

Very attractive quarters have been prepared for the Red Front Grocery in the Frenzel Block at Number 8 North Minnesota street, and the store fixtures and furniture were moved from their former location at the corner of Center and Minnesota Street, early last week. A crew of carpenters and painters had been busy for some weeks, remodeling the interior and redecorating so that the store now presents an appearance of immaculate and spotless white. All of the shelving is done in white enamel and the fixtures have been refinished, making a very attractive place for the display of grocery lines.

Retains Old Name.

The store will go by the name of "The Red Front" as it has for the past seven years. As soon as the weather permits the outside of the building will be painted to live up to the name.

The proprietors, George Fesenmaier and Herman M. Siebenbrunner, are planning to make this one of the brightest and cleanest places in the city for madame to do her marketing. They have also had in mind the convenience of their customers and have for that reason arranged all of their show-cases and counters on one side of the store which will give customers an opportunity to inspect many of the shelf foods close at hand instead of from a distance of several feet.

The store has a floor space of 85 by 16 feet with office space on a balcony at the rear of the room. Below the office space there is a store room and there is a full basement under the entire store. Although the building is much narrower than the one where they were located formerly they will have considerably more shelf space, as it runs 70 feet on both sides of the room and 16 feet across the back. This gives them shelf space of approximately 1800 square feet and besides this there is a space of 35 feet in length, and 28 inches in depth for drawers besides the drawer space in the base of the counters.

Mr. Fesenmaier has been in the grocery business in New Ulm about nine years. The first year he had a store in the East End and when William Bierbaum bought out the Behnke grocery, Mr. Fesenmaier moved into the Dietz block at the corner of Center and Minnesota street. That was eight years ago and two years ago Herman M. Siebenbrunner became associated with Mr. Fesenmaier in the business.

Saturday is the formal opening day at which time there will be demonstrations of various products, particularly coffee and cookies and every lady who visits the store will receive as a souvenir a practical household article as a gift. There will also be music during the day.

NEW ULM PLAYERS BRING HOME BIG PRIZES.

Skat Onkels Will Meet in New Ulm For Their Summer Tournament This Year.

New Ulm was selected as the place for the summer Skat Tournament this year. By a unanimous vote the Skat players at their annual winter session at the "Deutsche Haus" in St. Paul accepted the invitation of New Ulm extended to them by Sheriff Wm. J. Julius.

Skat was played at 80 tables which means that there were 320 Skat Onkels in attendance. The first prize of \$100.00 in gold went to F. Roufs of Winsted and Frank Tauscheck of New Ulm won the second prize having the highest net points and was awarded the sum of \$35.00. Charles Manderfeld, also of New Ulm won the solo against the greatest number of matadors, being spade solo against ten and he was awarded a prize of \$30.00. George Graff of Ivanhoe formerly of this city was awarded a prize for his club solo against six and was awarded \$15.00.

Among the others who were prize winners from New Ulm are John H. Woebke and George Schumacher. John Woebke won a prize for high play and Mr. Schumacher for a club solo against six. About twenty-five Skat players attended the tournament from here and they were all well pleased with the result of the tournament. J. P. Graff and Wm. J. Julius were elected as members of the executive board.



Benedict Juni

A NOTED PIONEER GOES WEST AGAIN

BENEDICT JUNI MAKES LAST EARTHLY JOURNEY TO SETTING SUN.

PASSING OVER "THE GREAT DIVIDE," LEAVING HIS FRIENDS BEHIND.

Again the call of the Unknown has been heard and heeded by a pioneer of the Minnesota Valley and he has "gone West," travelling to the bourne that knows no returning. Our well-known and highly respected fellow-citizen, Benedict Juni, passed away at his home on South Broadway Friday evening at nine o'clock. Death was due to kidney trouble with which he had been afflicted the past four years. He had been confined to his bed for only ten days. It was not generally known that Mr. Juni was ill and therefore the announcement of his death came as a distinct shock to his many friends.

Of Swiss Birth.

The deceased was born in Berne, Switzerland, January 12, 1852 and he had but recently passed the 70th milestone when Death claimed him. His parents emigrated to the United States in 1856 and settled at Mankato. Two years later, in 1858, they came to Brown County and located on a farm in the Town of Milford where they engaged in the pursuit of farming and were thus engaged at the time of the Indian Outbreak.

Captured by Indians.

The boy Benedict, while on a mission to notify the neighbors that the Indians were on the warpath, was captured by the Indians and remained in captivity for several weeks. He was the only one from the immediate vicinity who was in captivity and he was frequently called upon to relate his experience while with the Indians, who according to Mr. Juni's story treated him well. Much regret was expressed that Mr. Juni could not have lived to enjoy the homecoming of this year for his interest in all such reunions was very keen.

His Life Work.

Early in life, Mr. Juni conceived the idea that he wanted to become a teacher and acquire a higher education than the common schools provided. In this his wishes were gratified and in the early days when the main school building was in North German Park he commenced his career as teacher in the New Ulm public schools and for a longer period of time than any other teacher he was instructor in our schools. He also taught in the country districts, teaching 34 years in all. For one year he was employed in the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D. C. in cataloging and classifying work. He always took a great interest in the workings of Nature and studied plant and animal life at all times with a keen interest. He was well versed in botany and there was no plant indigenous to this part of the country that he did not know the name of and its habits. For years he had charge of the fruit exhibits at our county fairs.

Outside of his love for the teaching profession and the study of the natural sciences, there was nothing that appealed to him more than matters military. In the early days he was a member of the old Governor's Guards and was for a number of years second lieutenant. Whenever it appeared to him in later years that the local militia company needed his help, he was ready to respond and for a great number of years, he accompanied Co. A to the annual encampment at Lake City as cook and when the troops were called to the Mexican border he went along. It was therefore quite fitting

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TELEPHONE CABLE FALLS TO GROUND

A TON OF WIRES COMES DOWN DURING RAIN SATURDAY NIGHT.

NO ONE HURT AND BUT LITTLE DAMAGE EXCEPT FOR WORK OF REPAIRING.

"It never rains but it pours," so thought Manager Mills of the local telephone company, Saturday night when he was called out of his first sleep to the telephone and told that the large cable running between German and Broadway at Third North street had dropped for several hundred feet. The rain was coming down in torrents but the cable had to be looked after at once as it was necessary to block the street to keep autos from going that way.

It is not known what brought the cable down but it is presumed that some of the hangers had become weakened and gave way and that the weight of the cable tore the others loose. The cable itself did not break although a number of strands parted.

A Ton of Wire.

There were 675 feet of cable that came down and as this cable is composed of 200 pair of wires, and weighs about three and two tenths pounds to the linear foot, the weight was considerable, amounting approximately to one ton. It required six men working all day Sunday and four men all day Monday, to get it back in place. Fifteen telephones were put out of commission by the mishap but all were working again Monday.

May Cause Wire Trouble.

According to Mr. Mills the damage to the cable was slight. There were five breaks in the strands at various places and it is possible that when the rain comes more trouble will develop. The armor or covering of the copper wire which composes the strands of the cable may be broken in other places that could not be detected but when it gets wet it will cause trouble on the line.

Sounded Like Auto Accident.

The mishap to the cable was discovered by William Ruenke who was sitting at home reading and heard a loud noise which he took to be an auto accident. It sounded to him as if a car had tipped over and going to the window he looked for something of that sort. He could see nothing but finally noticed the wires lying on the street and then he knew what it was.

As the cable that was down extended from the alley back of the Hage place to Broadway the fallen part was lying right across Minnesota street just where the paving comes to an end. Mr. Ruenke knew that cars passing over the cable would probably injure it and he at once notified Central. She had also heard the noise of the fall but did not know what it was. A few minutes later Emil Hage driving home in his car, ran into the cable and nearly had an accident. His car stued around but no damage was done.

A few electric light lines were also torn down but the damage was very small considering what it might have been and as it happened late Saturday night it caused little inconvenience to anyone except the telephone men who had to get out in the very disagreeable weather to get things back in shape for Monday morning business.

SMALL BLAZE YESTERDAY

Yesterday's fire alarm was for a small blaze at the home of Mrs. Barbara Baer, across the street and north a short distance from the Armory. A stove pipe ignited the wood of the second story floor and caused some little damage but quick action of the fire department quenched the flames and saved the house.

WEATHER MAN GETS FUNNY.

Sends a Down Pour Late Saturday Night and Gets Up Early Sunday Morning to Turn it Into Ice.

Saturday night about midnight people were surprised to hear a down pour of rain which continued for some time. By Sunday morning the atmosphere had cooled off considerably and the rain which had come down the night before had become solid ice and the sidewalks and streets everywhere were smooth as glass. Pedestrians had considerable trouble to negotiate along the streets and quite a number of tumbles took place.

Those who went out with their cars as usual had some novel and unique experiences. Without much warning a car would make a complete turn-about

and the occupants would find themselves facing the opposite direction from that in which they intended to go.

Dr. F. J. Pelant had quite an experience while on his way to St. George Sunday morning. He had made two-thirds of the steep hill leading to St. George when his car refused to make any headway. The wheels were going forward at the rate of about 40 miles an hour and all the while slowly slipping down the hill. He had to do considerable maneuvering to keep on the highway and not land in the ditch and he considers himself very lucky that he got to the bottom of the hill without a general smash-up.

LUTHERAN CHURCH CONFERENCE HERE

ELEVEN CONGREGATIONS SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND.

FOUR SESSIONS AT LUTHERAN SCHOOL HOUSE AND ONE AT CHURCH.

Today there is assembled at the local Lutheran school house a conference consisting of delegates from the various Lutheran congregations in this part of the state. It is known as the District Conference of the Lutheran Church. The congregations represented are those of St. Paul's New Ulm, Sleepy Eye, Eden, Morgan, Sanborn, Essig, Brighton, Darfur, Seaforth, Lake Benton and Vesta. The conference will continue all day today and Thursday.

Report From Synodal Conference.

The mornings will be devoted to doctrinal discussions and the afternoons will be given to matters of business. This (Wednesday) morning the minutes of the Inter-Synodal Conference will be read. The Synod consists of the states of Missouri, Wisconsin, Iowa, Ohio, and Minnesota as a part of the Wisconsin division of the Synod. The stand taken by the Inter-Synodal Conference on matters of church policy will be made clear by the reading of the minutes.

Second Conference of Year.

This is the second conference of this kind which has been held in this district, the first one having been held in New Ulm last fall. Each congregation sends two delegates besides its pastor but anyone may attend and all are welcome. A large attendance is expected here and it is probable that the large auditorium of the school house will be used. The representatives of St. Paul's church are Rev. C. J. Albrecht, A. L. Boock, and F. H. Retzlaff. Rev. C. J. Albrecht is chairman of the conference and Rev. W. C. Albrecht of Sleepy Eye is secretary.

Church Services Tonight.

This evening there will be services at the local church in German. Rev. Horn of Eden and Rev. Brunis of Sanborn will probably speak at that time. The sacrament will also be celebrated at this service.

ANOTHER BROKEN GAS MAIN.

The New Ulm Gas Company had another broken main to contend with Tuesday afternoon. The break was discovered about eleven o'clock. It was near the Gas plant and fortunately for people living up town, it was possible to repair the damage as quickly as the pipe could be gotten out. This was because the break occurred just where the mains divide, one to go towards the quarter called "Gosetown", the other to come up town. The people of the south and east end of town had to do without gas for some time, but it was possible to plug the east-end main so that there was no great delay to consumers living this side of the Gas plant.

New Ulm Spends Most.

From the financial statement it also appears that for City, Town and Village purposes there was collected in the shape of taxes the sum of \$235,838.28. Of this amount New Ulm got \$80,702.54 as against \$34,800.69 for Sleepy Eye and \$20,533.37 for Springfield. In other words, New Ulm spent approximately \$25,000 more for city purposes than Sleepy Eye and Springfield this side of the Gas plant.

COUNTY ASSETS.

Courthouse and grounds	\$100,000.00
Jail Building	40,000.00
County Poor farm, 156 A. with buildings	35,000.00
14 Co. bridges and 3 bridges across the Minn. river with other Co.	200,000.00
Estimated highways (150 miles) as county and state roads	280,000.00
20 per cent state aid due on maintenance on state roads	15,000.00
Due from state on account of State Rural Highway No. 64	10,306.46
County taxes for the year 1920 and prior years	1,350.00
County taxes for the year 1921	238,283.90
Books, fixtures, furniture in various county offices	18,888.50
Janitors—wood, coal, etc.	1,491.00
Road machinery and tools	6,100.00
Coroner's office	40.00
Stock, Machinery, etc.	1,400.00
Cash on hand in County Revenue Fund	1,658.05
Cash on hand in County Poor Fund	22,970.10
Cash on hand in County Road and Bridge Fund	26,668.45
Cash on hand in County Disinfection Fund	41.78
Cash on hand in Co. Contingent Fund	808.51
Total	\$997,945.75