

S. S. CONVENTION AT BETHEL MAY 7

DISTRICT GATHERING TO BE HELD IN NEW ULM NEXT WEEK SUNDAY.

QUESTION BOX WILL BE MADE ONE OF CHIEF FEATURES OF THE PROGRAM.

The Annual District Sunday School Convention of this district will be held at the Bethel church at New Ulm, on Sunday May 7th, 1922. An excellent program has been worked out by the district committee, consisting of J. H. Haenze, president; F. H. Krook, secretary; Dr. H. C. Edmiston, treasurer, and Miss Ida Kohn. This is expected to be one of the largest and best conventions ever held in the New Ulm district. All Sunday school and church workers of the different churches in this city and vicinity are expected and most cordially invited to attend.

The following program will be rendered during the afternoon and evening session:

Afternoon Session.

- 3:00—Devotional Service led by Mrs. Juedes
- Announcements and Appointment of Nomination Committee and Committee on Resolutions.
- 3:15—The Sunday School and its Relation to the Day School Prof. A. C. Clark
- 3:30—The Sunday School, its accomplishments and its needs Supt. Judge Mather Supt. A. H. Sandran Supt. H. Fechner
- 4:00—Selection by Bethel Church Choir
- 4:15—Question Box led by Prof. A. Gloor
- Closing Song
- Benediction.

Evening Session.

- 7:30—Song Service led by Henry Durbahn
- 7:45—Report by District Treasurer. Report of Nominating Committee and Committee on Resolutions. Election of officers.
- 8:00—Selection by Methodist church. Quartette.
- 8:15—A morning in the Beginners Department Mrs. H. C. Edmiston Mrs. W. A. Juedes Miss Elma Stolz.
- 8:45—The Relation of Home and School Training Rev. W. A. Juedes Rev. E. F. Wheeler Rev. C. Hohn

Offering Closing Song. Benediction.

In order to make the question box the most interesting and instructive feature of the afternoon session a goodly number of those very greatly interested in the training of the children in the Sunday schools are requested to write out some questions and bring or send them along to the convention and place them in the box which will be placed at the door of the church where the convention is held and just before the questions are to be answered, the ushers will be asked to collect all questions which were not placed in the box at the door.

ELECTIONS IN NICOLLET COUNTY FARM BUREAU.

The Nicollet County Farm Bureau has recently conducted annual township unit meetings at which officers for the ensuing year were elected and the regular routine of business was transacted. A. M. Youngbloom was elected chairman of the Lafayette unit; Anton Besemer, vice-chairman and Julius Hagberg, secretary. The officers of the Ridgely unit are Ernest Kienlen, chairman, Claude Picker, vice-chairman and Charles Frohrig, secretary. Belgrade elected Otto Anderson chairman; H. A. Hanson, vice-chairman and Carl Landgren, secretary and J. A. Jensen was elected chairman of Brighton, L. O. Larson, vice-chairman and Henry Halvorson, secretary.

COMMERCIAL CLUB BENEFIT DANCE.

The local Commercial Club secretary, Alfred Wiedenmann, is arranging for a benefit dance to be held Saturday night of this week at the Armory. This dance, in a way, is to take the place of the annual Commercial Club banquet. Mr. Wiedenmann and Anton Ochs, Jr. made a trip early this week, visiting seven or eight of the different cities and villages in this part of the state, advertising the coming event, and they hope to secure a big attendance. The dance is a public affair.

COMMUNITY CLUB ORGANIZES AT ST. PETER.

The St. Peter Community Club is an assured fact. A meeting was held last Tuesday evening at which Judge Frank T. Wilson, Community Expert of the University Extension Division, was present and temporary board members were elected and articles of incorporation adopted.

The members of the temporary board are: John Westman, Traverse; Mrs. Chas. R. Poncin, Traverse; A. E. Davis, Kasota; Rev. P. N. Sjogre, R. C. Kneip, Wm. Haesecke, Supt. M. R. Davis, Mrs. Chas. Clark and Gust E. Olson, St. Peter. This board will have charge during the membership drive which will be launched at once and will continue until a meeting of all the members is called for the purpose of perfecting a permanent organization.

Among the things that will comprise the working program after the organization has been perfected may be enumerated: Better marketing facilities for the farmers, the promotion of home trade based on equal service, road and street improvement, maximum efficiency in public business, wholesome recreation for the youth, publicity concerning advantages and resources community spirit, a better community in which to live and work, a town beautiful, and anything else that may tend to promote a spirit of co-operation and community service.

F. H. Retzlaff leaves today for Milwaukee where a meeting of the Directors of the Wauwatosa Seminary will be held for the purpose of deciding what to do about securing new quarters for the Seminary. The present quarters are altogether inadequate and more room must be secured. Some of the members of the College faculty probably will also attend the meeting.

PROF. ACKERMANN GOES TO MANKATO

ACCEPTS CALL TO IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN THAT CITY.

HAS BEEN A RESIDENT OF NEW ULM FOR THE PAST TWENTY EIGHT YEARS.

Professor Adolph Ackermann, who received a call to the Mankato Immanuel Lutheran Church some weeks ago, but had not accepted because of his desire to do what his Brighton and Essig congregations wished him to do, has now been released by the two congregations he has been serving for the past four years and will accept the Mankato call.

Served College 28 Years.

Prof. Ackermann has been a resident of New Ulm for the past twenty-eight years. Ten years of that time he was director of the Dr. Martin Luther College and fourteen years he served the college as teacher, beginning as assistant and filling every position until he arrived at the head. Prior to his teaching days, Mr. Ackermann had been a student in the same institution. He was born in Germany and attended the Latin School there before coming to America. The local college was his first Alma Mater and from here he went to Concordia College at St. Louis. He then did post graduate work at the University of Wisconsin at Madison where he took his Master's degree. During the period of the war a great injustice was done to Prof. Ackermann and the call he has now received is a vindication.

Leaves Here in June.

Prof. Ackermann will try to arrange matters so that he need not leave New Ulm until after the close of school. One of his daughters is a member of the graduating class of the High School this year and another one is just completing the work in the eighth grade. They hope to be able to make arrangements which will permit Prof. Ackermann's remaining here until the first of June. Immanuel's congregation of which Prof. Ackermann will have charge consists of approximately 450 families. Rev. A. F. Winter whose place he will take, will remain in Mankato at Bethany college.

John P. Sperl of Hanska was a New Ulm visitor Saturday. Mr. Sperl says the Hanska people have their seed all in now in spite of the late season. East of New Ulm are many farms where the work is just beginning. There was much more snow in that part of the state than in the immediate vicinity of New Ulm.

ORCHARD EXPERT VISITS BROWN CO.

HOLDS DEMONSTRATIONS TO ILLUSTRATE METHODS OF PRUNING.

ALSO GIVES INFORMATION ON WHEN AND HOW TO SPRAY ORCHARDS.

Mr. R. S. Mackintosh, Horticultural Specialist from the University Farm conducted two practical orchard demonstrations in the County on Thursday, April 20. Due to the fact that the County agent was not informed that Mr. Mackintosh was to be here until the day of his arrival these demonstration gatherings were called on a few hours' notice.

At Springfield a general call went over the rural lines on Wednesday night and about forty were present at the demonstration in the Fred Ketter orchard the next morning. The other demonstration was conducted at the Arthur Plath orchard in Evan but due to the short notice there was not a very large turnout.

Explains Pruning.

Mr. Mackintosh explained the various ways of pruning trees, the proper branches to be removed and how to make the correct cuts. Other facts on pruning brought out were that it does not make much difference which month pruning is done but care should be taken not to prune a tree too heavy in one year if the tree has never been pruned before. Too heavy pruning oftentimes will result in the growth of water sprouts. A tree should be pruned to a certain extent every year and in that way heavy pruning may be avoided.

Fruit Trees Must be Sprayed.

Another feature of Mr. Mackintosh's talk was the necessity of spraying fruit trees. If good apples are to be produced here the trees must be sprayed. The trees should be sprayed four times in order to have the proper effect on the trees and fruit and it is very necessary to spray at the proper time. The first spraying is called the pink spray, just when the blossoms are pink, before they open; the second is called the white spray, after the petals have fallen from the flowers and before the calyx cup closes; the third spray should be given the last week in June or about July 1, and the last one about two weeks later. These last two sprays control the apple or railroad maggot, the worm found in the apple after being put into storage.

The Proper Spray.

The standard spray for all of these sprayings is the lime-sulphur and arsenate of lead mixture. Either five quarts of the liquid or three pounds of the powdered lime-sulphur and 1 1/2 lbs. of powdered arsenate of lead to 50 gallons of water is the proper proportion for the mixture. Last year, 2 1/2 lbs. of powdered lime-sulphur was recommended but by experience it has been found that three pounds is not too much.

The lime-sulphur controls the plant diseases and the arsenate of lead the insect enemies. If any one desires to obtain literature on spraying, write the County agent and he will gladly send it to you. It is hoped to have more of these orchard demonstrations in the County in the future.

SAWTOOTH BEETLE IS AT WORK IN SEED CORN

Entomologists of the University of Minnesota are advised that the sawtooth beetle, otherwise known as the bran bug which caused much loss to owners of stored wheat and other small grain in southwestern Minnesota last fall, is working in corn which has been stored for feeding and planting.

Samples received by Dr. R. N. Chapman, specialist on stored food and grain insects, show that the beetle eats the embryo or germ of the corn kernel. Corn so attacked is valueless for planting. "The only safe way is to test all seed corn before planting," says Dr. Chapman. "Any of the common methods of testing will aid materially in getting a good stand. To plant without testing is to invite crop failure."

GET RID OF LOONS.

Hunters who are interested in protecting fresh water fish have in the past week killed 300 loons in the neighborhood of St. Peter. It is claimed that the loon is the most serious menace to fresh water fish and for that reason hunting parties have organized for the purpose of ridding Lakes Washington, Jefferson and Emily of this menace.

JUNIOR JUNIORS ARRANGE FOR AMATEUR PRODUCTION

"Springtime", a fantasy of mirth and music, is the spectacle chosen by the Junior Junior Pioneers to be given at the Turner Theatre on May 11th. The production, which will be staged under the personal direction of a professional producer, will be given for the benefit of the Homecoming fund. More than a hundred people, including the leading musical and dramatic talent in New Ulm, will appear in the cast, in the dances and choruses.

"Springtime" is a gaily musical production, crowded with clever dances and catchy songs. The libretto, music, costumes, and scenic equipment are the property of the John B. Rogers Producing Company and the show will be under the direction of a representative of that company. The scenic equipment is far more elaborate than that usually supplied for the ordinary amateur affair, and for splendor closely approaches the metropolitan offerings. The definite selection of members of the cast will be made on April 27th, the evening of the first rehearsal.

FAMINE RELIEF FLOUR STARTS ON ITS JOURNEY

The Eagle Roller Mill Company last week shipped out the car load of flour which goes to the relief of Russian famine sufferers. The car left New Ulm over the Chicago and Northwestern and will be picked up by the Pennsylvania railroad both of which have agreed to transport it free of charge. It will be taken by ship to Hamburg and from there sent to the region of the Volga. The car consisted of 205 barrels of flour in packages of 140 pounds each. The funds for this flour were donated by New Ulm people, the Eagle Roller Mill furnishing one fourth of the cost.

NEED NEW SYSTEM OF BOOKKEEPING

CITY'S ACCOUNTS ARE MUCH TOO COMPLICATED FOR EFFICIENCY.

RESUME OF CITY'S BUSINESS SOMEWHAT DISCOURAGING AT PRESENT.

During the fiscal year ending February 28, 1922, the total cash receipts of the City amounted to \$459,162.87. There was in the banks March 1, 1921, cash in the sum of \$803.14 and certificates of deposit amounting to \$28,169.52 which with orders outstanding and unpaid March 1, 1922, brought the total to \$488,379.96. Of this amount everything was expended except the sum of \$16,873.30 cash in banks and the further sum of \$29,351.46 certificates of deposit.

Light and Water Depts.

To enable the city to determine how profitable the electric light and water departments are, these have been kept separate and the operating expenses have been apportioned in the ratio of two-thirds to the light department and one-third to the water department.

Accountant Recommends Changes

Arthur C. Hartmann, public accountant of Milwaukee, audited the books of the City again this year and in his report recommends that a change in the present system of bookkeeping be made for the reason that the present system is too complicated and confusing for the average bookkeeper to manage without the supervision of an expert accountant. A similar recommendation was made by the accountant last year and in renewing it this year he says that the present system is entirely impractical and takes too much of the auditor's time in the adjustment and closing of the accounts at the end of the year. He suggests that at an early date the present cumbersome and impractical system of accounting be discontinued and a simplified, practical and up-to-date method installed.

In his report the accountant also criticizes the City authorities for not having charged off anything for depreciation on buildings and the plant of the electric light and water departments. He says the cost of operating is not complete without a charge for exhaustion, wear and tear on the machinery, buildings and other fixed assets.

According to the annual financial statement of City Clerk Wm. P. Baeker, recently submitted to the City Council, it appears that the assets of the City over its liabilities amount to \$378,249.45. In this surplus is included the sum of \$63,071.41, net balances in the various funds.

(Continued on page 8.)

LAST JOURNEY OF THREE PIONEERS

HUSBAND AND WIFE DIE ONLY FEW DAYS APART. BOTH EARLY SETTLERS.

WM. FRANK, ONE OF NEW ULM DEFENDERS DIES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS.

Henry Keller.

Henry Keller, formerly a well-known resident of the City of New Ulm died suddenly last Wednesday morning about 5 o'clock at his home in St. Louis Park. For the past twenty years he had been a sufferer from asthma which grew more severe from year to year. The evening before his death he had been enjoying for some time and the children were shocked to find him dead the next morning.

The deceased was born in Hagenbuch, Canton Zurich, Switzerland, August 13, 1842, and was therefore nearly 80 years old when he passed away. He was but 18 years old when he came to this country and settled in Chicago where he became acquainted with Rosa Kiesling with whom he was united in marriage, February 24, 1866. They continued to reside in Chicago until 1874 when the family came to New Ulm and the deceased became a member of the well-known firm of Kiesling, Keller & Co., General Merchants, who were located at the corner of Center and Minnesota streets. He continued as a member of that firm until 1885. Shortly after that he became steward of Turner Hall which position he held until 1898. In 1899 the family removed to St. Louis Park where they have continued to reside ever since. Mr. Keller obtained a position with the Monitor Drill Company and worked for the implement firm until about ten years ago when on account of his asthma he was forced to resign his position.

Ten children were born to the family, of whom two died in infancy and another daughter Sophie, at the age of 17 years.

The surviving children are August Keller of Chicago, Henry of St. Louis Park; Rose Heinebach, (Mrs. Ernest Kiesling) Washington, Elfrida, (Mrs. Frank Rice), Stillwater, Emma (Mrs. William Fischer) of Osseo, Anna, (Mrs. Louis Brown) St. Louis Park and Alice (Mrs. Ed. Brown) of Oakdale, N. D. He is also survived by 22 grandchildren.

Mrs. Keller underwent an operation about seven weeks ago and another on March 31st and her death was momentarily expected and the funeral was delayed until Monday for that reason. Mrs. Keller died half an hour after her husband's remains were started on the way to their last resting place.

The remains were brought to New Ulm Monday and the funeral was held Monday afternoon from the Wm. S. Vercoe home on South Washington Street at 2 o'clock. The funeral was held under the auspices of the A. O. U. W., of which lodge the deceased had been a member for a great number of years. Albert Steinhauser spoke at the house and the remains were laid to rest in the City cemetery.

Mrs. Henry Keller.

Only half an hour after the funeral party had left St. Louis Park with the remains of Henry Keller for burial in New Ulm, Mrs. Rosa Keller, Henry Keller's wife, passed away at the University Hospital in Minneapolis, Monday morning at 9:30. She had submitted to an operation on March 10 and again on March 31 and had undergone severe suffering ever since, and death certainly came as a relief to her.

The deceased, whose maiden name was Rosa Kiesling, was born March 19, 1847 in Oeschatz, Kingdom of Saxony, Germany. She came to America with her parents in 1852, first settling in Chicago where they lived until 1855, when her father who was president of the Chicago Landverein, and who had as much to do with the founding of the City of New Ulm as any one person, came to New Ulm with his family. She was here during the Indian Massacre and rendered material assistance in caring for the sick and wounded in those trying days. She was a splendid woman. To her husband she was a pillar of strength and to her children a most devoted and sacrificing mother. She was a true friend and a good neighbor and will be sorely missed, not only by her children, but by all those who had the pleasure of becoming intimately acquainted with her.

Besides the children named above the deceased is survived by an only

sister, Mrs. Minna Berndt and a half-sister, Mrs. W. S. Vercoe of this city. Her brother Rudolph died December 9, 1921, and her only other brother, William, died in Chicago, December 23, last year also. Her remains will be brought to New Ulm, Wednesday evening and the funeral will be held from the Vercoe residence Thursday morning at 10 o'clock and interment will be made at the City cemetery.

William Frank.

Another one of New Ulm's pioneers joined the innumerable caravan when William Frank passed away at his home on South State Street at 8:30 o'clock Sunday. Death was due to kidney and other troubles with which he had been suffering for the past four weeks and confined him to his bed. Prior to that time the deceased had apparently enjoyed the best of health and was able to look after his duties as receiver of the Progress Lodge A. O. U. W. No. 21 of this city.

The deceased was born in Macho Mecklenburg-Strelitz, Amt Feldberg, September 15, 1837. In his native village he learned the milling trade and in 1859 came to America with his parents who first settled in Madison County, Illinois where for one year he worked on a farm. In 1861 he came to New Ulm and found employment with the Globe Mill and later with the old City Mill until 1879 when he and John Bentzin built the Cottonwood Roller Mills with which milling institution he was connected until 1895 when he retired from business. The next five years he lived on a farm in the town of Cottonwood and while a resident there was a member of the school board. In 1900 he returned to New Ulm and has resided here ever since. In 1864 he was united in marriage to Elizabeth Guth his surviving widow with one daughter, Mrs. Wilhelmina Bentzin, mourns his loss. He is also survived by two sisters. (Continued on page 2.)

LOSES LIFE IN FATAL ACCIDENT

YOUNG FARM WORKER DIES AS RESULT OF INJURIES UNDER HORSES' FEET.

NOT KNOWN WHETHER VICTIM FELL OR WAS KNOCKED DOWN BY HORSES.

George Diebold, a cousin of Math. Walser of West Newton, met with an accident last Wednesday afternoon which cost him his life. It is not known just how the accident happened but death was caused by injuries received from being kicked or stepped on by horses belonging to his employer, Andrew Gleisner, of West Newton. The unfortunate young man was unconscious when he was found a few minutes after the accident and it could not be learned whether he had fallen beneath the horses where he was found or had been kicked.

Mr. Diebold was working with Mr. Gleisner and he went to the horse barn to secure a rope which was needed for some work they were doing. A few minutes later when he did not reappear Mr. Gleisner stepped into the barn and to his horror saw his employe lying between the feet of two of the farm work horses. His head was just behind the front feet of one of the animals. He died about fifteen minutes after being found.

Probably Stumbled.

It is probable that the young man tripped or fell in some way beneath the horse's feet and startled them so that they kicked and trampled him. It is not thought that either one of them would kick viciously, because they are both old horses and are very gentle. The inquest which was held by Coroner Starbarn of Nicollet County showed that several ribs had been fractured in addition to the bruises about the head which caused his death. The Coroner decided that no further investigation was necessary, as the death was purely accidental.

Of Foreign Birth.

Mr. Diebold was about thirty years of age. He came to America ten years ago from his native land, Wuertemberg, Germany. Most of the time since he has been here he has been employed as a hired hand on different farms in West Newton. His immediate family consisted of his parents and several brothers and sisters living in Germany. The only relatives that he has in this country are: John Volz of West Newton; Joseph Volz of Lafayette township, Stephen Volz of Moose Lake; Ben Volz of Bord Island and Math. Walser of West Newton.

Funeral services were conducted at the St. George Catholic Church Friday morning and the remains were interred in the Catholic cemetery at that place.

SENIORS PRESENT THE GYPSY TRAIL

GRADUATING CLASS BUSY IN PREPARATION FOR THE ANNUAL PLAY.

WILL BE GIVEN NEXT WEEK FRIDAY EVENING AT TURNER HALL.

Members of the Senior Class of the New Ulm High School who have been chosen to represent their organization are now ready or very nearly so to make their bow to the public in the "Gypsy Trail" which they have chosen for their annual class play. This entertainment is one of the big events of the Senior year and is looked forward to always by parents and friends as well as by class mates and school fellows. The "Make-Believe" of the stage appeals to everyone who has ever been young and everybody likes to see himself or his children in the role of some character of fiction appearing for a brief space before the footlights and winning the applause of the admiring audience which always greets the Senior class plays.

The class of 1922 has chosen to present a three act comedy "The Gypsy Trail" and it will be given at Turner Hall a week from Friday, the evening of May 5.

Synopsis of the Play.

"The Gypsy Trail" is a clean sparkling comedy relating the experiences of "Frances Raymond", a society girl slightly bored at the stupidity of life. An elopement with a grandmother for a chaperone suddenly becomes a kidnapping (supposedly) during the course of which she is educated to a new point of view and is made to think that perhaps life isn't so stale after all only to have the educator disappear as quickly as he appeared. This throws her back to her former view and an unusually brilliant climax proves she is right or wrong? You will really have to see the play to know.

This play made its first hit in New York in 1917 and as it is one of the latest and best comedies available the Senior Class is sure that it will please the people of New Ulm.

Home Grown Scenery.

Miss Morse, one of the high school faculty who has had considerable training in this line of work is coaching the play. The scenery will be constructed by the manual training department and something novel in the way of effects is promised.

Tickets Going Fast.

The advance sale of tickets has proven very promising as over half the house has already been sold. The tickets will be sold by the members of the senior class and may be reserved at Arbes Bros. Drug store Thursday morning May 4. Prices 75c 50c, 35c and general admission 25c. The cast for the play is as follows:

THE CAST.

- Mr. Frank Raymond... Carl Fritsche
- Miss Janet Raymond... Helen Meile
- John Raymond... Lillian Eyrich
- Stiles... Reuel Haenze
- Frances Raymond... Florence Schneider
- Edward Andrews... Reinhold Thies
- Michael Rudder... Edward Witt
- Mrs. Widdimore... Bessie Dietz
- Ellen... Gertrude Ackermann
- Act 1. Veranda of Frank Raymond's suburban home.
- An evening in early June.
- Act 2. Room in Edward Andrews summer home.
- One and one half hours later.
- Act 3. Same as Act 1.
- A month later.

ANOTHER PUBLICATION FOR NEW ULM

Walter V. Wiedenmann, one of New Ulm's enthusiastic Legionaires, has been busy the last several weeks working up a subscription list for the new Legion publication which is to be issued from this city. Mr. Wiedenmann finds that the Legionaires everywhere are warmly in favor of the publication and he is having no trouble in securing the hearty support of the different posts throughout the district. A more complete account of the publication will appear at a later date when the first issue is lined up and ready to go to press.

Mr. and Mrs. K. A. Currier who have been residents of Nicollet county for the past fifty years left last Tuesday for Sutherland, Oregon, to make their future home. They were accompanied by their daughter Effie, and their two sons, Clarence and Louis expect to join them in June. The Curriers went to housekeeping on a farm on the shores of Swan Lake in Granby township in 1892 and continued to reside there until 1919 when they moved to St. Peter.