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BEMIDJI BAND.

A Brief History of an Organization, whose Success Should Concern Every Citizen.

The town which makes any pretensions of being a summer resort, is a base fraud unless it has a good musical organization. A band is as essential as a body of water to such a town. As soon as our people got their eyes open to this fact they began to encourage and support such a move and the result has been highly satisfactory to Bemidji and its visitors. Our people are proud of its band and the band is proud of its town.

The original Bemidji band was organized in 1898 when the town was practically an infant. M. A. Sprague, an old band man of Minn. N. Dak., was made leader and J. H. Haner manager. A new set of Conn brass instruments had been secured and interest ran high. But after playing half the summer it was found that in Bemidji a man could not be a business man and a band member at the same time. The town was too "fast," so the instruments were laid away until winter, when they were taken up only again to be confronted with the same obstacle. The horns were shelved again to be used the next summer, 1899, with a few new players added.

Fair progress was made, but in the fall many of the players left town and the band rested. In the winter Mr. Gehle, an experienced band leader, took charge for a few weeks until called away by better inducements on the road.

In 1900 Mr. Sprague again let the band for awhile, making fair progress. Public-spirited citizens having come to the front to guarantee the leader a salary, greatly encouraged the boys and their free weekly concerts maintained public interest in their behalf.

Mr. Sprague resigned in August

and the leadership was assumed by J. Speare, of East Grand Forks. Under his charge the band has made wonderful progress, and in about a month has done justice to Bemidji by placing itself among the best country bands of the state. At a recent meeting, J. L. Reynolds was unanimously elected manager, at the same time performing the duties and functions of drum major.

Following is a list of the present members of the band:

J. Speare, leader; J. L. Reynolds, drum major; C. M. Golden, A. Gilmour, "Billie" Campbell, A. E. Anderson, J. T. Berry, Martin Nelson, J. Lifquist, Frank Carson, R. G. Scott, W. B. McLachlan, Henry Pingel, Elmer Ellis and Fred Carlson.



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C. L. GILBERT, Sec. Secretary

Pine Men Petition.

From Minneapolis Tribune.

On the return of Indian Commissioner Jones to Washington the matter of placing on sale certain tracts of Minnesota land will be taken up by the interior department.

The people in and adjacent to Thief River Falls are clamoring for government action towards clearing up the situation.

A. J. Lammers & Co, some time ago sent in a strong petition to Land Commissioner Hermann, asking for the sale of about 1,000 acres on the banks of the Clearwater river.

This firm entered into contract with the Clearwater Logging Co. for cutting and banking a large amount of pine last season.

It also purchased certain rights of flowage from settlers to the immediate vicinity, and erected and maintained dams for the purpose of controlling the stage of water.

Lammers & Co. have already driven over 100,000,000 feet of logs to Crookston and Red Lake Falls, where they are manufactured into lumber.

They employed during the last current year over 1,500 men. The stock of available logs is now about exhausted, and the mills at Crookston and Gd. Forks have been idle until the recent rains, when a few booms were operated. In their petition the Stillwater people set forth that the entire logging interests on the Clearwater depends on the action of the government in placing the pine on the market under the provisions of the Nelson act of 1889.

It is intimated that several of the big lumber concerns have been opposing the placing of any additional pine on the market until their present surplus stock is exhausted.

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We desire to raise \$15,000.00 on our stock within the next 30 days. In order to do this we make this special cash offer. To those who will purchase not less than \$50 and not more than \$200 worth of stock, which is now selling at 10, we will give 10 per cent discount.

This offer is made in order to secure sufficient funds immediately to place some necessary machinery on our property and will hold good for a period of 30 days.

To those who will purchase from \$200 to \$300 worth of our stock we will give a 15 per cent discount; and to those purchasing over \$300 a 20 per cent discount.

This is an exceedingly valuable offer and we strongly urge its consideration.

To those who are not in position to consider this cash offer we invite attention to our special installment offer No. 2.

OFFER NO. 2.

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As this offer is made under the same conditions and with the same object in view as our special cash offer, it will hold good for but 30 days.

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To those purchasing from \$50 to \$100 worth of stock we will accept one-fifth payment down and the balance divided into ten equal payments.

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Upon the last payment being made in each of the above cases we will promptly execute and forward certificate of stock. This stock will be issued upon the first payment being made but will be held in es-crow, by the company, until the total purchase price has been paid

OFFER NO. 3.

Special Clubbing Offer.

To parties who will form a club of five members, each taking 1000 shares, we will make the following liberal offer:

\$75 covering the total purchase price of the 1000 shares, which may be paid, \$25 down and the balance in 30 and 60 days. This we consider the most liberal offer ever made on stock which represents as valuable property as is owned by this company.

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