

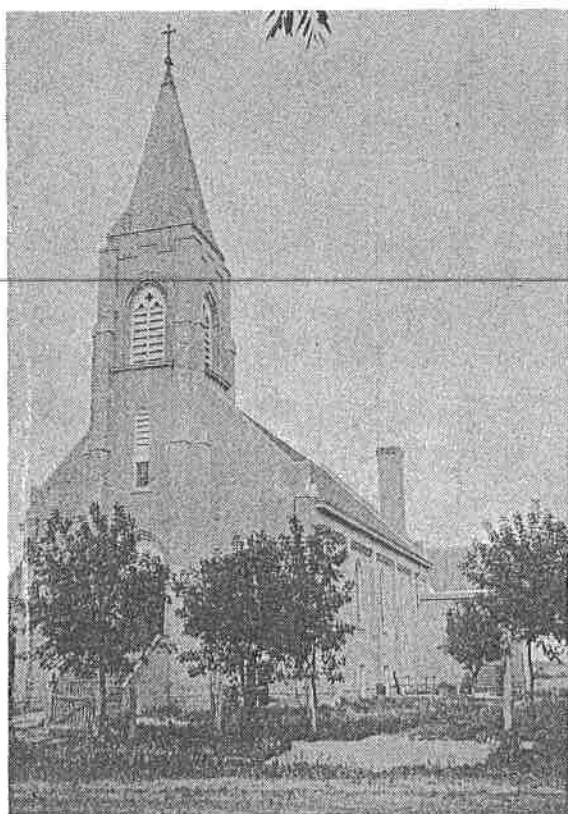
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HEIDELBERG, MINNESOTA



Ambroz Hall - 1906

Preface

In this Bicentennial year of 1976, we feel it a fitting tribute to our founding fathers to publish a book on Heidelberg. The happenings of today will be history tomorrow, therefore we have included present day information and pictures along with those nearly forgotten photos and stories of yesteryear. Our thanks to all those helpful people who rummaged their attics, basements, and photo albums, as they assisted in formulating the story of Heidelberg. Each of you reading this book will think of something that should have been included, our wish is that you will cherish this book as it is presented and forgive us our oversights.

We hope that young and old alike will be proud of their heritage and appreciate what transpired before our time here on earth. Likewise, we wish to pass all this on to our descendants, thus, this story begins.

Dedication

HEIDELBERG ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

In the summer of 1974 some of the concerned residents of the Heidelberg area noticed that the children were playing ball and other games on the church parking lot. When the kids would chase a ball into the street it was realized that a hazardous problem existed.

These concerned parents started talking to each other about what could be done. Seven area gentlemen got together and formed the Heidelberg Athletic Association. The purpose of the association was to make the Heidelberg area a more pleasant place to live.

These men formed a Board of Directors with officers as follows: President, Leonard Pexa; Vice President, Dick Ambroz; Secretary, Don Hauer; Treasurer, Dan Prochaska; Directors, Joe Odenthal, Dick Franek, Tony Lambrecht. They started looking for a place to locate a park. This group then talked to Father Quinlan, pastor of St. Scholastica Parish, about the possibility of leasing the property between the church parking lot and the cemetery. Father Quinlan said he would cooperate if it was satisfactory to the members of the parish. The Board decided that the property in question, being in the city limits, should also be the city's concern. Therefore, it was decided to have a vote at the city hall and let all members of the parish and the city of Heidelberg vote on this matter. When it passed by a majority, the Association was ready to go to work. They now incorporated, and a fund raising project was organized. Thus came about the St. Patrick's Day party, to be held at Heidelberg Liquors Hall. Tickets were sold for a drawing at which a quarter of beef was offered for first prize. Second was a \$50. Bond and third and fourth prize was a \$25. Bond each. Fifty door prizes were also given away that night which were donated by New Prague, Montgomery, and Le Center businessmen. Tony and Shirley Lambrecht donated a basket of cheer, which was auctioned off for \$140.00, plus they donated one-half of the receipts of the evening to the Association. Some of the local musicians furnished the music for a jam-packed crowd. They were Jack Shambour, Clete Blashko, Reuben Bohnsack, and Ray Kaderlik.

All the members of the Association, now 23, pitched in and worked very hard and made this such a great success that a profit of \$1,800.00 was realized.



Now plans for the landscaping were drawn up. In the spring of 1975, the work was done by Archie Teply (pix) construction, for the cost of \$1,000.00. Once the dirt moving was done, the entire community, kids and all, got together several evenings and picked up the rocks that had been uprooted by the big earth moving machines.

The park was now ready for the grass seeding, and when this was completed, again a lot of the members and area people pitched in to help with the tree transplanting. Several Saturdays were spent with men and shovels, sweating a little, and maybe even taking a beer break once in a while. When they had finished there were 80 trees to beautify the newly formed terraces in the park. After withstanding a very mild winter, the spring rains of 1976 brought greenery to the new park. This is where we are now in writing this book. Plans for this summer include numerous items of playground equipment to be installed, including a swing set, slide, teeter totter, basketball board, tether ball set, volley ball net, sand boxes, and picnic tables. There will also be a sanitary facilities building erected. The athletic assn. is a very busy organization in as much as Heidelberg is not a large enough city to have all the civic organizations existing in most other cities. Therefore this Assn. is a combination of Chamber of Commerce, Jaycees, Legion, V.F.W., Sportsman, Senior Citizens, Park Board, or any other community development civic organization that would exist in a city.

The Athletic Assn. is the reason that this book has been published. They have also published a cookbook. Because of projects it has sponsored in the past and it's active involvement in the community, it's membership has grown to 78 area families and individuals. Therefore this book is dedicated to the Heidelberg Athletic Assn. for their outstanding service to the community.



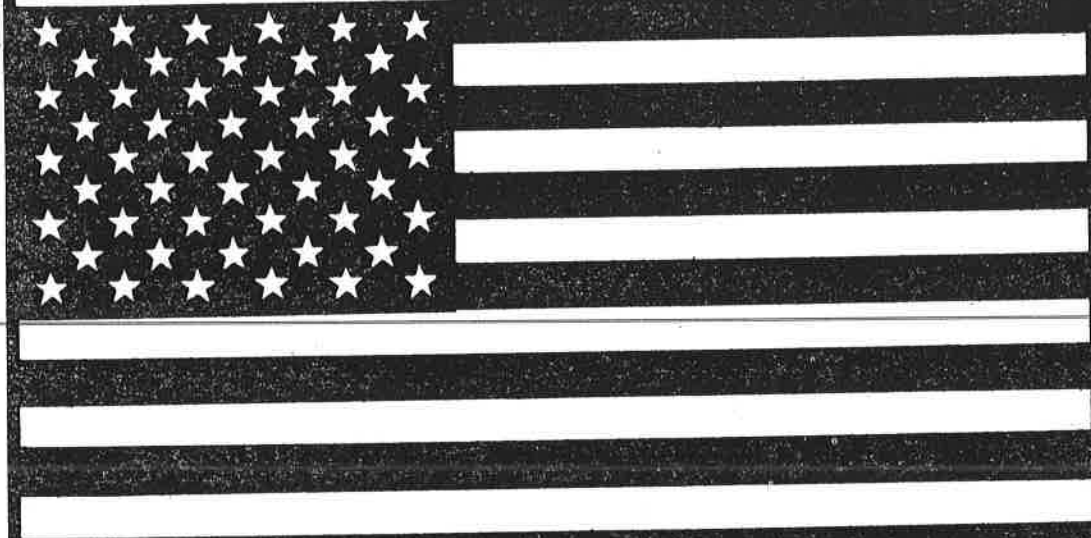
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OUR PRESENT 50-STAR FLAG (1960)

OUR 50 STATES AND WHEN THEY WERE ADMITTED

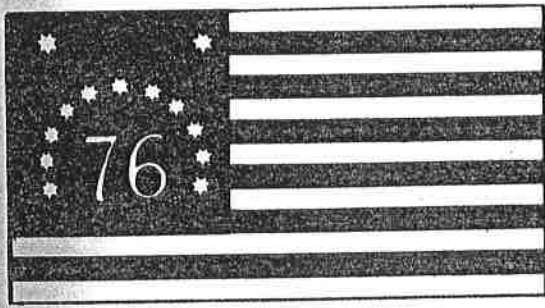
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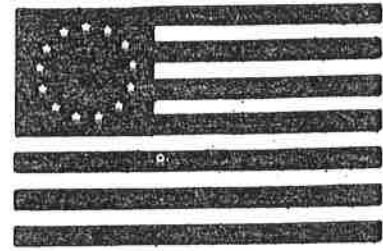
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* Indicates one of the original 13 states





The first stars and stripes flag to be raised in victory in the Revolutionary War. (Battle of **BENNINGTON**, August 16, 1777)

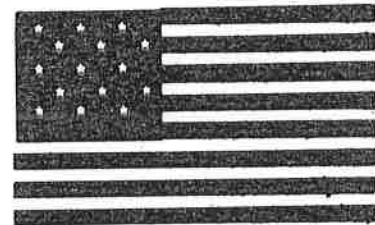


BETSY ROSS VERSION

General Washington's impression of this first official U.S. Flag was that the stars stood for the heavens, the red stripes represented the Mother Country, and the white separating the stripes symbolized liberty.

OUR PRESIDENTS AND WHEN THEY HELD OFFICE

- GEORGE WASHINGTON 1789-1797
- JOHN ADAMS 1797-1801
- THOMAS JEFFERSON 1801-1809
- JAMES MADISON 1809-1817
- JAMES MONROE 1817-1825
- JOHN QUINCY ADAMS 1825-1829
- ANDREW JACKSON 1829-1837
- MARTIN VAN BUREN 1837-1841
- WILLIAM H. HARRISON 1841-1841
- JOHN TYLER 1841-1845
- JAMES K. POLK 1845-1849
- ZACHARY TAYLOR 1849-1850
- MILLARD FILLMORE 1850-1853
- FRANKLIN PIERCE 1853-1857
- JAMES BUCHANAN 1857-1861
- ABRAHAM LINCOLN 1861-1865
- ANDREW JOHNSON 1865-1869
- ULYSSES S. GRANT 1869-1877
- RUTHERFORD B. HAYES 1877-1881
- JAMES A. GARFIELD 1881-1881
- CHESTER A. ARTHUR 1881-1885
- GROVER CLEVELAND 1885-1889, 1893-1897
- BENJAMIN HARRISON 1889-1893
- WILLIAM McKINLEY 1897-1901
- THEODORE ROOSEVELT 1901-1909
- WILLIAM H. TAFT 1909-1913
- WOODROW WILSON 1913-1921
- WARREN HARDING 1921-1923
- CALVIN COOLIDGE 1923-1929
- HERBERT HOOVER 1929-1933
- FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT 1933-1945
- HARRY S. TRUMAN 1945-1953
- DWIGHT EISENHOWER 1953-1961
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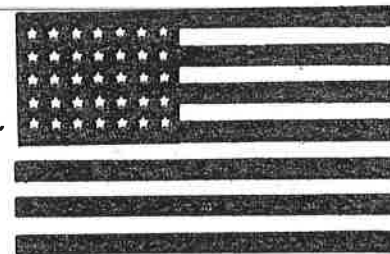
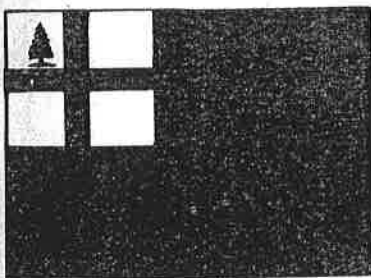
THE SECOND FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES (1795-1818). It had 15 stars and 15 stripes and was the flag that inspired Francis Scott Key to write "The Star Spangled Banner" in 1814.



THE THIRD U.S. FLAG, exhibiting 20 stars and the original 13 stripes: the first flag passed by an act of Congress (April 4, 1818). It was decided to allow one additional star for each state admitted to the Union thereafter.



The Traditional **BUNKER HILL** Flag, used during the Revolutionary War.



THE 35-STAR FLAG, flown during the last two years of the Civil War.

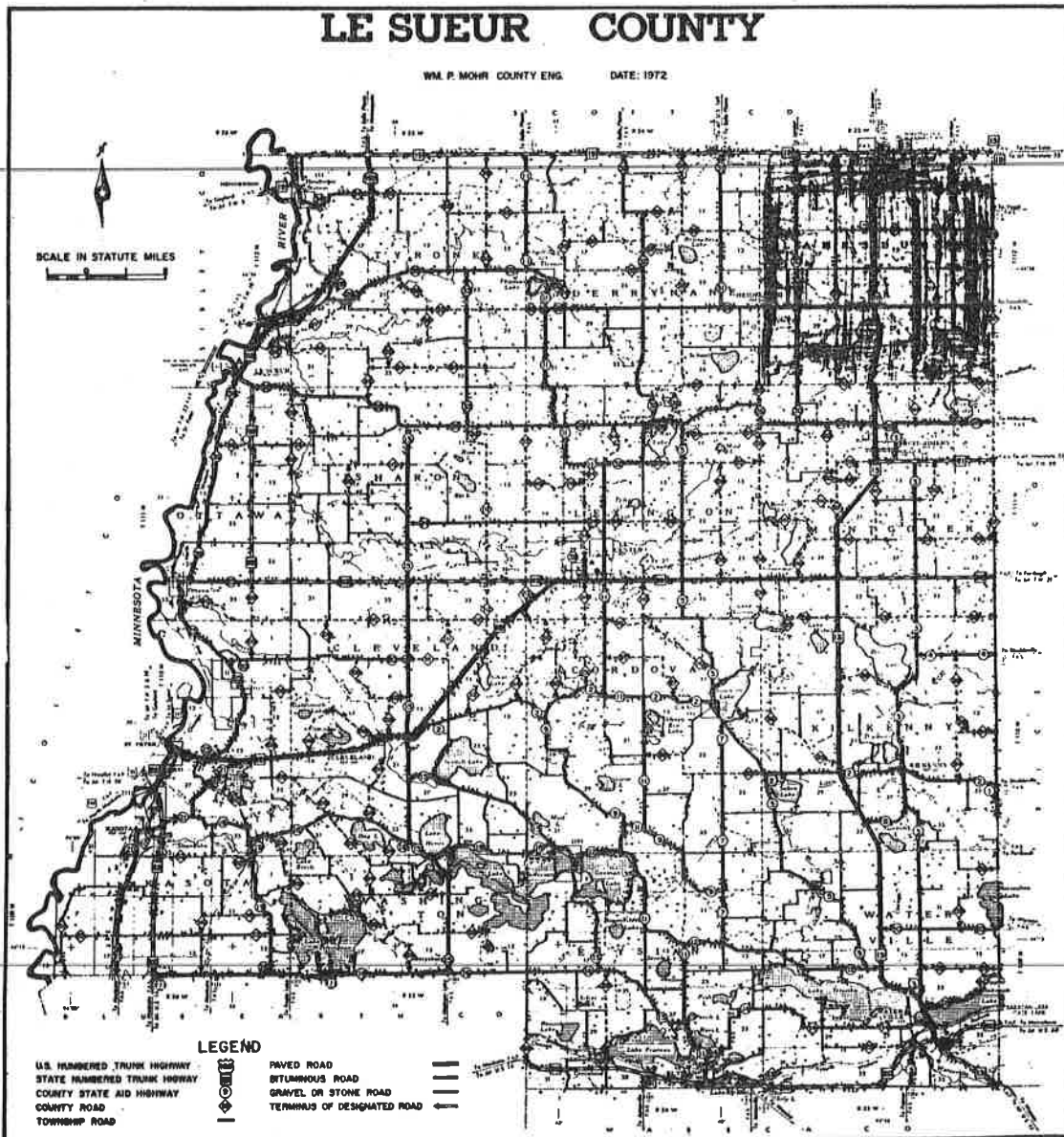


THE 48-STAR FLAG, 1913-1959

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WM. P. MOHR COUNTY ENG.

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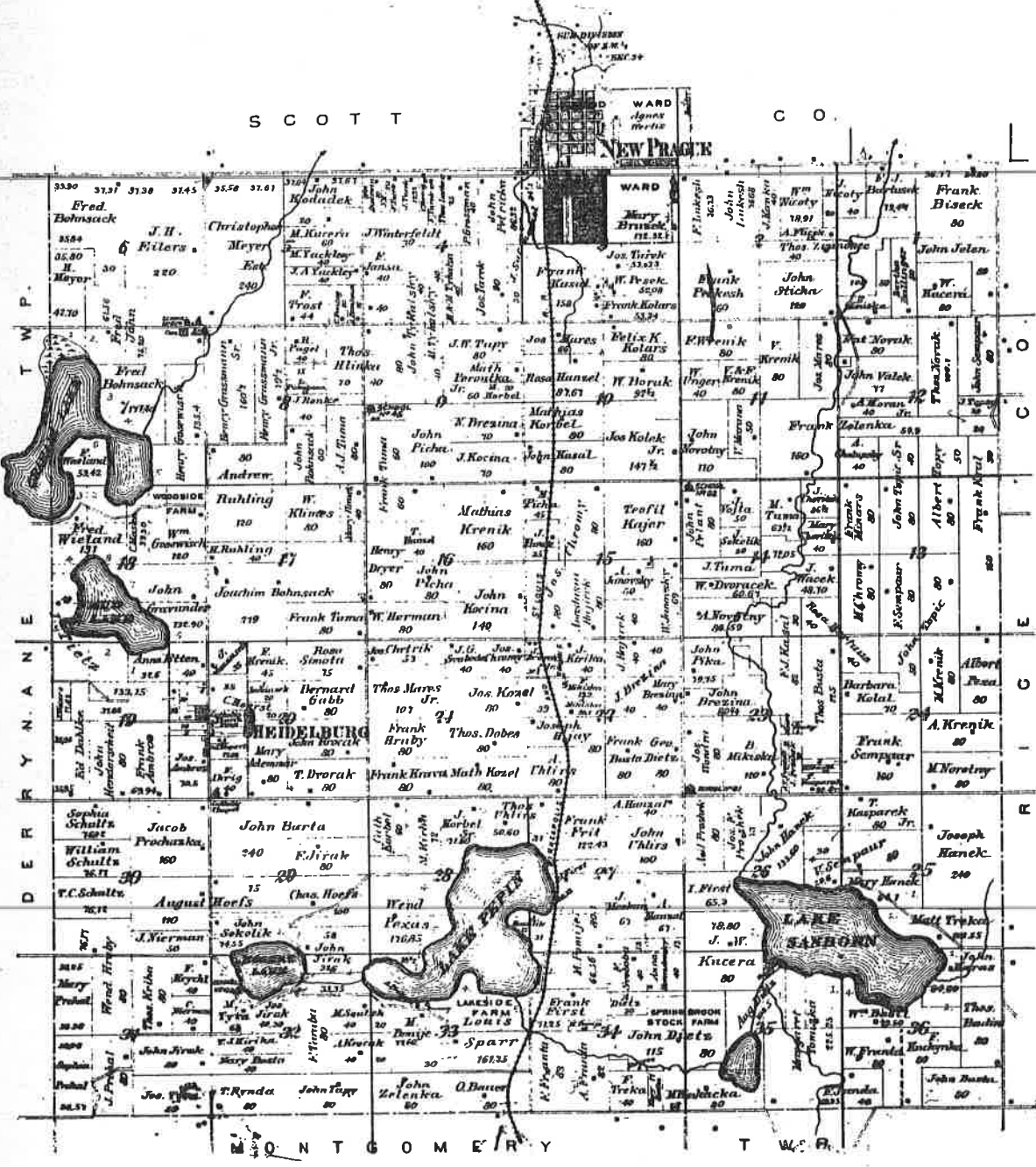
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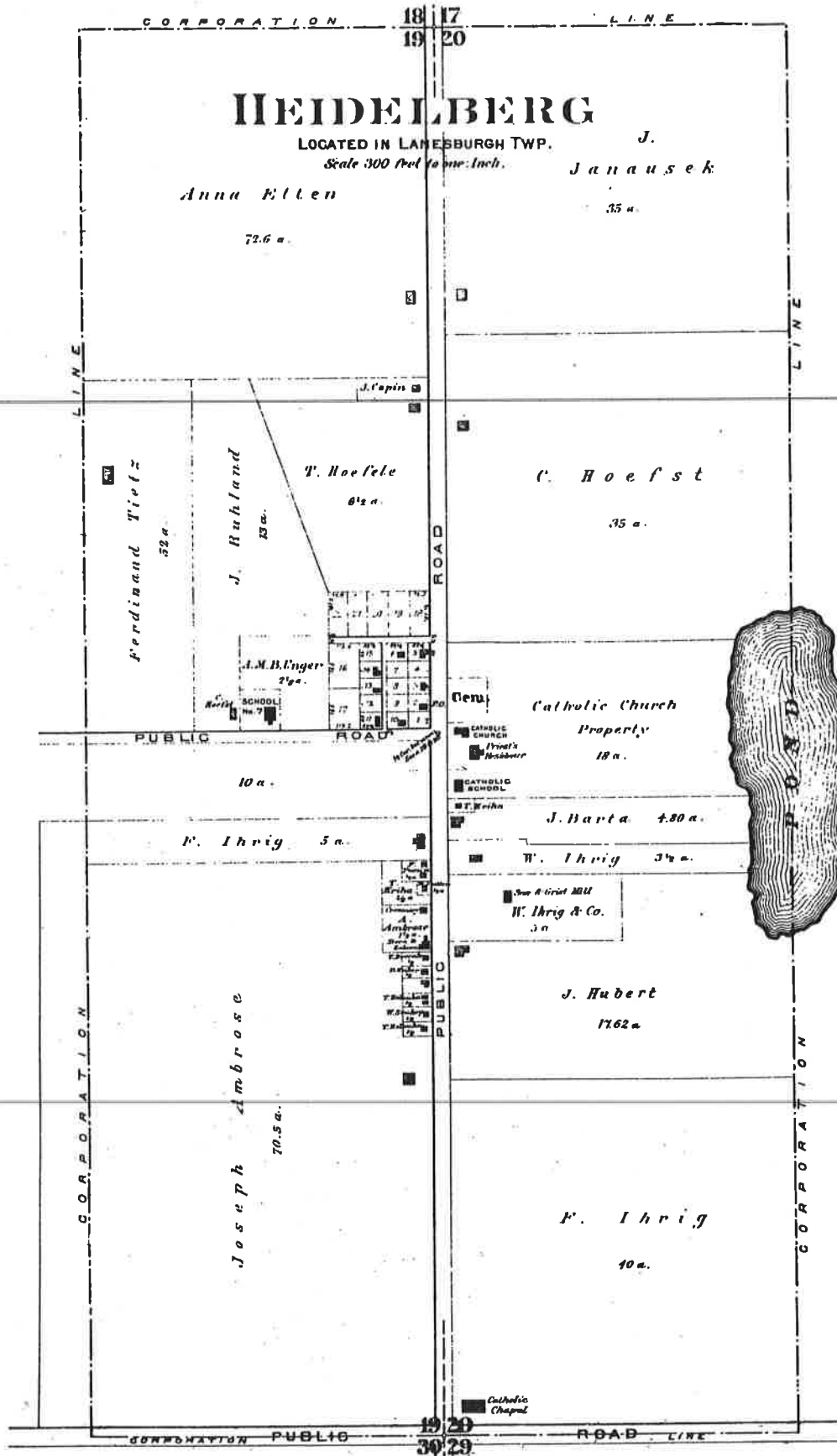
PLAN OF LANESBURGH

Scale 2 Inches to the Mile.

Township 112 North. Range 23 West.

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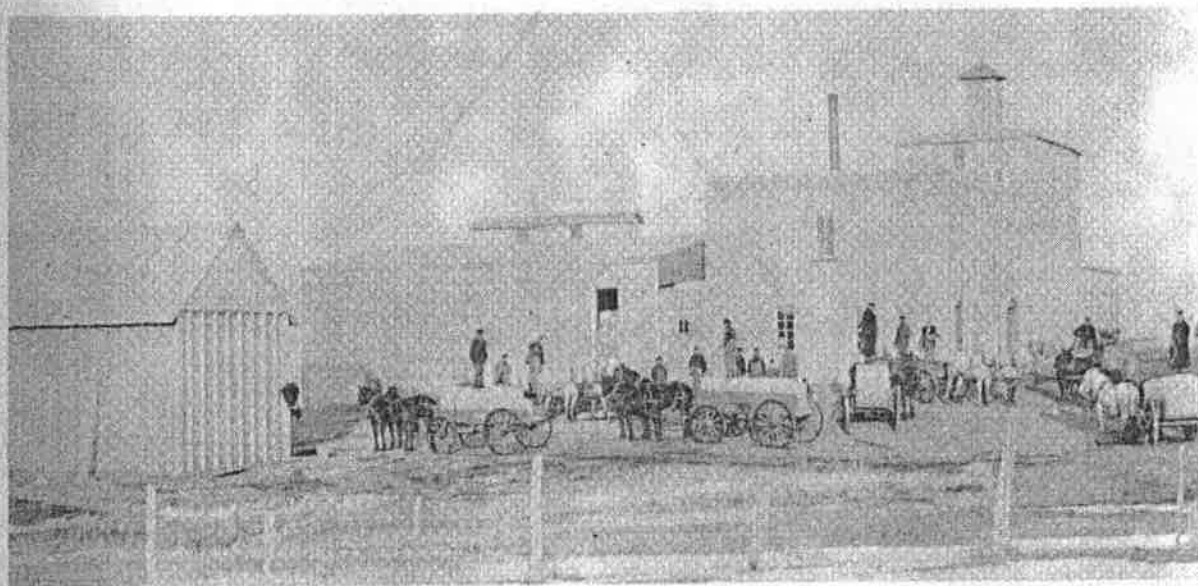
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History

In the mid-nineteenth century LeSueur Co. was a vast wilderness heavily forested, with only 3 open prairie areas in all of the county. Beneath the growth of trees and underbrush lay the fertile black soil, awaiting the arrival of the immigrant farmer. Two natives of Germany took the lead in establishing this area as their new home. Frank Heil and Frederick Ihrig arrived late in the 1850's and settled in Heidelberg. It was in honor of their homeland that they chose the name Heidelberg for the new community. Frank Heil was the oldest of three brothers, who are said to have been smuggled to the United States by hiding inside wine barrels. The other two Heil Brothers were Joseph, whom we will meet again later, and Thomas, being only 12 years old when they arrived in Minnesota.

In the spring of 1856, Theodore Hoeffler, A. Stahl, and M. Ackerman also located in the village. In a short time Mr. Ackerman and Mr. F. Heil established a sawmill in Section 19. Mr. Ihrig purchased Ackerman's share in the mill in 1868, later Heil sold his share to Michael Wilwerding and moved to Jordan, where he purchased a brewery. Frederick Ihrig eventually gained complete control of the lumber mill in Heidelberg, and at the time of his death, was planning to establish a flour mill. His sons, William, Carl, and Frederick, carried out his plans.



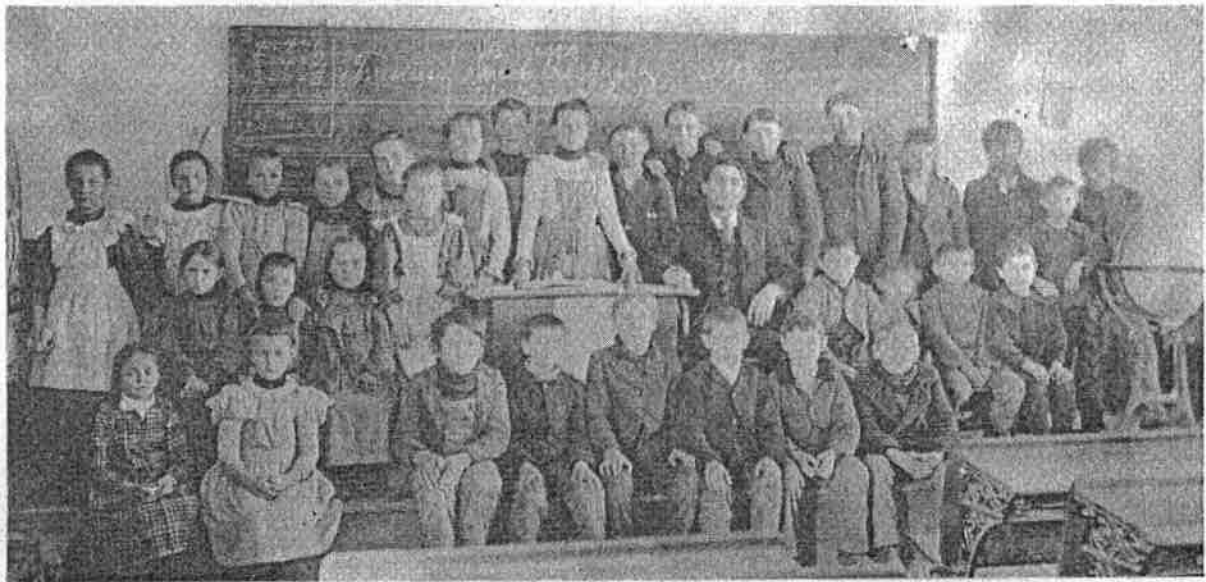
More immigrants arrived in Minnesota and by 1870 the population of the county had risen to 11,607. There were 18,072 acres of wheat, 5,454 acres of oats, 7,169 acres of corn, plus about 3,000 acres of hay, potatoes, barley, rye, flax, and other crops. **No other county offered greater inducement** to immigrants seeking homes than LeSueur for the advantages of agriculture and good society. It was fast becoming one of Minnesota's finest and foremost counties. Lanesburg Township was still a favorite place to settle partly because of it's nearness to Shakopee, but more importantly, because of the rich, black soil, J. Reueck, F. W. Kolars and A. Richter became members of the growing community of Heidelberg. Francis Kolars was a soldier of the Army of Austria and had aided in the suppression of the Hungarian Revolution. In 1860, he, his wife Eve, and 3 children came to the United States, settling in Chicago. After living there for 1 year he moved to Lanesburg Township, where he purchased 53 acres. Three more children were born in Minnesota, Charles, Barbara, and Felix. Mr. Kolars lived in Lanesburg until his death in 1907. His son Charles was educated at Notre Dame University and upon his return he studied law at the office of C. D. O'Brien and was admitted to the bar in 1887. In 1888 he returned to LeSueur County and engaged in his chosen profession, serving one term as County Attorney in 1894.

If we go back to 1867, we find that Heidelberg has become a reality, but not until 1878 is it platted and made a village. Andrew Thompson is credited with the official act of platting Heidelberg, by then a community with a population of 130 persons. A post office has been established with Frank Maertz,

formerly of New Prague, as postmaster. On the main street of the village are one general store, owned by Maertz, one shoe shop, a blacksmith, Mr. Hauber, operating the shop owned formerly by Frank Heil, and the grist and sawmill. Due to the fact that the railroad lines were built through New Prague, there also was the shipping and banking business carried on. But Heidelberg continued to flourish as an inland city, at that time being the only village within the county not served by the railroad but still a thriving community.

During the 12 years from 1878 to 1890 several more business places opened. John Barta operated a General store assisted by his sons Louis and Charles, now there are two cobblers, Joseph Benhard and Charles Albrovsky. Also two blacksmiths are in the village, Frank Hauber and Albert Zika. Mr. Zika, of Bohemia, came to Minnesota on October 15, 1877. He first settled in New Prague, later moving to Heidelberg where he lived for 30 years. In 1901 he retired to LeSueur Center, (now known as Le Center), Mrs. Zika having died in 1893.

Theodore Heffele, one of the first settlers, operates a furniture store, F. W. Ihrig, the saw and flour mill, Fred Wieland, is a Surgeon, inasmuch as he tends to the sick, sets bones, and dispenses patent medicine. Joseph Heil, brother of Frank, served in the Civil War for 4 years and 2 more years in the Indian Uprising. He and his wife Sophia operate a store which sells groceries, seeds, and Patent Medicines.



The Lutheran Church had their own school in which to educate the young of their faith, likewise St. Scholastica had established the Sister school in 1878, but what of the youngsters who didn't attend either of these fine institutions? The answer to this question is that they attended District 7 School, an outstanding public school located in Heidelberg. This group of students were in attendance in the late 19th century. Visible on the blackboard are the names of Jos. Bicek, Jacob Prochaska, and William Schultz, Trustees of the school. Also note that F. E. Ninneman was their teacher. Back row: Emma Cap, Rose Bicek, Marcella Ambroz (Mikus), Rose Weiers, Theresa Ademmer, Theresa Bicek, Ann Ademmer, Charlie Janda, Frank Soukup, Lamar Krocak, John Kohout, John Weiers, Ben Kummert. Second row: Mayme Kalphumberg, Julia Ademmer, Rose Kohout, Mr. Ninneman, Emil Uhlir, Anna Holetz, Frank Ambroz, George



Cap, and Frank Ademmer. Third row: Mary Schultz, Emma Ambroz (Tupy), Ed Cap, Joe Cap, Frank Heil, Louis Prochaska, Albert Janda, and Albert Ambroz.

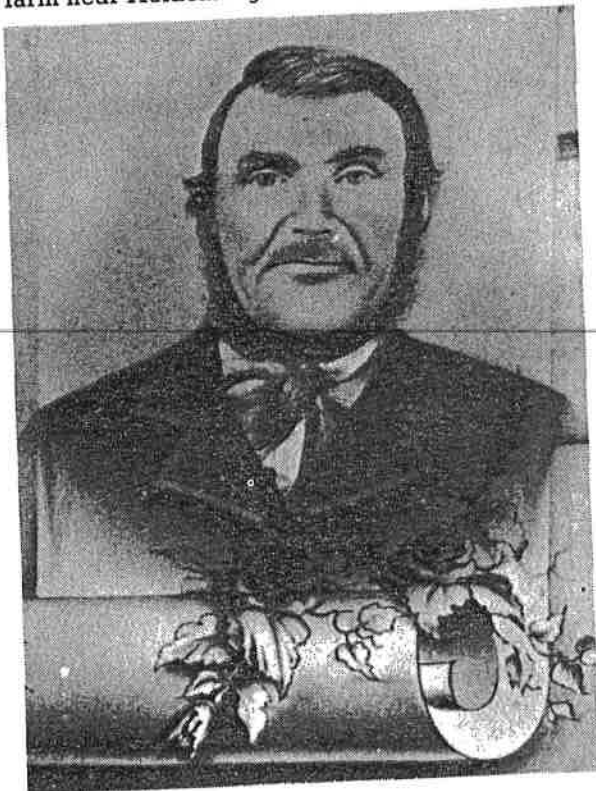
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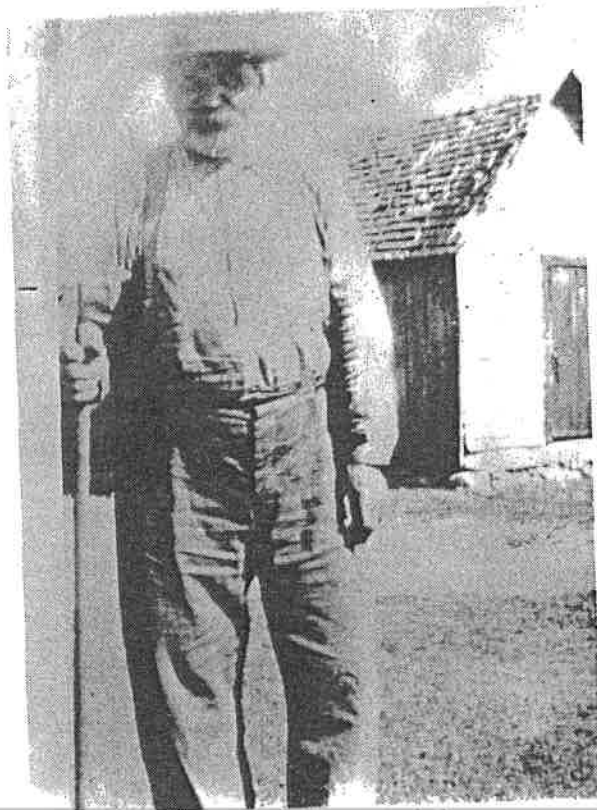
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The Catholic settlers of the community have established St. Scholastica Church within the limits of the village. There was also a Lutheran church society established among the immigrants. The Lutheran Church located about 2 miles north of the village. Their first church was a log building 18 feet by 24 feet, and stood a little southeast of the present parsonage. Some of the first members of the congregation were: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jahn, Mr. and Mrs. Christoph Grassman, Mr. and Mrs. Friedrich Gosewisch, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Eilers, Mr. and Mrs. John Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Friedrich Ruck, Wm. Beinhorn (his family had remained in Germany and joined him a few years later), Mr. and Mrs. Friedrich Heiland, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Ruehling, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Scharf, and Mr. and Mrs. Freidrich Wieland. In 1864, Rev. Wolf was called and moved to Lanesburg to tend to the spiritual needs of this group of families. At this time the log church was built and served the area from 1864 to 1875, at which time a frame structure with a tower was erected at a cost of \$1,378.00. The present church was built in 1913 at a cost of about \$16,000.00. The dedication took place on December 7, 1913, at which time, Rev. R. Gruber was pastor. Rev. H. E. Kelm served the congregation after Rev. Gruber followed by Rev. Alfred Martens, who has just celebrated his 25th anniversary as Pastor of Frieden's Evangelical Lutheran Church.

A prominent farmer in the area about 3 miles southeast of Heidelberg was Jacob Jirak. Mr. Jirak was born in 1821 in Czechoslovakia. Before coming to the United States, his family lived in the small farming town of Bukovsko, which is about 5 miles north of Ceske Budejovice and about 75 miles south of Praha. Jacob's brother came to the United States in about the year 1860 and settled southwest of Calmar, Iowa. Jacob married Mary Houdek in Czechoslovakia in about 1849. They had 5 children, 4 of whom were born in Czechoslovakia, Frank born 1850, John born 1853, Mary born 1856 and Joseph born 1860. Ann was born in the United States in 1863. Jacob and his family had settled on a 160 acre farm near Heidelberg in Nov. 1861. In 1875, his



Jacob Jirak.



Joseph Jirak Sr. son of Jacob Jirak.

son John took over operation of the north 80 acres. Between the years 1870 and 1875 Grandma Jirak lost her life by falling into a well. Jacob remarried after his wife's death and his new wife was Barbara Janovsky. In 1892 Joseph Jirak took over operation of the south 80 acres. Jacob and Barbara purchased 5 acres next to the north side of the church property in Heidelberg. Joseph and his son John F. Jirak would take a team of horses to Heidelberg and help Jacob and Barbara Jirak work their small plot of land. Jacob passed away around 1889, but Mrs. Jirak continued running her 5 acre plot with the help

of her stepson Joseph and his son. Barbara passed away between 1895 and 1900.

In the village of Heidelberg Wencel (James) Zika has completed his apprenticeship as a blacksmith and now is operating a shop of his own. Wencel only stayed in Heidelberg for one year however, moving on to the ever growing center of the county LeSueur Center, (Now Le Center), where he erected a well equipped and conveniently located garage in 1911. This automobile garage to provide service for his extensive patronage, since he had the enviable position of being the agent for Ford and Overland Autos.



Front Row: John, Mr. Joseph Jirak Sr., Anna, Kate, Mrs. Jirak, Aldine and Rose. Back Row: Mary and Anna, Joseph Jr. is not on the picture.



John F. Jirak and Joe Jirak Jr. sons of Joseph Jirak Sr. Pictured taken in 1913.

Others who have joined the ranks of businessmen in Heidelberg are: Mathew Bernhard, Mason, August Gentz, Hardware, Martin Poepl, Music Teacher, Frank Pomije, Blacksmith (he probably took over operation of either Zika's or Hauber's shop). Mr. Renneberg is the Village Constable, a position created inevitably when a community starts to expand. The need for law and order was a foremost thought in the minds of the hard-working and law-abiding early settlers of the community.



Albert F. Ambroz

Other hardier souls who stayed with the growing village of Heidelberg were Albert Ambroz, operating a General Store and Saloon, M. C. Walsh the Justice of Peace, Joseph Heil, who now has the honorable position of postmaster and Joseph Janda, the Village Recorder. In 1868, Mr. Janda had arrived in Scott County with his parents Charles and Magdaline, from the Austrian Federation. He was a lad of 19 at the time, 15 years later, after living in St. Benedict and Helena Township, he moved to Heidelberg. Here, he successfully established and operated a creamery business until 1911. He was Clerk of Lanesburgh township for 5 years and later appointed to Register of Deeds for LeSueur Co. On October 9, 1859 Frances Waibel and Joseph were married, this union was blessed with 12 children.

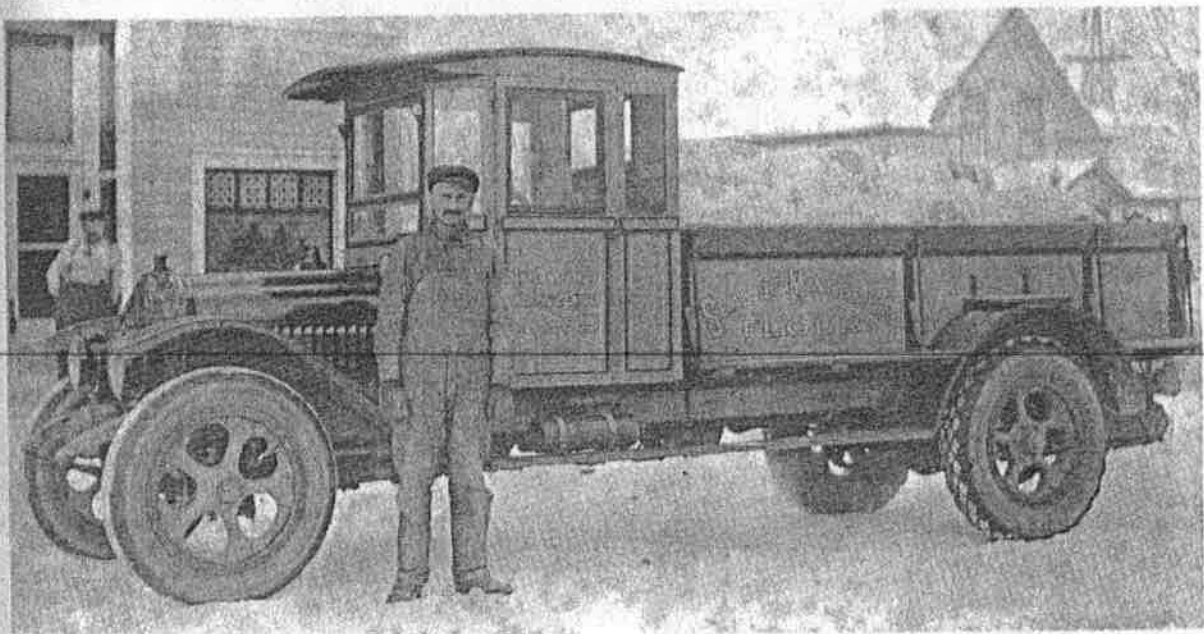
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This is the family of Joseph A. Janda. Joseph was born March 14, 1849 at Prague, Bohemia. Came to America in 1869. Died Sept. 22, 1921. Frances Wiebel Janda was born Oct. 18, 1858 in Scott Co. Mn. Died Aug. 3, 1916. All members of this family were born and raised in the Heidelberg area. Family names; Joseph, Martin, Anna [Mrs. Mark Murray], Charles, Bernard, Frank, Mary [Mrs. John Ambroz], Albert, John, Joseph Sr., Frances, Albina [Mrs. John Prochaska].

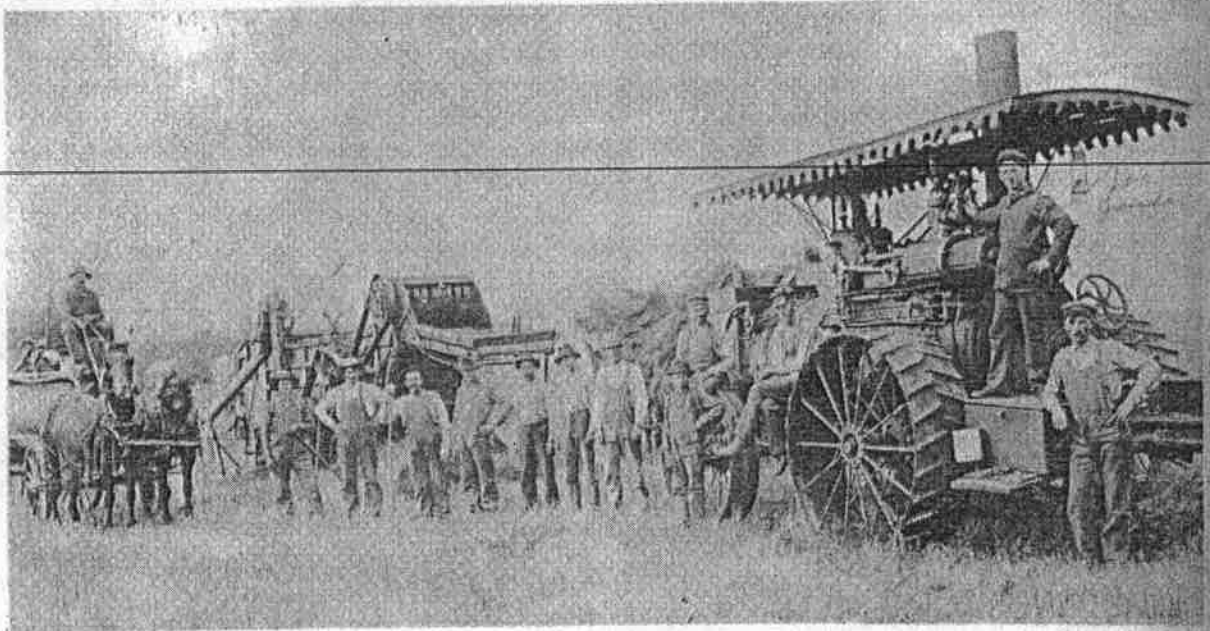


Mr. Albert Adamek drove the delivery truck from New Prague to bring Seal Of Minnesota flour to the general store in Heidelberg. F. A. Bean Sr. had moved to New Prague in 1892 and leased the Simmer flour mills. He established the International Milling Company which eventually employed 250 men full time. Area farmers received \$200,000.00, for their wheat which was utilized by the mill. The Seal of Minnesota brand flour, in addition to being sold in Heidelberg, was shipped the world over. Housewives in England, France, Greece, Holland, Sweden, and China, to name a few

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countries, are fortunate to have this fine product available. Each day Rose Holub would arrive in the mill office by 7 A.M. and all day long she would bake bread, making sure that each batch of flour was as good as the previous. At 6 P.M. her day would end and she could return home with the assurances that all of the flour shipped from the mill that day was up to standards and suitable for the most demanding of cooks.

In 1900 the population remains at 137, fire had destroyed some residences, but apparently they were rebuilt and business carried on as usual. Albert Ambroz became postmaster, a demanding job, since in 1899 the first mail delivery from New Prague was started. A Mr. Hiram Kimmert is on record as operating a creamery. Possibly he was an employee of Mr. Janda in his creamery business, since Mr. Janda was still in Heidelberg.



A threshing rig, steam engine, and crew operating in 1901. Joe Janda is the young man standing atop the tool box on the steam engine.

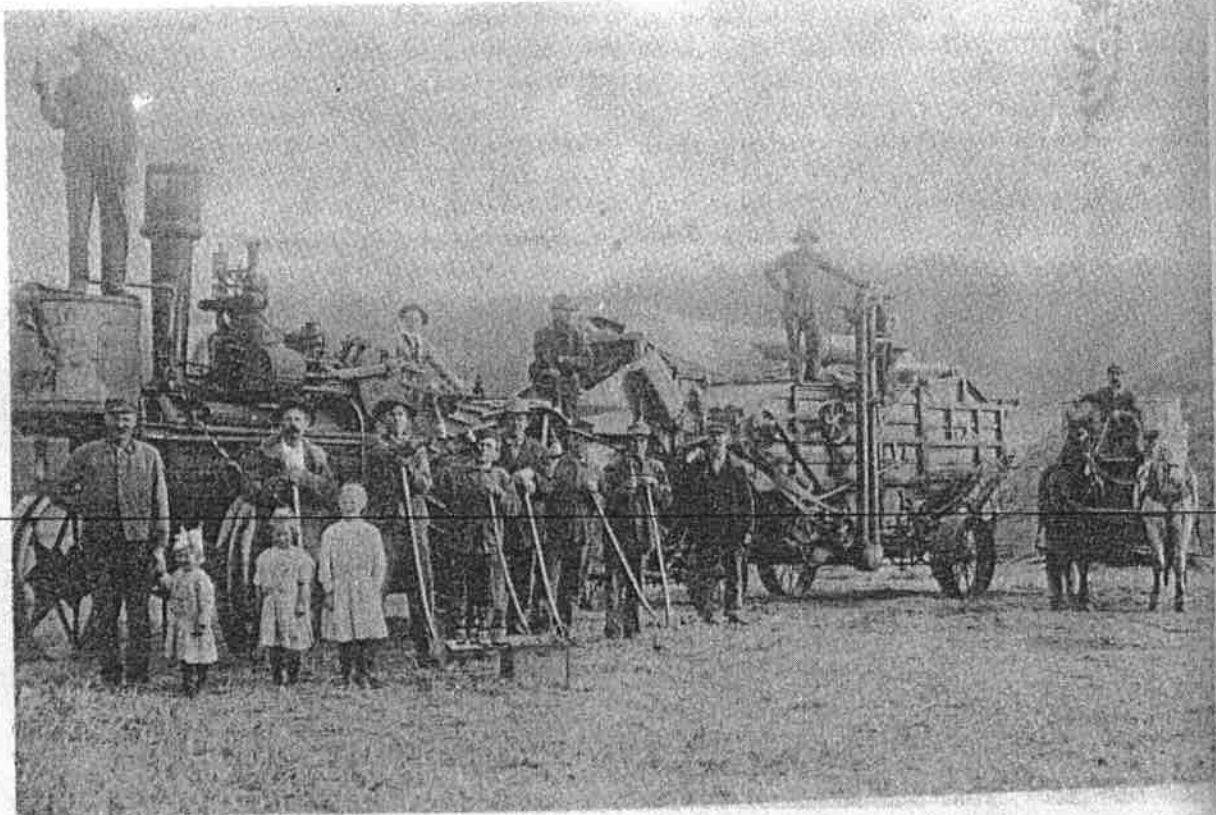
Joseph Cap joined the community as an established carpenter in 1902, but at the same time some of the oldtimers must have moved away because the population has dropped to 114. Heidelberg is now on the rural postal route from New Prague. It wasn't until 1913 that the postoffice in Heidelberg disappeared being replaced by the rural route system. In this way, mail was delivered before noon each day, bringing the rural people just as close to the daily newspaper as their city or town neighbors. In 1905, the cornerstone was laid for the new St. Scholastica Catholic Church, with the first Mass said on Christmas Eve. The sawmills of Ihrig and Bohnsack were kept busy with all the new construction going on. In February, 1906 F. J. Weiland opened a coffee and schnaps house. Later in the year, Albert Ambroz decided to do his share to keep the village thriving with his plans to build a business block. The construction was completed by Aug. and a gala celebration was held in the new Ambroz Hall with dancing to music furnished by the Heidelberg band. This wasn't the only occasion for celebration however, as the completed church would be dedicated Oct. 22, by Archbishop Ireland. Not all the news in 1906 was happy though for Joseph Heil had died at the age of 67, leaving 5 children and his wife to mourn his passing.



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grown as cash crops. The sugar beet factory at Chaska could handle 800 tons of beets daily, thus being the receiving depot for all the surrounding farms, even those as far away as Heidelberg. All totaled, several hundred cars of beets were shipped annually to the Minnesota Sugar Company in Chaska.

If the harvest of sugar beets was back breaking work, we can surmise that threshing was only slightly easier with the aid of a wood fired steam engine and threshing machine. Around 1910 John Guessen traveled from farm to farm with this impressive rig. It took a crew of at least 13 men to get the job done, here are: Top row, left to right, Ben Kimmet, Ed Walker, Oscar Kimmet, and Bob Halloran. Bottom row, left to right, Clem Guessen, with his three daughters, Ann, Mayme, and Regina, next are Leo Modriefsky, Joe Singer, Joe Cemensky, Walter Plosnky, Albert Dorzinsky, John Benzick and John Weiers. The man with the team of horses, hauling the water tank, is John Guessen. In earlier years this team was made up of mules, but we all know the problems encountered when dealing with those animals, so by 1913 John was relying on these fine horses to assist him. Also operating in the Heidelberg area was the Frank Ambroz threshing crew. In this photo we see Frank on his machine with a straw stack in the background, all tied and weighted down, ready to be used by the farmer throughout the long winter to follow. Frank Ambroz was an

ambitious man, born in 1898 to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ambroz. After working throughout the long hot day with this threshing rig, he helped his father tend bar in the Ambroz Hall in the evening. Later on he had a saw mill, also powered with a steam engine until the 1940's,



Frank A. Ambroz with his threshing rig threshing grain on one of Heidelberg's farms.

when he replaced the steam engines with tractors. In the winter, he cut ice by hand, mostly on Lake Pepin, to supply the saloons and bars in the New Prague and Montgomery area. This ice was packed in saw dust to insulate it, thereby being available for summers use also. After motor driven saws were available, the job of making ice was simplified. No longer were the saws powered by aching muscles, but the job of gathering an ample supply of ice was still a

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Johanna and Theodore were the owners of the creamery by 1912 and had decided to operate a cheese factory in addition to the creamery. In all of the 2 counties Nicollett and LeSueur, this cheese factory in Heidelberg was the only one in existence in 1913. LeSueur Co. had 6 co-operative creameries and 5 individual

creameries with a total of 1,077 patrons. 8,987 cows were producing 1,179,887 pounds of butter. Things were not so rosy at Gerhard Odenthal's smoke house, he had endured a catastrophic fire and \$50.00 worth of meat burned.



The Bernard Ademmer family was among the leading citizens of Heidelberg from late in the 19th century. They resided on a farm east of Heidelberg, now occupied by the Joseph Odenthal family. In this family photo taken in 1915, Bottom row, left to right, Sister Constance, Mrs. Bernard Ademmer, Sister Therese, Bernard Ademmer, Sister Anselmine. Second row, Catherine, Julie, Frank, Amelia, Barnie, Marie and Caroline Ademmer. Today Marie is the oldest resident living in Heidelberg. Frank and Catherine are also still living in the community. They were proud to have had the good fortune that 3 of their family members chose the religious life. Perhaps because of the strong religious faith predominant within the family, or because of the closeness that is a natural with a large family that works hard and plays hard, these people are all enjoying a good, long life. Far back in their memories are the days of hard work on the farm, with all the children pitching in, especially when it came to the sugar beet harvest. Without benefit of mechanical device, it took several people to complete the harvest when the time was right. In addition to the family, some hired help was seasonally employed at the Ademmer farm to help with the sugar beets. Early in the 20th century sugar beets were an important crop in LeSueur Co., although one wouldn't be aware of that fact today with all the corn and soybeans





tedious one, albeit very necessary. At Brown's resort, near Brainard, in 1948, Karen Brown, Norbert Ruehling and Frank Ambroz are pictured making ice in 38 degree below 0 weather.

Mrs. Frank Ambroz, still living in their family home in Heidelberg, was formerly Josephine Maxa. She and Frank were married on October 12, 1923, at St. Wenceslaus church in New Prague. They were the parents of nine children, Robert, Marjorie, Rose Mary, Eugene, Lloyd, Irene, Leonard, Patricia, and June. In addition to his occupations of threshing and operating a saw mill, Frank was an excellent carpenter and built many of the fine homes still standing in Heidelberg, New Prague and the surrounding area. Mr. Albert Ambroz, Frank's father, was mayor of Heidelberg from 1937 until his retirement in 1949. Following in his father's footsteps Frank became Mayor of Heidelberg and held that position until his death on July 3, 1973.



After the post office was discontinued in Heidelberg in 1913, the building formerly housing the same was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kimmet, and used as their living quarters. Standing beside the building and also

in the other photo is Mrs. Henry "Elizabeth" Kimmet. Mrs. Kimmet was born in Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin in 1854 and came to Heidelberg in 1896. At the time of her death in 1932 she was among the oldest pioneers of the village.



Mrs. Henry "Elizabeth" Kimmet

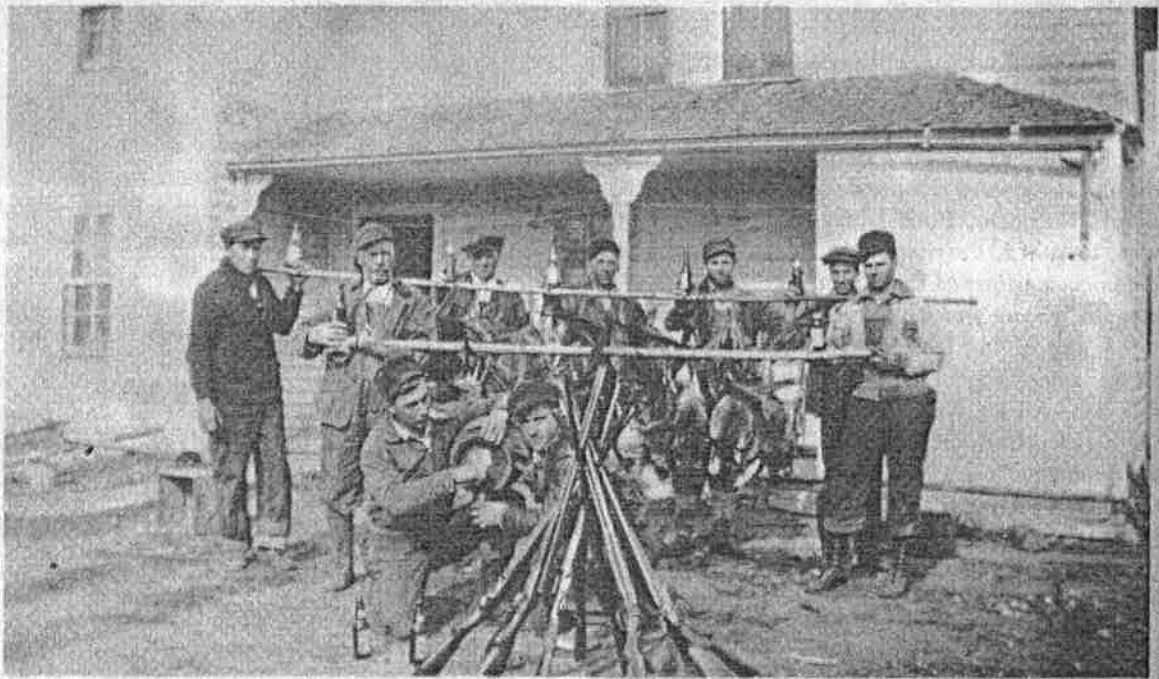
Ben Kimmet, son of Henry and Elizabeth, with Frank Ademmer proudly touring in this beautiful automobile. Since Frank is driving, we can assume that he is the owner. It was indeed fortunate that these cars didn't travel as fast as they do today, due to the fact that the occupants would get completely covered with dust after driving in this open top car, over dirt and gravel covered roads. In contrast with the spiffy new autos, some of the young men still preferred to do their courting in horse drawn wagons or with



the buckboard. Here is Frank's brother **Barnie Ademmer** in the company of **Alice O'Connell**, certainly a more charming companion than an auto or another young man, all dressed in their Sunday best, out for a pleasant drive. They probably avoided the problem of dust flying onto them by taking a more leisurely pace than one would with a car.



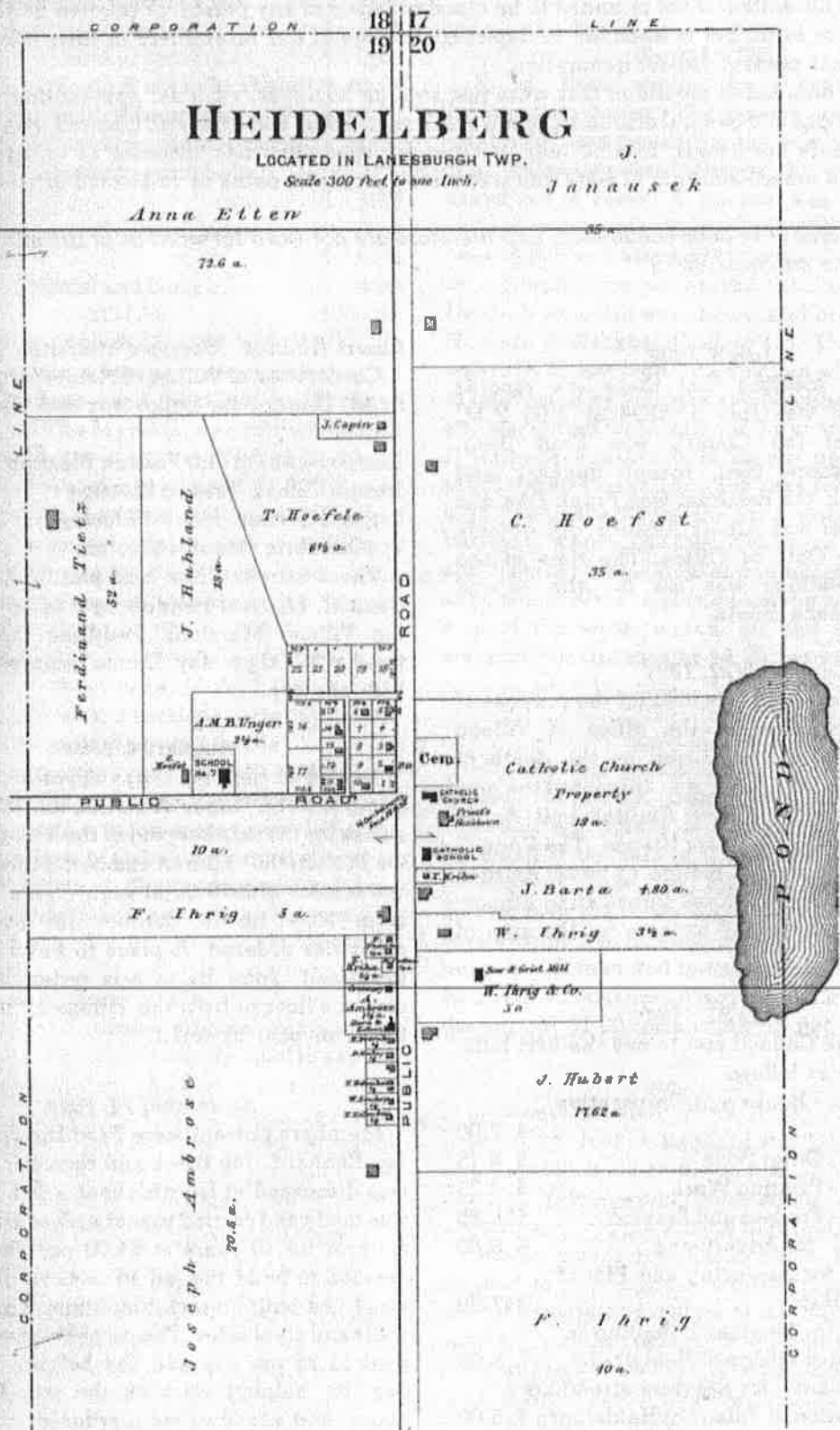
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Another outdoor sport enjoyed by the Heidelberg residents was that of pheasant hunting, then as now the beautiful birds were plentiful in the fields and more secluded marshy areas. A total of 109 pheasants were taken during this hunt in 1930, at St. Leo's. Participants were, First row: John Wieland, Herb Grossman. Second row: Art Bohnsack, Charlie Schroeder, Norbert Ruehling, Rudy Honza, Albert Ruehling, Clarence Schmitz, and Wilbert Ruehling.

The accompanying map is taken from an 1897 Atlas, the population of Heidelberg at this time is 137, the same as in 1890. The village is still an important center for supplies and mail, in addition to being the gathering place for the residents to meet and discuss the news of the day. On rainy days, when the farmers had some

free time the blacksmith shop and the stores and saloons were popular locations for the settlers to swap stories, we no longer have blacksmith shops, but the residents still find some of these same locals to visit in when they aren't busy with farm work.



Council Minutes

INTRODUCTION OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

We have edited the minutes of the City Council meetings as to notes of importance and historical reference. This edition is not intended to be discriminating to any person or relative thereof, in any way shape, or form, but is intended to depict the history of our forefathers in their pioneer times leading to our present Jet-set generation.

We have eliminated meetings that were just routine business, such as; appointing judges for village elections and general elections, renewal of liquor, beer, and cigarette licenses, (transfers and new applicants are listed), routine bills, such as for dragging road, salaries of village officials, (changes are noted) auditing of clerk and treasurer's records, oaths of re-elected officials, bonds, etc...

[The minutes have been condensed, and therefore are not word for word as in the minutes book, and could be misconstrued.]

July 5, 1894

The first meeting that there are records available for was July 5, 1894 at 7:00 P.M. President of the Council was Fred Ihrig. Trustees: Joseph Heil, Joseph Benhart, and Joseph Bisek, the Recorder was Frank Zika and the Treasurer was Albert Ambroz. All officers had to take Oath of Office. The time of the monthly meetings was set for the second Tuesday of each month.

July 21, 1894

A special meeting was held for the purpose of filling the vacancy of the office of Village Recorder, which was caused by the death of Frank Zika. B. M. Unger was appointed the new Village Recorder. Albert Ambroz and Anton Weiers applied for a liquor license. The Council made and approved a motion to issue Ambroz and Weiers a license to sell Intoxicating Liquor. The license was issued to them for the sum of \$500.00.

July 30, 1894

The Village Council met to pay the first bills. Which were as follows:

C. C. Kolars - Books and Corporation	
Head	\$ 7.00
C. C. Kolars - Order Book	\$ 4.75
C. C. Kolars - Printing Work	\$ 3.25
C. C. Kolars - For fees and Services	\$55.85
J. J. Tenerad - for Advertising	\$ 5.00
Fred Ihrig - for Surveying and Plot of Village of Heid.	\$47.00
Fred Ihrig - for Services attending in Corporation of Village of Heidelberg	\$ 5.00
Joseph Benhard - for Services attending in Corporation of Village of Heidelberg	\$ 5.00

Albert Ambroz - Services attending in

Corporation of Village of Heidelberg	.. \$ 5.00
B. M. Unger - for Ballot Box and Fees on Election \$ 3.00
Joseph Benhard - for Fees on Election	... \$ 1.00
Joseph Valesh - fees on Election \$ 1.00
Leonard Entner - fees for Election \$ 1.00
William Ihrig - fees for Election \$ 1.00

These were the first bills paid by the Village Council. Michael Renneberg was appointed as the Village Marshall. Peddlers License was fixed at \$2.00 per day. Dance License was set at \$20. per day.

August 14, 1894

Justice of the Peace was appointed. The job going to B. M. Unger. A motion was made to buy a desk for the safe keeping of the Village Papers. On Motion the children and aging folks to be off the streets after 9:00 at night. This was to be from May 1st to October 1st every year, otherwise ordered. A place to build a jail was discussed. John Barta was ordered either to obtain a license from the Village or stop selling liquor or beer by retail.

September 24, 1894

Members present were Fred Ihrig, Joe Heil, Joe Benhard, Joe Bisek and recorder Unger. It was discussed at length about a jail. A motion was made and carried to rent a place from Albert Ambroz for 10 years at \$4.00 per year. It was decided to build the jail 16' x 12½' ft. The jail was to be built on rock fundation, 2 x 6'' plank walls and steel sides. The carpenters were to get paid \$1.25 per day and the helpers \$1.00 per day, for helping work on the jail. Iron bars, doors, and windows were ordered.

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Jacob Odenthal, logs for lumber for jail ..	\$ 50.08
Venzel Zika, labor on the jail	\$ 4.50
Fred Ihrig, sawing lumber, labor	\$ 34.87
Albert Ambroz, nails, labor, and lime ..	\$ 9.35
John Weiers, for stone for foundation ..	\$ 7.00
Joseph Janushek, for labor on jail	\$ 7.50
B. M. Unger, for labor on jail	\$ 2.73
Albert Ambroz, lumber and nails	\$ 2.60
Carl Bros., sheet iron & covering the jail	\$ 36.00
Michael Renneberg, labor on jail	\$ 2.50
Albert Zika, for iron & ironworks on jail ..	\$ 30.50
B. M. Unger, padlock with chain & 2 keys	\$.50
Albert Ambroz, rent, stove, pipes & elbows	\$ 6.25
Fred Ihrig, material and labor	\$ 14.08
TOTAL.....	\$208.46

March 12, 1895

A motion was made and seconded that all places of business shall be closed on Sundays and Holydays. The Marshall was notified that all peddlers selling within the Village, without a peddlers permit were to be fined \$1.00 a day or every time they were caught. Joseph Hauber was notified to move his fence back from Village property line. It was too close to the road. A list of the property owners was made up for tax purposes.

February 4, 1896

Members present: President Ihrig, Trustees, Ambroz, Heil and Unger and Janda.

C. D. McCarthy was hired as Village Attorney. Mrs. Mary Cap was appointed Matron of the jail in case any more women were to be put in jail. The Village Marshall was given a book to keep exact records of all prisoners and lodgers. The jail was more for lodgers than prisoners.

April 7, 1896

The motion of a tubular well was brought up and discussed at length. It was decided to ask for bids on the 5th of May. The best materials were to be used. The bid was to call for a two inch tubular well with pump, tower, and windmill complete. Bidders were to state kinds of material and style of windmill. The Council reserved the right to reject any or all bids.

May 5, 1896

The lowest bidder on the well was Hillger and Nachbar at 95c a foot and guarantee the well for 5 years. It was to place the well on the east side of the street at the highest point, on the inside of the sidewalk. The resignation of Frank Pomije as

Marshall was accepted, Joseph Vales was appointed in his place. The Recorder was ordered to inquire at several brick yards the price of 1,000 bricks for the purpose of the sidewalks. The County Surveyor was to be notified to come to the Village and establish the grade for the sidewalk.

Sept. 1, 1896

F. W. Barta applied for a license to sell intoxicating liquor. The license was ordered, approved, and issued for the sum of \$500.00. Jos. Vales appeared before the council and asked for a raise. A motion was made and carried to give Mr. Vales a raise to \$20.00 per year. A decision also had to be made on the kind of windmill to be put on the tubular well. The Dacorah windmill was chosen and ordered from Hillgers & Nachbar Drilling Co. The windmill was to be 50 feet high with a 12 foot wheel. It was to be erected by Hillgers and Nachbar Well Co. and warranted for 5 years for the sum of \$130.00. A water tank was also to be put up with frost proof connections. The tank was to be 40 feet high. The capacity of the tank was to be 250 barrels of water. The cost of the tank to Hillgers and Nachbar for \$200.00 and completed as soon as possible. Mr. Fred Ihrig took the job of taking care of the water works, oil and grease the windmill for the sum of \$8.00 per year.

April 15, 1897

Mr. Joseph Vales appeared before the Council to resign from his job as Village Marshall and Henry Kimmett was appointed Marshall at the sum of \$25.00 per year. It was decided to make the Village Jail fireproof. Sealed bids are to be let to for tin to line the inside of the jail. Street labor set at \$1.25 per 10 hour day. A man and team of horses was set at \$2.25 per 10 hour day. Also Joseph Cap was paid the sum of \$1.00 for putting up flag pole.

June 19, 1897

Members present: Fred Ihrig, Frank Heil, Joseph Cap, Joseph Benhard and Jos. Jindra. It was decided upon to order a U. S. flag to be flown on Holidays and Celebrations. It was also decided upon for the Village to furnish fireworks for the Fourth of July Celebration. It was also decided to pay Hillgers and Nachbar Well Co. the last twenty-five dollars of the bill since they have now put the ladder on the water tank which there was some misunderstanding about. At the regular July 10 meeting Albert Ambroz was paid \$3.75 for the fireworks.

August 4, 1897

A motion was made by President Ihrig that a man should see to the pump three times a day whether in good order or not and whenever the pump should be out of order the same man shall see to it, that the breakage or whatever shall be repaired to good order. Jos. Bernard wanted ten dollars for one year to do the said work three times a day, in the morning, at noon, and the evening. Fred Ihrig made a bid for six dollars. Frank Heil made a bid for five dollars. The said job every day for one year. Frank Heil is to see 3 times a day as above mentioned to the pump for one year for five dollars.

SPECIAL MEETING

August 13, 1897

Meeting held to determine and approve bonds of Albert Ambroz and Frank W. Barta for License of Liquor. On motion the bonds of the above was approved, excepted, and allowed to Albert Ambroz and Frank W. Barta named above.

November 6, 1897

On Motion by Jos. Berhart made that the marshal should attend to his services, as what he is elected for, or he shall not be paid for.

December 4, 1897

Motion made by Joe Benhard that the jail should be moved to village own property as soon as possible and that the moving shall be given to the lowest bidder. Members present were satisfied, all ayes. At the meeting John Pokes was paid \$225.00 for a lot in the Village of Heidelberg.

August 4, 1898

Be it resolved by the Village Council of the Village of Heidelberg, Le Sueur County, Minnesota, that the Le Sueur County Leaders be and the same hereby designated the official paper of the Village of Heidelberg, Minnesota. Resolution was adopted by unanimous votes of all members of the council.

SPECIAL MEETING

August 15, 1898

For the purpose to allow a license again of Albert F. Barta and Albert Ambroz. The bonds of Albert F. Barta with sureties, John Barta and Vencel Hruby was called O. K. and license was granted to said Albert Barta who paid \$500.00 in to the treasury. Also the bond of Albert Ambroz with the sureties of Jacob Odenthal and Jacob Prochaska was called O. K. and license was

granted to said Albert Ambroz with \$500.00 in treasury.

December 3, 1898

Mr. Henry Kimmett appeared before the council resigned office as Village Marshall, on certain cause that he had to resign. The village council accepted his resignation on resolution by Jos. Bicek and seconded by Jos. Vales. Mr. Walsh, teacher of school Dist. #7 was and is hereby authorized to buy a globe for the school of District No. 7 for about \$36.00 which money shall be appropriated out of the Village License Fund and to be benefited for said Dist. No. 7. The motion was carried by unanimous vote.

January 7, 1899

John Zika of the Village of Heidelberg was appointed for village marshall with salary of \$13.00 a month. The vote was carried unanimously for said John Zika. Said John Zika executed bond of \$200.00 to the Village Council, with two good sureties and the bond was approved by Village Pres. On motion it was resolved to organize fire company composing of not more than 25 members. It was called "The Volunteers Fire Department of the Village of Heidelberg":

1. Henry Kimmett for chief.
2. Albert Ambroz for ass. chief.
3. Fred Ihrig for captain of hose.
4. James Zika for captain of hooks and ladder.
5. Jos. Janousek for captain of nozzle.
6. Jos. Janda for captain of nozzle.
7. Albert F. Barta.
8. John Zika.
9. Jos. Bicek.
10. Jos. Benhart.
11. Jos. Kohout.
12. James Kohout.
13. Peter Kaufenburg.
14. Jos. Janda Sr.
15. George Ihrig.
16. Theodore Hefile.
17. M. C. Walsh.
18. John Ambroz.

March 4, 1899

Mr. Albert Ambroz appeared before the council with treasurer's book and compared the books of Village Recorder which books agrees that the treasurer received the treasury \$1,611.66 and paid out during the year from March 4, 1898 to March 4, 1899 \$1,058.31. Remain on treasury March 4, 1899-\$553.25.

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SPECIAL MEETING

April 15, 1899

Purpose to appoint assessor in and for the Village of Heidelberg according to law, and levy tax which shall be worked or paid for the streets. On Motion it was resolved to levy on each hundred dollars assessed as shown in assessment roll 50c to be ordered to work off or pay the street commissioner.

August 5, 1899

Resolved that Mr. W. Hilgers to be notified to come and fix and put in good order the village well.

SPECIAL MEETING

September 23, 1899

For the purpose of granting Liquor License for the applicant A. F. Barta. The bond of Albert F. barta with two good sureties was found O. K. License was granted and Albert F. Barta paid \$500.00 in the Village Treasury.

SPECIAL MEETING

November 11, 1899

The meeting was held for the purpose to appoint Village Marshall. John Zika of Heidelberg was by unanimous vote appointed with a salary of \$12.00 a month during winter months. The marshall shall serve from 4:00 P.M. to 12:00 P.M. at night in winter months, he shall further attend the water works. He shall further light up the street lamps and let them burn from 5:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.

SPECIAL MEETING

November 23, 1899

Reason of meeting is to issue Liquor License to Albert Ambroz. The bond with sureties was examined and found all O. K. Albert Ambroz paid the Village Treasury \$500.00 and was issued licenses on the same day.

ANNUAL VILLAGE ELECTION OF THE VILLAGE OF HEIDELBERG

March 13, 1900

Henry Kimmet, President of Council, Josef Kohout, Josef Bicek, and Theodore Hefle were declared elected trustees. Albert Ambroz, treasurer, Joseph Janda, Recorder, B. M. Unger, Justice of the Peace, and Peter Kaufenberg, elected constable. Thirty ballots were cast.

May 5, 1900

On motion it was resolved to appoint street commissioner in the Village of Heidelberg and Mr. Frank Heil was appointed. On motion it was

resolved that the street commissioner shall receive \$1.25 a day by actually attending the work on the street.

On May 9, 1900 an agreement was made with Rev. A. Kotouc, Catholic priest of Parish of St. Scholastica and village council for the sum of \$20.00 to use the church bell for:

1. fire alarms.
2. to call members of Fire Department to meetings.
3. to ring the bell and call the members of fire department to any and all drillings.

SPECIAL MEETING

May 12, 1900

Purpose to let out the work to dig a ditch on the last side of the bridge along the willows. It was resolved to cover the willows with hay and then draw the dirt upon and cover the same as well as possible. The ditch shall be 5 feet wide on top and 2½ feet deep. Jos. Janda was appointed to superintending the work. Workers shall be paid \$1.25 a day.

December 1, 1900

On resolution that two trees standing near the John Simon's place are standing right in the sidewalk and are in way of public walk, that said trees shall be cut down and put away.

March 19, 1901

VILLAGE ELECTION OF THE VILLAGE OF HEIDELBERG

Henry Kimmet was declared elected President of Council, Joseph Vales, Joseph Bicek, and Joseph Kohout elected for trustees, Albert Ambroz village treasurer, Jos. Janda was declared elected village recorder, Albert F. Barta and Henry Kimmet elected for justices. John Zika and William Weiers declared elected constable. 29 ballots were cast.

Cash on hand and receipts during the	
years 1900-1901	\$1,584.38
Disbursements	\$ 636.53

March 16, 1901 cash on hand

June 1, 1901

The levy on tax payers to work on the street were fixed 30c on each hundred dollars of the assessment value of the year 1900.

SPECIAL MEETING

July 5, 1901

On Motion, C. C. Kolars was appointed Village Attorney for the present fiscal year, and

his compensation shall be fixed at \$25.00 and necessary traveling expense for each trip in excess of five miles made by him to this village at request of the council.

December 7, 1901

Albert F. Barta and Albert Ambroz received a license to sell intoxicating liquors upon a receipt of \$500.00 each.

March 11, 1901

Annual village election were Fred Ihrig - president of council, Wm. Weiers, Frank Heil and Henry Mader were elected trustees, John Ambroz - treasurer, Albert Ambroz - recorder, Joseph Janda - justice of the peace, John Zika - constable, Oscar Kimmet - constable. Twenty-five ballots were cast in all.

SPECIAL MEETING

April 12, 1902

John Zika was hired as village marshall for the salary of \$25.00 per month.

SPECIAL MEETING

April 16, 1902

Joseph Janda was appointed village assessor for the year 1902. Salary was \$12.00 per year.

SPECIAL MEETING

June 23, 1902

Purpose of meeting to check the assessor's books. The council found the books in shape.

February 27, 1903

Board of audit met, and the annual statement of receipts and disbursements was checked. Receipts ending Feb. 27, 1903 were: \$1,836.57

563.60 Disbursements

\$1,272.97 Balance in treasury on Feb. 27, 1903

SPECIAL MEETING

March 18, 1903

The newly elected officers qualified for their offices namely: Fred Ihrig - president of the council, Wm. Weiers, Frank Heil, and John Zika as councilmen, Albert Ambroz - village recorder, John Ambroz - treasurer, Joseph Janda - assessor, Peter Kaufenberg - street commissioner.

SPECIAL MEETING

April 18, 1903

For the purpose to fix up windmill. The windmill shall have 6 wings, new cross wood, shall be oak. Wings shall be basewood or pine.

The windmill shall be painted two times. While wheel red paint. Council allowed \$18.00 to fix the windmill.

February 6, 1904

On motion of 2 councilmen it allowed \$25.00 to the school Dist. No. 7 for a library.

March 1, 1904

Results of the annual village election: A. T. Barta - president, Joseph Bicek, Peter Kaufenberg, and Jos. Vales - trustees, Albert Ambroz - recorder, Wm. Weiers - treasurer, Joseph Janda - assessor, Albert Ambroz and Henry Kimmet were elected justices of the peace. Oscar Kimmet and Jos. Janda - constables, Frank Heil - street commissioner. 22 ballots were cast.

March 1, 1904

Fred Ihrig asked the council to accept John Rauland for a fireman with Fire Co. No. 1. The council accepted him. A. T. Barta appeared before the council to ask the council to increase the fireman's salary to 50c a month. Council allowed it.

April 2, 1904

Council agreed to build a tower for fire alarm and instructed the recorder to post up the notice for sealed bids. At a special meeting on April 12, 1904, bids were opened and Peter Kaufenberg's bid of \$52.50 was accepted and he shall have the tower completed before the next regular meeting.

April 1, 1905

Joseph Janda was appointed as Health Officer for the term of 3 years. Treasurer's salary will be 2c on the dollar, for the money paid out by him. Recorder's salary will be \$40.00 a year. Assessor's salary will be \$10.00 per year. Police salary will be \$15.00 per month and shall work according to the ordinance. If he fails to perform his duties he shall be fined 50c. If he is seen without his star on, he will be fined 50c. If he is not on duty between 6:00 P.M. and 12:00 P.M. he will be fined \$1.00.

If a council member misses a meeting he shall not be paid for the month. The health officer will not get his pay until he proves he did some work. The council instructed the recorder to send notice to Pauline Hauber not to plant on the street ground.

January 4, 1906

Council will give out notice to the village marshall that his salary will go to Jan. 15, 1906.

after that he will get only \$5.00 per month. Also the firemen of the village will only get paid \$5.00 a month.

March 13, 1906

Election of village council results: Albert Ambroz - president, Oscar Kimmert, John Ambroz, and John Prochaska - trustees, Jos. Janda - recorder, and Wm. Weiers - treasurer.

April 7, 1906

Frank Heil was appointed for health officer for the next 3 years.

Wencel Soukup was appointed for the street commissioner, Oscar Kimmert and John Ambroz were appointed for street committee.

On motion it was resolved to levy taxes on road work 30c on \$100.00 taxable property. Joseph Lusk was appointed to light up the street lamps and ring the bell every evening at 9:00 P.M. for the monthly salary of \$5.00.

November 3, 1906

Dr. J. B. White from the city of Montgomery was hired for Physician Board of Health according to Law for \$15.00 a year.

January 4, 1908

On Letter received from State Auditor Iverson to send 2% license fee received to State Treasurer for inebriate fund as the law requires of 1907.

March 7, 1908

The books were examined and compared and it showed:

Income \$843.81
Paid Out 340.87

Left in Treasury March 7, 1908 \$502.97

April 3, 1909

Road tax was levied on 30c of each \$100 assessed. Motion resolved that Poll tax shall be worked by each and every inhabitant who is 21 years old. Each one shall work one day.

October 1, 1910

Albert Ambroz was granted a license to sell liquors in Village of Heidelberg and paid the Treasurer \$500.

December 3, 1910

The lockup blank was sent from State Board of Control to inspect the village lock up. Joseph Janda one of the health officers did inspect said lockup and found all in good condition except the water pail is too rusty and the floor in front room shall be repainted.

March 18, 1911

The new council of the village of Heidelberg qualified to their respectable offices as follows: Fred Ihrig, President; Joseph Cap, John Prochaska, and Louis Barta as Councilman; Albert Ambroz, Treasurer; Charles Barta, Village Assessor; Joseph Janda, Village Recorder.

June 3, 1911

Charly Scharf, the well driller, came to Heidelberg saying that he won't do anything on the old well, he would take contract to drill new well for the village.

May 3, 1913

Recorder Albert Ambroz presented letter from County Attorney asking the council to pay the Liquor License Tax for 3 years amount of \$150.00. The Council considered it, and didn't know whether the law compelled them to pay it or not. So council agreed to appoint Fred Ihrig to see some attorney and report by next meeting whether the whole bill shall be allowed or one half of it.

August 2, 1913

A letter was read from County Attorney, Council took that in consideration and allowed to pay the County Attorney \$75 that day and then see if other cities and villages pay whole claim, if they do, so will we.

January 3, 1914

Recorder read letter from County Attorney for the balance of liquor license tax. Council ordered recorder to notify the village treasurer to send the \$75 to County Treasurer not later than Monday, January 5, 1914.

SPECIAL MEETING

April 18, 1914

Purpose of appointing a special policeman to serve on Monday and Tuesday, April 20, and 21, 1914. Motion made, seconded, and carried Max Mader was appointed special policeman to serve from 5 o'clock p.m. Monday to 5 o'clock a.m. on Tuesday and from 5 o'clock p.m. Tuesday to 5 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday. And it was decided that he should receive \$2.50 for each service.

August 1, 1914

Joseph Vales member of the Street Committee reported that the sidewalk leading to the public school needs repairing and after due consideration the council on motion instructed said Joseph Vales to repair the same

as for the school property. The planks and other material for doing this work to be furnished by the village.

November 7, 1914

The matter of posting notices in the village limits ordering automobile owners to reduce speed to 8 miles per hour was taken up and after due consideration it was on motion decided to have notices painted and posted. Said work to be performed by John Prochaska.

March 9, 1915

Annual village election was held. Fred Ihrig - President of Council, Louis Barta, Albert Ambroz, Joseph Benhart - Trustees, John Ambroz - Treasurer, C. B. Barta - Clerk, Albert Ambroz - Justice of Peace, Joseph Bicek - Assessor, Henry Wagner - Constable.

April 3, 1915

Resolved that the property owners of real estate adjoining main street a principal highway in the village of Heidelberg are hereby ordered to construct sidewalks. Said sidewalks are ordered to be 5 feet wide and to be constructed of cement or cement blocks on or before June 1, 1915. Village Clerk shall hereby order and send notices of the resolution to owners of real estate adjoining said main street in village of Heidelberg.

May 1, 1915

The matter regarding the construction of cement or cement block sidewalks was now taken up and after due consideration the village clerk was ordered to write to Attorney C. D. McCarthy, Montgomery, Mn. and obtain his advice and opinion to spend public funds in the construction of cement sidewalks.

June 2, 1915

Motion was made by Joseph Benhart and seconded by Louis Barta that a new ordinance be drawn relative to sidewalks and that \$8 be paid by the village to property owners of real estate adjoining main street, for every rod of cement sidewalk constructed by them. And that said sidewalks are to be completed on or before July 1, 1916.

July 3, 1915

Attorney C. D. McCarthy of Montgomery was present at the meeting to get the views of the members of the village council relative to the new sidewalks ordinance. After due consideration Attorney McCarthy was instructed to draw new ordinance relative to

cement sidewalks. On motion the Montgomery Messenger was designated as the official paper of the village.

October 7, 1916

Albert Barbec appeared before the council relative to the windmill tower, which he desired to purchase. After due consideration and in view of the fact the tower is no longer in use, his offer of \$22 was accepted.

SPECIAL MEETING

October 24, 1917

Meeting was called to order by the president, John Prochaska. Members were all present. The meeting was called for the purpose of deciding whether or not said village shall buy Liberty Bonds. On this the council unanimously decided not to buy any of said bonds.

SPECIAL MEETING

January 31, 1918

The meeting was called by the President to appoint a police officer in the village on Friday afternoon, February 1, on account of a political meeting being held at Ambroz Hall. On motion made and seconded Frank Soukup was appointed officer for the occasion for which he is to receive \$2.50.

April 6, 1918

Councilman Max Mader brought before the council that the priest would like to have some stoves which are laying on the village lot. On due consideration the council decided not to dispose of any of the stoves for the village will need them for its own use.

November 2, 1918

The Clerk was ordered to write the state Engineer about fixing old bridge between Mary Cap and Kimmets and make a report at next meeting.

March 11, 1919

Annual village election. The following men were elected: John Prochaska - President, Albert Ambroz - Treasurer, John Ambroz, Mac Mader, and Louis Barta - Trustees, Theodore Schultz - Clerk, George Dryer - Assessor, Henry Wagner - Justice of Peace, Joseph Bicek and Joseph Vales - Constables.

June 7, 1919

Albert Ambroz, Sr., was granted a license with the understanding that if the saloons close July 1, 1919, he shall be refunded the

remainder of the license, but if the saloons remain open any length of time after July 1, 1919, he shall pay the full amount which is \$500.

February 7, 1920

A letter was presented by Theodore Schultz from Henry Riner, State Treas., informing the council to make a refund on the liquor license issued in the village in 1919. On this the council took action and refunded \$389.60 which would leave \$110.40 which would be the liquor license received from Albert Ambroz from April 12, 1919, to July 1, 1919.

The clerk did not hear from Mr. Nicols, State Engineer in regards to the bill of \$9.00 for the drag used by Jim Tuma on state road all season, so the Clerk was ordered to write again in regard to said bill of \$9.

March 8, 1920

Board of Audit met. The books of the village Treasurer and village Clerk were examined, audited, and approved.

The total receipts were	\$1,152.60
Refundment of Liquor License	389.60
Total Disbursements	744.95

Leaving balance in the village \$ 408.63

Leaving balance in the village treasury of \$408.63 on March 8, 1920.

VILLAGE ELECTION

March 9, 1920

John Prochaska, President, Louis Barta, Max Mader, John Ambroz - Trustees, Albert Ambroz - Treasurer, Charles Barta - Clerk, Frank Hauber - Justice of the Peace, Henry Wagner - Constable. 12 ballots were cast in all.

SPECIAL MEETING

July 7, 1920

For the purpose of acting upon the complaint of trustee M. Mader relative to noxious weeds growing on land in the village limits. On motion the street committee was instructed to notify street commissioner Charles Janda to cut down all noxious weeds growing alongside of the road in village of Heidelberg.

March 7, 1921

Board of Audit met. The books of the village treasurer and village Clerk were examined and on motin approved.

The receipts were \$408.63

Disbursements 281.65

Balance in Treasury \$126.98

ANNUAL VILLAGE ELECTION

March 8, 1921

John Prochaska - President of Council, Joseph Benhart, Louis Barta, Ben Kimmit - Trustees, Albert Ambroz - Treasurer, C. B. Barta - Clerk, Joseph Bicek - Assessor, Frank Hauber - Justice of Peace, John Kohout and Henry Wagner - Constables.

April 2, 1921

Dr. F. C. Westerman was appointed Health Officer and Village Physician for one year.

Joseph Benhart and Ben Kimmet were appointed to the street committee.

Salaries for the year were set as follows; Street commissioner, Treasurer, President, and Trustees \$15.00 per year, Clerk \$45.00 per year, Health Officer and Physician \$10.00, Road work \$0.30 per hour, with team \$0.60 per hour.

June 27, 1921

The assessed valuation of the personal property, as returned by the assessor, was found to be \$2,347.00; of money and credits \$2,900.

August 6, 1921

Resolved that the following sum of money be levied and assessed upon the taxable property of the Village of Heidelberg for the following purposes for the current year; Revenue tax \$300.00. Unanimously passed.

SPECIAL MEETING

October 27, 1921

Relative to the filling up of the ditch on the road alongside of the J. Odepthal property. After due consideration, on motion made, seconded, the Clerk was ordered to immediately notify Jacob Odenthal not to plow into the ditch or in dragging, not to turn on the road, thereby filling the ditch alongside his property in the Village of Heidelberg. There being no further business, adjourned.

January 7, 1922

Due to the absence of Pres. Janda, Ben Kimmit was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Pres. Janda, who resigned due to the fact that he no longer is a resident of the Village.

ELECTION

March 14, 1922

Ben Kimmet was elected president, Joseph Benhart, Louis Barta, and Henry Wagner were elected Trustees. Albert Ambroz was elected Treasurer, C. B. Barta was elected Clerk, Frank Huber and Henry Wagner were elected Justices of Peace, and Henry Wagner and Jos. Benhart were elected Constables.

April 1, 1922

Geo. Dreyer appeared before the council relative to the culvert near his property, which had filled up and the water was running over the road. He was, on motion, authorized to drain the water by digging across the road over the culvert, and placing planks over this opening so that the road would be in a passable condition. It was decided to have this culvert set in properly after the road will be dry enough to do the work right.

May 6, 1922

Joseph Vales was appointed to fill the vacancy of Trustee caused by the refusal to serve by Trustee-elect Benhart.

VILLAGE ELECTION

March 13, 1923

Ben Kimmet was elected President, Louis Barta, Henry Wagner and Joseph Vales were elected Trustees. Albert Ambroz was elected Treasurer, C. B. Barta was elected Clerk, Geo. Dreyer was elected Assessor. John Kohout and Henry Wagner were elected Justices of the Peace and Henry Wagner and J. Kohout were elected Constables.

June 2, 1923

Application of Albert Ambroz to hold dances in the Ambroz Hall upon the following dates; 1923, June 3, 10, 17, 24, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, August 5, 12, 19, 25, Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28, Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25, was taken up. Permission granted upon payment of fee of \$5.00 to the village treasury. The council now took up the matter of designating a Police Officer to serve on June 3 in accordance with Chapter 134 Session Laws of Minnesota, 1923, Relating to public dances. Ben Kimmet was appointed.

June 25, 1923

Assessed valuation of personal property by assessor was \$2,489; and of money and credits \$4,100. Structures added between May, 1922 and May 1, 1923 were: Dreyers' Garage, \$240.00 and Ambroz and Weier's garage, \$1,400.00.

ELECTION

March 11, 1924

President of Council, John Zika, Trustees, L. Barta, J. Benhart and F. Ambroz. Treasurer, Albert Ambroz, Clerk, C. B. Barta, Justices of the Peace, Ben Kimmet and J. Ninneman. Constable, John Kohout.

May 3, 1924

Application by Albert Ambroz for dance permit, to hold 30 dances for the summer, was granted. Ben Kimmet was appointed by the Council to Police the same.

SPECIAL MEETING

July 22, 1924

After due consideration and in view of the fact that the Assessor failed to perform his duties and the work of assessing the village could not be completed in time for review by the County Board, the Council consulted Atty. A. J. Phil Jelinek of New Prague before acting upon the resignation of Geo. Dreyer.

July 23, 1924

After due consideration on motion made, seconded and carried, the resignation of Geo. Dreyer as assessor of the Village of Heidelberg was not accepted and the clerk was, on motion, ordered to notify the County Atty. that said Geo. Dreyer failed to perform his duties of Assessor for the year 1924.

July 29, 1924

Communication from the Minnesota Tax Commission relative to the Assessor's resignation was read by Clerk. After consideration, upon motion, it was decided that final action be taken July 30, 1924.

Frank A. Ambroz presented his resignation as Trustee, upon motion, seconded, carried, was accepted.

July 30, 1924

The communication from Minnesota Tax Commission relative to the Assessor's resignation was again considered. After due consideration the resignation was accepted. Frank A. Ambroz was appointed Assessor to fill the vacancy.

August 2, 1924

It was decided that the Board of Review meet as soon as the Assessor has completed his work.

August 6, 1924

The assessed valuation of personal property was \$1,896.00, of money and credits \$2,450.00,

of unplatted real estate \$9,677.00 and of platted real estate \$1,626.00.

October 4, 1924

Resignation of Frank A. Ambroz as assessor was accepted. Upon motion, seconded and carried, Frank Ambroz was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Board.

January 3, 1925

The matter of repairing the bell tower was approved as soon as lumber could be obtained to do the necessary work.

ELECTION

March 10, 1925

John Zika elected president, L. Barta, H. Wagner, and F. Ambroz elected Trustees. A. Ambroz elected treasurer, C. B. Barta elected Clerk, Geo. Dreyer elected Assessor, B. Ademmer and Mrs. J. Ninneman elected Justices of Peace and Ben Kimmet and John Ninneman elected Constables.

August 1, 1925

Resolved that the following sum of money be levied and assessed upon the taxable property of the Village of Heidelberg for the following purpose for the current year: Revenue Tax \$250.00.

Since most of the ladders are gone from the village hall when needed, it was, on motion, decided that Trustee Wagner take charge of the ladders and see that if same are used by anyone in the village, the same are to be returned to the hall every evening.

October 3, 1925

A permit was issued to Albert Ambroz to hold dances from Oct. 10 to March 1, 1926. The fee of \$5.00 to be paid to the treasury.

April 3, 1926

Joe Benhart was appointed to fill vacancy of Trustee caused by the death of H. Wagner.

April 24, 1926

Application of Albert Ambroz to hold dances from April 25 to March 1, 1927 was granted upon payment of \$5.00 to the Village Treasury. Upon motion Louis Prochaska was appointed Police Officer.

June 5, 1926

Mrs. Christina Wagner appeared before the board and asked for support. She stated that she was without means and unable to earn a living. After due consideration the Council

decided to grant her \$2.00 per month and furnish wood. In regard to the wood, it was decided to furnish only as much wood as members of the Board think would be absolutely necessary for heating and cooking.

December 4, 1926

On motion made, seconded, and carried, it was decided to deliver a truck load of coal to Mrs. Christina Wagner.

February 5, 1927

Mrs. Christina Wagner appeared before the council and stated that she needed fuel and flour and also stated that in consideration of the aid and support given her by the Village of Heidelberg, she would like to transfer her property in the village to the Village of Heidelberg, reserving the right to use and occupy the premises for her own use and benefit during the term of her natural life. Since this would be no more than right, she was advised, by the council, to do this as soon as convenient. As regards to the fuel and flour, the council, on motion, decided to furnish same to said Mrs. Wagner.

March 3, 1928

Among bills paid for this month, a bill for \$40.59 to C. B. Barta, Village Clerk. This included his yearly salary of \$35.00 plus ballots, blanks, postage, and stationery, plus recording the Wagner deed, Wagner property to the Village of Heidelberg, and taxes on the Wagner real estate. These were not itemized, but \$40.59 minus \$35.00 leaves \$5.59 for the other items mentioned.

April 7, 1928

Bills paid this month: Mrs. C. Wagner, allowance for necessities:

\$2.00 and \$4.50 for 100# of flour total	\$6.50
C. B. Barta, Clerk of annual election	\$2.25
Jos. Benhart, Judge of election	\$2.25
Louis Barta, 1 cord wood sawed for Mrs. Wagner	\$6.00

June 25, 1928

Assessed valuation as returned by Assessor was as follows: Personal property \$2,326.00, Money and credits \$1,850.00, Real estate platted \$2,892.00, unplatted real estate \$8,773.00.

Sept. 1, 1928

Resolution passed: Resolved that the following sum of money be levied and assessed

upon the taxable property of the Village of Heidelberg for the year 1928, Revenue Tax \$250.00.

December 1, 1928

On motion decided that the village president and clerk file a claim against the county for expenses incurred in caring for Mrs. Christina Wagner, pauper.

February 2, 1929

On motion, no allowance was made for Mrs. Wagner this month, as care and necessities are furnished to her during her illness by those who are caring for her.

October 4, 1930

On motion, decided to gravel portion of road leading to the cemetery, that is in poor condition. The village president was authorized to hire truck driver and do this work. On motion decided to purchase 200 feet of snow fence and necessary posts for the cemetery hill road.

November 1, 1930

Bills allowed: H. E. Westerman - Snow fence and posts \$23.10
F. A. Svejda - Hauling snow fence and posts \$ 2.00

ELECTION

December, 1930

Election results were not listed, however, taken from the minutes in the following year we assume these people were elected. President John Ninneman, Clerk C. B. Barta, Assessor B. K. Ademmer, Trustees F. A. Ambroz and Jos. Cap, Treasurer Albert Ambroz.

July 11, 1931

The matter of cutting noxious weeds was taken up, on motion President Ninneman was instructed to notify property owners to cut noxious weeds on their property and along the road in the village.

January 2, 1932

Bills paid to John Ninneman, salary as Village President, removing and setting up snow fence, and burying dead hog. \$14.60. John Prochaska is the new president and Jos. Bicek the Trustee.

July 5, 1932

Assessed valuation was as follows: Personal property \$2,272.00, Money and credits

\$1,000.00, unplatted real estate \$8,807.00, platted real estate \$2,628.00.

September 3, 1932

Resolution adopted to levy \$200.00 revenue tax.

April 1, 1933

Albert Ambroz appeared before the Council relating to a license for selling non-intoxicating malt liquor. A discussion followed relative to the ordinance which would be necessary before the license could be granted and regarding application and license blanks, but no action was taken at this meeting. It was decided to gravel the cemetery road as soon as weather permits.

SPECIAL MEETING

April 10, 1933

After due consideration, on motion made, seconded and carried, it was decided that an ordinance be drawn up to regulate the sale of non-intoxicating malt liquor. There being no Village Attorney, the Clerk was authorized to draw it up, published, and ready for a special meeting, April 11, 1933.

SPECIAL MEETING

April 11, 1933

Ordinance No. 11 was approved and ordered published in the New Prague Times in the April 13, 1933, issue.

SPECIAL MEETING

April 17, 1933

On sale and off sale license application of Albert Ambroz was approved and granted. Frank Kohout appeared and stated that he would like to purchase the now vacant house and lot (formerly Mrs. Wagner's house) now belonging to the Village. He was advised that this matter would be taken up at the regular meeting May 6, 1933. The printers affidavit of publication of Ordinance No. 11 was presented and approved.

June 3, 1933

On motion made, seconded, and carried, it was decided to pay \$1.50 per 2 yard load for gravel for the cemetery road. This price to include gravel, loading and hauling. Also, it was decided to apply 25 to 30 two yard loads. Payment for man labor would be \$1.50 per day and for a man with team \$3.00 per day.

July 1, 1933

On motion the following bills were allowed: M. J. Simmer, funeral services for Mrs.

\$8,807.00,

Wagner (casket, service and hearse) \$75.00.

October 7, 1933

Mrs. M. Prochaska and son, Frank Prochaska, appeared and asked that order be maintained on dance nights. On motion made, seconded, and carried, the village president was directed to notify Albert Ambroz, proprietor of the dance hall, to secure the services of a Deputy Sheriff to maintain order whenever a dance is held hereafter.

June 25, 1934

Assessed valuation was as follows: Personal property \$1,902.00, Money and credits \$350.00, Platted real estate \$1,770.00, and unplatted real estate \$5,522.00.

January 5, 1935

Bills audited and allowed:

- C. B. Barta, Salary as village clerk and election clerk \$37.55
- Ben Kimmet, Judge of village election . . \$ 2.55
- John Prochaska, Salary as village president \$10.00
- Jos. Cap, Judge of village election \$ 2.55
- Jos. Bicek, Salary as village Trustee . . . \$10.00
- Frank Ambroz, Salary as village Trustee \$10.00
- Albert Ambroz, Salary as village Treasurer \$10.00
- John Zika, Salary as village Trustee . . . \$10.00

February 2, 1935

Salaries for the Council were set same as many years in the past as follows: President, Treasurer, and Trustees \$10.00 each, Village Physician and Health Officer \$5.00, Village Clerk \$35.00, and Assessor \$20.00.

May 4, 1935

Dr. F. C. Westerman was again appointed village physician for one year, as in many years of the past.

SPECIAL MEETING

May, 1935

The request of Trustee Zika for a culvert for the driveway at John Ninneman's was taken up and after due consideration, Trustee Ambroz was, on motion, authorized to confer with Mr. Ninneman relative to doing or having the work done.

March 7, 1936

John Zika appeared before the council relative to the purchase of the former Wagner home, now belonging to the Village. After due

consideration, it was decided to sell the house to the highest bidder at the April 4, 1936, 7:00 meeting.

April 4, 1936

A number of bids were submitted for the purchase of the former Wagner house, the bid of B. K. Ademmer, in the amount of \$21.00, being the highest, was accepted and said house sold to B. K. Ademmer.

June 22, 1936

Assessed valuation was as follows: Personal property \$1,802.00, Money and credits \$1,905.00, Platted real estate \$1,761.00, and unplatted real estate \$5,656.00.

January 2, 1937

President of council A. F. Ambroz, Assessor B. K. Ademmer, Treasurer Ray Ambroz, Trustee Frank Ambroz.

July 3, 1937

The matter of street lights was taken up and after due consideration, it was, on motion, decided to have four lights put up. The bulbs to be about 150 watt size and the village to pay 50 cents per month for a period not to exceed five months. Two of the lights to be furnished by B. K. Ademmer and two by A. F. Ambroz. The payment as above to be made to these parties.

May 7, 1938

Motion made by F. A. Ambroz, seconded by John Ninneman and carried, to construct the cemetery road as soon as same is surveyed.

SPECIAL MEETING

July 18, 1938

Wm. Wacker was present and stated that he has his road building equipment here and proposed to construct this road as surveyed for the sum of \$120.00. After due consideration on motion made, seconded and carried, the proposal of Wm. Wacker was accepted and work to start immediately. Payments for said work to be made when sufficient funds are in the treasury for this purpose. On motion, John Ninneman was hired to remove the culverts on the west end of the road. Parts of which are to be used for the driveways on the road to be graded.

August 6, 1938

Wm. Wacker was paid one half for grading the road, \$60.00.

September 3, 1938

Resolved that the following sum be levied upon the taxable property of the Village of Heidelberg for the year 1938: Revenue Tax \$150.00.

January 7, 1939

Wm. Wacker was paid balance due on the road grading job \$60.00.

SPECIAL MEETING

April 12, 1939

This meeting was held to act upon the matter relating to the license and regulating the sale of intoxicating liquor in the Village of Heidelberg.

April 22, 1939

Ordinance No. 12 relative to licensing and regulating the sale of intoxicating liquor in the Village of Heidelberg was presented and adopted. The Montgomery Messenger was designated to publish the ordinance.

May 6, 1939

The affidavit of publication of Ordinance No. 12 was presented and ordered filed. The application of A. F. Ambroz for On and Off sale Intoxicating Liquor License was received and approved.

SPECIAL MEETING

May 20, 1939

The clerk read a letter from the Liquor Control Commissioner relative to the Off-sale Intoxicating Liquor License of A. F. Ambroz. After due consideration, on motion made, seconded, and carried, it was decided to amend Ordinance No. 12 with No. 13.

May 4, 1940

Village Pres. A. F. Ambroz presented a petition signed by a number of residents of the Village asking that a portion of the main road in the Village be oiled. Since the road was constructed and is maintained by the county it was, on motion of Trustee Frank Ambroz, seconded by Trustee John Ninneman, and carried, decided that the village President be authorized to appear before the Board of County Commissioners at their next meeting in regard to the oiling of the road. It was further decided to offer \$50.00, the amount the Village would pay if the county would do this work.

June 24, 1940

Assessed valuations were as follows: Personal property \$2,192.00, Money and

credits \$755.00, Platted real estate \$1,930.00, and Unplatted real estate \$6,557.00.

April 4, 1941

On motion made, seconded, and carried, that the salary of the Village Treasurer be fixed at \$50.00 for the year 1941.

September 3, 1941

Resolution to levy and assess taxable property for the year 1941. Revenue tax: \$100.00.

January 7, 1942

Salaries for the year 1942 for the Village officials is as follows: Village President and Trustees \$10.00 each, Treasurer \$50.00, Physician and Health officer \$5.00 each, Assessor \$20.00, and Clerk \$40.00. License for resale of cigarettes and tobacco was issued to Albert Ambroz after resolutions were drawn up regulating sale and licensening thereof.

SPECIAL MEETING

April 13, 1942

Application for on and off sale of non-intoxicating malt liquor and on and off sale license of intoxicating liquor were accepted and approved by the council for Ray Ambroz.

June 22, 1942

Assessed valuation of village as follows: Personal property \$2,314.00, Money and credits \$180.00, Platted real estate, \$1,930.00, Unplatted real estate \$6,648.00.

SPECIAL MEETING

April 8, 1944

Application of Albert Ambroz for the license to sell non-intoxicating malt liquor was approved and granted.

SPECIAL MEETING

April 26, 1944

Application of Albert Ambroz for the license to sell intoxicating liquor was approved and granted.

June 3, 1944

The matter of repairing the village hall was now brought up and after due consideration it was, on motion made, seconded, and carried, decided to sell the present village hall since it is in such poor condition. It would be very costly and almost impossible to properly repair it and in its present condition is a fire hazard. Moved and carried to purchase some suitable house and move same to the location of the former

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Wagner property, which belongs to the village. Also decided to sell the lot upon which the present village hall now stands. Trustee F. A. Ambroz reported that B. K. Ademmer has a suitable house which could be moved to the new location and that Mr. Ademmer offers to sell same to the village for \$200.00, payable in four equal yearly installments as follows: \$50.00 in 1945, \$50.00 in 1946, \$50.00 in 1947 and the final \$50.00 payment in 1948. After due consideration on motion made and carried, said offer was accepted. The time to move the house to be decided at some subsequent meeting. Offer of Mrs. Anna Svejda of \$25.00 for the lot (not including the village hall). Payment to be made upon transfer of property. (Village hall to be either wrecked or removed in 1944). On motion made, seconded, and carried, said offer was accepted.

June 5, 1944

On motion the application for transfer of the On sale license to sell intoxicating liquor by A. F. Ambroz to Ray Ambroz was granted. Application for an Off sale license was approved and granted.

June 26, 1944

The assessed valuation was as follows: Platted real estate \$1,937.00, Unplatted real estate \$6,801.00, Personal property \$2,694.00.

July 1, 1944

On motion decided to accept bids for old village hall at the Sept. 2 meeting. Bids to be opened at 8:00 P.M.

September 2, 1944

Only one bid was received, Hubert L. Barten bid \$26.00 for the village hall and bell tower. He may remove same any time prior to December 31, 1944. Resolved that the following money be levied on taxable property in the Village of Heidelberg: Revenue Tax \$100.00.

January 6, 1945

C. B. Barta, who was re-elected Clerk in the December election for a two year term, stated that he desired to resign. Said resignation to take effect February 1, 1945. He asked the Council to appoint a clerk for the unexpired term. The resignation of Frank A. Ambroz as Trustee, effective February 1, 1945, was accepted. On motion made, seconded, and carried, John Prochaska was appointed Clerk.

SPECIAL MEETING

September 4, 1946

An Ordinance (No. 13) was adopted to allow Northern States Power to erect, operate, and maintain transmission lines and distribution systems to furnish electricity for the village and its inhabitants.

January 4, 1947

The resignation of Jos. Cap was accepted, leaving the office of Trustee vacant. Frank A. Ambroz was appointed to fill the vacancy. Official oaths of Treasurer Ray Ambroz, Trustee John Prochaska, and Clerk Richard Prochaska were presented and on motion, ordered filed. Salaries were set as follows: President \$10.00, Treasurer \$37.50, Trustee \$10.00, Clerk \$30.00, Assessor \$15.00, and Village physician \$10.00.

March 1, 1947

John Prochaska was appointed Municipal weed inspector. No regular meetings held May, June, July, August, September, and October.

November 1, 1947

Frank A. Ambroz was paid for moving the village hall to the village lot, \$50.00.

January 3, 1948

Salaries were set as follows: President \$10.00, Treasurer \$50.00, Trustees \$10.00, Clerk \$40.00, and Assessor \$20.00.

June 5, 1948

The matter of repairing and painting the exterior of the village hall was brought up and decided that sealed bids will be accepted for labor only, the required siding and paint to be furnished by the Village.

July 3, 1948

Ben Kimmet bid for painting and repairing of village hall was accepted at \$20.00. The last payment on same was made to B. K. Ademmer.

April 2, 1949

On and off sale liquor license was granted to Ray Ambroz and fee set at \$100.00.

August 6, 1949

On motion made, seconded, and carried, payment of bill by C. Roscoe Davis for publication of weed laws was rejected, because Village of Hiedelberg was not represented on said publication.

January 7, 1950

Meeting called to order by village President Frank Ambroz.

May 6, 1950

John Prochaska and John Ambroz were appointed to the Board of Health.

September 2, 1950

Bill allowed for Geo. A. Brezina for 17 loads of gravel at \$7.00 per load, totaling \$119.00.

November 3, 1951

Ray Ambroz was appointed to purchase new snow fencing for the Village to be erected on the Village road.

January 5, 1952

The rate of pay at each village and general election was set at \$0.75 an hour.

The following bills were allowed:

H. E. Westerman Lumber Co. for cribbing and posts	\$45.00
John Zika Salary, dragging road, and election judge	\$16.50
John Ambroz Salary as trustee	\$10.00
John Prochaska Salary, setting up fence, and election judge	\$21.90
Frank Ambroz Salary, Clerk of election ..	\$13.50
Ray Ambroz, Salary	\$50.00
Richard Prochaska Salary, stamps, stationery	\$41.00
Bernard Ademmer, Assesor salary ...	\$20.00

April 4, 1953

Discussion of the proposal of Northern States Power Co. to erect street lights in the Village was adjourned until Monday, April 6, for a special meeting.

SPECIAL MEETING

April 6, 1953

Resolution adopted: Resolved that the Village Council of the Village of Heidelberg, Le Sueur County, Minnesota, hereby accepts the offer of the Northern States Power Co., a Minnesota Corporation to furnish illumination for street lighting, produced by 4-4,000 lumen lamps, located or to be located in said Village, and hereby approves all rates, terms, conditions, and specifications contained in the proposed form of overhead street lighting contract made a part of the offer of said company, and the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the aforesaid contract for and in the name of the

Village and to affix the corporate seal thereto. Adopted by the Council April 6, 1953.

July 2, 1956

Louis Prochaska was appointed to Trustee position to fill vacancy of the deceased John Zika, who's term expired at the end of 1957.

November 4, 1957

Contract with Northern States Power Co. was renewed for a period of 5 years, for 4 lights at \$10.00 per month.

January 6, 1958

Oaths of newly elected Clerk, L. M. Kriha and Trustee, Loius Prochaska were approved. Salaries for the year were set as follows: President and Trustees \$15.00 each, Treasurer \$20.00, Assessor \$20.00, Clerk \$40.00. Any work done within and for the Village was set at \$1.00 per hour. The Clerk was instructed to contact an attorney and Register of Deeds in regard to legal proper disposal of the Town hall and the real estate within the Village of Heidelberg and to report of the findings at the next meeting.

On motion made and passed it was decided to haul some gravel on the Cemetery road.

February 3, 1958

The Clerk reported that the County attorney said there is no reason the old village hall could not be disposed of. On motion made, seconded, and carried, it was decided to sell the hall and grounds for the sum of \$200.00, with the buyer to pay all legal fees and abstract, or any expenses incurred by this transaction. Additional street light for the southern end was brought up and Village President was ordered to contact Northern States Power on this matter.

March 3, 1958

President F. A. Ambroz reported on his contact with Northern States Power, that if proper application is made, additional light would be installed. On being put to a vote, nothing was decided on this matter and it was left for further discussion.

August 9, 1958

On motion made, seconded, and carried, the Village primary election is to be held in Ted Weiers' garage. On motion made, seconded, and carried, the trustees are to move the village equipment to the Ted Weiers' garage.

March 4, 1959

Application of Lucille Ambroz for on and off

sale license to sell intoxicating liquor was granted.

April 6, 1959

Application of Lucille Ambroz for on and off sale license to sell non-intoxicating malt liquor was granted.

Resolution: Whereas, plans for state project No. 40-630-01, S6282 (2) showing proposed alignment profiles, grades, and cross-sections, together with specifications and special provisions for construction, reconstruction, improvement of County-State aid Highway 30 within the limits of the Village as a Federal Aid project, have been prepared, and presented to the Village. Now, therefore, it is resolved that said plans, specifications, and special provisions be in all things approved. Dated this 6th day of April, 1959.

December 8, 1959

John Ambroz was elected Trustee for 3 year term, Frank Ademmer was elected Clerk for a 2 year term.

January 4, 1960

Application of Lucille Ambroz for cigarette license granted.

March 7, 1960

On motion made, seconded, and carried, it was agreed to pay Ted Weiers \$15.00 per year rental for use of his garage for regular Council meetings and elections.

On motion, Dr. A. J. Lehrer, of Montgomery, was appointed Health Officer for a term ending December 31, 1960.

December 6, 1960

Frank Ambroz elected President, Ray Ambroz elected Treasurer for 2 years, Louis Prochaska elected Trustee for 3 years, and Melvin Hinderscheit elected Trustee for 2 years.

January, 1964

Louis Prochaska, Bernard Ademmer and Frank Ademmer took oaths as Council members. Salaries for Village officers were to remain same as in 1963.

June 2, 1964

The Board of Review met and accepted the assessments as provided by the assessor.

SPECIAL MEETING

June 6, 1964

This meeting was called to act upon the matter of drafting a building ordinance and to

require the use of building permits.

July 6, 1964

The Village of Heidelberg adopted an ordinance establishing building regulations.

SPECIAL MEETING

August 1, 1964

A discussion was held regarding property forfeited to the state for non-payment of taxes. A request will be made to the state to allow the Village to purchase said property to use as dump grounds.

Excerpt from the Building Ordinance approved July 6:

Section II: Business restrictions, Junk yards, automobile graveyards, garbage or refuse dumps or similar businesses shall be prohibited in the Village of Heidelberg.

December 1, 1964

Resolution was passed to amend paragraph 2, Section 8 of Ordinance 12 to read as follows: The annual fee for on sale license shall be \$100.00.

December 8, 1964

Election results, Frank Ambroz elected President, John Prochaska elected Trustee and Ray Ambroz elected Treasurer.

January 2, 1965

Resolved that salaries of Village officers shall be fixed as follows: Treasurer \$20.00, Village President and Trustees \$15.00 each, Village Clerk \$40.00 and extra for service at elections, and the Assessor \$20.00.

SPECIAL MEETING

May 10, 1965

Lucille Ambroz was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Treasurer, held by Ray Ambroz, now deceased.

BOARD OF REVIEW

June 1, 1965

Assessed valuation of real estate and personal property as evaluated by the Assessor was \$21,147.00.

June 14, 1965

Jos. P. Hinderscheit applied for and was granted a building permit to build a new house, 30' x 24' in the Village of Heidelberg.

September 4, 1965

Otto Karchewski and Leonard Hruby, trustees of Heidelberg parish, requested a

building permit for a pole type building 26' x 72' on the church property, for social purposes. After discussion the permit was granted.

October 4, 1965

Richard Ambroz requested permit to move the building from St. Scholastica church property to a lot on the west side of the Ambroz garage, permit granted.

November 5, 1965

Louis Ambroz was granted a permit for the construction of a dwelling home in Heidelberg.

December 7, 1965

Election results: Melvin Hinderscheit elected Trustee for 3 years, Frank Ademmer elected Clerk for a 2 year term, and Bernard Ademmer elected Assessor for a 2 year term.

January 3, 1966

Salaries for the village officers were fixed as follows: Treasurer \$20.00, President and Trustees \$15.00 each, Village Clerk \$40.00, Assessor \$35.00 for real estate year and \$20.00 for odd year.

March 7, 1966

Francis Cemensky applied for and was granted On and Off sale license to sell intoxicating liquor.

May 2, 1966

Jos. P. Hinderscheit applied for and was granted building permit to construct a new garage 18' x 24'.

August 29, 1966

John J. Prochaska applied for and was granted permit to build a 2 car garage, 26' x 34'.

Nov. 28, 1966

The Village received a notice from the County Assessor, stating that hereafter the office of Village Assessor is to be filled by appointment, rather than by election.

December 6, 1966

Louis Prochaska was elected Trustee.

April 3, 1967

Louis Ambroz appeared before the Council in regard to having another street light installed on the south end of main street. No action was taken.

May 18, 1967

Village Health Dr. A. J. Lehrer, of Montgomery, decided the outlet of sewer tile in front of the Louis Ambroz residence was a health hazard and the 3 owners of the sewer line should dig a pit, fill it with stones, and have the sewer pipe leading into it from the north side and leading out on the south side. The 3 responsible parties being Lawrence Plonsky, Roger Vlasek, and Wm. Hlavac.

July 11, 1967

Francis Cemensky applied for and was granted a building permit for an addition to his present place of business.

October 16, 1967

Richard Ambroz appeared before the Council in regard to a Village dump. After some discussion, the Board decided to hire Archie Tepy to dig a trench on the school property which the village had acquired from the school district.

December 5, 1967

Frank Ambroz elected President, Richard Ambroz elected Trustee for 3 year term and Lucille Prochaska elected Treasurer.

July 1, 1968

The matter of draining the Village dump was discussed and it was decided to put a culvert through John Zika's driveway where it connects to the village right-of-way. Richard Ambroz was authorized to purchase a culvert that he was aware of.

November, 1968

Revenue tax to be assessed upon the taxable property of the Village of Heidelberg for the amount of \$200.00.

December, 1968

Francis Cemensky appeared before the Council and requested a duplicate On and Off sale intoxicating liquor license to replace those lost or destroyed during the fire at his place of business.

December 3, 1968

Election results: Melvin Hinderscheit elected Trustee for 3 years and Frank Ademmer, Clerk.

January, 1969

The Village decided to enforce the laws regarding snowmobiles as it pertains to County

and State aid Highways within the limits of the village.

The Council discussed complaints concerning dogs running loose, no solution was arrived at.

1969

Francis Cemensky was granted building permit for addition to his place of business. Mr. Cemensky appeared before the council in regards to a special license for selling liquor on Sundays. After corresponding with the State Liquor Control Commissioner, the Council decided that Mr. Cemensky's establishment didn't qualify and therefore was not granted a Sunday Liquor license.

It was decided to put a woven wire fence around the dump and have it open only on Saturdays.

Norbert Ruehling was granted a permit for an addition to his residence.

Frank Ambroz was elected mayor and Louis Prochaska elected trustee. Lucille Prochaska was elected treasurer.

1970

The Village joined with other townships and approved the action taken by the New Prague Rural Fire Protection Assoc. to collect all future assessments on a tax mill base. The village also joined the others in a County-wide comprehensive sewer and water planning. Melvin Hinderscheit was granted a permit to build a shed on his lot. The village dump by the road was closed and a new one was dug on the north side.

Jerry Ademmer was granted a permit to build a pole type shed on his lot.

Frank Ademmer was elected Clerk and Richard Ambroz elected Trustee.

1971

The salaries of the President and Trustees was set at \$2.00 per meeting, the Treasurer at \$30.00 per year, and the Village Clerk at \$50.00 per year.

Francis Cemensky was issued a permit to build a house 80' x 26'. The alley at the north end of the Village was vacated and discontinued. Howard Gosewisch filed applications for non-intoxicating malt liquor and intoxicating liquor.

Lawrence Plonsky was granted permit to move a house trailer onto the basement on his lot.

Francis Cemensky requested a street light be put up for him, the Council also decided to put one up at the south end of main street.

Francis Ademmer was granted a permit to put a patio roof on his house.

Rates were set as recommended by the Planning Commission: \$5.00 minimum charge, \$1.00 per thousand to \$50,000.00 construction cost, \$10.00 to call a special meeting, plus expenses.

Louis Prochaska was appointed the building official.

Lawrence Plonsky was granted a permit to put up a pole shed.

Frank Ambroz was elected Mayor, Melvin Hinderscheit elected Trustee, Lucille Prochaska elected Treasurer.

1972

The village officers are to receive same salaries as 1971. The village voted to discontinue operation of the landfill site and to close the village dump.

Howard Gosewisch appeared before the Council requesting a Sunday liquor license. The Council advised him that Minnesota statutes require he must have a hotel or facilities for serving not less than 30 guests at a time. Mr. Gosewisch stated that he understood the law had changed and it was no longer necessary to serve meals in order to get the Sunday license. The Clerk was instructed to write the Liquor Commissioner to find out definitely what the score is.

Mr. Leo Reak requested and was granted permission to collect and dispose of the solid waste for the Village, once per week, costs to be for 1 or 2 over 65 years, \$1.75 per month and for a family \$2.25.

The discussion of building a village hall was deferred to a later date.

In April, Mr. Gosewisch appeared again in regard to a Sunday Liquor license. The letter from the State Liquor Control Commissioner was read stating that no change had been made in the law. The Council then decided to hold a special election and let the voters decide if they want Sunday liquor or not. It was also decided to put on the ballot, the question of whether to build a city hall or not.

Don Hlavac was granted a permit to move a two car wood frame garage onto his lot.

In May, 1972, several taxpayers appeared at the meeting for an explanation of the raise in assessment for the year 1972. The reason was given that all valuations be determined at current market value and the change reflects the adjustment necessary to maintain the 1972 valuation of the property on a current and uniform basis with other assessments. It didn't necessarily mean a raise in taxes. At the

regular meeting it was decided the Busch Construction bid figures for building a City Hall were out of line and more estimates should be solicited.

An agreement was made between the Council and Leo Reak, whereby he would pick up the solid waste for the village beginning July 5, 1972 and every Wednesday thereafter.

A Mr. Frederickson presented a estimate on the building of the City Hall. He suggested the Council look at a similar building which had been erected for Credit River Township.

Richard Ambroz was appointed Building Inspector.

The Council purchased a piece of land 50' by 150' from St. Scholastica for \$250.00 to be used as the site of the new City Hall. A bid of \$1,500.00 from New Prague Lumber Co. was accepted for the materials necessary to build the hall, to be erected by local carpenters. Fancis and Gerald Ademmer were hired to lay the concrete floor.

The Council decided to put the Sunday Liquor question on the general election ballot in November. The vote was 39 for and 6 against Sunday liquor. The license fee adopted by the Council was \$200.00. A Sunday liquor license was issued to Howard Gosewisch.

Frank Ademmer was elected Clerk for 2 years and Gerald Ademmer was elected Trustee for 3 years.

1973

The February meeting was held at the Clerk's home due to the fact that the City Hall was cold and the gas tank was empty.

In March, the Village of Heidelberg was invited by the New Prague Atty. to sign a contract with the New Prague Ambulance Service. The discussion concerning same was tabled to be decided later.

Roger Bortnem was granted a permit to locate a Richardson Mobile home on the Rose Dreyer property which he had purchased.

Following the Board of Review meeting in May, a short meeting was held to discuss Revenue Sharing. More study was called for, so a later meeting was decided upon. After further study at their homes, the members met again and decided to consult Atty. Robert O'Neill. The Village decided to expand its Revenue Sharing allowance based upon an estimated total of \$147.00, this amount to be used for insulation and paneling of the City Hall.

In August, Don Hlavac presented an application to add an addition to his house, re-roof

with new shingles and put on new siding, the permit was granted.

The General revenue assessment levied at the October meeting for the year 1974 was \$300.00.

Heidelberg was again invited to sign a contract with the New Prague Ambulance Service. Melvin Hinderscheit will get more information.

Norbert Ruehling was elected Mayor and Wm. Odenthal elected Trustee.

Lucille Prochaska handed in her resignation as Village Treasurer.

1974

The resignation of Lucille Prochaska was accepted. A treasurer will be appointed to fill the term. At the February meeting Francis Cemensky was appointed to the Treasurer's office. Joseph Hinderscheit was appointed Weed Inspector at a wage of \$3.00 per hour.

At the June meeting Anthony Lambrecht presented application for On and Off sale liquor licenses, the On and Off sale license which had been granted to Francis Cemensky at the May meeting therefore canceled.

The Council decided in July to move the Village bell from Dick Ambroz's garage to the Village Hall. The Village dump was discussed but tabled for further consideration.

Tony Lambrecht was granted a permit to build a pole type building next to his place of business.

It was decided in December, to place 3 signs on the North, South, and West roads leading into town. Same signs to read "15 MPH Speed Limit for Snowmobiles".

Melvin Hinderscheit was elected Trustee and Frank Ademmer, Clerk.

1975

After a review, the salaries were fixed as follows: President and Trustees \$2.25 per meeting, Treasurer \$35.00 per year, and the Clerk \$55.00 per year.

The council made a decision to have a dog Ordinance drawn up to control the problem of dogs running loose in the Village. Dogs are to be restricted to the owners' premises.

A resolution was passed to have elections the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

Richard Ambroz and Lawrence appeared at a Council meeting in regard to putting up signs to slow up traffic coming through the Village. The Council decided to spend \$110.00 for public safety and the balance for Financial Administration, these funds available through

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the Revenue Sharing Planned Use Report.

The ambulance service question was discussed in July and August and tabled.

At the September meeting the problem of sewer running on the west side of State-aid road No. 30 was discussed. On October 4, the 4 lot owners involved, met with the Council and came to a mutually satisfactory agreement to take care of the health hazard caused by the sewer problem. Cess pools will be installed as necessary to alleviate the problem.

Richard Ambroz was granted a permit to add a 30' x 28' addition to his garage. Tony Lambrecht was granted a permit to put a new front on his place of business, length 44 ft. and height 36 ft.

Election results were: Mayor, Gerald Odenthal, Trustee Gerald Ademmer, and Treasurer, Mildred Odenthal.

At the December meeting it was disclosed that 76 residents had paid \$2.00 to be included in the New Prague Ambulance Service contract, 6 residents did not pay. A copy of the contract is on file at the Village Hall and may be inspected by residents.

1976

Salaries were set same as 1975.

The new treasurer was present and given information on garbage pickup bills. A decision was reached to start the United Fund Drive in 1977 instead of participating in several separate drives.

Ordinances

These ordinances are in condensed form, and some may be misleading. Some excerpts were used word for word, and are not in full meaning.

ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE I

Relating to Peddlers: December 3, 1895

It shall be unlawful for any persons to peddle, hawk, offer for sale, any goods, wares, or produce within the corporate limits of the village of Heidelberg. Must first obtain license. Fee for pack peddling \$1.00, for wagon peddling \$2.00. Violators will be fined not less than \$5.00 nor more than \$10.00. Refusal to pay fine will result in a 20 day jail confinement.

ORDINANCE II

Relating to Children: December 3, 1895

All children not less than five years of age and not more than sixteen years of age, unless accompanied by guardian or parent are forbidden to be on any street, alley, or sidewalks, park, etc. within city limits any later than nine o'clock P.M. and not earlier than four o'clock A.M. Violators will be arrested and put in village jail from time of arrest until eight o'clock A.M. following day.

ORDINANCE III

Relating to Misdemeanors: December 3, 1895

Violators such as misdemeanors, breaches of the peace, disorderly conduct within the corporate limits of the village of Heidelberg will be subject to fines of not less than \$1.00 nor more than \$100.00. Default of fine will result in a jail sentence not exceeding 90 days. Any person found in a state of intoxication resulting from voluntary drinking of intoxicating liquors shall be fined not less than \$1.00 and not more than \$10.00. Failure to pay will result in jail sentence not exceeding fifteen days. Nudity, indecent exposure or lewd dress, filthy, obscene, lewd, indecent or immoral act, or language, shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$1.00 nor more than \$100.00. Failure to pay fine will result in a jail sentence not exceeding 90 days.

ORDINANCE IV

Related to Sale of Intoxicated Liquors: December 3, 1895

It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, barter, give away or otherwise dispose of in a less quantity than five gallons. In corporate limits of the Village of Heidelberg any spiritous, venous, fermented, or malt liquor without first having obtained license from the Village Council of Heidelberg. Violators will be fined not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$100.00. Failure to pay fine will result in jail sentence not to exceed 90 days.

ORDINANCE V

Relating to Property: December 3, 1895

It shall be unlawful for any person or persons within the limits of said Village of Heidelberg, any of the real or personal property willfully injure or destroy said property. Violators will be fined not less than \$1.00 and not more than \$50.00. Failure to pay fine will result in jail sentence not to exceed 60 days.

ORDINANCE VI

Relating to Sidewalks: May 5, 1896

Constructor and Maintenance of Sidewalks in the Village of Heidelberg. All sidewalks that shall be hereafter built or repaired within the corporate limits of the Village of Heidelberg shall be 4 ft. wide, and constructed or built of plank not less than 1 1/2 inches thick and if such plank shall be oak, pine, or ash, it shall be not more than 6 or 8 inches wide and if such plank shall be elm, it shall be not more than 6 inches wide and such plank shall be nailed with 20 penny spikes in a good and workmanlike manner to stringers or sleepers so as to form and make a good and sufficient sidewalk.

ORDINANCE VII

Relating to Obstructing of Streets, Sidewalks, and Alleys: June 4, 1898

It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to incumber or obstruct a sidewalk or alley within the corporate limits of the Village of Heidelberg, with carriages, carts, wagons, sleighs, sleds, buggies, boxes, firewood, lumber, or other substances or materials in such a manner as to deprive the public of the free use thereof. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to throw or deposit any ashes, garbage, manure, or other refuse matter of any kind or description, or any dead dog, cat, chicken or dead carcass of any kind on any street or alley within the corporate limits of the said Village of Heidelberg, Minn. Violators will be fined not more than \$10.00. Failure to pay fine may result in jail sentence of not more than 15 days. This ordinance adopted on June 4, 1898.

ORDINANCE VIII

Relating to the Organization of a Fire Department in Village of Heidelberg, Minnesota: January 7, 1899

The Heidelberg Fire Department shall contain not more than 25 members appointed by the Village Council. Each member attending meeting shall be paid out of the Village Treasury of said Village the sum of 25c for each meeting. Each and every member failing to attend shall be fined the sum of 50c for each meeting not attended. The officers of each company of said Heidelberg Fire Department shall be a Chief, Assistant Chief, Secretary, Treasurer, Captain of Hose Cart, Captain of Hook and Ladder, and a Captain for each nozzle by each company.

ORDINANCE IX

Relating to Keep Clean All Sidewalks in the Village of Heidelberg: Feb. 4, 1899

It shall be the duty of any and all owners or occupants of any real property in the Village of Heidelberg, Minnesota to remove the snow, dirt and rubbish from the sidewalks, which now are or may hereafter be built adjacent to adjoining any such real property and to keep such sidewalks free and clear of snow, dirt or rubbish at all reasonable times. Failure to comply with said ordinance for a period of 24 hours will result in removal by Village at owners expense.

ORDINANCE X

Relating to Sidewalks: July 21, 1915

All sidewalks that shall be hereafter built or constructed within the corporate limits of the said Village of Heidelberg, shall be built or constructed of cement or cement blocks and shall be 4 feet 6 inches wide and shall be laid at least 1 foot distant from the property line and said space between the line of walk and the property line shall be filled up to a level with such walk at the expense of the adjoining property.

ORDINANCE XI

Relating to Licensing and Regulating the Sale of Non-Intoxicating Malt Liquors, Repealing Inconsistent Ordinances and Providing a Penalty for the Violations Hereof.

No person shall sell, vend, deal in, or dispose of by gift, sale, or otherwise or keep, or offer for sale any non-intoxicating malt liquor within this Village without first having received a license therefore as hereafter provided. Licenses shall be of two kinds "On Sale" and "Off Sale". "On Sale" licenses shall be granted only to drug stores, cafes, restaurants and hotels where food is prepared and served for consumption on the premises and in a bona-fide clubs, and shall permit the sale of such liquor for consumption on the premises only. "Off Sale" license shall be granted to permit the sale of retail and wholesale of such liquor in the original packages for removal from and consumption off the premises only. The annual fee for an "On Sale" license shall be \$50.00. The annual fee for an "Off Sale" license shall be \$5.00. Licenses shall be granted only to persons who are citizens of the United States and residents of the Village of Heidelberg and to persons of good moral character.

ORDINANCE XII

Relating to Licensing and Regulating the Sale of Intoxicating Lquor. Providing Penalties for the Violators thereof and Repealing Inconsistent Ordinances: April 23, 1939

The terms intoxicating liquor and liquor shall mean and include ethyl alcohol and include distilled, fermented, spiritous, winous and malt beverages containing in excess of 3.2 per cent of alcohol by weight. Every person deeming a license for either On or Off Sale shall file a verified application therefore in writing with the Village of Heidelberg Recorder in the form prescribed by the Liquor Control Commission of Minnesota, and with such additional information as the Village Council may require. In the case of an application for On Sale license such bond shall be in the sum of \$3,000.00 which bond shall be approved by the Village Council. In the case of an application for an Off Sale license a similar surety bond shall be required, but the amount of the bond shall be \$1,000.00 and approved by the Village Council and the State Liquor Commission. The annual fee for On Sale license shall be \$50.00. The annual fee for Off Sale license shall be \$50.00. All licensed premises shall have license posted in a conspicuous place therein at all times. Every licensee shall be responsible for the conduct of his place of business and the conditions of sobriety and order therein. No intoxicating liquor shall be sold or furnished for any purpose whatsoever to any person under the age of 21 years, or to any habitual drunkard or to any person obviously intoxicated or to any of the persons to whom the sale is prohibited by statute. Licensee hereunder shall not sell or furnish any intoxicating liquor to any person directly or indirectly of notoriously intemperate habits. No On Sale place of business shall have swinging doors or opaque windows. No pool table or billiard table shall be kept or used in any place licensed for an On Sale. Violators will be guilty of misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100.00 or by imprisonment in the Le Sueur County jail for not more than 90 days.

ORDINANCE XIII

Relating to the Hours of Sale of Intoxicating Liquors: June 3, 1939

No Off Sale shall be made before 8 o'clock A.M. or after 8 o'clock P.M. of any day except Saturday on which day off sales may be made until 10 o'clock P.M.

ORDINANCE XIV

Relating to granting permission to Northern States Power Company to build electric transmission lines thru the Village of Heidelberg: September 4, 1946

ORDINANCE XV

Relating to Establishing Building Regulations for the Village of Heidelberg: July 6, 1964

Within the boundaries of the Village of Heidelberg it shall be unlawful to use or permit the use of land or any building or structure thereon for any other than residential, agricultural, recreational or commercial use unless said land or buildings be devoted to other than afore mentioned. Junk yards, automobile graveyards, garbage or refuse dumps or similar businesses shall be prohibited in the Village. The construction erection, establishment or alteration of any building or structure in the village or the moving or relocating of any building or structure in Village is prohibited unless a permit therefore shall first be obtained from the Council of the Village of Heidelberg. Each such application for building permit shall be accompanied by a permit fee of \$1.00.

ORDINANCE XVI

Relating to establishing a solid waste disposal plan in the Village of Heidelberg: July 1, 1972

Waste collection will begin on Wednesday, July 5, 1972 and every Wednesday at approximately 10 o'clock.

ORDINANCE XVII

Relating to Keeping of Dogs Within the Village of Heidelberg: April 7, 1975

The owner or person harboring any dog or dogs shall restrain said dog or dogs from running at large upon the public grounds and streets of the Village of Heidelberg. Fine for failing to comply with said ordinance is set a maximum of \$300.00 and or 90 days in the county jail.

ORDINANCE XVIII

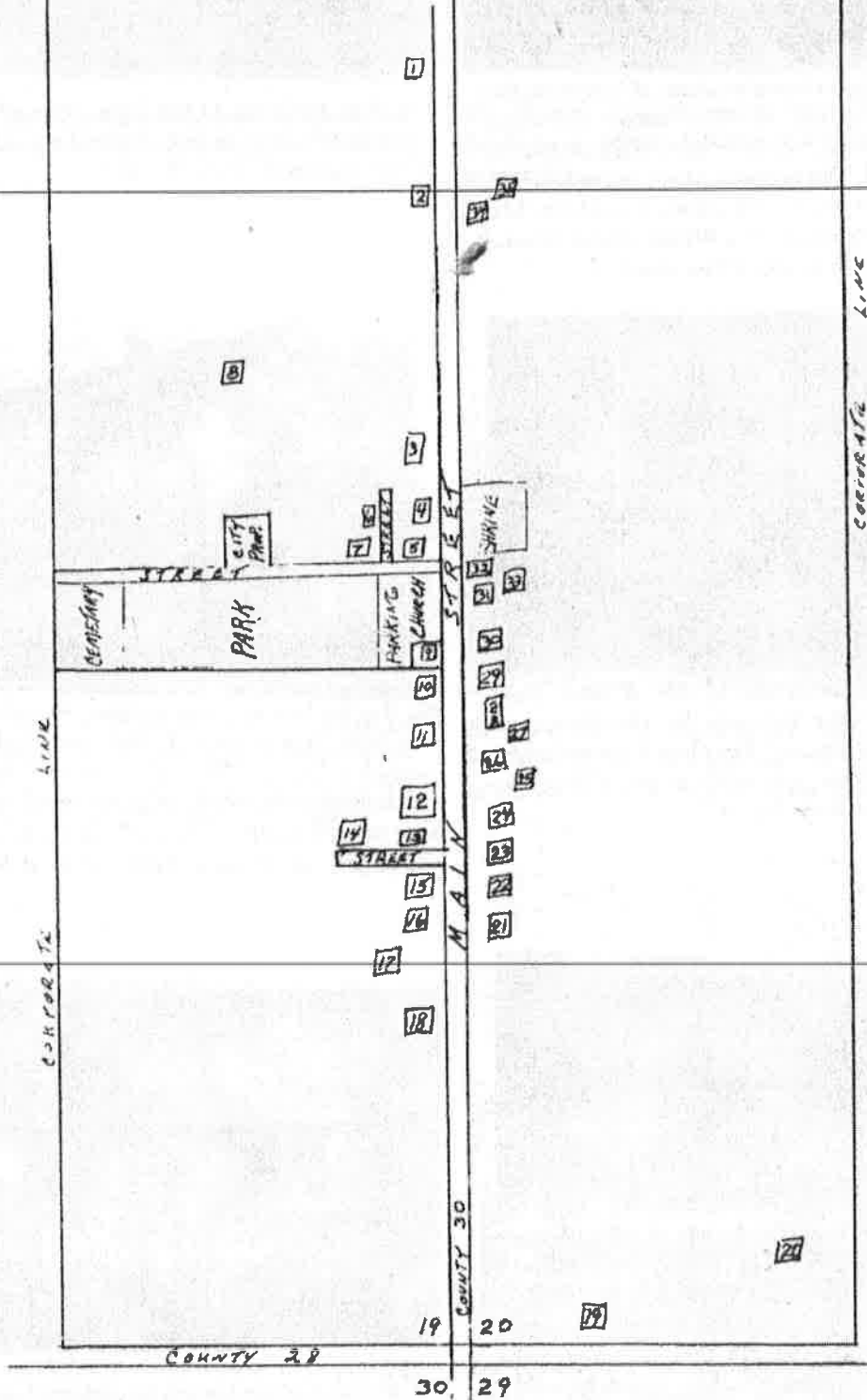
Relating to Designating the Date of Village Elections: April 7, 1975

The date for the elections for all village officers and other matters shall be held during the hours as set by State Law on the 1st Tuesday after the 1st Monday in November.

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HEIDELBERG '76

This is the story and pictures of Heidelberg today, 1976. These are the people that live within the corporate limits.





No. 1 on the map shows location of home on the farm owned by Mr. & Mrs. Roger Bortnem, which is 80 acres. Mr. Bortnem is employed by Freeway Ford. The house is being rented by Mr. & Mrs. Robert White, and their 3 children. Mr. White is a truckdriver. The White's have several horses, and love living in the country.



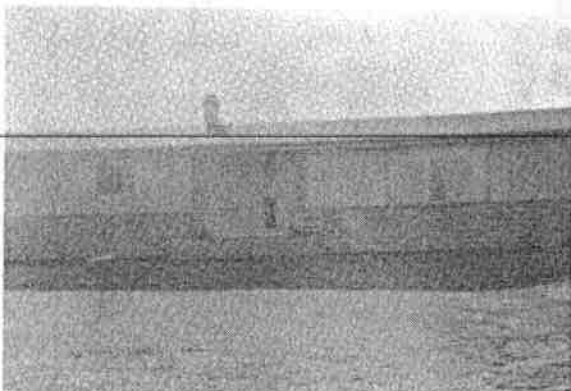
No. 4 on the map is the home owned by Lena Lestina, who lives here by herself since the death of her husband, July 28, 1970.



No. 2 is the home owned by Mr. & Mrs. John Heffern. John is a Lineman for the Municipal Utilities of New Prague. They live here with their family, with the exception of the two oldest who are living away from home.



No. 5 is the home owned by Mrs. Frank Ambroz, who lives here by herself. Her husband, Frank, passed away in 1973. He was the Mayor of Heidelberg from 1950 to the time of his death. He also served on the Village Council in different capacities, previous to being elected Mayor.



No. 3. This home is owned by Mr. & Mrs. Francis Cemensky, who live here with 3 of their 6 children. Francis, better known as Swamp, built this home after he sold the Liquor Store in Heidelberg 5 years ago. He then purchased the Palace Bar in Montgomery, Mn. which he sold 2 years ago. He is currently unemployed.



No. 6 is the home owned by Albert Lambrecht, who lives alone.



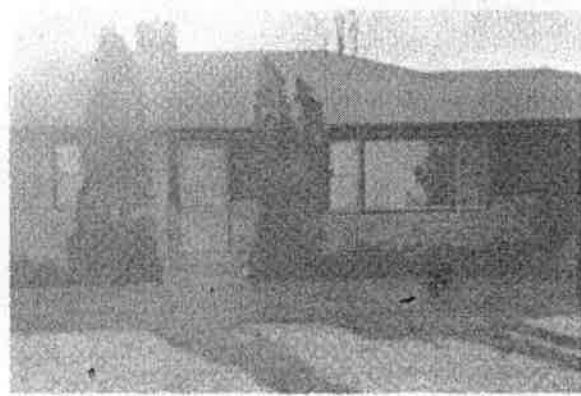
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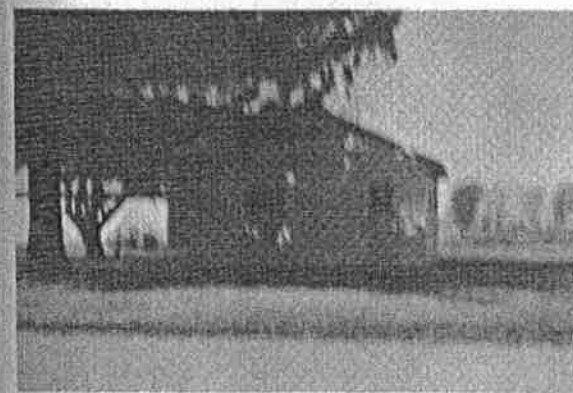
No. 10 on the map shows location of home owned by Kate & Marie Ademmer. Neither of whom married.



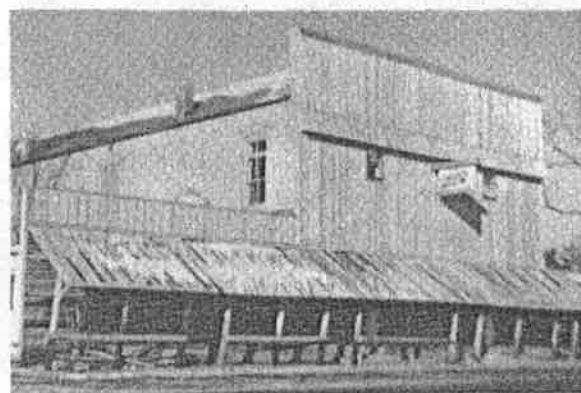
No. 8 shows home on the 40 acres farm owned by John Zika. John is employed by Valley View Nursing Home as a maintenance engineer. His farm is being rented by John J. Prochaska.



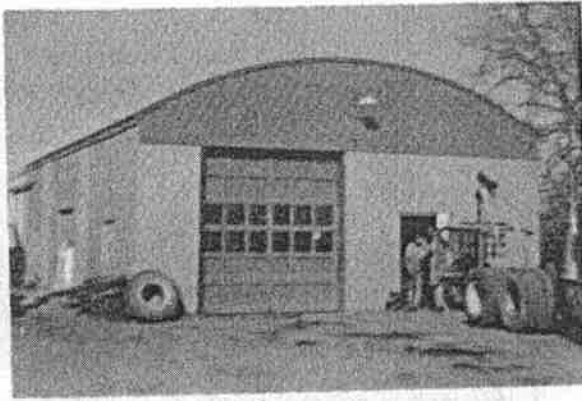
No. 11 shows the home of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hinderscheit and family. Melvin farms and also is Foreman for A.M.P.I., New Prague Plant.



No. 9 shows the City Hall, which was built in 1972. The lot, 50 X 150 was purchased from St. Scholastica Parish for \$250.00.



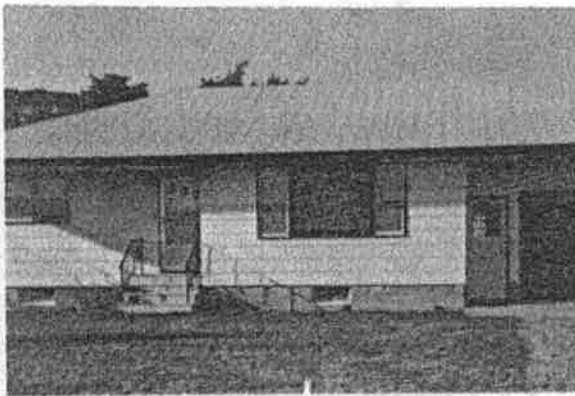
No. 12 is location of Heidelberg Liquors, which is owned and operated by Tony & Shirley Lambrecht, who purchased it 2 years ago.



No. 13 is the garage owned by Dick Ambroz. It is used for the main shop of Archie Teply, road construction. Dick also does other service work and welding on his own behalf.



No. 16 is the location of the home owned by Mr. & Mrs. Harvey Dorn. Harvey works as an Electronic Technician. They live here with their 2 small children.



No. 14 shows the home that is owned by Mr. & Mrs. John J. Prochaska. John has his own Gravel Trucking Business.



No. 17 shows the home of Mr. & Mrs. Donald Hlavac. Don is a Heavy Equipment Operator. Theresa has a beauty shop in their home.



No. 15 on the map shows the location of the home owned by Mr. & Mrs. Norbert Ruehling. Norbert is retired and a former farmer, and carpenter. He and Alvina are caretakers at the Lanesberg Lutheran Church.



No. 18 is the home of Mr. & Mrs. Louis Ambroz. Louis was employed by The Green Giant Co. and also farmed before his retirement.

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No. 19 shows the home on the 4 acre tract of land owned by Mr. & Mrs. Joe Benzick, who are also retired.



No. 22 is the picture of the home belonging to Mr. & Mrs. Joel Kukacka. Joel works for Harvestore Division of the Minnesota Valley Breeders.



No. 20 on the map shows the newest home in Heidelberg, belonging to Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Odenthal. Gerry is Field Crew Foreman for Minnesota Valley Breeders of New Prague. Millie is the loan secretary at the State Bank of New Prague. Gerry is also the present Mayor of Heidelberg, and Millie is the city treasurer.



No. 23 on the map is the home owned by Jean & Anne Odenthal, who are retired. They are both daughters of the late Jacob & Anna Odenthal.



No. 21 is the home belonging to Mr. & Mrs. Richard Ambroz and family. Dick also owns the garage in town, where everyone gets their repair work done.

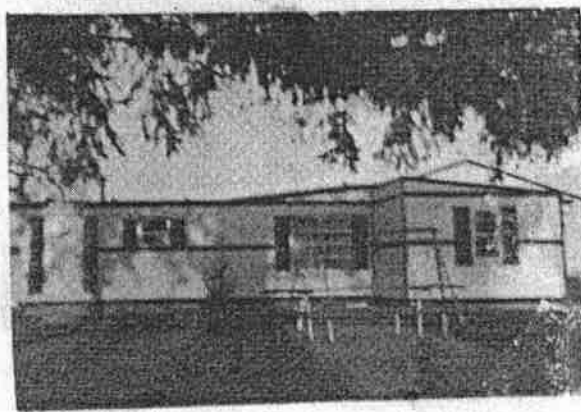


No. 24 is the location of Frank Ademmer's home. Frank lives by himself and is a retired farmer.



No. 25 on the map shows the location of the machine shed owned by Jerry Ademmer.

No. 26 is a picture of the house belonging to Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Ademmer. Jerry works on construction as a mason. He also does some farming. Mary Catherine works for the Minnesota Valley Breeders, as a Secretary.



No. 27 on the map is the shed that belongs to Lawrence, [Chappy] Plonski.

No. 28 is a picture of the home belonging to Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Plonski and daughter, Crystal. Lawrence works on construction as a truckdriver, and Bernice works at Munsingwear.



No. 29 is the location of the home belonging to Mr. & Mrs. Francis Ademmer and daughter, Cindy. Fritz works on construction as a mason.



No. 30 is the home of Louis Prochaska, who is a retired farmer. Louis lives by himself and has spent a lot of years on the City Council.



No. 31 on the map is the Parish House, belonging to St. Scholastica Church. It is occupied by Father Quinlan, who is the pastor, and also serves St. Joseph Church at Lexington.

No. 32 is St. Scholastica Church, which was built in 1905, and is very beautiful inside and out.

No. 33 is the building behind the Parish House that is also owned by the Parish, and is used mainly for the Fall Festival.



No. 34 is the home on an 80 acre farm operated by Mr. & Mrs. Willy Odenthal and family. Willy runs the farm and also sells and installs carpet and linoleum. Wife, Betty, works for Montgomery Wards Catalog House at New Prague.



No. 35 is the home of Mrs. Frances [Jacob] Odenthal, who is retired and lives alone.

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St. Scholastica Church

The settlers of Catholic faith in the Heidelberg area naturally sought to worship God according to the teachings of their Church. In 1857, scarcely 3 years after the arrival of the first German immigrants to Lanesburg, these worshippers formed the nucleus of a parish. In April, 1857, Benedict Heindel, a priest of the Order of St. Benedict, came into the community to serve the several Catholic families. He offered the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at the home of one family, about 2 miles distance from where Heidelberg now stands, and it was already then agreed that a church would be built in honor of St. Francis Xavier. The Rev. Father was called away, promising to visit the local Catholics frequently. However, after two years, his place was taken by Father Cornelius Wittman, also of the St. Benedict Order. He was actually the founder and builder of the parish of Heidelberg under the patronage of St. Scholastica in 1859. Twenty families agreed to build a church: Frank Dominic, Joseph Heil, Theodore Haeffele, Martin Haeffele, Joseph Lauter, John Wacker, Frank Maertz, Frank Nickolin, Albert Frost, Michael Kartong, and John Mertz. These then built a church, fashioned out of rough logs, as was only possible at the time. At about the same time, 16 German and Irish families built a church about 3 miles west of the present Heidelberg. In August 1867 that parish, because the two were so close, was dissolved by Bishop Grace and the church abandoned. Many of these German families now enrolled themselves in St. Scholastica and suddenly, the parishioners found their church to be too small. They immediately set about making plans to build a larger frame church. At that time the parish was served by Rev. Alois Plut of New Prague but he was shortly replaced by Rev. Honoratus Povolny of the Order of St. Francis. Under these changes and often misunderstandings the building of the church at Heidelberg proceeded slowly, it wasn't until the second Sunday after Easter in 1870, that the first services were conducted in the church. But the church was still only one half complete, a roof and sides, that was all. For these reasons, some of the non-contributing parishioners, transferred to St. John's Parish.

Rev. Povolny left New Prague in May, 1875, so Heidelberg was without a pastor until July of that year when Rev. Roman Kimel was appointed pastor at New Prague, also serving Heidelberg. His visits to the little parish were very irregular, so much so that there was talk



This is the wood frame church built by members of St. Scholastica parish in 1859, using lumber from the mill owned by Mr. Heil and Mr. Ihrig. The structure was more attractive than most log churches of the time. In fact it served the parish needs until 1905 when the present church was built. A nearby plot of ground to the north of the church was set aside to be used as a cemetery.

that the church at Heidelberg would be closed. Some of the parishioners were so determined that this should not occur, they held a mass meeting and decided to send a committee to visit Archbishop Ireland and ask him to take care of the spiritual needs of the parish. He advised them that he would see to it that they have a pastor if they would build a parish house. Each pledged six dollars (a large sum of money at the time) and agreed to build the structure. Within several months the shell of a frame building was erected. The finishing of the interior was left to a later date because of the uncooperativeness of some of the members to contribute their share. In Nov. 1876, Rev. H. Povolny returned to America and visited Heidelberg, he was asked to stay but replied that he had his parish at Glencoe to take care of.

After a long period of waiting, uncertainty, and dissatisfaction, Rev. Francis Simonik came to Heidelberg. This was in July, 1877. This laborer in the vineyard of the Lord, with his kind disposition and love for people, endeared himself to all, so that it looked as if Heidelberg

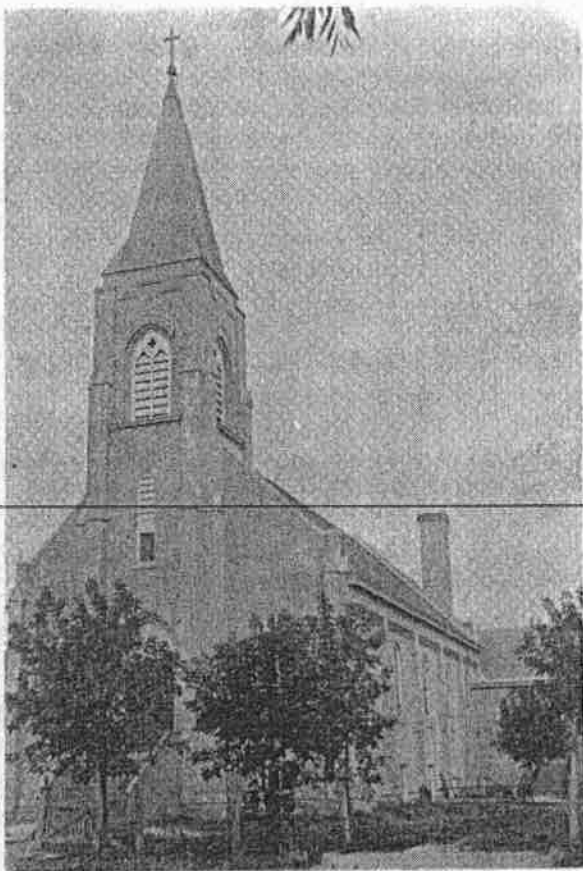
might become one of the leading parishes. With untiring efforts, Rev. Simonik brought about the completion of the parish house and it being paid for. It was not an easy task for everything pointed to a crop failure that summer. In addition to that a pest, the grasshoppers, in droves like a cloud, moved into the community and began the destruction of the crops. Many landowners so despaired of this plague and with it the future of the golden Minnesota and her land, that they sold their homesteads for less than they had paid, and moved elsewhere. By the end of June, the grasshoppers had disappeared as suddenly as they came, and God abundantly blessed the farmers that year. So much so, that the following year the parish felt sufficiently ambitious to begin building a parish school. Five acres of land belonging to the parish was sold for \$895.00 to finance this project. In October, 1878, work was started on the building and on Dec. 16, of that year, teaching in the school was begun. The teaching staff were sisters of the Order of St. Francis from Rochester, their names were Sister Benedict and Sister Joseph. Three other noteworthy events, in 1877, there was blessed one bell for the church. On the Feast of the Three Kings in 1878, Rev. Simonik blessed two other bells, which he had donated to the church.



Father Francis Simonik, the first resident pastor of St. Scholastica. In October of 1876, the parishioners each pledged an amount of six dollars to erect a parish house, Rev. Simonik arrived in July, 1877, to occupy this house. The parish was left without a resident priest in 1884 when Father Simonik departed.

Although the church was in use already for several years, the interior was not completed. This need was recognized by the parishioners in 1880 and work was begun immediately and finished by May of that year. On May 16th was Confirmation day and on that occasion Bishop Thomas Grace blessed the local Church, he was assisted by Rev. Joseph Hessoun, of St. Louis, Mo., Rev. Francis Chmelar of Cedar Rapids, Ia., Rev. Francis Tichy of St. Paul, Rev. Bede Hansen, O.S.F. of Jordan, Minn., and the pastor, Rev. Francis Simonik. On Aug. 1, 1882, the first Mass was celebrated here by Rev. Urban M. Fiser of the Order of St. Benedict. Master of ceremonies for this occasion was Rev. Simonik. There were also present the following Reverend Fathers: Francis Chmelar of Cedar Rapids, Libor Ligday, O.S.F. of Veseli, Francis Tichy of New Prague, Francis Pribyl of Montgomery, Barthol Rajgelj, O.S.B. of Minneapolis. Also Rev. Alfred Mayer, O.S.B. and Fathers: Thomas Borgerding, O.S.B., Chrysostom Schreiner, O.S.B. and Joseph Baran for the Abbey of St. Benedict at St. John's. Rev. Francis Chmelar gave the sermon.

Towards the close of the year 1882, the Heidelberg parish numbered 137 families, of which 70 were Czech, 53 German, and 14 Polish. This was remarkable growth, considering there were only 37 families total in 1877. But the parish suffered a loss of good fortune, for at the beginning of the year 1884, Rev. Francis Simonik petitioned for a release from the diocese of St. Paul, and on April 13, Easter Sunday, he left St. Scholastica. After his departure the blossoming parish was again without a pastor, the Sisters left and the school was unattended. The grief of the parishioners was without limits. From that time until 1897, several pastors or missionaries served the parish. The names are Rev. Pribyl of Montgomery, Rev. Honoratus Povolny, Rev. Francis Windish, Rev. Peter Rosen, Rev. Francis Jiranek, and Rev. Ferdinand Pozek. Towards the end of July, 1897, Rev. Alfonse Kotouc was appointed pastor. The parish was in much need, both spiritually and materially, but no money was available to go about the necessary repairing. After a long agitation, urging and begging the church and parish house were repaired. Improvements were not so easily attained for the spiritual needs. The school, left without attention, had limped along. Father Kotouc, tried to persuade the parishioners of the need for improvements in the school, consequently benefiting the parish. The parish had enough expenses with support of the church and its pastor, therefore, could give little thought to other expenses in connection with the



school. Finally with the consent of the School Board, it was agreed that Catholic teachers would be secured for the district school. This accomplished, in 1903 the building of a new parish house was begun, so the old parish might serve as a home for the sisters. The parishioners agreed to help cut costs by donating labor. It was said that the pastor gave his help first, even that he did most of the work. After the completion of the new parish house, the residence for the sisters was readied, and in Sept. 1903 two sisters of the Order of St. Benedict began their stay in Heidelberg.

Rev. Kotouc took such an interest in the work, progress and results of the task of building the parish house and future school, that he donated \$1,000.00 of his own funds for the building of the same. Decorations inside the church were also attended to. Three altars, though small, were purchased and on Corpus Christi in 1900, these were blessed. Although now numbering only 60 families, the parish of St. Scholastica was once more running smoothly.

"A Catholic School, a new parish house and now yet a new church", someone remarked. Yes, it was needed but would cost more than \$1,000.00. But, if the church is not built now,



These two pictures are of the present day church and parish house. Rev. Vaclav Skluzacek, who was born in New Prague, was ordained in June, 1904. On August 17, 1904, he was appointed pastor of St. Scholastica's church. Construction of the present church was begun in the spring of 1905. On Monday, October 22, 1906, the church was dedicated by Archbishop Ireland. The dates that these pictures were taken was probably about 1915 when the church was nearly 10 years old.

later it will still have to be built, an perhaps at a greater cost. After much consideration, the parishioners decided that they must build now, however, Rev. Kotouc left the parish in May, 1904 and for several months Heidelberg was without a local pastor again.

Rev. Vaclav Skluzacek came as pastor of the parish on Aug. 17, 1904. Born in New Prague, he had entered St. Thomas College in St. Paul at 14 years of age, he studied philosophy and theology at the St. Paul Seminary, and on June 13, 1904, he was ordained. On June 19, 1904 he celebrated his first Mass at New Prague and on Aug. 25 he was appointed pastor of Heidelberg by the Archbishop.

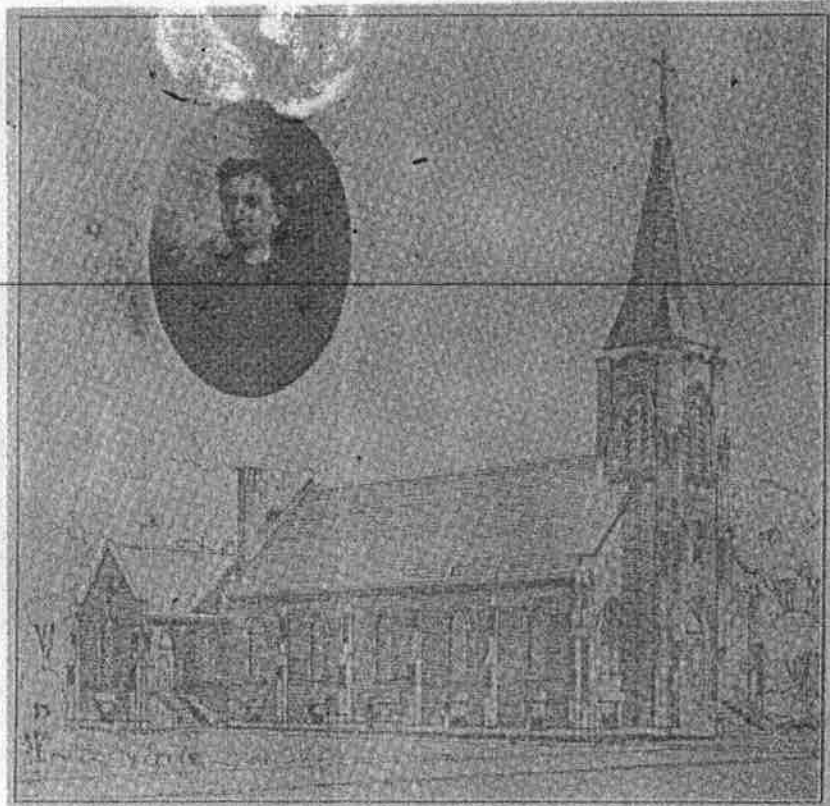
After the arrival of Rev. Skluzacek, discussions were again resumed concerning the building of a new church. At a parish meeting on Dec. 4, 1904 the decision to build was made and a committee was selected to begin arrangements. In Jan., brick, stone and some sand was brought in readiness for the Contractor, John Victor of Britt, Iowa. In the spring of 1905, the parishioners began the excavation of the basement, on May 19, the contractor moved in with his crew and on the 22nd work was begun. The Very Rev. Francis Tichy blessed the cornerstone on June 12, 1905. All during the summer the farmers stood at hand ready to

bring in materials as needed. The church was completed toward the end of November, and on Christmas Day, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was first celebrated in the new church. On October 22, 1906 Archbishop Ireland dedicated and blessed the new church. Present also were the following Reverend Fathers: John Rynda of St. Paul, Jaroslav Cermak of New Prague, Emil Polasek of Montgomery, Francis Bouska of Lonsdale, W. Colbert of Le Center and Joseph Hovprka of Minneapolis.

The cash contributions for the building fund amounted to about \$5,000.00 and over \$6,000.00 debt remained. In 1907, in view of this amount still owed, the parishioners agreed to take care of the matter so the parish wouldn't fall further into debt. Although many had no cash at hand, nonetheless, they signed notes and paid in cash when they were able.

Much might yet be written to praise the parishioners of Heidelberg they have been firm of faith, as evidenced in the solidarity of the church and parish house. The harshness and simplicity of the early pioneer life has disappeared, replaced by the complexity of modern society, but the church still serves as a dominating influence on the daily lives of her members.

St. Scholastica Catholic church, at Heidelberg, Minn., which was dedicated on Monday, October 22, 1906, by Archbishop Ireland. The edifice is a credit to the parish and the pastor, Rev. W. J. Skluzacek.



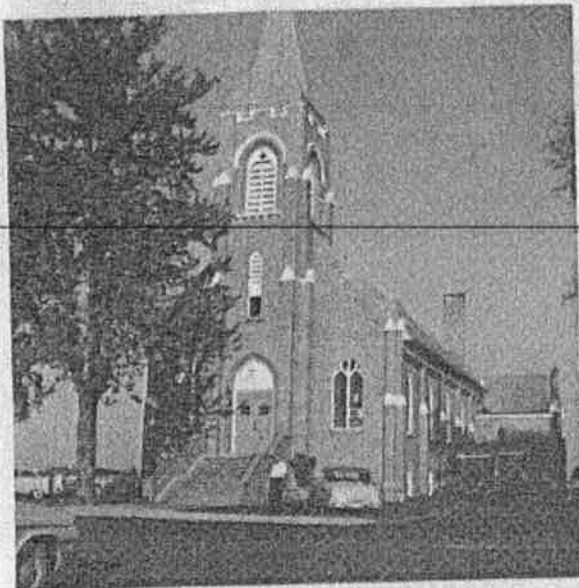
HEIDELBERG PARISH TO CELEBRATE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF FOUNDING

The Church of St. Scholastica, at Heidelberg, located six miles southwest of New Prague and six miles northwest of Montgomery, will begin the celebration of the 100th anniversary of its founding, on Sunday, April 28, when the ladies of the parish will serve a ham and turkey dinner. The dinner is to be served, cafeteria style, between the hours of 11:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

The St. Scholastica parish was organized by Rev. Benedict Heindel, O.S.B., in April of 1857, including as its first parishioners the families of Frank Dominic, Joseph Heil, Theodore Haeffele, Martin Haeffele, Joseph Lauter, John Wacker, Frank Maertz, Frank Nickolin, Albert Frost, Michael Kartong and John Mertzen. These early parishioners constructed the church building out of rough logs.

Two years after the founding date, Rev. Cornelius Wittman, O.S.B., came, followed by Rev. Alois Plut, who was then the pastor of the Church of St. Wenceslaus in New Prague, and who assisted at the Heidelberg church. Due to the shortage of priests and the shifting population of the early settlers, in his place was appointed Rev. Honoratus Povolny, O.S.F. Rev. Povolny, when he left in May of 1875, was succeeded by Rev. Roman Kimel, who arrived in July of that year.

In October of 1876 the parishioners decided to erect a parish house, each pledging the amount of six dollars, and this event was followed by the

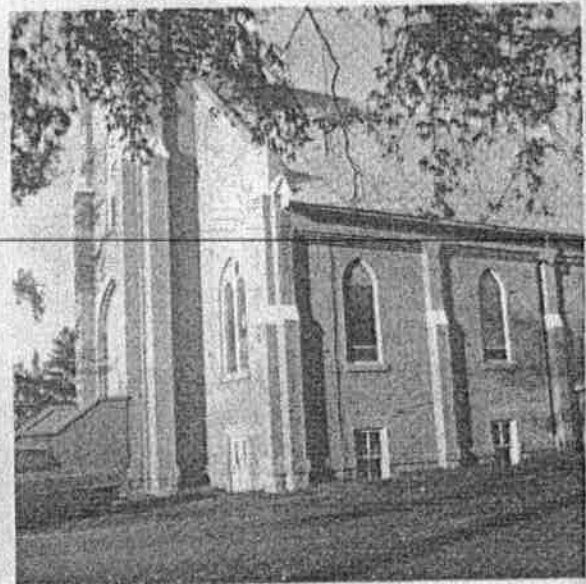


arrival of the first resident pastor, Rev. Francis Simonik, who came in July of 1877. The next year Father Simonik opened the first parish school, in September, with Sister Benedict and Sister Joseph, of the Order of St. Francis, from Rochester, as members of its teaching staff.

The following years saw considerable growth, with the number of parish families increasing from 37, in 1877, to 137 in 1882, of which 70 were Czech, 53 were German, and 14 were Polish. Rev. Simonik left Heidelberg in 1884, and with his departure the blossoming parish found itself again without a resident pastor. The School Sisters also left Heidelberg and the school was unattended.

Due to the lack of exact records, it is possible to give only the names and the nearest estimated dates of the arrival and departure of the Reverend Fathers who served the Heidelberg parish during the next years, either as pastors or as missionaries. They included Rev. Francis Pribyl of Montgomery (1888-1889); Rev. Honoratus Povolny, O.S.B., (1886-1887); Rev. Francis Pribyl who was then at Veseli (1888-1889); Rev. Francis Windish (1889-1895); Rev. Peter Rosen (1895); Rev. Francis Jiranek (1895-1896); and Rev. Ferdinand Pozek of Montgomery (1896-1897).

Towards the end of July, 1897, Rev. Alfonse Kotouc was appointed as resident pastor of the Heidelberg parish and because of the poor condition of the parish, it was necessary for him to begin a rebuilding program. The present rectory was erected in 1901, and the parish



Although these pictures were taken 58 years after St. Scholastica was built, the church still stands as beautiful and awesome as it did in 1905. The landscaping has changed, more concrete sidewalks are in use, some of the trees have been removed, and the grounds are kept well-groomed with the use of power mowers, but the brick building is the same as the day it was dedicated.

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On August 17, 1904, Rev. Vaclav Skluzacek who was born in New Prague, and was ordained on June 13, 1904, was appointed as pastor of St. Scholastica's church. Upon his arrival, construction of the present church building was begun, in the spring of 1905.

In 1908 Rev. Anthony Brzoskowski, O.S.B., replaced Rev. W. J. Skluzacek as pastor, and he was followed by Rev. Stephen Zdechlik, in 1923. Father Zdechlik served as pastor for many years, until 1949, when Rev. Francis Hayes arrived.

Rev. Ralph Muehlstein, the present pastor, assumed his duties in 1953. The main altar now at St. Scholastica's was built by Rev. Muehlstein and his father.

The Heidelberg parish has had eight vocations to the religious life, including Sister Bernadette Klinkhammer, O.S.F., Sister Romana Widmer O.S.F., Sister Constance Ademmer, O.S.B., Sister Anselmina Ademmer, O.S.B., Sister Theresia Ademmer, O.S.B., and the Right Rev. Francis Guessen, Rev. Stanley Meger and Right Rev. Francis Hruby.



In 1908 Rev. Anthony Brzoskowski, O.S.B., replaced Rev. W. J. Skluzacek as pastor of St. Scholastica. He left the parish in 1923, but after his death in 1927, his remains were sent back to St. Scholastica to be buried in the Catholic cemetery near the church.

Following Father Muehlstein's departure in 1958, Father Heitzer came to the parish, serving until August of 1966, Father Hermes served from August, 1966 until Dec. 1967 when he was replaced by Father Paschol. Father Paschol remained in the parish until June of 1969 when the present pastor Father Joseph J. Quinlan was sent to Heidelberg.

CHURCH PROPERTY LAND TITLES

[As recorded by Register of Deeds at Le Center Court House, LeCenter, Minn.]

- 1) Old Cemetery and Sister's House Property:
This land is north of the present church. This land is part of Section 20: was deeded to Bishop Thomas Grace by George Netzon on June 21, 1861. [cf. F of Deeds, p. 212, of LeSueur Co. Records]
- 2) Present Church and Rectory Property:
1st deed, perhaps just for church land-deeded to Catholic Church by John Schmitz on January 28, 1864. [H of deeds, p. 490].
2nd deed perhaps just for rectory land-deeded to Bishop Thomas Grace by Nicholas Kardonz and John Kritz on March 19, 1869. [cf. O of Deeds, p. 575].
- 3) The Bishop deeded all this land to the Diocese of St. Paul in 1897, and the Diocese deeded it to St. Scholastica Church in 1937. [bk. 86 of Deeds, p. 331].
- 4) The present parking lot and cemetery, about 10 acres, which is land across the street (LeSueur Co. Road #30) from the present church and rectory property and is located in Sect. 19. Much of this land was sold to a Mr. Ackerman by the Heil family in 1871. At that time the Heil family meant to except this 10 acres for church use but did not do so legally until 1897, when they deeded the property to the church.

[The above information was researched by former Pastor of St. Scholastica Father Eugene Pachol, when a misunderstanding by Agnes C. Machtig, a granddaughter of Frank M. and Mary Ann Heil, led her to believe that the Heils had donated the property in Section 20 instead of Section 19 to the Parish of St. Scholastica, Heidelberg on Oct. 14, 1897]

[Copied by Father Joseph J. Quinlan; Pastor October 28, 1974]



Rev. Francis Simonik opened the first parish school at Heidelberg in September of 1878. Sister Benedict and Sister Joseph, of the Order of St. Francis from Rochester, were the members of the first teaching staff. The number of parish families increased from 37 in 1877 to 137 in 1882. Rev. Simonik left Heidelberg in 1884, and once again the growing parish was left without a resident pastor. The school was also left unattended, as the school Sisters left at the same time. In 1901 the parish school was reopened with Sister Victorine, Sister Romana, Sister Thomas and Sister Clotilda, of the order of St. Benedict, as the teachers. The accompanying picture was taken around 1910. The students pictured are from left to right. 1-James Cap,

2-Theodore Odenthal, 3-Willie Weiers, 4-Gerhard Odenthal, 5-Benny Janda, 6-Ferney, 7-Albert Weiers, 8-Albert Odenthal, 9-Johny Odenthal, 10-Francis Weiers, 11-Frank Ambroz, 12-Lewis Prchal, 13-Tony Weiers, 14-Lena Odenthal, 15-Kathryn Ademmer, 16-Mamie A. Ambroz, 17-Emma Ambroz, 18-Anna Wacker, 19-Emelia Ademmer, 20-Anna Janda, 21-Katie Hinderscheit, 22-Rose Prchal, 23-Mamie E. Ambroz, 24-Tillie Kimmet, 25-unidentified, 26-Louisa Odenthal, 27-unidentified, 28-Johanna Weiers, 29-Ella Prochaska, 30-Anna Odenthal, 31-Sophia Bicek, 32-Sophia Cap, 33-Ella Ambroz, 34-Sophie Svejda, 35-Louisa Ambroz, 36-Clara Cap, 37-Sister Victorine and 38-Sister Henrica.



St. Scholastica Church and parish house with the school children and Nuns from the parochial school. This picture was probably taken during the time Rev. Anthony Brzoskowski served as pastor. The children are unidentified, but probably included members of the Odenthal, Ambroz, Weiers, Ademmer, Prochaska, Cap, Hinderscheit, Kimmet, and Janda families. The Nuns were members of the Order of St. Benedict.



The choir and students of the Sister school enjoy a summer picnic at Lexington. The men in the background drove the children in lumber wagons to the picnic site, about 6 miles from their school.



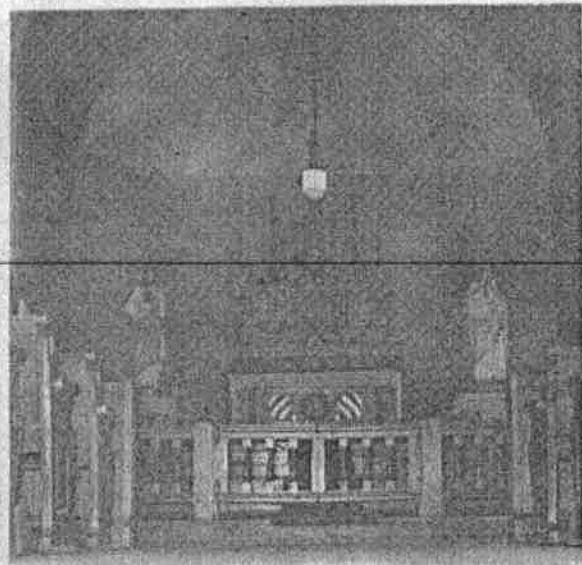
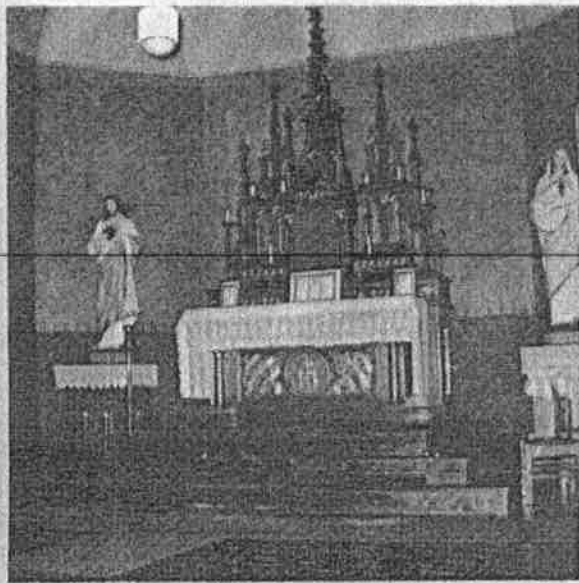
The beauty of the hand carved altars and communion rail is apparent in this photo of the interior of St. Scholastica Church.



The second photo, taken also in January, 1929, shows the church decorated for the 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Clement Guessen. On January 26, 1904, Augusta Raszka and Clement were united in Holy Wedlock at St. Scholastica Church, Heidelberg. They were the parents of Anna, Mayme, Regina, Emily, Joseph, and Clemens Guessen. They celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary at the Church of St. Scholastica in 1929.



A plot of land next to the church on the north side, was set aside to be used as a cemetery. Here most of the pioneers of the parish were buried until in the early 1950's. Among those listed as buried in the original cemetery are these family names: Ademmer, Ambroz, Barta, Benhart, Bicek, Cap, Ctvrtnik, Guessen, Hauer, Heffele, Heil, Hinderscheit, Honza, Kohout, Hruby, Kalal, Karcewski, Klinkhammer, Korbel, Kriha, Krychel, Kimmet, Mader, Niederkorn, Niermann, Odenthal, Pexa, Prochaska, Prchal, Soukup, Studnicka, Tyra, Unger, Valesova, Wacker, Weiers, Widmer, Zika, Brokl, Hauber, Jutten, Hoefs, Krocak, Rynda, Uhlir, Vech, Wagner, and Zelenka. In all, there are nearly 100 graves when the new cemetery, west of the church, was put into use. Most of these were moved to the new site, what remained in the old cemetery were buried beneath the present Shrine to Our Lady of Fatima in about 1954. These pictures were taken while the reconstruction work was in progress around the early 1950's. The Shrine was erected around 1955.

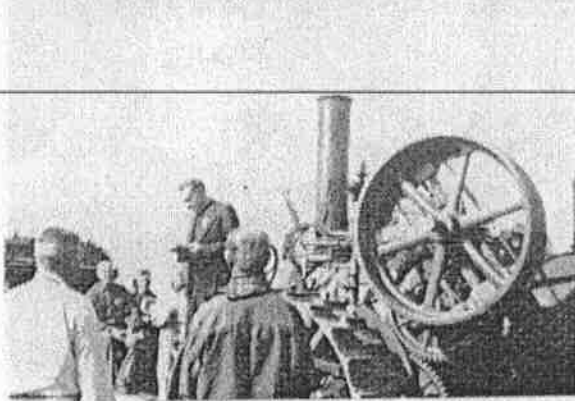


This lovely altar was still in use in St. Scholastica during the early 1950's. While Rev. Ralph Muehlstein was pastor, from 1953 until 1958, he and his father built the present altar.

The second picture is taken with a view down the center aisle of the church with the wooden communion rail very much in evidence at the center front. With the changes made in the church pertaining to receiving communion, this railing became obsolete and was removed.

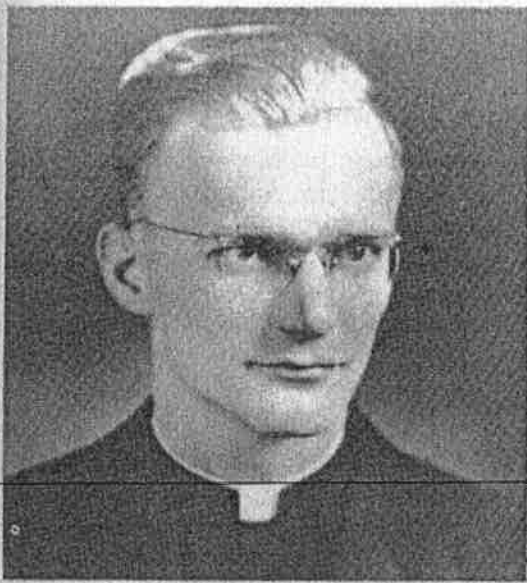


In 1954, this group of parishioners volunteered to dig a trench for the huge fuel storage tank, located between the rectory and the church. Rev. Ralph Muehlstein, pastor of St. Scholastica at the time, is pictured second from the right side. Others pictured include: Edwin Kimmet, Lambert Krocak, Mike Hinderscheid, Joe Hinderscheid, Elmer Studnicka, Eugene Jirak, John Hauer, Donnie Hauer, Francis Odenthal, Willie Odenthal, Frank Hinderscheid, John J. Prochaska, Otto Karcewski, Leonard Hruby, Erwin Schoenecker, Frank Ambroz, Bernard Ademmer, John Hinderscheid, Jim Kriha, John Kimmet, Louis Kriha, Ted Weiers, Roman Odenthal, and Louie Prochaska.

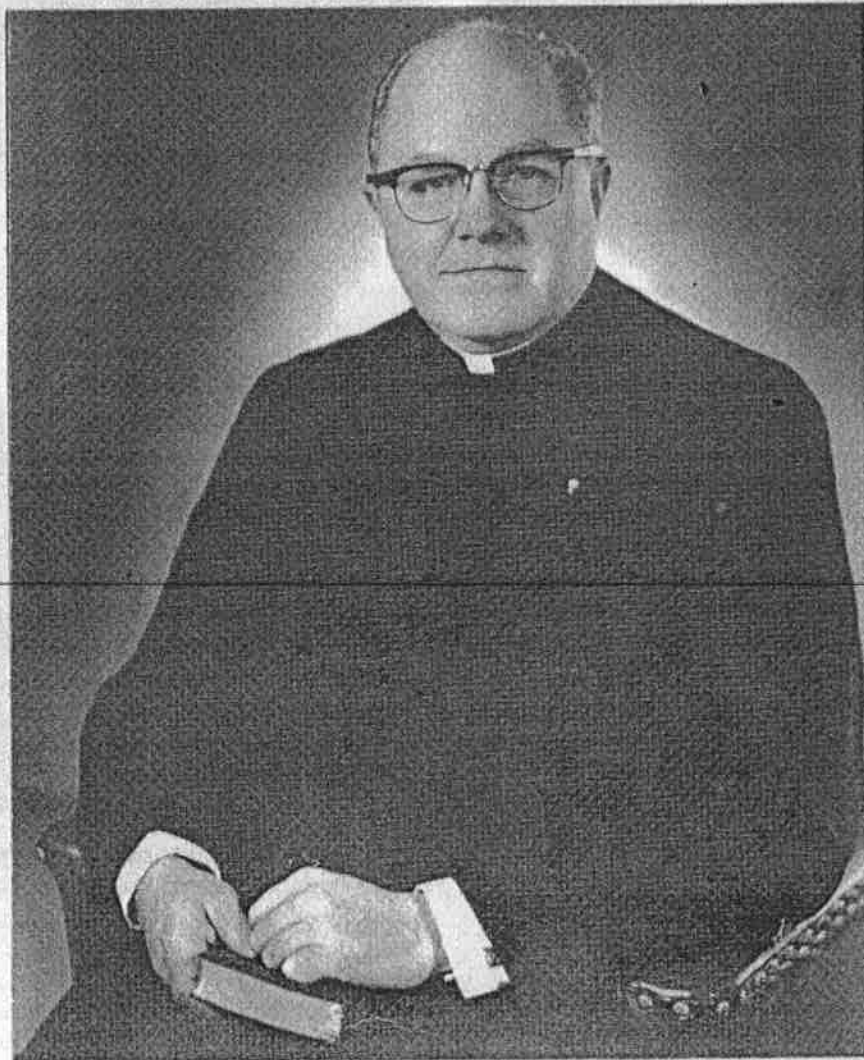


An oldtime threshing bee held at Heidelberg using Joe Rynda's rig. In the first picture, Father Muehlstein is standing on the steam engine giving a short Eulogy and prayer. The man with the bandana on, with his back to the camera is Joe Rynda.

In the second picture, taken also in 1956 at the threshing bee, we find these ladies dressed in the style of bygone days. Pictured from left to right they are: Mrs. Frank Ambroz, Mrs. Frank Hinderscheid, Mrs. John Odenthal, Mrs. Andrew Gansen, Catherine Ademmer, Donna Jirak, and Alice Gansen.



After Rev. Ralph Muehlstein left St. Scholastica in 1958, Father Heitzer was appointed pastor. During his service to the parish this fine crucifix was erected at the site of the new cemetery. Rev. Heitzer left the parish in 1966.



Presently serving as Pastor at St. Scholastica, Rev. Joseph Quinlan

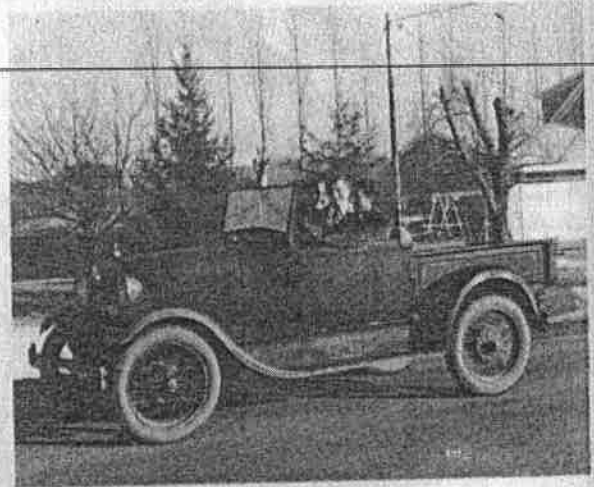
Bicentennial Flag Presentation

When Heidelberg became the smallest official Bicentennial city in the state of Minnesota, we decided to make the Bicentennial Flag Presentation a patriotic and memorable one, with Tony Lambrecht as chairperson of the event and Betty Odenthal (Mrs. William) as co-chairperson. The townspeople organized a very impressive program which involved people and politicians from throughout the state.

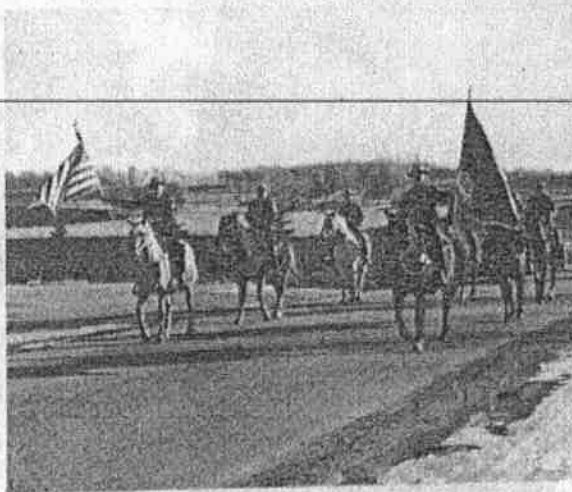
News media coverage included WCCO TV from the Twin Cities, Minneapolis Tribune and Star, K. T. M. F. Radio from New Prague who did a live broadcast, as well as the local newspapers from New Prague, Montgomery, and LeCenter. The following pictures describe the event:



The oldest citizen of Heidelberg, holding the youngest. Marie Ademmer is 93 years old. Bryan Dorn was 3 mos. old when this picture was taken. Picture was taken February, 1976. Bryan is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Harvey Dorn.



Picture shows, on the far side, Lt. Gov. Rudy Perpich; center, Senator Clarence Purfeerst; and driver and owner of the car, Ken Kimnitz.



LeSueur County Sheriff's Posse escorting the Lieutenant Governor Rudy Perpich and State Senator Clarence Purfeerst from the south city limits to the Heidelberg Liquor Hall.



First part of the program was the playing of Yankee Doodle with Chris Goetl, on the flute, David Ademmer, on the drums, and Russell Lambrecht carrying the flag.



Father Joseph Quinlan giving the invocation, with Cindy Ademmer, Master of Ceremonies, standing behind him.



Tony Lambrecht is introducing the dignitaries. He also read letters from U. S. Representative Tom Hagedorn, U. S. Senator Walter Mondale, U. S. Senator Hubert H. Humphrey and Governor Wendell Anderson.



Some of the dignitaries pictured are, front row, l. to r., turned to side, Clarence Welter, Mayor of New Prague; Frank Ademmer, Heidelberg City Clerk; Gerry Ademmer, Heidelberg Councilman. Back row, l. to r., Ed Herman, Le Sueur County Bicentennial Chairperson; Ken Goetl, Commander of Montgomery Legion; Henry Simon, County Commissioner; Clarence Miller, County Commissioner; Sam Slavik, New Prague Bicentennial Chairperson, not shown on

the picture but also in attendance, Francis Wiskocil, Mayor of Montgomery; James T. O'Mera, County Commissioner; Mrs. Emmanuel Vikla, President of Montgomery Auxiliary; Councilman from Heidelberg, William Oden-thal; Le Sueur County Sheriff Pat Smith Sr.; Chief Deputy Sheriff, Pat Smith Jr.; County Auditor Terry Overn; and County Attorney, Harry Christian.



Lieutenant Goernor Rudy Perpich presenting the official Bicentennial flag to the city of Heidelberg, being accepted by the mayor Gerry Odenthal.



Displaying the Bicentennial Flag, left to right, Mayor Gerold Odenthal; Master of Ceremonies, Cindy Ademmer; Fr. Joseph Quinlan; Marie Ademmer; Lt. Gov. Rudy Perpich; State Senator Clarence Purfeerst; and State Representative Robert Vanasek.



Lt. Gov. Rudy Perpich, giving a patriotic speech on the country's Bicentennial and what Minnesotans are doing in '76. WCCO T.V. cameraman on bottom of picture.



Mayor Gerald Odenthal, making his acceptance speech after receiving the flag.



State Senator Clarence Purfeerst presenting the official Bicentennial Certificate to the City, being accepted by Tony Lambrecht, Chairperson for the Heidelberg Bicentennial Committee.



Boy and Girl Scouts, youngest group in the community, presenting the U. S. flag to the City, being accepted by Marie Ademmer, oldest citizen of Heidelberg, age 93.



Displaying the U. S. flag, which was accompanied with a certificate of varification, that this flag has been flown over our nation's capitol in Washington, D. C.



Betty Odenthal, Co-Chairperson, presenting Marie Ademmer with a memorial plaque.



Ladies serving brautwurst and sauerkraut after the ceremonies, left to right, Margie Prochaska, Geraldine Odenthal, Carol Odenthal, and Millie Odenthal.



Frank Ademmer, longest member of the City Council, presenting Lt. Gov. with a hand-painted beer stein with dates of Heidelberg 1878-1976.



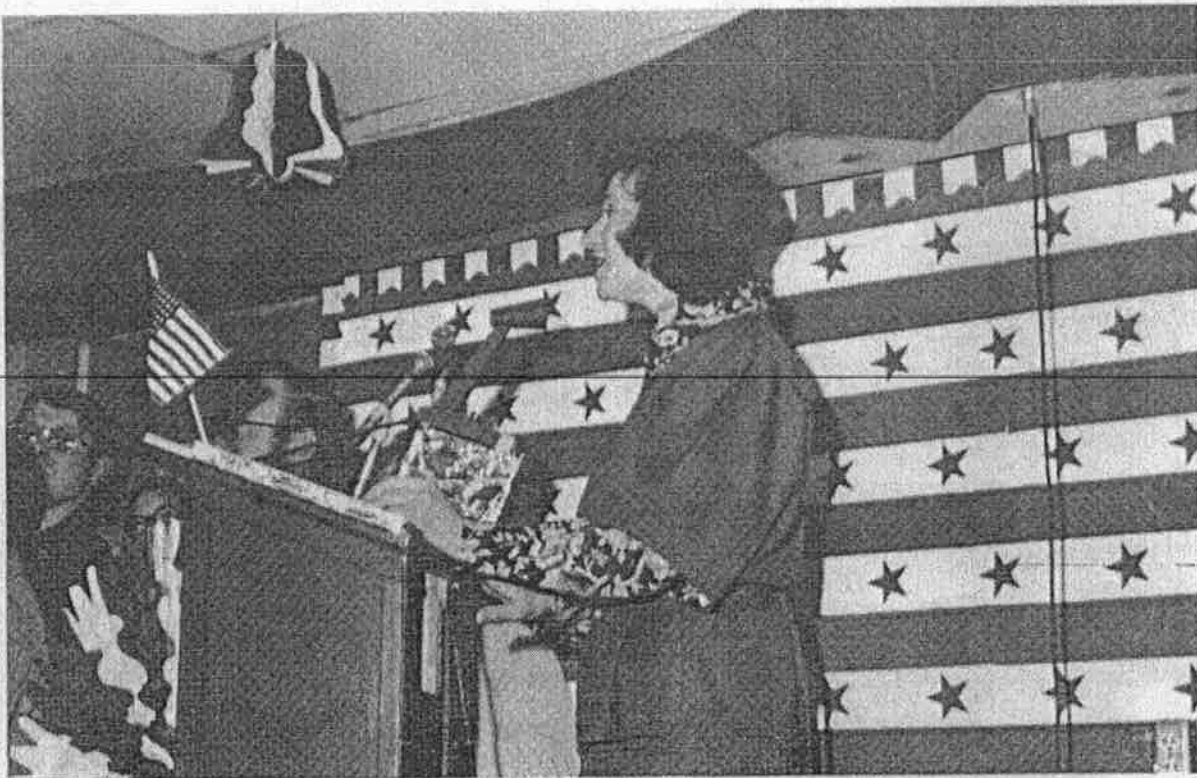
Two members of the Army Reserve, Co. A., New Prague, Minnesota, dressed in Revolutionary War uniforms, left to right, Jim Picha and Clayton Kukacka.



Tony Lambrecht, being interviewed before the ceremonies by Jack Farrell, from KTMF Radio, New Prague.



Pledge of Allegiance to the flag, being lead by the 4H groups.



Corale LaSell, representing the Home Extension Groups, giving the scheduled Bicentennial-events-for the coming year.



Choir and citizens that sang patriotic songs during the program and old German songs after.



Members of the Le Sueur County Sheriff's Posse that attended the ceremonies.

Euchre Marathon

The Heidelberg Bicentennial Committee decided that if we are the smallest official Bicentennial City in the State of Minnesota, we should have one unique project that no other city in the state would duplicate.

There was a lot of discussion and a lot of suggestions. Some were realistic, some not, a lot were humorous and some not, several involved a lot of work and some not. Some were comprised of all play and some were not.....and so we went around and around, and some not.

After getting some knots untied it was agreed that everyone in the area liked to play cards. So it was decided to have the longest Euchre Game on record.

Therefore it was decided to play one hour of Euchre for every one year that this country is old. Thus 200 years meaning 200 continuous hours of Euchre.

This marathon was to start on February 11, after the official Bicentennial flag had been presented to the city. Lieutenant Governor Rudy Perpich would then deal the first hand. This hand was dealt at 5:21 P.M. on Wednesday, February 11, 1976 and the 200 hour marathon was underway. The first game matched the Lt. Gov. and the Mayor of Heidelberg, Gerald Odenthal, as partners against Tony Lambrecht, Chairperson and Betty (Mrs. William) Odenthal, Co-chairperson. This game was won by the politicians. Of course, how do you beat them? After this game the Mayor chose for his partner the mayor of New Prague, Clarence Welter, and the opposing partners were Representative Bob Vanasek and Senator Clarence Purfeerst. The political game is a tough one and so two games had to be played. So it ended up one game apiece. Then the serious playing started and the game went around the clock for 200 continuous hours. The players were scheduled to play in eight-hour shifts. The last game ended on February 20, 1976, at 1:23 A.M. This was 8 days and 8 hours of playing. As the marathon was moving along, it was picked up by World News International and received international recognition. The Heidelberg Euchre Marathon was published in papers all over the United States. There were calls that came to the Lambrecht Store from all over. Shirley Lambrecht was interviewed by a radio station from Columbus, Ohio. Here are the statistics that were kept on the games played in the marathon.

<i>Points Scored</i>	<i>Sets</i>	<i>Lone Hand Played</i>	<i>Lone Hand Made 4</i>	<i>Skunks</i>
Winners Losers	1,260	1,748	652	18
8,490 4,911				

- We's won 425 games.
- They's won 424 games.
- Average points scored per game by losers 5.784
- Average number of lone hands played per game 2.058
- Average lone hands per game made 4 points 0.767
- Average number of sets per game 1.484
- Average lone hands made 4 out of attempts 26.81%
- 1 skunk every 47.166 games played
- Most lone hands played in one game 7
- Most lone hands made in one game 3

These statistics have made Heidelberg the Euchre Capital of the entire world.



Lt. Gov. Perpich, about to deal the first hand; Betty Odenthal; standing and watching is Sen. Clarence Purfeerst; Gerry Odenthal and back to camera Tony Lambrecht.

Sen. Purferst on left and mayor Odenthal dealing the stacked deck. Even with a stacked deck he could not beat his opponents, Sen. and Rep. Bob Vanasek, because the politicians kept changing the laws.



New Prague Mayor Clarence Welter on left, and Sen. Clarence Purfeerst playing in the marathon.

Rep. Bob Vanasek uses his serious political look after setting his opponents.



Bicentennial Farm

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Per. Emptin
CERTIFICATE
 No. 3592

To all to whom these presents shall come, greeting:

Whereas, *Charles Hoefs of Co. Lincoln County Minnesota* _____
 has deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the UNITED STATES, a certificate of the Register of the Land Office at *St. Cloud* _____ whereby
 it appears that FULL PAYMENT has been made by the said *Charles Hoefs* _____ according
 to the provisions of the act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An act making further provision for the sale of the public lands," for *the east half of the*
South East quarter and the South West quarter of the South East quarter of Section Thirteen Township
Two hundred and twenty South of Range Twenty three East in the district of lands subject to sale
at St. Cloud, Minnesota containing One hundred and twenty acres.

According to the official plat of the Survey of the said lands, returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE by the Surveyor General, which said tract has been purchased by the said
Charles Hoefs _____

Now know ye, That the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with the several Acts of Congress in such case made
 and provided, HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED, and by these presents DO GIVE AND GRANT, unto the said *Charles Hoefs* _____
 and to his _____ heirs, the said Tract above described; TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances, of whatsoever nature,
 thereto belonging, unto the said *Charles Hoefs* _____ and to his _____ heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof *Abraham Lincoln* _____ PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
 have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of the GENERAL LAND OFFICE to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the *First* day of *August*, in the YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE
 thousand eight hundred and *sixty one*, and of the Independence of the United States the *Eighty sixth*
 BY THE PRESIDENT: *Abraham Lincoln*

By *J. H. Stoddard* Secy.
J. H. Stoddard Recorder of the General Land Office.

RECORDED, Vol. 7 Page 63 Circumstances



Charles Hoefs claimed 120 acres on August 1, 1861, and received title to the property from the President of the United States, Abraham Lincoln. This farm is located approximately 1 1/2 miles south of the Heidelberg City boundary. (Picture of Charles Hoefs alone--no picture of wife available).

Charles, with his wife, Maria, along with their growing son, August, carved the farm out of the then tree and rock obstructed fields. Part of their daily chores was grubbing stumps and clearing

timber to make room for their crop lands. Charles died at the age of 96 1/2.

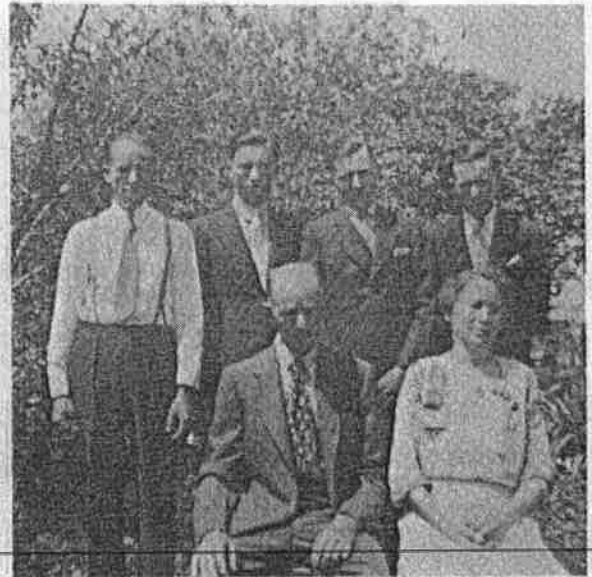
August, and his wife, Susan, took over the continuing task when they purchased the farm from his father on February 27, 1875. (Picture of



Susan--no picture of August available) This was approximately when a small log house was erected on the farm. It has since had several additions and faceliftings. August and wife, Susan, had 4 children; 1 son, John; and 3 daughters; Katie, Mary, and Anna. Working together as a family they used hand tools and horses to expand the open fields into rich crop producing farmland.



After their son, John, got married to Amelia Tiede, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Tiede, rural LeCenter farmer, John purchased the farm from his parents in February of 1914. (Wedding picture of John W. Hoefs and Amelia O. Tiede).



John, with his wife continued the hard work of improving the farmland and buildings along with rearing 4 sons, Leland, Gilbert, Arthur, and youngest, Norbert. (Picture of John, Amelia with their 4 sons. Left to right, standing, Leland, Gilbert, Norbert, and Arthur.)



John's wife, Amelia, passed away in 1948, and John remarried in 1952 to Josephine Krocak. She had one son, Stanley Krocak. (Picture of John Hoefs, seated and left to right, one stepson, Stanley Krocak, and sons Norbert, Leland, Gilbert, and Art.) Josephine died in 1962; John Hoefs passed away in 1968.

Norbert and his brother Leland purchased the farm from their parents, John and Amelia, on December 31, 1940. Norbert then purchased Leland's share in February of 1947.

John and Amelia's four sons are all married; Leland is married to Philamena Edel; Gilbert, to Alice David; Arthur, to Adeline Kocina; and Norbert, to Lois Washa, daughter of a rural Le Center farmer, Mr. & Mrs. William Washa. Norbert married Lois on April 6, 1948.

Norbert and Lois have one daughter, Kathleen, born July 31, 1951. She was married

to James Heyda on June 14, 1975. James is the son of the late Tony and Mrs. Loise Heyda of Montgomery. One son, James, born September 19, 1955. Jim is living at home with his parents and is taking over the farming operation this summer, thus making him the fifth generation since the farm was claimed by James' great-great-grandfather, Charles Hoefs, and the title of this farm has never been in any name other than the Hoefs family. This is why we have dedicated this farm as the official Heidelberg Bicentennial farm.



(Family picture of Norbert and Lois Hoefs (seated) and standing, son James and daughter Kathleen).

Norbert served our country in the air force from 1942 through 1946. His brother Leland served from 1941 to 1945 in the army.

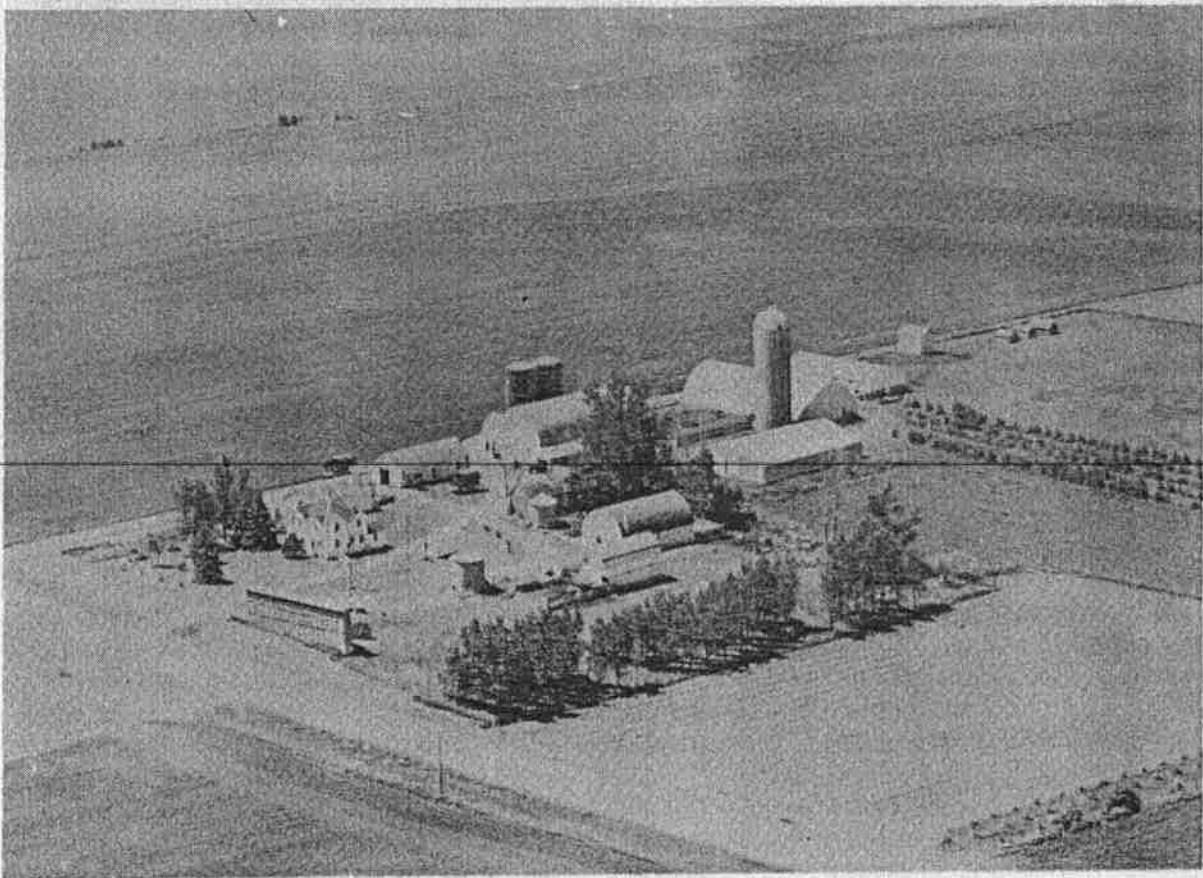
The farm house is the oldest building on the Hoefs estate. It was partially erected approximately in 1875 with an addition put on later. The old barn on the 1956 picture was built in 1902. It was dismantled in April of 1971. The grainery was built by John Hoefs himself in 1940.

In 1949, with Norbert and wife as owners of the farm, the double corn crib was built with Norbert Ruehling as chief carpenter. The garage was constructed in 1952 with Norbert Ruehling again in charge of supervision.

The hog house was then built in 1955 with Busch Construction of New Prague getting the job. Having done a good job, they were hired in 1958 to build a new barn on the farm at which time the first of the two Harvestor silos was erected by A. O. Smith. The second one was put up in 1960. The beautiful pine and cedar grove of over 1,000 trees was planted in 1965, shown on the far right in the later photo of 1973. In 1968 a farrowing house was built for the Hoefs' by Busch Construction. Then in 1970 the large cement stave silo was erected.



(Picture of farm taken in 1956).



(Picture of farm taken in 1973). Latest picture of the Hoefs' farm was taken in 1973 and it does not show the new machine shed built in 1974, which was erected by Great Plains Supply out of Waterville, Mn.

The following pictures are different scenes of interest which were taken on the Hoefs' farm over the past years.



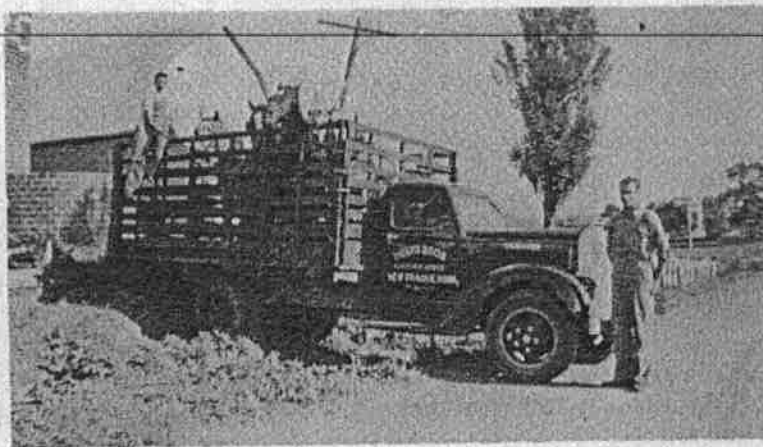
Leland Hoefs with accordion and brother Norbert on their dad's model T Ford truck.



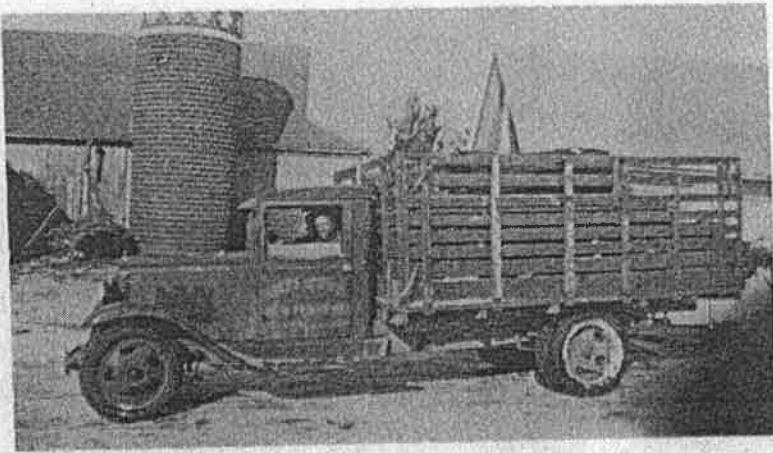
Barn and silo being dismantled. Note silo roof collapsing and falling to the ground. This was taken April 8, 1971. Helping Norbert on this project was Eugene Odenthal.



Norbert Hoefs and the family dog pictured in front of his father's 1929 Wallis-Massey-Harris tractor.



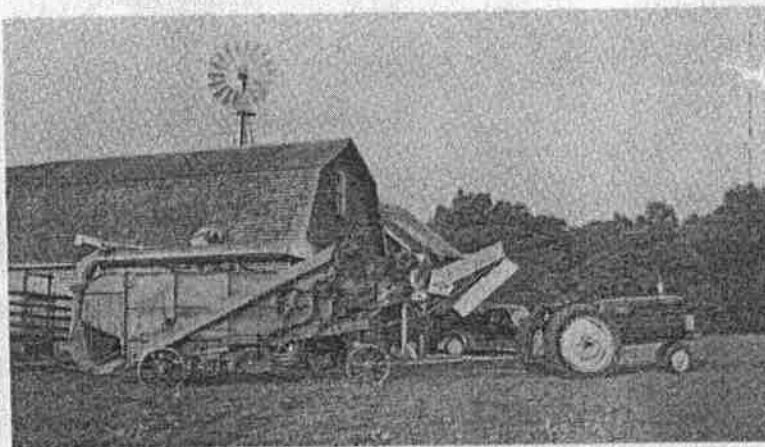
Arthur on the truck and Gilbert on the road with their 1937 Chevrolet truck. Pictured hauling the horses from one farm to the other for the field work.



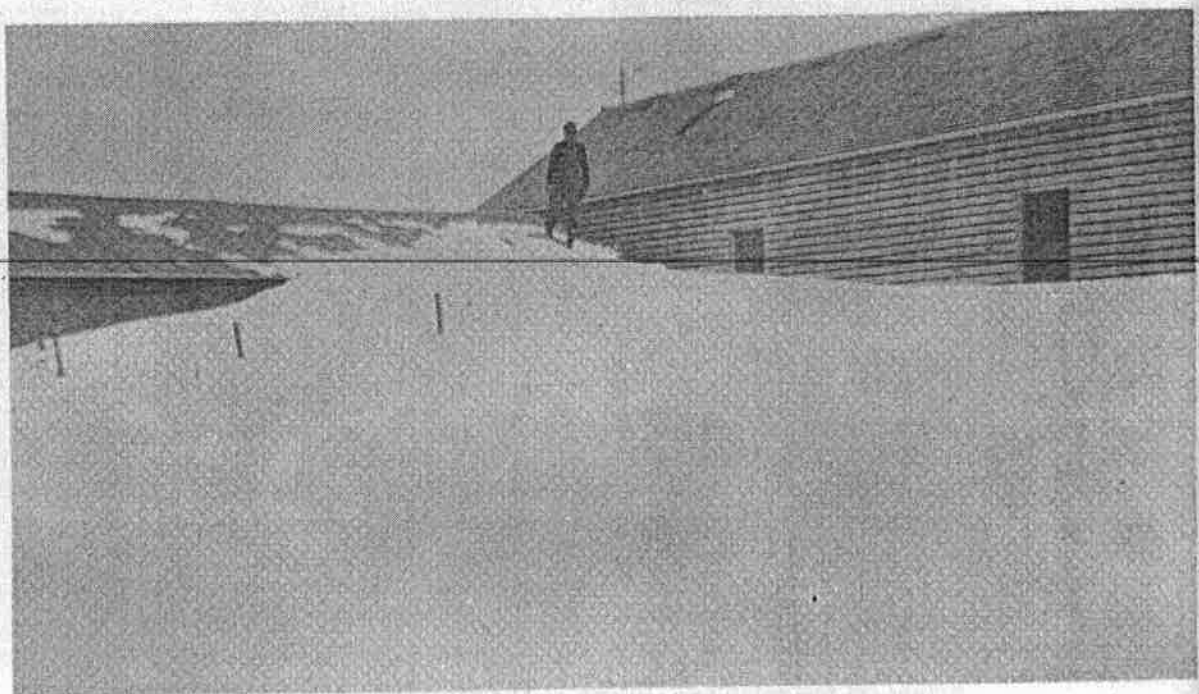
Leland Hoefs hauling a bull with the 1931 Chevrolet truck owned and operated by Hoefs Brothers Trucking.



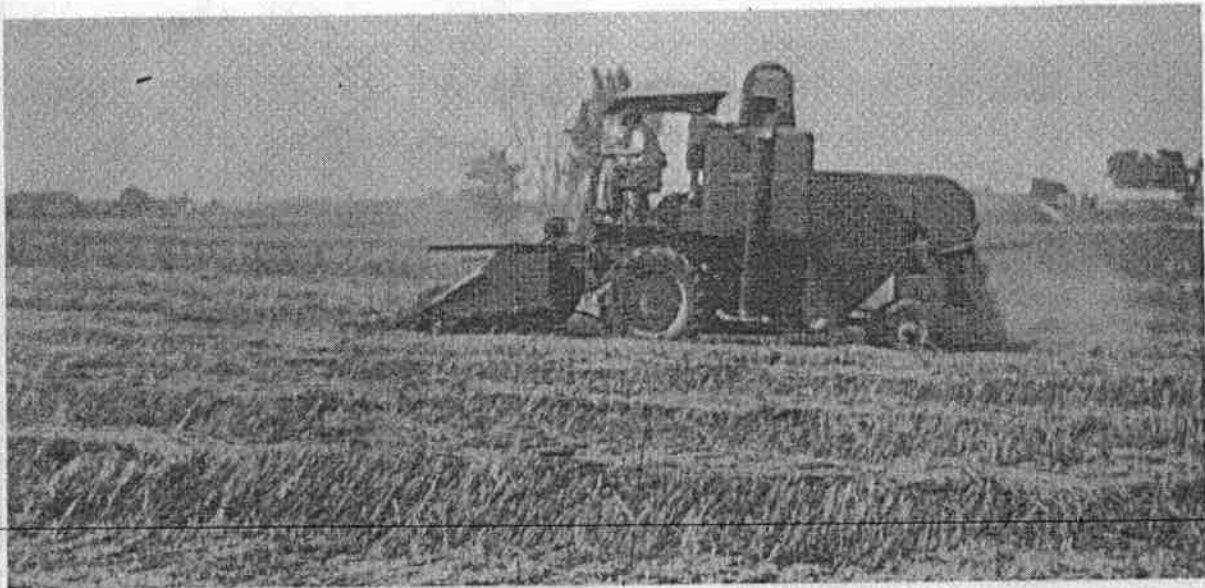
It is not all work on the farm. Here is a picture of someone riding a Berkshire Boar pig for a little excitement and family fun.



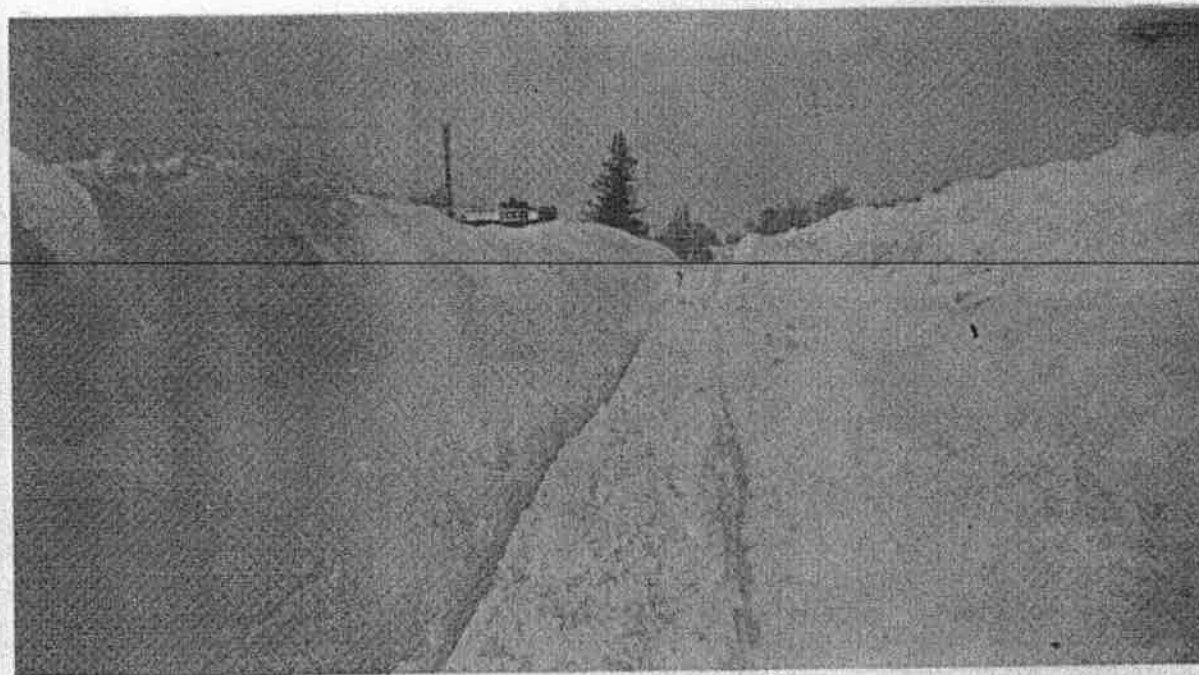
Threshing rig owned by Norbert. This picture was taken in 1942.



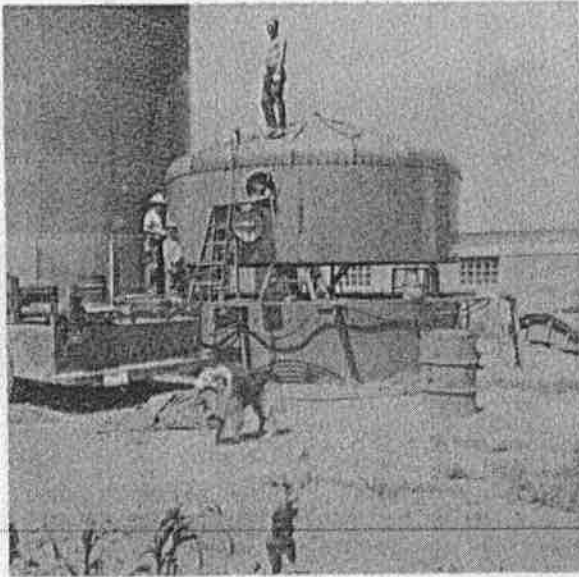
Scene of the March, 1951, snows. Stakes showing in front of picture are from a bundle rake on a wagon. Norbert is standing above the roof line on one of the buildings.



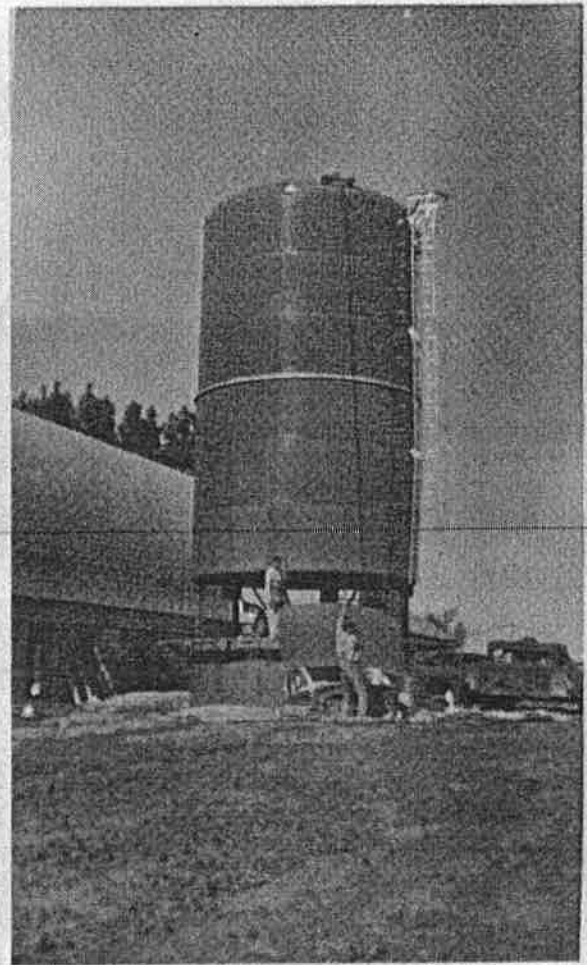
Above: Taken in 1951 of a new self-propelled combine on the Hoefs' farm, who was the first owner of such a machine in the area. Right: James Hoefs with his father Norbert in front of the largest tractor out of five now being used on the Hoefs farm--a 1966 International.



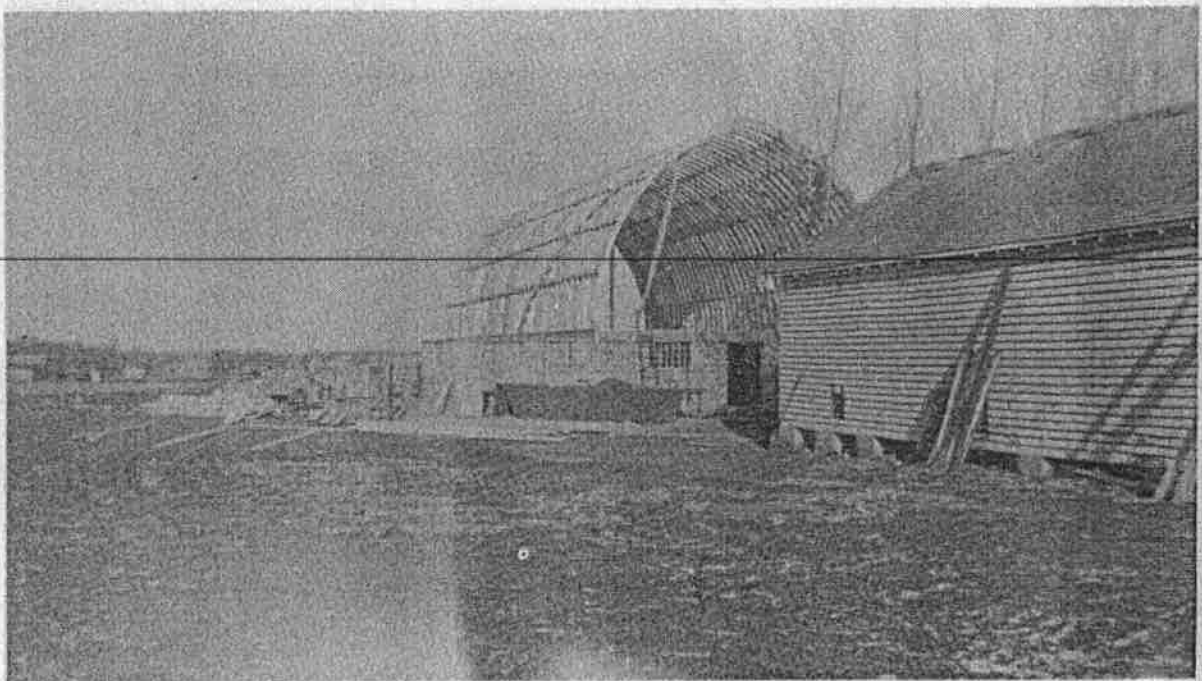
Picture taken of country road 30 in front of Hoefs farm after caterpillars had opened roadway on April 3, 1951.



Small Harvester being built in 1960.



Large silo being erected in 1958.



New barn being built in 1958 by Busch Construction.

Personal History

These are the families that live in the city of Heidelberg, and the surrounding areas, at the time of publication of this book. Some in the area did not furnish us this information and were inadvertently missed. We tried to contact everyone. Others did not want their family history in this book. The editors of this book ask your forgiveness for any oversights and/or mistakes.

Donald & Theresa Hlavac

Donald W. Hlavac was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on March 17, 1944. Parents: William & Lillian Hlavac. Occupation: Heavy Equipment Operator. Married: April 24, 1965. Wife, Theresa, was born on October 11, 1946, in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: Elmer & Bernice Lambrecht. Occupation: Hairdresser. Children: Jeffrey, born September 13, 1966, Steven, born April 27, 1969.

William & Betty Odenthal

William J. Odenthal was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on March 21, 1934. Parents: Jacob G. & Frances Gerardy Odenthal. Occupation: Carpet Installation & Farming. Married: June 20, 1959. Wife, Betty, was born on December 28, 1937, in Rice County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: Edward E. & Christine Skluzacek. Children: Sandra Pat, born October 5, 1960, Patricia Ann, born March 4, 1963.

Donald & RoseMarie Hauer

Donald J. Hauer was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on May 4, 1938. Parents: John H. & Eleanore Hauer. Occupation: Farming & Carpentry. Married: June 6, 1959. Wife, RoseMarie, was born on December 4, 1937 in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: Jerry & Emma Bisek. Children: Daniel, born September 25, 1960, Catherine, born September 16, 1965, Dawn, born May 19, 1965, Russell, born April 18, 1968.

Richard & Betty Franek

Richard Franek was born in Scott County, New Prague, Mn. on September 18, 1940. Parents: Thomas & Mary Franek. Occupation: Farming. Married: February 11, 1962. Wife, Betty, was born in Scott County, Prior Lake, Mn. on July 13, 1940. Parents: Elmer & Peggy Clarke. Children: Richard, born February 7, 1962, Jeffrey, born April 17, 1964, David, born October 25, 1966.

Andrew & Marie Gansen

Andrew Gansen was born in Scott County, Belle Plaine, Mn. on February 4, 1917. Parents:

William & Mary Gansen. Occupation: Farming. Married: October 24, 1939. Wife, Marie, was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on December 3, 1918. Parents: Joseph & Julia Hejny. Children: Mildred, born December 11, 1940, married to Jerry Odenthal, Alice, born December 25, 1941, married to Stanley Laabs.

Francis & Muriel Cemensky

Francis (Swamp) Cemensky was born in LeSueur County, LeCenter, Mn. on June 25, 1931. Parents: John & Anna Cemensky. Occupation: Unemployed. Married: February 14, 1953. Wife, Muriel, was born in Pine County, Askov, Mn. on August 6, 1932. Parents: William & Eda Christensen. Children: Terrence, born September 28, 1954, Lorraine, born November 2, 1953, Colleen, born March 23, 1958, married to Martin Krenik, Linda, born September 13, 1962, John & Jennefer (Twins) born August 13, 1963.

Leonard & Bernice Hruby

Leonard Hruby was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on May 14, 1923. Parents: Adolph & Susan Hruby. Occupation: Farming. Married: October 4, 1947. Wife, Bernice, was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on April 16, 1926. Parents: George & Margaret Kajer. Children: Noreen, born January 30, 1949, Richard, born May 1, 1951, Mark, born September 17, 1953, Margaret, born June 11, 1956, Barbara, born May 26, 1959, Anita, born February 19, 1963, Steven, born August 24, 1967.

Eugene & Marcella Jirak

Eugene Jirak was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on June 2, 1915. Parents: John & Mary Jirak. Occupation: Farming. Married: November 21, 1939. Wife, Marcella, was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on May 25, 1927. Parents: Alois & Mary Korbel. Children: Donna, born December 24, 1941, married to John Vlasak, Mary, born April 10, 1947, married to Dennis Meilke, John, born December 18, 1953.

Richard & Coralee LaSell

Richard LaSell was born in Minneapolis on May 25, 1935. Parents: John W. & Melvina LaSell. Occupation: Marketing Manager. Married: July 11, 1964. Wife, Coralee, was born in Spooner, Wisconsin on May 21, 1941. Parents: Bernard & Sarah Fox. Children: Bryan Josef, born July 6, 1965, Angela, born August 30, 1966.

Daniel & Ann Prochaska

Daniel Prochaska was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on August 28, 1951. Parents: Francis & Evelyn Prochaska. Occupation: Production Control. Married: November 17, 1973. Wife, Ann, was born in Scott County, New Prague, Mn. on December 28, 1953. Parents: John & Elizabeth Wagner. Children: None.

Mrs. Adeline Schneider

Adeline Schneider was born in Carver County, Chanhassen, Mn. on October 26, 1930. Parents: Herbert & Pauline Kocks. Occupation: Secretary. Married to Leander Schneider who passed away on July 16, 1964 due to an accident with his Livestock Truck. Children: Sandra, born February 21, 1952, married to Frank Grimm, Terrence, born May 1, 1953, Anthony, born June 26, 1954, Neil, born May 30, 1955, Jane, born May 2, 1957, Laura, born May 16, 1958, Jennefer, born August 9, 1959, Fred, born August 4, 1960, Timothy, born July 25, 1962, Mary, born July 20, 1963.

William & Donna Shaughnessy

William Shaughnessy was born in LeSueur County, LeSueur, Mn. on May 27, 1933. Parents: Richard & Nora Shaughnessy. Occupation: Accountant. Married: August 20, 1955. Wife, Donna, was born in Scott County, Webster, Mn. on August 9, 1933. Parents: Martin & Emma Donnelly. Children: Colleen, born June 8, 1956, Gayle, born June 17, 1957, Jean, born July 22, 1958, Brian, born July 12, 1959, Maureen, born September 30, 1961, Timothy, born July 17, 1963, Patricia, born July 4, 1964, Thomas, born July 13, 1965, Shannon, born July 4, 1970.

Josephine Ambroz

Frank Ambroz was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on June 18, 1898. Died July 3, 1973. Parents: Albert & Mary Ambroz. Occupation: Ran Threshing Machine, Saw Mill, and did Carpentry. Married: October 12, 1921. Wife, Josephine, was born in Scott County, New

Prague, Mn. on June 21, 1898. Parents: Jacob & Petronella Maxa. Children: Robert, born April 29, 1923, married to Mary Catherine Meger, Marjorie, born October 26, 1924, married to Robert Renneberg, Rosemary, born December 26, 1926, married to Herman Neisen, Eugene, born August 27, 1928, married to Delores Solheid, Lloyd, born May 2, 1930, married to Evelyn Svoboda, Irene, born January 25, 1933, married to Dale Benson, Leonard, born May 24, 1935, married to Patricia Zaun, Patricia, born July 28, 1937, married to Ervin Mayerhafer, June, born March 10, 1940, married to Sidney Thibodo.

Francis & Geraldine Odenthal

Francis Odenthal was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on March 8, 1933. Parents: John & Veronica Odenthal. Occupation: Supervisor of Computer Operations. Married: June 11, 1955. Wife, Geraldine, was born in Scott County, New Market, Mn. on April 3, 1935. Parents: Elmer & Marcella Kaufenberg. Children: Gary, born August 29, 1956, Laurie, born June 7, 1960, Robert, born June 9, 1964.

Gerald & Dorothy Kovarik

Gerald Kovarik was born in North Dakota, on August 17, 1943. Parents: Gerald & Ceil Kovarik. Occupation: Welder. Married: January 28, 1967. Wife, Dorothy, was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on April 30, 1945. Parents: Mike & Rose Hinderscheid. Occupation: Hairdresser. Children: Julie, born July 15, 1967, AnnMarie, born January 15, 1969, Crystal, born February 20, 1973.

Joe & Carol Odenthal

Joseph Odenthal was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on April 22, 1939. Parents: John & Veronica Odenthal. Occupation: Farming. Married: September 9, 1961. Wife, Carol, was born in LeSueur County, LeCenter, Mn. on December 21, 1940. Parents: Arthur & Beth Bornholdt. Children: Richard, born July 6, 1962, Randall, born July 26, 1968, Renee, born January 18, 1970.

Tony & Shirley Lambrecht

Anthony Lambrecht was born in Scott County, New Prague, Mn. on January 30, 1933. Parents: Anthony & Helen Lambrecht. Occupation: Owner and Operator of Heidelberg Liquors. Married: September 21, 1954. Wife, Shirley, was born in Scott County, Shakopee, Mn. on May 10, 1935. Parents: Herman & Helen

Ramaker. Children: Kenneth, born September 16, 1955, Debra, born August 15, 1956, Richard, born June 4, 1958, Randall, born January 10, 1960, Russell, born June 25, 1965, Cindy, born March 29, 1967.

Gerald & Mary Catherine Ademmer

Gerald Ademmer was born in Le Sueur County, New Prague, Mn. on June 16, 1936. Parents: Frank & Ella Ademmer. Occupation: Construction Mason. Married: October 8, 1960. Wife, Mary Catherine, was born in Rice County, Veseli, Mn. on November 20, 1938. Parents: Thomas & Mary Jasan. Children: David, born February 7, 1962, Susan, born September 19, 1966.

Dale & Diane Ruhland

Dale Ruhland was born in LeSueur County, Montgomery, Mn. Parents: Gerry & Maryann Ruhland. Occupation: Electrician. Married: July 31, 1971. Wife, Diane, was born in LeSueur County, LeSueur, Mn. Parents: Jack & Vangie Burns. Children: Dawn Marie, born March 16, 1972, Debra Ann, born March 17, 1975.

Ordean & Sharon Anderson

Ordean Anderson was born in Bingham, Montana. Parents: Selmer & Olga Anderson. Occupation: Consulting Electrical Engineer. Married: June 8, 1960. Wife, Sharon, was born in Detroit Lakes, Mn. Parents: Roger & Irene Foster. Children: Beth, born December 13, 1961, Erik, born October 13, 1963, Kurt, born October 27, 1967, Marit, born June 12, 1969.

Eugene & Phyllis Odenthal

Eugene Odenthal was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on October 31, 1927. Parents: Jacob & Frances Odenthal. Occupation: Farming, & U. S. Steel Co. Married: June 6, 1957. Wife, Phyllis, was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: William & Mary Chlan. Children: David, born September 20, 1960, Dale, born February 1, 1963, Roger, born December 9, 1965, Susan, born August 28, 1967, Sally, born November 5, 1970.

John & Jane Shambour

John Shambour was born in Rice County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: William & Rose Shambour. Occupation: Farming. Married: September 2, 1964. Wife, Jane, was born in Spooner, Wisconsin. Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stellrecht. Children: Jacqueline, born June 22, 1965, Joan, born November 29, 1966, Angela, born November 30, 1971.

Anthony and June Talarczyk

Anthony Talarczyk was born in Buffalo, New York. Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Talarczyk, Sr. Occupation: Logician at Univac. Married: May 4, 1946. Wife, June, was born in Cincinnati, Ohio. Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Harry Renzelman. Children: Christine, born November 17, 1952, Linda, born September 11, 1954, Wayne, born October 16, 1957, Anthony, born October 4, 1963, Harry, born March 9, 1966.

Jean Odenthal

Jean Odenthal was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on June 3, 1911. Parents: Jacob & Anna Odenthal. Occupation: Retired. Never Married.

Anne Odenthal

Anne Odenthal was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on December 4, 1900. Parents: Jacob & Anna Odenthal. Occupation: Retired. Never Married.

Joel & Noritta Kukacka

Joel Kukacka was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Louis Kukacka. Occupation: Harvester Division, Minn. Valley Breeders. Married: August 26, 1975. Wife, Noritta, was born in Buffalo, Mn. Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Robert Diegert. Children: Keven, born September 26, 1975.

Joseph & Katie Benzick

Joseph Benzick was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Frank Benzick. Occupation: Retired. Married: 1932. Wife, Katie, was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: Mr. & Mrs. John Hinderscheit. Children: Joseph Benzick now residing at St. Paul, Mn.

Robert & Judy Hauer

Robert Hauer was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: John & Eleanore Hauer. Occupation: Sanitation Manager, for Green Giant Co., Montgomery. Married: June 6, 1964. Wife, Judy, was born in LeSueur County, Montgomery, Mn. Parents: Frank & Lillian Halik. Children: Dustin Lee, born March 11, 1974.

John J. & Lucille Prochaska

John J. Prochaska was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: Mr. & Mrs. James Prochaska. Occupation: Trucker. Married: May 7, 1966. Wife, Lucille, was born in LeSueur County, LeCenter, Mn. Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Fred Meyer. Children: Richard Ambroz, born March 1, 1941, married to Judy Marty.

Joseph & Bessie Prchal

Joseph Prchal was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Prchal, Sr. Occupation: Farming. Married: May 25, 1926. Wife, Bessie, was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Albert Dolejs. Children: Beatrice, born June 9, 1930, married to Loren Hildebrant, Betty Ann, born March 7, 1937, married to Sidney Vikla.

Mrs. Veronica Odenthal Gerardy

Mrs. Veronica Odenthal Gerardy was born in LeSueur County, LeCenter, Mn. Parents: Martin & Anna Blaschko. Married: John Odenthal on September 20, 1932. John passed away on April 12, 1969. On January 2, 1971 Veronica married Math Gerardy. Children: Francis, born March 8, 1933, Rita, born September 8, 1934, married to Richard Hesse, Gerald, born August 13, 1936, married to Mildred Gansen, Joseph, born April 22, 1939, married to Carol Bornholdt, Ann, born December 4, 1943, married to Robert Smishek.

Mike & Rose Hinderscheit

Mike Hinderscheit was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on October 28, 1909. Parents: Casper & Ann Hinderscheit. Occupation: Farming. Married: November 7, 1943. Wife, Rose, was born in LeSueur County, LeCenter, Mn. on April 21, 1925. Parents: Joseph & Ann David. Children: Caroline, born April 2, 1943, married to Myron Lehnen, Dorothy, born April 30, 1945, married to Gerald Kovarik, Florian, born October 30, 1946, married to Linda Cervenka, Cyril, born March 18, 1950, Michael, born July 31, 1952, married to Susan Neiman, Stanley, born April 27, 1956, LeRoy, born January 18, 1958, Mary Lou, born November 28, 1959, Daniel, born March 21, 1961, James, born January 1, 1964, Larry, born January 4, 1966, Susan, born February 14, 1968.

Richard & Mary Jo Hruby

Richard Hruby was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on May 1, 1951. Parents: Leonard & Bernice Hruby. Occupation: Farm equipment maintenance. Married: July 14, 1972. Wife, Mary Jo, was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on September 24, 1952. Parents: Ralph & Helen Weiers. Children: Pamela, born September 22, 1975.

Leonard & Carol Pexa

Leonard Pexa was born in Scott County, New Prague, Mn. on October 5, 1938. Parents: Wencel & Bessie Pexa. Occupation: Farming. Married: July 7, 1962. Wife, Carol, was born in

Scott County, Shakopee, Mn. on January 17, 1943. Parents: John & Genevieve Preisen. Children: Doreen, born June 23, 1963, Ronald, born August 24, 1964, James, born January 26, 1967, Mary Carol, born April 8, 1969.

Randy & Jan Bohnsack

Randy Bohnsack was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on October 15, 1948. Parents: Ehler & Ann Bohnsack. Occupation: Machinist, and farming. Married: August 8, 1969. Wife, Jan, was born in Hennipen County, Minneapolis, Mn. on January 25, 1948. Parents: Hershel & Violet Bachman. Children: Barry, born August 17, 1972, Brady, born April 30, 1975.

Thomas & Charlotte Illg

Thomas Illg was born in Slayton, Mn. on July 5, 1945. Parents: Adolph & Evelyn Illg. Occupation: Hydraulic Tech. Married: December 16, 1972. Wife, Charlotte, was born in Tracey, Mn. on September 12, 1944. Parents: Arthur & Rosella Hoffrogge. Children: Jerome, born August 23, 1974.

Norbert & Alvina Ruehling

Norbert Ruehling was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on May 17, 1905. Parents: Andrew & Marie Ruehling. Occupation: Retired Farmer, Carpenter, & Cream Hauler. Married: February 24, 1927. Wife, Alvina, was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on February 22, 1906. Parents: Charles & Clara Schroeder. Children: Lloyd, born November 21, 1935, died March 5, 1951.

Dale & Dorothy May

Dale May was born in St. Peter, Mn. on June 24, 1944. Parents: Francis & Alice May. Occupation: Mechanic for North Central Airlines, also farming. Married: June 15, 1968. Wife, Dorothy, was born in Omaha, Neb. on November 10, 1948. Parents: Stanley J. & Helen Lepert. Children: Donna, born June 27, 1969, Denise, born September 23, 1973.

Alios & Marge Prochaska

Alios Prochaska was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on October 19, 1932. Parents: Louis & Amelia Prochaska. Occupation: Farmer. Married: October 8, 1955. Wife, Margie, was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on April 9, 1936. Parents: Cornelius & Dorothy Kilduff. Children: Paula, born July 30, 1957, Patty, born October 8, 1957, Terry, born June 4, 1960, Tim, born September 22, 1963.

Lena Lestina

Lena Lestina was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on August 11, 1901. Parents: Casper & Anna (Neisen). Married: April 19, 1921. Joe passed away July 28, 1970. Children: Lorraine, born March 3, 1922, Alvin, born November 26, 1925.

Reverend Father Joseph Quinlan

Reverend Father Joseph Quinlan was born in St. Paul, Mn. on January 7, 1912. Parents: James & Margaret (Langen) Quinlan.

James & Carol Prochaska

James (Sam) Prochaska was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on August 16, 1948. Parents: Francis & Evelyn Prochaska. Occupation: Welder. Married: May 8, 1971. Wife, Carol, was born in McCloud County, Hutchinson, Mn. on August 28, 1951. Parents: John & Elizabeth Miller. Children: Brian, born March 20, 1973.

Robert & Constance White

Robert White was born in Shakopee, Mn. on July 29, 1949. Parents: Robert & Mildred White. Occupation: Trucker. Married: February 7, 1970. Wife, Constance, was born in Bemidji, Mn. on September 13, 1946. Parents: Donovan & Dorothy Slough. Children: David, born October 20, 1966, Ronda, born December 21, 1967, Donovan, born October 6, 1975.

Erwin & Mary Schoenecker

Erwin Schoenecker was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: Joseph & Celia Schoenecker. Occupation: Farmer. Married: August 26, 1947. Wife, Mary, was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: Frank & Ella Ademmer. Children: Francis, born July 7, 1948, married to Mary Voxland, James, born May 3, 1953, Terry, born August 2, 1964, Joan, born August 3, 1956, Dianne, born October 24, 1966.

John & Monica Kimmet

John Kimmet was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on August 17, 1909. Parents: Oscar & Johanna Kimmet. Occupation: Semi-Retired Farmer. Married: October 29, 1946. Wife, Monica, was born in LeSueur County, LeCenter, Mn. on January 10, 1914. Parents: Paul & Mary Ginter. Children: Kenneth, born July 4, 1949, Terrance, born June 28, 1953, married to Elaine Kadlec.

Edwin Kimmet

Edwin Kimmet was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: Oscar & Johanna Kimmet. Occupation: Farmer. Never Married.

John & Elaine Heffern

John Heffern was born in Grand Meadow, Mn. on October 8, 1917. Parents: John & Maude Heffern. Occupation: Lineman. Married: July 3, 1953. Wife, Elaine, was born in Grand Meadow, Mn. on March 4, 1933. Parents: Ole & Helen Skogstad. Children: Douglas, born January 15, 1954, married to Vickie Lane, Patricia, born December 27, 1957, William, born May 26, 1961, Dale, born July 15, 1963, Gary, born May 21, 1967, Daniel, born November 27, 1970.

Mrs. Jacob G. Odenthal

Mrs. Jacob G. Odenthal was born in Elsworth, Mn. on March 10, 1893. Parents: Hubert & Josephine Gerardy. Married: Jacob Odenthal on May 10, 1921. Jacob died on November 22, 1967. Children: Deloris, born April 2, 1922, married to Adelbert Hoffman, Leander, born March 27, 1924, married to Theresa Trcka, Eugene, born October 31, 1927, married to Phyllis Chlan, Roman, born April 17, 1929, married to Lavonne Slavik, died June 26, 1975, Leo, born April 11, 1931, married to Marilyn Pavek, William, born March 21, 1934, married to Betty Skluzacek.

Frank Ademmer

Frank Ademmer was born in LeSueur County on January 16, 1895. Parents: Bernard & Mary Ademmer. Occupation: Retired Farmer. Married to Ella Prochaska. Mrs. Ademmer died in March 1960. Children: Francis, born December 27, 1933, Gerald, born June 16, 1936, Mary, born

Catherine Ademmer

Catherine Ademmer was born in LeSueur County, on March 6, 1897. Parents: Bernard & Mary Ademmer. Catherine never married.

Marie Ademmer

Marie Ademmer was born in LeSueur County on September 20, 1882. Parents: Bernard & Mary Ademmer. Marie never married.

Harvey & Raenell Dorn

Harvey Dorn was born in Scott County, Shakopee, Mn. on March 27, 1946. Parents: Lawrence & Lillian Dorn. Occupation: Electronic Technican. Married: December 30, 1967. Wife, Raenell, was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on August 19, 1949. Parents: Raymond & Dorothy Prochaska.

Children: Christopher, born March 20, 1969, Bryan, born November 21, 1975.

Louis Ambroz

Louis Ambroz was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on November 14, 1906. Parents: Frank & Mary Ambroz. Occupation: Retired Farmer, Retired from Green Giant Co. Married: October 8, 1929. Wife, Bessie, was born in Rice County, New Prague, Mn. on September 28, 1910. Parents: Joseph & Anna Shetka. Children: Beatrice, born October 17, 1944, married to Myles Jilek, Alvin, born January 18, 1934, married to Marilyn Probach, Ronald, born November 8, 1945, married to Dorothy Babbit.

Lambert & Emma Krocak

Lambert Krocak was born on February 8, 1911. Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Frank Krocak. Occupation: Farming. Married: January 16, 1934. Wife, Emma, was born on October 26, 1915. Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Honza. Children: None.

Gerald & Mildred Odenthal

Gerald Odenthal was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on August 13, 1936. Parents: John & Vernoica Odenthal. Occupation: Field Crew Foreman (Minnesota Valley Breeders). Married: August 23, 1958. Wife, Mildred, was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on December 11, 1940. Parents: Andrew & Marie Gansen. Children: Karen, born September 26, 1959, Kenneth, born August 29, 1963, Keven, born March 8, 1971.

Richard & Judy Ambroz

Richard Ambroz was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. Parents: Raymond & Lucille Ambroz. Occupation: Heavy Equipment Operator. Married: September 15, 1962. Wife, Judy, was born in Chakio, Mn. Parents: Mathias & Edna Marty. Children: Lori Elizabeth, born July 29, 1963, Pamela, born November 9, 1965, Thomas, born October 8, 1970.

James and Mary Lou Kroyer

James Kroyer was born at Prior Lake, Mn. on February 13, 1931. Parents: Alfred & Florence Kroyer. Occupation: Farming. Married: May 4, 1955. Wife, Mary Lou, was born at Shakopee, Mn. on November 8, 1934. Parents: Nick & Hildegard LaTour. Children: Kenneth, born November 20, 1957, Steven, born April 24, 1959, Linda, born July 8, 1960, Diane, born March 22, 1962, Jeffrey, born April 28, 1963, Richard, born April 1, 1966, Scott, born November 20, 1972.

Francis & Evelyn Prochaska

Francis Prochaska was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on July 17, Parents: Frank & Mayme Prochaska. Occupation: Lanesburgh Township Road Maintenance. Married: June 24, 1947. Wife, Evelyn, was born in New Prague, Mn. on February 13, 1928. Parents: Raymond & Hildegard Wolf. Children: James, born August 16, 1948, married to Carol Miller, Kathy, born August 17, 1949, Gregory, born July 21, 1950, married to Susan Kohoutek, Daniel, born August 28, 1951, married to Ann Wagner, Margart, born November 4, 1952, Teresa, born June 11, 1954, Steven, born July 20, 1956, Thomas, born January 7, 1958, Lisa, born October 23, 1963.

Martin & Adeline Wieland

Martin Wieland was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on August 2, 1914. Parents: Gustave & Sophia Wieland. Occupation: Farming. Married: September 19, 1940. Wife, Adeline, was born in Le Sueur County, New Prague, Mn. on June 28, 1919. Parents: Joseph & Margaret Hoffman. Children: Bonita, born November 4, 1941, married to William Hlavac, Judeen, born September 10, 1943, married to Roger Vlasak, Sandra, born March 4, 1945, married to Thomas Vlasak, Rita, born October 8, 1950, married to David Miller, Ronald, born June 12, 1962, at home.

Margaret Hoffman

Margaret Hoffman was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on March 24, 1889. Parents: Edward & Catherine Wacker.

Clayton & Susan Kukacka

Clayton Kukacka was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on December 7, 1936. Parents: Louis & Lillian Kukacka. Married: February 11, 1961. Wife, Susan, was born in New Prague, Mn. on May 21, 1940. Parents: Edward & Susan Sticha. Children: Kenneth, born August 30, 1961, Karen, born January 18, 1963, Debra, born February 3, 1964, Darin, born December 23, 1965, Lisa, born June 21, 1967, Leslie, born May 7, 1972, Adeline, born November 9, 1973.

Edward & Angeline Picka

Edward Picka was born on April 1, 1919. Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Frank Picka. Occupation: Farming, Employed with Green Giant Co. Married: October 2, 1939. Wife, Angeline, was born on December 28, 1920. Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Anton Brezina. Children: Edward, born December 18, 1939, married to Grace Turek,

Donald, born April 6, 1943, married to Virginia Hartman, Kenneth, born November 4, 1944, married to Linda Hartman, Randy, born July 18, 1953, married to Ellen Smisek.

Stanley & Alice Mariska

Stanley Mariska was born in LeSueur County, Montgomery, Mn. on July 12, 1911. Parents: Thomas and Emma Mariska. Occupation: Retired Farmer. Married: May 23, 1946. Wife, Alice, was born in Rice County, Montgomery, Mn. on September 30, 1912. Parents: Frank and Anna Flicek. Children: Judy, born April 11, 1947, married to David Farmer, Stanley, born November 27, 1951, married to Robin O'Malley.

Theodore & Gertrude Odenthal

Theodore Odenthal was born in Le Sueur County, New Prague, Mn. on May 21, 1901. Parents: Garhardt & Dorothea Odenthal. Occupation: Retired Farmer. Married: (date missing) Wife, Gertrude, was born in LeSueur County, Belle Plaine, Mn. on June 22, 1911. Parents: Bernard & Martha Gliszinski. Children: William, born July 5, 1929, married to Marilyn Dohmen, Rosemary, born November 25, 1931, married to Timothy Burns, Donald, born August 22, 1933, married to Marilyn Hyer, Bernice, born June 21, 1936, married to Francis Michel, Conrad, born October 9, 1941, married to Julia Peterka, Dorothy, born March 23, 1943, married to Donald Patterson.

Jack Wacker

Jack Wacker was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on July 4, 1936. Parents: Anthony & Anna Wacker. Occupation: Construction & Farming.

Lawrence & Bernice Plonsky

Lawrence Plonsky was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on March 2, 1933. Parents: Peter & Celia Plonsky. Occupation: Truck Driver. Married: April 15, 1972. Wife, Bernice, was born in Carver County, Chaska, Mn. on September 6, 1926. Parents: John & Johanna Williams. Children: Crystal, born October 6, 1973.

Francis & Stella Ademmer

Francis Ademmer was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on December 27, 1933. Parents: Frank & Ella Ademmer. Occupation: Construction Mason. Married: June 23, 1956. Wife, Stella, was born in Scott County, New Market, Mn. on September 6, 1934. Parents: Roman & Edna Dirks. Children: Cynthia, born February 8, 1958.

John Jirak

John Jirak was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on May 11, 1888. Parents: Joseph & Anna Jirak. Occupation: Retired Farmer. Married to Mary Ann Korbel on November 21, 1911. Mrs. Jirak passed away on April 21, 1963. Mrs. Jirak's parents were Mr. & Mrs. Mathew Korbel. Children: Eugene, born June 2, 1916, married to Marcella Kocina, Milo, born March 30, 1918, married to Gladys Kuzel, Harold, born August 9, 1921, married to Mary Ann Vlasak, Harriet, born August 9, 1921, married to Raymond Schoenbauer, Clarence, born December 13, 1924, married to Mary Shaughnessy.

Louis Prochaska

Louis Prochaska was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. in 1893. Parents: Jacob & Mary Prochaska. Occupation: Retired Farmer. Wife, Maime, was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. in 1899. Parents: Bernard & Marie Ademmer. Maime Prochaska died in February, 1969. Children: Marie, born 1921, married to Richard Brundage, Evelyn, born 1923, married to John Warren, Constance, born 1924, married to John Burgess, Bernice, born 1925, married to Donald Erb, Bettie, born 1927, married to Frank Fischer, Alois, born 1932, married to Marjorie Kilduff.

Joseph & Anne Meger

Joseph Meger was born in Scott County, Belle Plaine, Mn. on April 11, 1923. Parents: Martin & Catherine Meger. Occupation: Construction Worker. Married; April 11, 1959. Wife, Anne, was born in Morrison County, Fort Ripley, Mn. on October 17, 1929. Parents: Joseph & Georgiana Bellefeuille. Children: Rachel, born April 9, 1960, Ramona, born June 4, 1961, Joseph, born August 10, 1962, Joey died June 2, 1973, Annette, born August 15, 1963, Matthew, born October 13, 1966, Andrew, born March 3, 1968, David, born October 10, 1969.

Martin & Catherine Meger

Martin Meger was born in LeSueur County, New Prague, Mn. on June 16, 1894. Parents: Martin & Mary K. Meger. Occupation: Farmer. Married: 1919. Wife, Catherine, was born in Scott County, Belle Plaine, Mn. on December 5, 1896. Parents: Gerhardt & Mary Ann Weibeler. Children: Mary Catherine, born July 7, 1921, married to Robert Ambroz, Joseph, born April 11, 1923, married to Anne Bellefeuille, Robert, born March 18, 1925, married to Helen Stelrecht, Elizabeth, born October 11, 1928, married to Francis Plonski.

Misc. Pictures & Stories



DONALD HAUER FAMILY.

1st row L to r.-Mrs. Hauer (Rosie), Russell, Dawn, Don (Mr. Hauer).
2nd row L to R-Catherine, Danny.



FRANK AMBROZ FAMILY.

1st row L to R-Robert, Frank (Mr.), Mrs. Ambroz (Josie), June (Thibodo), Leonard.
2nd row L to R-Marge (Renneberg), Eugene, Lloyd, Irene (Benson).
3rd row L to R-Rosemary (Neisen), Patty (Mayerhafer).



GERALD KOVARIK FAMILY.

1st row L to R-Mrs. Kovarik (Dorothy), Jerry (Mr. Kovarik), Crystal.
2nd row L to R-AnnMarie, Julie.



Wedding picture of Willy & Betty Odenthal,
June 20, 1959.



Frank and Josie Ambroz taken on their 50th
wedding anniversary, October 12, 1971.



JACOB ODENTHAL FAMILY.

1st row L to R-Jacob (Mr.), Frances (Mrs.), Sister Roselma, who is a sister of Mrs. Odenthal, Delores (Hoffman).
 2nd row L to R-Willy, Roman, Leander, Eugene, Leo.



JOE ODENTHAL FAMILY.

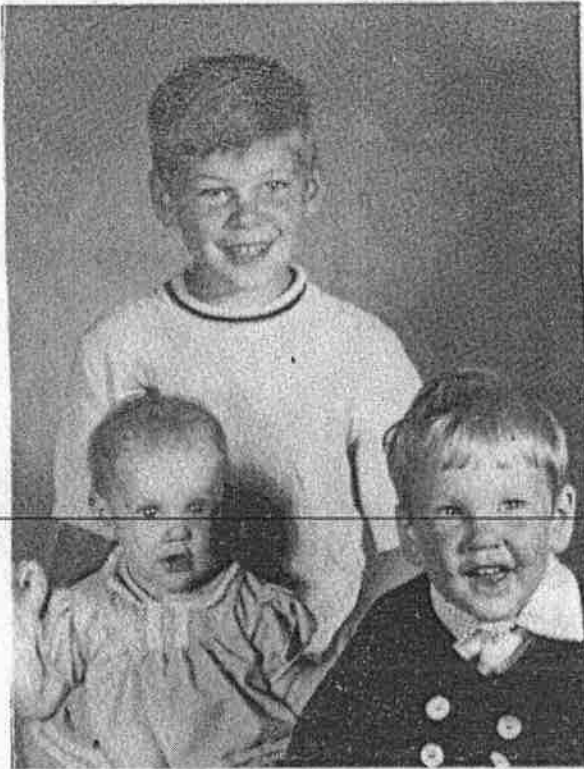
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 2nd row L to R-Joe and Carol.



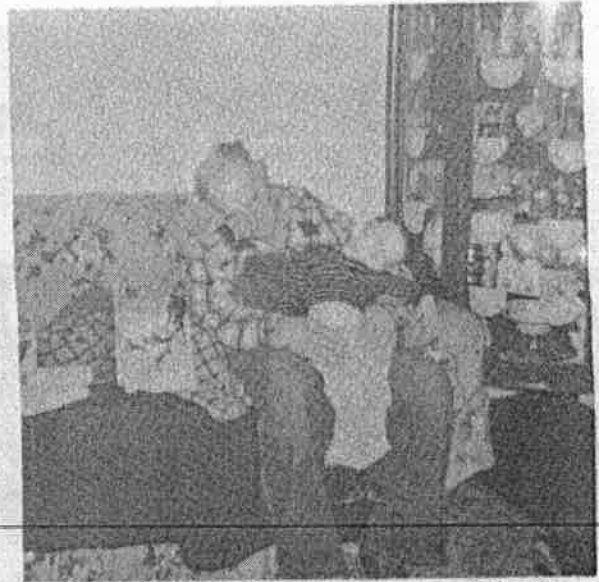
Renee Odenthal, daughter of Joe & Carol Odenthal, age 1½.



Wedding picture of Dick & Judy Ambroz, September 1962.



CHILDREN OF JOE & CAROL ODENTHAL.
1st row L to R-Renee, and Randy.
2nd row L to R-Ricky.



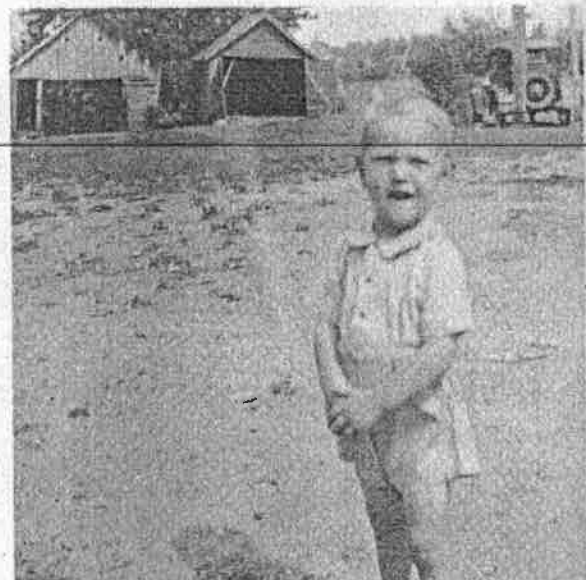
Nap Time: John Odenthal and Grandson, Ricky Odenthal.



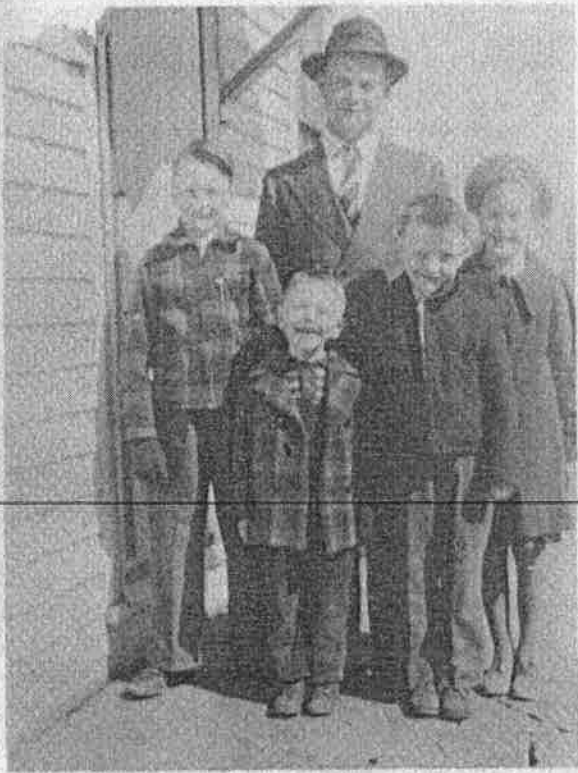
Who's the doll?



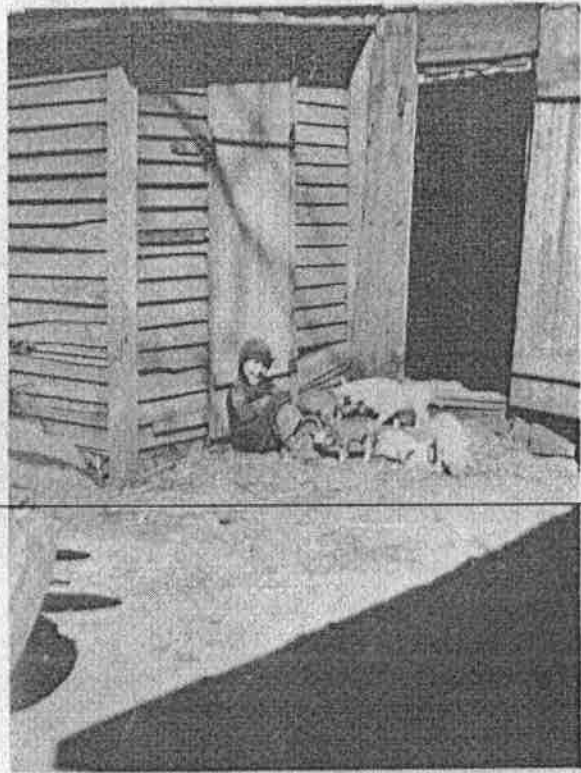
John & Veronica Odenthal.



Joe Odenthal taken at age 3.



L to R-Francis, Joe, John, Gerry, Rita (Odenthal) Hesse, taken April 1944.



Joe Odenthal and friends, taken March 1943.



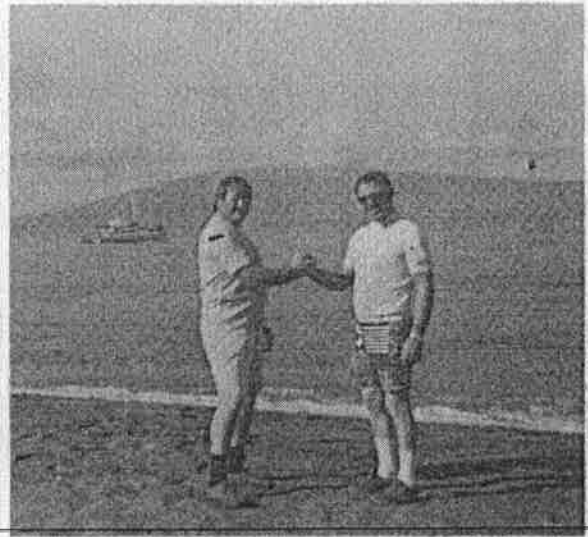
Barn and new silo on the farm of Joe Odenthal, Little Renee is standing in front.



Wedding of Joe and Carol Odenthal, September 9, 1961.



Joe, and Carol Odenthal, Rosie, and Don Hauer on arrival at Hawaii, February 22, 1976.



Ohh! Look at them legs!!!



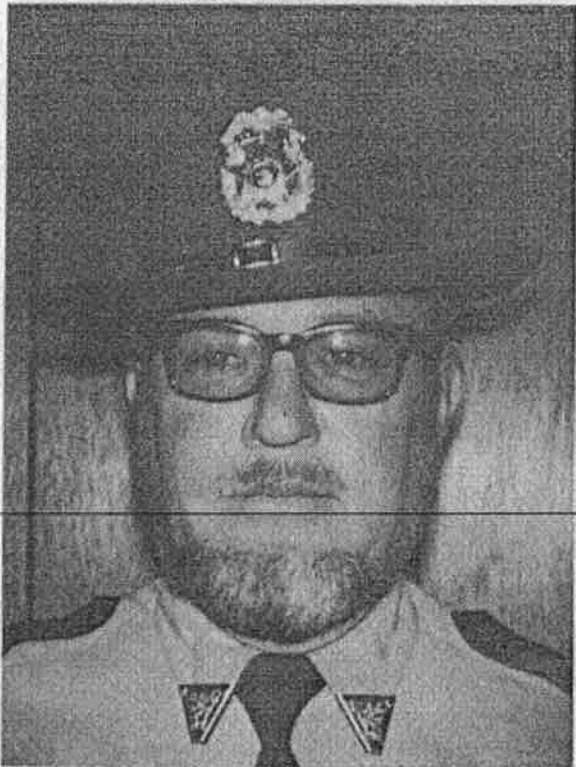
Is this a fish story, or the real thing?????????



Little Renee Odenthal as Flower Girl at wedding of Dan and Ann Prochaska.



Wedding of Dan & Ann Prochaska, November 17, 1973.



Joe Odenthal.



Joe Odenthal standing in front of his combine.



Children of John & Veronica Odenthal, L to R-Gerry, Ann (Odenthal) Smishek, Rita (Odenthal) Hesse, Joe.



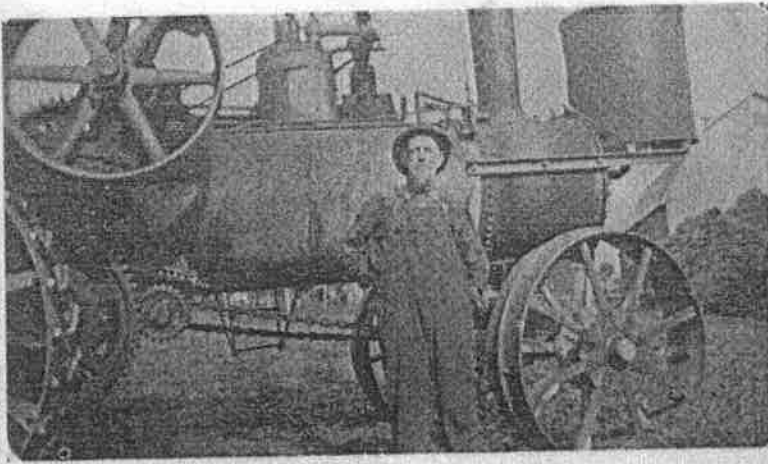
Ricky Odenthal at age 2.



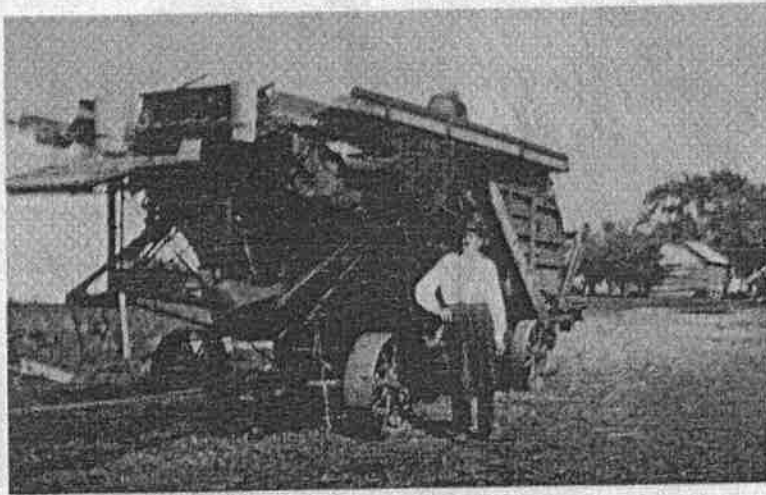
In 1911 Nick and Gertrude Hauer celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with this large family gathering at their home place. Mrs. Hauer's maiden name was Gertrude Renneberg.



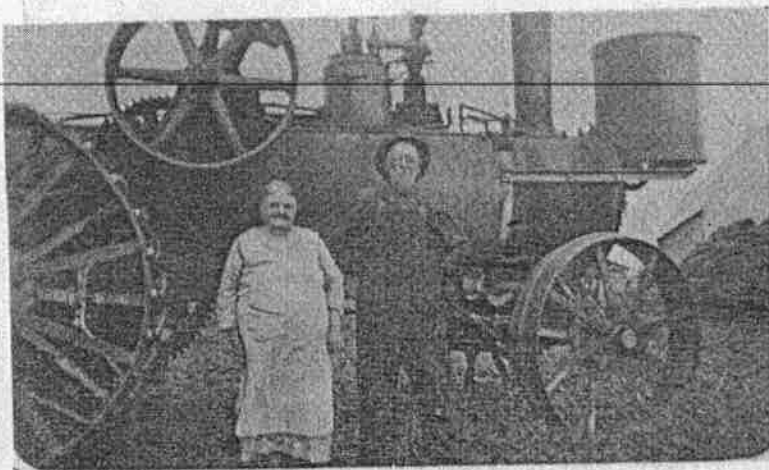
This is an organization of Catholic Workmen organized in 1898. Albert F. Ambroz, Sr., known to Heidelberg as Grandpa Ambroz, is in the second row, bottom, standing at the left, second man. The men in the foreground must be mostly from the Heidelberg area and probably some are from Montgomery.



John Weiers, Sr., with steam engine used to run his threshing machine. The steam engine was fired with wood. A large supply of water was kept at hand drawn by a team of mules.



John Weiers and threshing machine around 1910.



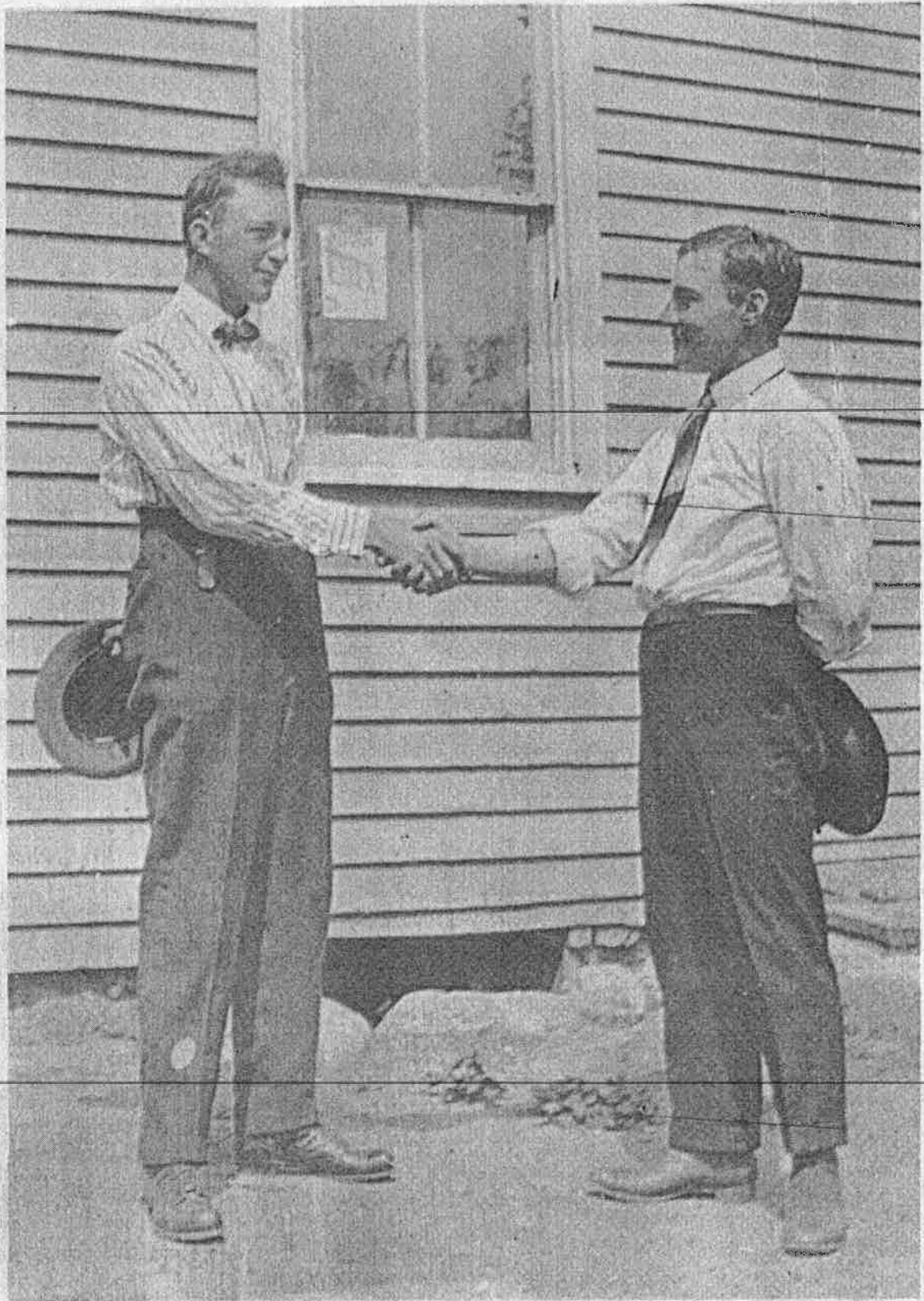
Mr. and Mrs. John Weiers, Sr. (nee Louise Odenthal) with same steam engine.



Jacob G. Odenthal resplendent in the American Army uniform after his induction into the service.



Gerhard Odenthal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Johann Odenthal, he was born in 1841 and died in 1938. He was a brother of Jacob Odenthal, Sr. His children were Lena, Theresa, Mary, Dorothy, Johana, Gerald, John, Theodore, Albert, William, and Jacob. Wife Dorothea Weiers married 1879.



Many of Heidelberg's young men served in the Armed Forces of the United States, from the Civil War through the latest Viet Nam conflict. Jacob G. Odenthal, at left, being congratulated after his enlistment in the service.



This handsome couple with the muscle power lawn mower are identified as Bernard Ademmer and Mrs. Albert Ambroz (nee Mary Weiers).



Willie Odenthal, son of Jacob G. Odenthal, pictured at the barracks while he was stationed in Korea in 1956.



A four generation family photo, members are Sophia Schultz, the great-grandmother, Fred Schultz, the grandfather, Louis Schultz Meyer, Mother, and Lucille Meyer Prochaska, her daughter.



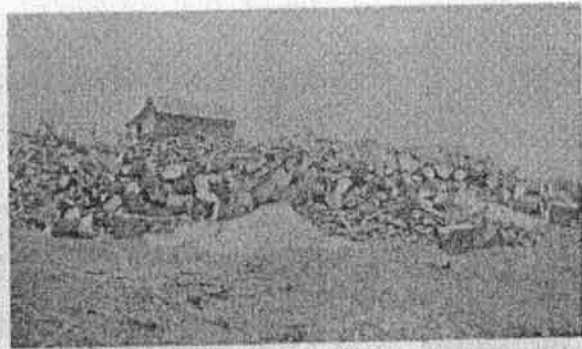
Wedding portrait of Mary Korbel on her wedding day to John F. Jirak, son of Joseph Jirak, in 1912.



Wedding portrait of Jacob and Frances (Gerardy) Odenthal.



Jacob G. Odenthal.



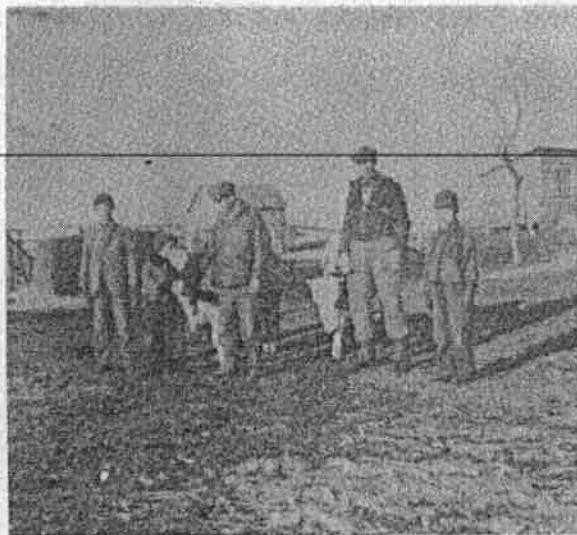
Jacob G. Odenthal farm, ready for winter.



Leo Odenthal.



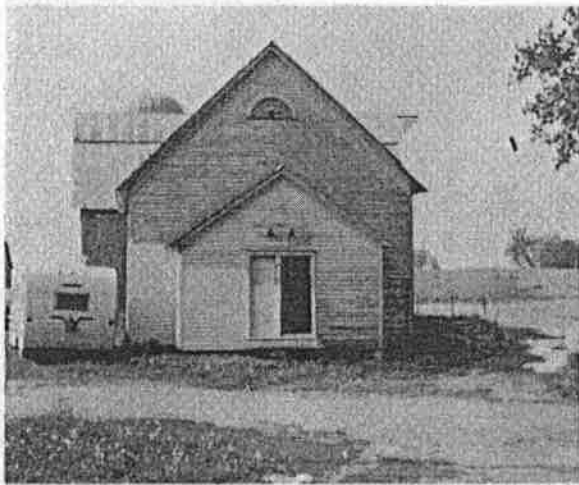
Willy Odenthal in 1946.



Roman, Eugene, Leander and Leo Odenthal, 1940.



The students at District 7 School helped little Karole Kae Nagel celebrate her birthday on March 5, 1946. Pictured are, Front Row: Dick Ambroz and Karole Kae Nagel, Second Row: Richard Plonsky, June Ambroz, Jackie Nagel, Pat Ambroz, Betty Hoefs, Third Row: Irene Ambroz, Lloyd Ruehling, Willy Odenthal, Leonard Ambroz, Jerry Ademmer, Leo Odenthal, Francis Ademmer, Mrs. Mamie Peroutka and Alvina Ruehling.



Ewald Tietz purchased the District 7 school when it was no longer in use, and had it moved to his farm about a mile north and west of Heidelberg. The school building was then used as straw and hay storage and as a hog farrowing shed. This picture was taken in 1973 when the Richard LaSell's bought the farm. The building was dismantled in 1974.



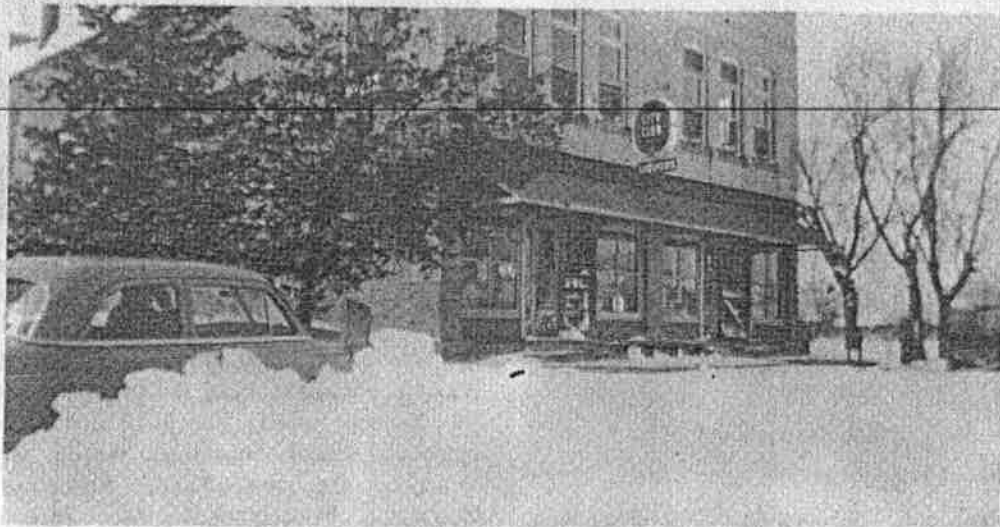
Bernard Ademmer and Albert Ambroz hauling ice in probably from Pepin Lake or Clear Lake at Lexington.



This is the grave marker of the Rev. Anthony Brozeskawski who was pastor at St. Scholastica from 1908 until 1923.



Mrs. Jacob Odenthal, and Mrs. John Weiers.



Heidelberg Liquors around 1951. The car belongs to Norbert Ruehling.



Interior of St. Scholastica Church decorated for the 25th wedding anniversary of Clement Guessen and August (Taszka) Guessen. The picture was taken January 26, 1929.



Louise, Mayme Odenthal and Alice Huber.



The Schultzs. Left to right William, August, Fred, Ted and Helen.



Kathryn and Amelia Ademmer.



Margaret Huber, Jacob Odenthal, and Anna Odenthal.



Top row, left to right: Anna Mader, Betty Schultz, Jean Odenthal, Dorothy Odenthal and Josephine Prochaska. Bottom row: Edelgard Hauber, Anne Ambroz, Agnes Cap and Dorothy Ambroz.



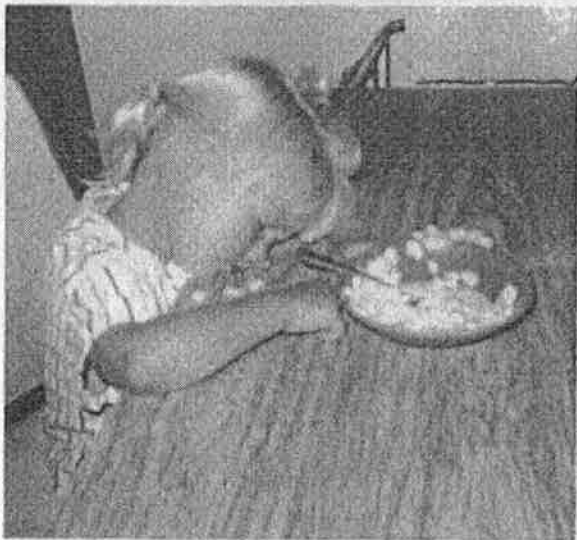
Wedding of Tony and Shirley Lambrecht, September 21, 1954.



Um-um good! Cindy Lambrecht at age 16 mo.



Oops! Forgot my pants!



I can't believe I ate the whole thing! Cindy Lambrecht.



You should see the other guy!



Randy, Cindy, Ricky, Russ, Kenny Lambrecht.



Debbie Lambrecht as Valentine Queen



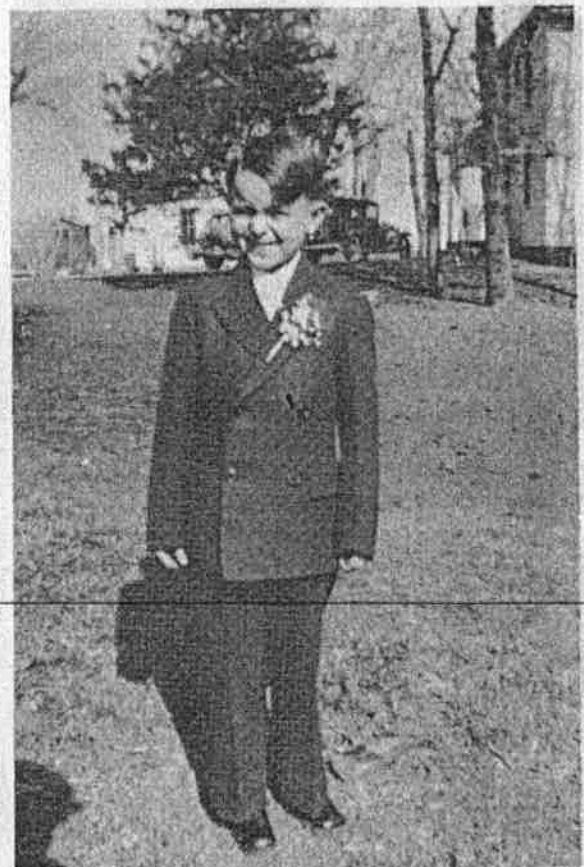
Come on in, the waters fine! Russ and Cindy Lambrecht.



Randy, Debbie, Ricky, Kenny Lambrecht.



Tony Lambrecht's First Communion-Mother Helen and Father Tony Lambrecht.



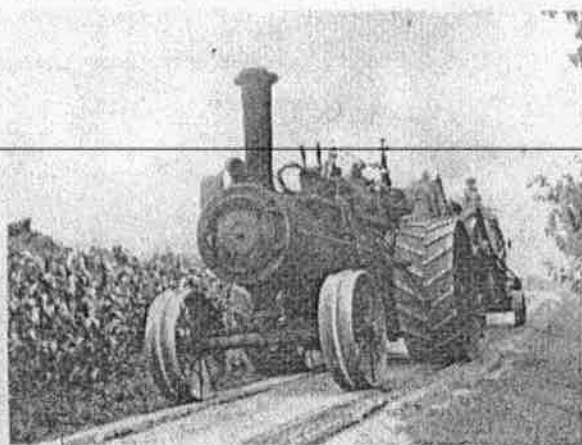
Tony Lambrecht-
First Communion, age 7.



Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Ambroz, 50th Wedding Anniversary, October 12, 1971



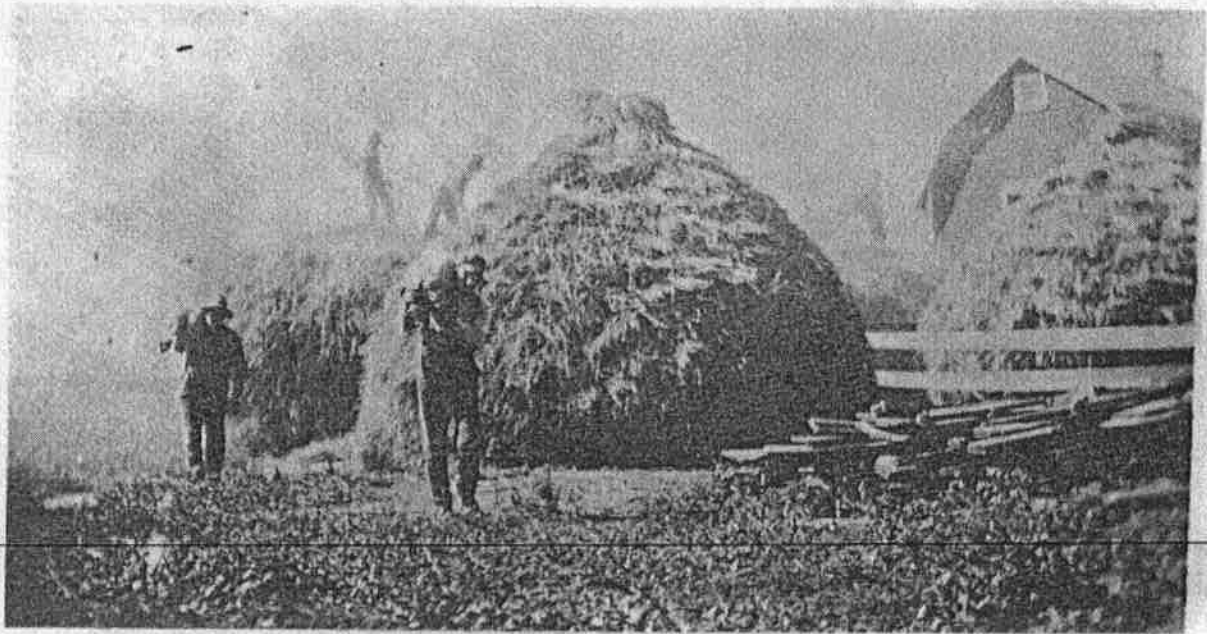
Sawing logs on the Norbert Ruehling farm, (now belonging to Rudy Grassman). This was Frank and Jim Ambroz's saw mill, picture taken about 1930.



This was the last year that Frank Ambroz used his steam engine, the next year he put a tractor in front of the threshing machine. The rig, with Frank atop, is standing in the driveway of the former Norbert Ruehling farm.



Frank Ambroz threshing rig around the Heidelberg area.



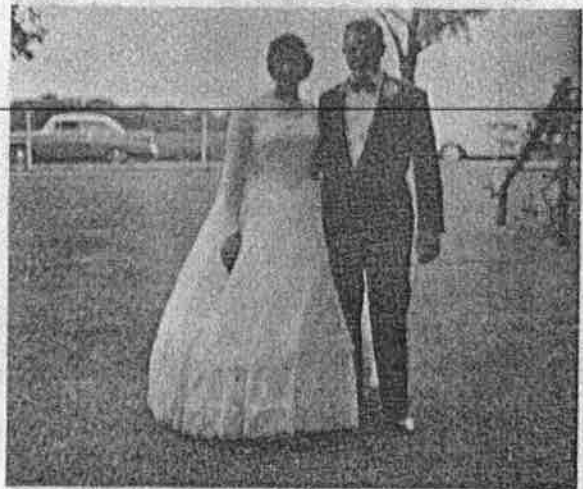
Frank Ambroz threshing crew hard at work.



As he neared retirement age, Frank Ambroz was able to spend more of his leisure time at one of his favorite sports. He is standing here with his catch, the home in the background was the old home of the Sisters of Heidelberg that taught in the old school opposite the church. Part of the church can be seen on the right, to the left was the old cemetery. Frank at one time attended the Sisters School and in 1923 he and his wife moved into this vacant Sister's residence. They continued to live there 15 years with their family.



Picture taken of Frank Ambroz in 1960, while on a vacation visiting with one of the daughters.



Willy and Betty (Skruzacek) Odenthal, June 20, 1959.



The Church of St. Scholastica, decorated for 25th Wedding Anniversary of Clement and Augusta (Raszka) Guessen.



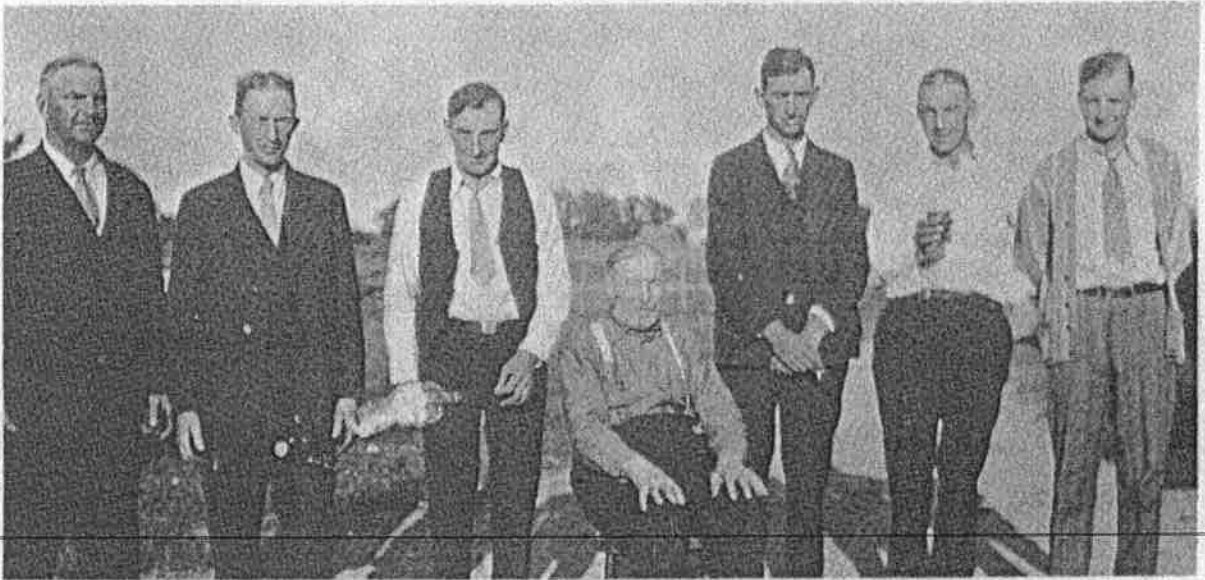
Grave marker of Dorothea Odenthal born Oct. 16, 1863, died Sept. 3, 1926. These photos were taken in the old cemetery on the north side of the church, before the Shrine was placed on that site.



Sandy Odenthal, Age 1 year.



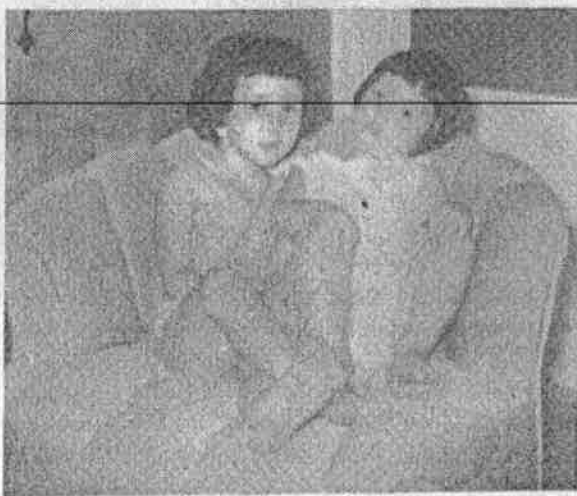
Chapel at the present cemetery. This building once stood near the Hiway 28 and Co. Rd. #30 crossing on the now Joe Bendzick property. From there it was moved to the cemetery site and has since been torn down, possibly in the early 1970's.



The Odenthal family: John, Jake, Gary, Gerhardt, Ted, Albert, Bill.



Sandy and Patty Odenthal, children of Willy and Betty Odenthal.



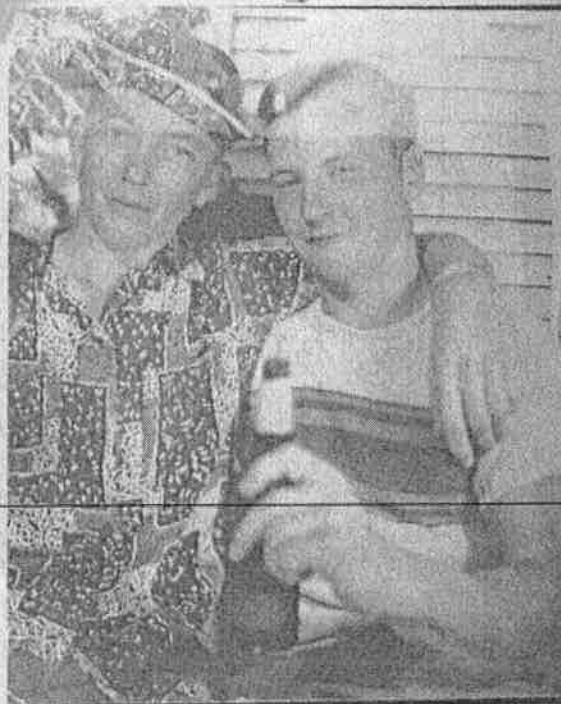
Sandy and Patty Odenthal. Ages 4½ and 2 years.



Top row Leander Odenthal, Eugene Odenthal.
Bottom row, Roman Odenthal, Leo Odenthal,
Willy Odenthal



Willy Odenthal, 1956.

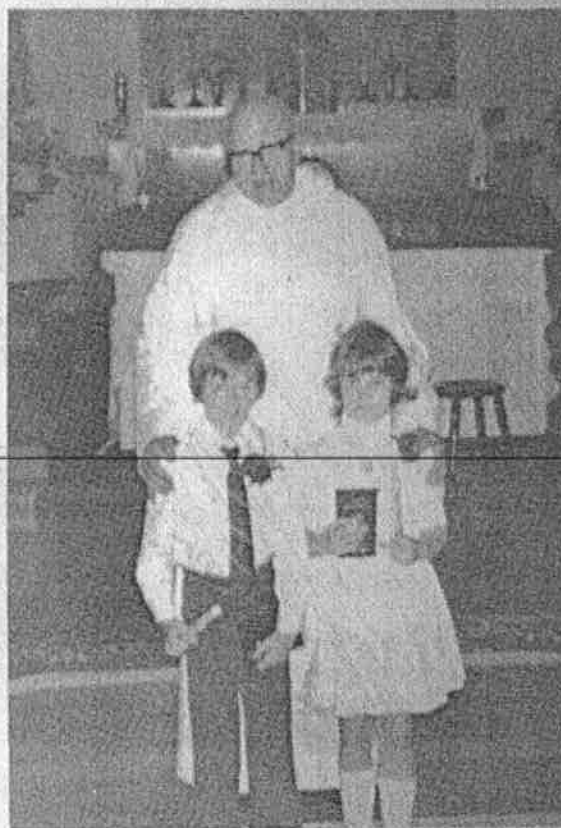


Willy Odenthal and Francis Odenthal.



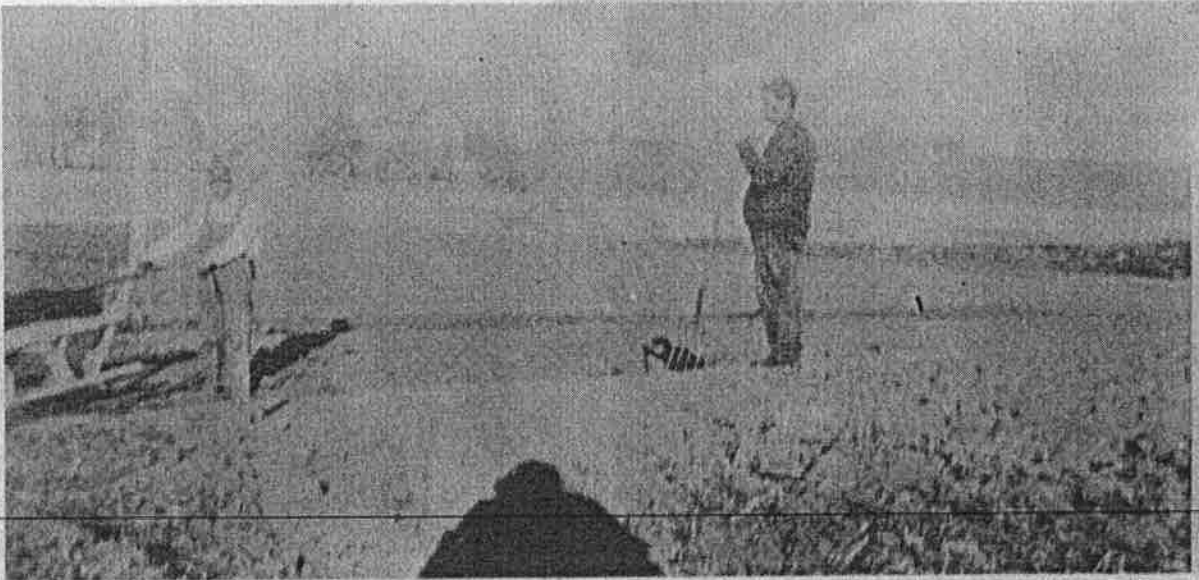
May 5, 1974 First Communion Class At St. Scholastica.

First Row: Mary Lou Hinderscheid, Angela LaSell, Pam Ambroz, Jackie Shambour.
Second Row: Larry Hinderscheid, Jim Hinderscheid, Father Quinlan, Rick Kroyer, Bryan LaSell, Darren Kukacka, Harry Talarczyk.



Sunday, May 5, 1974. First Communion Day at St. Scholastica.

Bryan and Angela LaSell with Father Quinlan.



The activities being photographed here are unidentified but possibly the men in the picture are Frank Ambroz and Grandpa Albert Ambroz.

Joseph Kohout was a Pioneer Settler in Heidelberg Village

Lived there since coming from Bohemia fifty-five years ago.

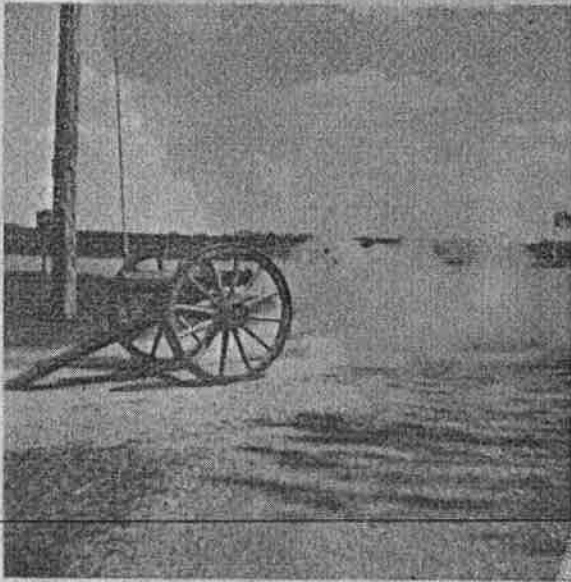
Date about March 21, 1934.

Joseph Kohout, one of the early settlers of the Heidelberg vicinity, died at his home in that village on Sunday, March 21st, at nine o'clock p.m. He had been ill but a short time, death being due to the infirmities of old age.

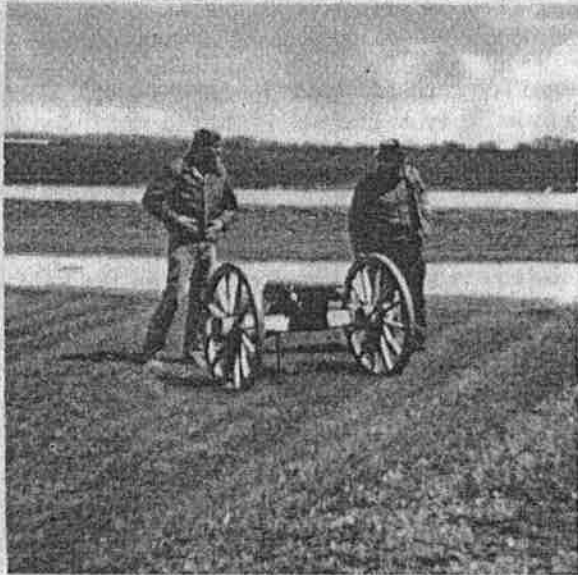
Upon arriving in this country some fifty-five years ago from Bohemia, he came directly to Heidelberg, and has resided there continuously since that time. His wife preceded him to the grave on April 5th, 1929.

He is survived by four sons, John at home, Frank of Montgomery, and James and Joseph Kohout of New Prague. There are three daughters, Mrs. John Zika (Mary) of Heidelberg; Mrs. F. J. Vopatek (Kathryn) and Mrs. Alvin Jaeger (Rose) of New Prague.

Funeral services were held from St. Scholastica's church at Heidelberg on Tuesday, March 23, at nine o'clock a.m. Rev. S. Zdechlik officiated. The funeral proceeded from the Alvin Jaeger home at New Prague where the wake was held. Interment was in parish cemetery.



Picture of cannon as it is fired and smoke projects from barrell.



What's next, the silo or the house. Neil Bohnsack (left) Don (Fuzzy) Eilers (Right).



Shows owners of the cannon. L. to R. Neil Bohnsack, Bob Ruehling and Don "Fuzzy" Eilers.

It has been said that the only difference between men and boys is the price of their toys. Meet the Heidelberg National Guard Cannon crew!

Due to the scarcity of targets we have decided to impose a silo tax on the surrounding area. We never learned how to aim this thing so pay your taxes on time. Taxes are due Feb. 30th every year.

Silos come and silos go
Pay your taxes, or you'll know
A cloud of smoke, a clap of thunder
One more silo rent asunder.

We're never too sure just where it will go,
Cause we're never able to find it.
But we've all decided the best place to be,
When this thing goes off is behind it.

Listen my children and you will hear,
A thunderous blast, but have no fear,
It's only our cannon as you can see,
Manned by Heidelberg's fearless three.
Sleep well tonite. Your National Guard is



Softball team that was sponsored by Heidelberg Liquors, Tony and Shirley Lambrecht owners. This team plays in The Mixed Couples League in New Prague. They are; kneeling, left to right: Carol Popp, Berna Kline, Rosie Hauer, Carol Odenthal, Ann Prochaska, Sue Prochaska, Mary Turek, Carol Pexa. Standing: left to right: Paul Kline, Dan Prochaska, Dennis Popp, Don Hauer, Joe Odenthal, Jim (Sam) Prochaska, Greg (Butch) Prochaska, Len Pexa, Clarence Turek, Tony Lambrecht. Not on the picture but also members were Shirley Lambrecht, and Carol Prochaska. In Couples League there must be five men and five women playing. Three of the five must be married couples on the field. They must bat alternately, man, woman, man, woman. A 16" ball is used. Men may not wear gloves unless a man plays first base. If a man is walked intentionally or otherwise, the next batter, (woman) automatically gets a walk. These are some of the rules that make this a fun and family game. The age of the couples ranges from 24 to 43.