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EVENTS

pre-conflict

Dakota villages were likely found at Traverse de Sioux and at Swan Lake. A fur trade post was located at the mouth of the Cottonwood River. Across the river at Little Rock on the Nicollet County side was a trading post of Joseph LaFramboise.

The New Ulm Pioneer of 1858 printed detailed and informative descriptions of processions of Dakota Indians walking west across the prairies in March 1858 and then back east to the Big Woods in December 1858. NUP p. 2, p. 9.

1862 Red Legs' village was located in Brown County.

Aug. 14, 1862: A petition from 46 men from New Ulm was sent to Governor Ramsey expressing concern over the unpaid annuities, the anger of the Dakota because of the delay, and the residents' resulting fears of attack.

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Aug. 18, 1862: A Civil War Recruiting Party, with 25 people, left New Ulm and was attacked by Dakota. Killed were Ernst Dietrich, Julius Fenske, and John Schneider.

Aug. 18, 1862, Attack on Milford Township; 52 settlers were killed, (highest number of people killed of any township in the state). Deaths included Adolph Schilling, his daughter Louise; Mary (Maria) Messmer, children Maria, Anton and Martin Henle, Joseph Messmer, Florian Hartman, John Rohner, Benedict Drexler, John Martin Fink, his wife Monika and son Max, grandson Carl Maerkle, Max and Lucretius Zeller and two of their young children, Franz Massopust, his grandson Franz, and two daughters; Sebastian May, his wife Barbara, and two children.

August 18, 1862 The escape party of Francis Patoile north of New Ulm was attacked: Patoile and two or three other men were killed; 2 women, Mary Schwandt, and Mary Anderson, were taken prisoner.

Aug. 19, 1862 The Leavenworth Rescue Expedition, a group of settlers from Leavenworth Township who had fled to New Ulm for refuge, decided to go back to the township to check on the safety of neighbors who had stayed at home, were attacked; five were killed, including DeWitt C. Lemon, William Carroll, Almond Loomis, William H. Tuttle, and Tore Olson.

AUGUST 19, 1862 FIRST ATTACK ON NEW ULM

Aug. 19, 1862 New Ulm was attacked by Dakota; 6 whites were killed, the first of whom was Emilie Pauli.

Other settlers killed: Aug. 18-20, 1862: Joseph Brown, Jonathan Brown, Oratia Brown, Martin Bluem, Margaret Bluem, and four of their children.

A makeshift stockade or more accurately a barricade was built to protect settlers at New Ulm. It was hurriedly constructed of wagon boxes, furniture, fence posts, piles, barrels and the like, built up between building walls downtown.

AUGUST 23, 1862 SECOND ATTACK ON NEW ULM

Aug. 23, 1862 the 2nd and main attack on New Ulm, 29 were killed, including William Dodd, John Krueger, Louis Buggert, Jacob Castor, William Luskey, Rufus Huggins (died later of disease after being wounded), and Ferdinand Kirschstein.

Aug. 25, 1862: New Ulm was evacuated. 2000 refugees walked or rode from New Ulm to Mankato & beyond.

Aug. 29; 1862: the New Ulm Pioneer reported that people began to return to New Ulm to clean up and rebuild their town.

Sept. 21, 1862: John Armstrong of Linden Township was ambushed near his home and killed.

In mid and late September Little Crow and his warriors were moving north with their captives; after the Battle of Wood Lake on Sept. 23, Little Crow and his warriors fled to the prairies, and on September 26 the captives were turned over to Colonel Sibley at Camp Release, some refugees were released, military trials started, and the Dakota prisoners moved to the Redwood Agency.

Nov. 1862: the condemned prisoners marched through Brown County from Lower Agency on way to Camp Lincoln in Blue Earth County.

post conflict:

May 18, 1863 Heinrich Bosche, a farmer of Milford Township, was killed while plowing by Dakotas, arousing new fears among the settlers.

aftermath:

The Defenders of New Ulm sustained the greatest loss of life of any town.

(Some) HISTORIC PEOPLE CONNECTED TO CONFLICT

Charles Flandreau

Jacob Nix

William W. Mayo

Taopi

Chief Big Eagle

many local people performed heroic deeds

Chief Mankato

many local people were killed or injured

Chief Wabasha III (Joseph Wabasha)

see also list of Brown County persons "Some Notable People of the US-Dakota War of 1862"

MILITARY UNITS THAT SERVED IN THE US DAKOTA WAR

2nd MN Volunteer Cavalry, Co. G and Co. M.

RESOURCES

Books (see Resources: books: reading list for titles and title codes)

DII

DU

DUV

DW: especially the chapter "The Two Battles of New Ulm".

TDU, 70-81.

TT: especially the chapters "The Journey of the Prisoners Convoy to South Bend: and "Through the Heart of New Ulm"

Articles

Journals (see Resources: journals; reading list for titles and title codes)

<http://www.nytimes.com/1862/09/03/news/the-indian-war-in-the-northwest.html?pagewanted=all>

MH 2: "Painting the Dakota"

MH 2: "Outside the Barricades"

MH 2 "Battle for New Ulm"

MH 2: "Survival of the Spelbrinks: My Milford Pincer Family"

MH 2: "Clara Sentzke and her Deceased Daughter Clara"

MH 3 "History of Fort Snelling"

MH 4 "Episode of the American War" (as viewed by a writer in England)

TT: "Deaths of Dakota Prisoners from the New Ulm Mob Attack"

TT: "Geo. Crooks Not the Man: Had Nothing to Do With the Story of Brother's Murder at New Ulm"

TT: "Army Brutality Marked Death March to Fort Snelling"

TT: "Through the Heart of New Ulm"

Minnesota's Frontier: A Neglected Sector of the Civil War-

<http://collections.mnhs.org/MNHHistoryMagazine/articles/38/v38i06p274-286.pdf>

See Resource section: Book titles and Codes, Journal titles and Codes

Photos**Paintings, sketches, & murals**

drawing: William Dodd's death: Gag-Heller-Schwendinger panorama

New Ulm citizens leading evacuation--panorama

Schwendinger oil: Sioux Warriors-at Blue Earth Co. Historical Society

Anton Gag sketches

sketch: New Ulm Citizens Attacking Indian captives: DW 71, TT 93

MONUMENTS & HISTORIC SITES

Milford Township; on Brown Co. Highway 29 northwest of New Ulm

Defenders' Monument; New Ulm.

Pioneer Founders Monument (German Park, New Ulm)

Sleepy Eye Monument, Sleepy Eye, MN

Kiesling House, New Ulm, MN

CEMETERIES WITH GRAVESTONES

•Cottonwood: Gottlieb Manweiler, Rev. Christian Louis Seder.

•New Ulm City Cemetery: Louis Buggert, Wm Carroll, Jacob Castor, Ernst Dietrich, Benedict T. Drexler, Fr. Xavier Drexler, Julius Fenske, John Fink family, John Hartman, Ferdinand Kirschstein, John Krueger, Sr., DeWitt C. Lemon, Almond Loomis, Uriah Loomis, Emilie Pauli, Johan Pelzl, John and Regina Rehner, Adolph Schilling, John Schneider, Wm. H. Tuttle, John Zettel family, Max Zeller DUV47, Franz Massopust family, May family, John Buhner (Buchro? Buehro?), killed in Renville Co.

•New Ulm Catholic Cemetery: Heinrich Bosch, Henle, and Hessmer families

•Springfield Cemetery: Joseph Brown, Jonathan Brown, Oratia Brown

•Iberia Cemetery: Bluhm family.

WEB CONTENT

The August 14, 1862 letter:

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e-book-Isaac V.D. Heard's "History of the Sioux War and Massacres of 1862 and 1863":

<http://www.ebooksread.com/authors-eng/isaac-v-d-heard/history-of-the-sioux-war-and-massacres-of-1862-and-1863-hci/page-5-history-of-the-sioux-war-and-massacres-of-1862-and-1863-hci.shtml>

http://browncountydakotawarcommemoration.com/uploads/Charles_E_Flandrau_and_the_Defense_of_New_Ulm.pdf

WEBSITES

<http://www.browncountyhistorymn.org/>

<http://www.browncountydakotawarcommemoration.com/>

http://www.newulmlibrary.org/webpages/calendar.html#SPECIAL_EVENTS

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