

NEW CHURCH AT PENN.

Dedication Exercises Were Held Last Sunday—Five Preachers Present.

With solemn ceremonies the cornerstone of the First Lutheran church of Pekin was laid there Sunday morning by Dr. J. A. Aasgard, president of Concordia college at Moorhead, assisted by Rev. E. C. Tollefson of Finley, Rev. O. J. Ovrebo of Aneta, Rev. H. Mjaanes, and the local pastor, Rev. S. S. Wold. Several choirs took part in the musical section of the program.

About 800 people attended the service in the morning, following which the laying of the cornerstone took place. After this a bounteous dinner was served in the basement of the new church by the ladies of the congregation. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon another service was held, at which most of the visiting pastors spoke and several song numbers were given by visiting choirs.

The new edifice is nearly complete, and will cost in the neighborhood of \$8,000. It is planned to hold the dedication some time next spring.