

# To be Held In Connection With the Ute Stampede

Contests To Feature Municipal Bands, Drum and Bugle Corps  
And Marching; Merchants to Furnish Funds For  
Grand Prizes of Instruments to Winners

Utah's first annual state-wide "Municipal Band Contest" will be held in Nephi on July 9, 10 and 11, according to a decision reached Monday evening when a group of progressive business and professional men met at the Juab County Court house, in connection with the executive committee of the annual Ute Stampede.

Tentative plans outlined at the meeting calls for a three day competitive band and bugle and drum corps contest, with all municipal bands and drum corps of the state of Utah invited to compete for prizes. It is estimated that the business and professional men of Nephi will donate approximately \$2000.00 worth of band instruments to be given to the bands and individual musicians winning the honors at the contest. In addition to the money donated by the local business men and the committee will solicit some of the larger music stores in the state in order to secure additional prizes for the winners.

In discussing the matter of holding a band contest in Nephi, the fact was brought out that Nephi is centrally located within the state boundaries, and is easily accessible and has all the necessary facilities to entertain a large group of people.

It was estimated by Dr. P. L. Jones, chairman of the meeting, that there would be at least forty bands competing for honors at the first annual contest, with a possibility of increasing that number at each annual event.

A special committee was selected to contact the business men of this city to secure their financial support to carry out this program. The business and professional men who were in attendance Monday evening, were unanimous in expressing their support for the program.

The major idea behind the contest is to sponsor better municipal bands in the cities of the state, and the fact that an annual contest will be held during the month of July, will do much to get the bands practicing early in the months, and consequently they will be in good practice to play at the celebrations held on July 4 and 24, in addition to the annual fairs and rodeos that are held in practically every county in Utah.

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