



Andy Burkhart works in a tight spot to install the tremolo for the new pipe organ. Photo by John Jennings of the Newton Daily News.

First Presbyterian Church Newton, Iowa

A new 3-manual, 27-rank instrument for the First Presbyterian Church, Newton, Iowa, is nearly completed. The Great and Swell will be located at the front of the church, above and to the right of the rostrum area, behind a façade of speaking and non-speaking Principal pipes. The Pedal 16' wood Subbass will form a functional display on the opposite front side. Both Great and Swell will employ Quimby-style electro-pneumatic slider windchests. An Echo division from the previous Austin organ will be redesigned and located in its existing chamber, speaking into the balcony. The organ is scheduled for completion in the fall.

The organ consists of the following divisions:

GREAT ORGAN Manual II, unenclosed

8' Principal
8' Rohrflute
4' Octave
4' Nachthorn
2 2/3' Nazard

2' Super Octave
2' Blockflute
1 3/5' Tierce
IV Mixture (1 1/3')
8' Trumpet (Swell)
Tremolo

SWELL ORGAN Manual III, enclosed

8' Hohlflute
8' Viola
8' Viola Celeste
4' Principal
4' Gedeckt
2' Octave
1 1/3' Quint
8' Trumpet
8' Cromorne
4' Clarion (Extension)
Tremolo

ECHO ORGAN Manual I, enclosed

8' Chimney Flute
8' Gamba
4' Flute
2' Fifteenth
8' Trumpet (Swell)
Chimes

PEDAL ORGAN unenclosed

32' Resultant
16' Subbass
16' Gedeckt
8' Principal
8' Bourdon (Extension)
4' Octave (Extension)
16' Trumpet (Swell)
8' Trumpet (Swell)
4' Trumpet (Swell)

This instrument will employ all standard sub, unison and super couplers, and will utilize a multiplex relay system and solid-state multi-level combination action.