

NONPARTISAN LEAGUE MEETS IN CITY TODAY

70 Per Cent of Members are Signed up for Two Years, Reports Say.

In accordance with a call issued some time ago by President A. C. Townley, members of the Farmers' Nonpartisan league held a precinct meeting in Grand Forks today. Precinct meetings were held throughout the state.

The object of the meeting was not made public, although it is generally supposed that they were called for the purpose of renewing memberships. All league memberships expired December 1.

The new memberships, it is unofficially reported, are for two years, and, according to reports reaching the city, the league has signed up about 70 per cent of its complete roster.

BORDER BOYS WERE NEARLY OVERLOOKED

Several Assigned to Other Companies Were Not Included to Receive Christmas Boxes.

When the recent shipment of individual Christmas boxes to the soldier boys of Company M and the Machine Gun company were shipped a week ago, five Grand Forks boys were overlooked, according to word received by J. B. Wineman yesterday.

The oversight occurred when five of the boys, assigned to other companies of the regiment, were not included when the list of names were made out. Immediate steps have

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been taken by the ladies of the Soldiers' Aid to supply them with Christmas boxes also, and the shipment went forward by fast express today. It is not expected that the delay will prevent their receiving them in time for Christmas.

According to Mr. Wineman, a very liberal response in support of the "one dollar bill fund" has been made by the people of Grand Forks. The aim of the fund, to provide each man of the two companies on the border with a crisp new \$1 bill, wherewith he might purchase any little Christmas luxury or comfort not included in his Christmas box, was entirely successful.

DATES ARE SET FOR AUTO SHOW

Local Dealers Plan Extensive Display February 13-14-15-16.

Grand Forks' eighth annual automobile show will be held here February 13-15-16, according to a decision made at an informal preliminary meeting of the dealers of the city.

A definite program now is being considered, in which entertainment features will play a prominent part in the part of an expected gathering of prominent automobile distributors from various parts of the state.

At a meeting which will be held within a day or two, an election of officers will be held and committees appointed to take charge of the affair. The show will be staged at the auditorium, where thirty makes of standard cars will be exhibited.

A variety of colors will be in evidence this season in accordance with a fashion trend influenced by popular demand. The auditorium will be appropriately festooned for the occasion.

The event promises to be one of the most notable of its kind in the state, and heavy demands for exhibition space already is being evidenced.

CLUB TO CELEBRATE OPEN HOUSE JAN. 1

House and Entertainment Committees Appointed at a Meeting of the Commercial Club Today.

At a business meeting of the directors of the Commercial club held this morning, definite action was taken to hold the usual "New Year's day" open house, which has been a feature in past years.

The affair will be in charge of the house and entertainment committees, who will arrange a program of entertainment and refreshments for the day.

China Hall Open Evenings—For the accommodation of those who cannot come during the day, we will remain open every evening this week.—Adv.

Carley Returns—J. R. Carley, cashier of the First National bank, has returned from the twin cities, where he represented the local clearinghouse association in a protest made before the Twin City Clearinghouse association. Mr. Carley will present his report at a formal meeting of clearinghouse officials to be held this evening or tomorrow.

PETIT JURORS ARE CHOSEN

Approximately 40 Civil and Four Criminal Cases Will Come Up.

District court will convene at 10 o'clock Tuesday, January 2, with Judge C. M. Cooley presiding, when, until January 9, several cases will come up for hearing before the judge in chambers at the court house. On the morning of January 9, the trial of cases before jury will begin. Approximately 40 civil and four criminal cases will be tried at this term of court, with prospect that the number will be slightly increased before court sits.

Following are the names of petit jurors as given out by Clerk of the District Court M. W. Spaulding this morning:

- Anthony Anderson, Reynolds; H. D. Ball, 593 Chestnut street, city; Howard Brandt, Emerado; J. A. Barlow, Grand Forks; Geo. W. Rieger, Niagara; F. A. Brown, 601 South Fifth street, city; M. A. Coagraft, Emerado; Wm. W. Dickson, Rye; Oscar Ebertson, Niagara; Jas. Grossman, 224 University avenue, city; John Harrington, Arvilla; Ives L. Helmsland, Holmes; C. P. Helmsland, 224 Cherry street, city; Louis Holt, Grand Forks city; Gust Hallan, Union township; Sylvester Johnson, Thompson; F. Jorgenson, 501 Cottonwood street, city; August Johnson, Kempton; Ole M. Kleven, Northwood; Michael Kleven, Northwood; Jonas Lenx, Holmes; Olaf Linberg, Kempton; August Linberg, Larimore; E. J. Lander, 923 Belmont avenue, city; Jas. McCabe, Larimore; Nels S. Nelson, Northwood; Henry O'Connell, Arvilla; Emil Olson, Reynolds; Peter Ollquist, Northwood; Ernst Pasbrig, 1406 Norman avenue, city; John Pietron, Northwood, R. F. D. No. 2; Henry Rajotte, 211 North Third street, city; John Ryan, Grand Forks city; Chas. Rabach, Union township; Henry Root, Grand Forks; Fred Smith, 205 Plum street, city; Peter Skurdall, Aneta, R. F. D.; John Sannes, Glibby; J. E. Turner, 511 North Third street, city; A. M. Wilcox, Lakeville.

STORES OPEN NIGHTS FOR XMAS SHOPPERS

Beginning Tonight All Business Places Will Remain Open Daily Till 9 O'Clock for This Week.

Merchants of Grand Forks this morning opened their doors fully prepared for the unusual rush of Christmas shoppers this week. After today, there are but five more shopping days, and, as usual, there will be the immense eleventh-hour rush, with its long hours, disappointments and grueling grinds for clerks.

Beginning tonight, all of the stores in the city will be open until 9 o'clock to accommodate late shoppers. Saturday night, strenuous efforts will be made to close at 10 o'clock, the usual closing hour. Practically every store and business place in the city will be closed all day Christmas.

Shopping this year has been much greater than the past two years, local merchants say. The toy counters have been replenished with big shipments of new American and Japanese toys, the German toys being practically a thing of the past. The counters contain many new novelties, included in which are the usual amount of war games and toys.

R. B. Griffith Co. More Toys

Christmas Dressings

Half the joy of Christmas is the wrapping and opening of Christmas packages. Make those packages bright and attractive by using pretty cards, stickers, tags, tape, etc. They are inexpensive and add so much.

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CARPET DEPT. THIRD FLOOR

The Ontario Store

"Educational Soorvey" to "Start Hill Poppin" In N. D. Is Mr. Dooley's View

(BY JOHN B. COOLEY.)

"O'm towid that th' iducational soorvey av th' state is afther bein' complyated," remarked Mr. Dooley. "O' didn't know that they was diggin any more soorveys. Jim now," remarked Mr. Hennessy. "Who's got th' contract fer it? Jim Dinnie?"

"Ye're wrang, ye're wrang, Hinnissy," declared Mr. Dooley. "This is not a sewer, its whin several experts, goes all over the state shoos an thin writes a report tillin' how much bitter they cud be afther fixin' things if they had th' chance."

"An in this case Hinnissy O'm rather inclineid t' think they was tillin' th' truth, fer whin yez git rought doan t' brass tackle Hinnissy th' plan av schools in this state has been wolloed a wonderful."

"Ye say Hinnissy there was afther bein' the university at Grand Forks wid Frankie McVey runnin' it an the farm school at Fargo which Johnnie Woorst was the boss av until they foired him fer not tippin' his hat whin he met mimbres av th' board av raygins in Moorhead."

"So far ut wasn't so bad Hinnissy, but there was also th' school av book kapis an foine imbroldery at Bottineau, an th' skule av fancy lither work at Illindale, an th' school av scientific wood choppin' at Wahpeton, an half a dozen others all do more or less th' same kind av worruk."

"Also at th' ferrum skule they was tachtin' the byes an gurrils differential calculus, an Gheek arit, an the structure av th' modern drama."

"Now th' board av soorvey cuddin't say th' sine av a lot av this."

"Tear an' ages sis the president, phwas't the soul av Gheek music got t' do wid soorvidin' fertillize, an' does the gurrils have t' be afther tardin' t' sing grand opera in order to crik panaches for some man fer? sis he."

"O' agree wid yez perfectly," sis Frankie McVey who happened in list thin to get a light fer his cigaroot. "O'm strong fer culture meself, sis he, an O' thry t' thrain the byes an' gurrils so they kin be afther talkin' about literachoor, an' Shakespeare, an' Friddie Koch, an' all thim great min', sis he, but wan school in th' state is enough fer that purpose," sis he, "an' th' other plans ought t' tache em sumthin' about earnin' a livin' sis he."

"Thot all saymed plausible enuff Hinnissy, but some ither payple cuddin't say ut that way. Doc Ladd av th' farm school was wan av thim."

"O' oblect t' anny curtailment av me resources," sis he. "Hav'n O' been afther provin' by me studies av the prophets an' theology th' th' farmers is bein' chated on their grain," sis he, "an' ain me frind Arvold carryin' in the lamp av culture all over th' state an' usin' it t' loight up all the barns, sis he."

"An thot wasn't ahl, Hinnissy. Th' president av th' Bottineau school wrote in t' found out how in hill th' love av beauty was goin' t' be sprid through th' state if the gurrils wasn't taught t' make imbroldered hankerchiefs fer th' harvest hands, an' th' Illindale president wanted t' know why his byes cuddin't be taught t' make Looey Quince managers fer th' calves."

"Th' board thryed t' stand firm, an' Frankie McVey stud wid em, Frankie worruk hard. He sent Vern Squires around th' state t' explain t' the people how rakin' th' risk an' th' buk wud make mowin' th' alfalfa wan grand swate game, an' Big Jawn Gillette, explained the blissings av soorvidin', but bein' thot th' state was thry to payple git soaked in th' toime honored method, an' ahl they cud do was t' soak ache ither, which they did."

"An' how did ut ahl coom out?" inquired Mr. Hennessy.

"It ain't coom yit," said Mr. Dooley, "but O' think there'll be hill poppin' sixt month, whin Lute Birdhill, an

Fargo Congregation Worships While Fire Burns in Basement

Fargo, N. D., Dec. 18.—The local fire department battled an incipient blaze in the basement of the Gethsemane cathedral Sunday, while the congregation in the auditorium above were undisturbed and continued worship. Very little damage was done.

Department Makes Run—An overheated kitchen stove, this time at the home of Hans Albertson, 119 Walnut street, occasioned another run of the fire department at 5 o'clock this morning. Practically no damage was done, the fire being extinguished before it had communicated itself to the interior.

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What nicer Christmas gift can you offer than a bright, new gold coin or a crisp, new paper bill.

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- Slippers
- Collar Bags
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- Hand Bags
- Suit Cases
- Umbrellas

More suggestions

- Mufflers
- House Coats
- Hats
- Caps
- Gloves
- Belts
- Boys' Waists
- Fur Caps
- Holiday Sets
- Silk Hose
- Garters
- Mackinaw Coats
- Sweaters
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