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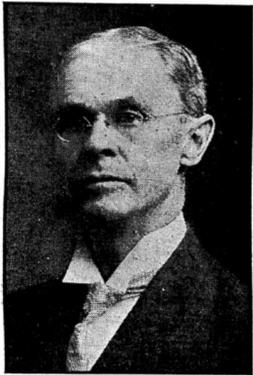
MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

EDITORS TALKED "SHOP" AND "GOT ACQUAINTED"

Second Annual Business Meeting of North-Central Minnesota Editorial Association Was Productive of Much Good to Editors and Employing Printers.

The second annual meeting of the North-Central Minnesota Editorial association which was held at Sauk Centre Friday and Saturday, resulted in the forming of better business and social relations between the editors and employing printers who are engaged in the printing and publishing business in the territory

the disappointment. A social session was prepared to fill in the gap caused by the governor's absence, and the men of Sauk Centre and the editors got on very intimate terms before the session was adjourned. While many of the editors of the territory covered by the association



A. M. WELLS, President-Elect.



A. G. RUTLEDGE, Secretary-Treasurer-Elect.

between the international boundary and Sauk Centre, embracing cities and villages on the M. & I. and N. P. railways between International Falls and Little Falls and on the Great Northern from Bemidji south to Sauk Centre and branch lines east and west.

The meeting was held principally for the purpose of talking "shop" with an incidental program of welcome and entertainment furnished



RUDOLPH LEE, Retiring President.

by a committee representing the people of Sauk Centre.

Governor Eberhart had promised to be present Friday evening and deliver an address on "The Press as a Factor in State Development,"

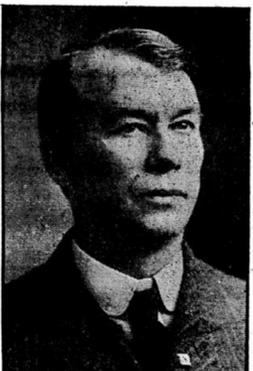


A. N. DURE, Vice-President-Elect. Who Will Entertain the Editors at Walker, in June.

but he was unable to be present, greatly to the disappointment of the assembled editors and the people of Sauk Centre, the governor wiring that the strike situation in the twin cities was so serious as to demand his presence in St. Paul, and regretting

did not attend the meeting, there was a representative body of members of the craft present, and the business session brought out papers and discussions and exchanges of ideas that will be of great value to the publications represented.

Most of the editors arrived at Sauk Centre before noon Friday, and when President Lee called the business session to order at 2:30 p. m., the following members were present: Rudolph Lee, president, Long Prairie Leader; J. J. Courtright,



I. J. COURTRIGHT, Retiring Secretary.

secretary, Staples Headlight; C. F. Scheers, Akeley Herald-Tribune; A. M. Welles, Sauk Centre Herald; F. A. Dare, Walker Pilot; A. L. Lafreniere, Grand Rapids Independent; Harold Knutson, Foley Independent;



HON. P. J. MCGARRY, Representative from 52nd District Who Will Act as Royal Host at White City, Next June.

C. H. Bronson, Osakis Review; M. W. Halloran, Sauk Rapids Sentinel; M. E. Isherwood, Sebeka Herald; E. J. Haymaker, Motley Mercury; E. W. Lafond, Little Falls Transcript; S. W. Anderson, Swanville News; P.

J. Vasaley, Little Falls Herald; A. G. Rutledge, Bemidji Pioneer.

President Lee officiated at the business session of the association, which was held in the rooms of the K. P. hall, and the members of the local committee, headed by Editor Welles, were on hand to attend to the wants of the delegates.

President Lee made a short address, in which he referred to the great value of such gatherings and comparing of notes and making of acquaintances, and especially the reading of the papers prepared on various phases of the business management of the printing business, as well as the practical work of printing. President Lee desired the association to go on record as favoring the securing of legislation to place the personal property tax statement into the list of official printing, as it would be of value to both the public and cause the assessor to more equally levy assessments.

Mr. Lee's suggestion resulted in the adoption of a motion to have the tax matter embraced in the resolutions.

The paper on "Newspaper Advertising" which was read by C. H. Bronson of Osakis Review, was well gotten up, and showed that Mr. Bronson kept his rates for advertising on a living basis and that he made a specialty of co-operation with the merchants of Osakis in preparing attractive ads. that were business pullers. Mr. Bronson concluded with the statement that a little more independence on the part of the publishers and an explanation of the results to the merchant who makes a judicious use of printer's ink would result in the merchant being disabused of the idea that possesses many of them—that the average newspaper is a charitable institution and real money paid for newspaper advertising was a favor done the publisher.

A general discussion followed as to the rates for advertising, display, etc., which was participated in by all present, and incidentally the advertising agent "shark" was given a few hearty slaps.

Charles F. Scheers, owner and publisher of the Akeley Herald-Tribune, read a very able paper on "Job Printing," illustrating his various points by drawings and samples of work, and showing that he is one of the very best job printers in Minnesota. Mr. Scheers, prior to settling at Akeley, was employed as foreman of many of the most up-to-date commercial printing establishments in Minnesota and other states; and his talk was filled with many valuable "pointers."

Mr. Scheers advocated a clean and sanitary "shop," with a foreman who was a first-class printer and one who never turned out a job that was not the best in its line that the office could produce. "There are too many so-called printers who are hanging out their faces" as all-around printers, these days, who are what is termed "black-smiths," and these fellows are doing the business a whole lot of harm. Turn out good work and you can get a good price."

(Lack of space prevents a fuller presentation of the "meat" of these most excellent papers.)

A suggestion that a job-printing contest be inaugurated by the association was accepted and President Lee appointed C. F. Scheers of the Akeley Herald-Tribune, I. J. Courtright of the Staples Headlight and C. H. Bronson of the Osakis Review as the committee to judge the samples and award the prizes, at a future meeting.

P. J. Vasaley of the Little Falls Herald, read a paper on newspaper subscriptions, and told of methods used by the management of the Herald to increase the subscription list, when he took hold of the paper fourteen years ago, which included one novel method of a "bargain subscription day," when the paper was given a year for 25c, to subscribers who paid back arrears. He had tried this but once, however.

Mr. Vasaley's paper was unique and pithy and full of witty phrases and good sensible suggestions as to how to make the paper attractive to its readers.

FINE PROGRAM FOR ELK MEMORIAL DAY

Bemidji Lodge, No. 1052, B. P. O. E., Participated in Annual Services, Sunday Afternoon.

TRACY BANGS OF GRAND FORKS DELIVERED MEMORIAL ADDRESS

The Vocal and Instrumental Musical Program Was Especially Attractive.

The members of Bemidji Lodge, No. 1052, B. P. O. E., and many visiting brethren of the order observed Elks Memorial Sunday in this city yesterday, when appropriate exercises were held at the City Opera House, there being a good attendance, considering the exceedingly stormy weather.

A splendid program was rendered, the feature of which was the memorial address made by Hon. Tracy Bangs of Grand Forks, N. D., who delivered one of the finest tributes of Elksdom and encouraging the general brotherhood of man that has been heard in this section of the state.

Prior to the services held in the hall, the members of the order met at Masonic hall and marched in a body to the City Opera House, filing into the hall in double column, the officers marching to the stage and taking positions, while the others remained standing at their chairs all seating themselves at the sound of the gavel.

The following was the program prepared by the committee, and which was carried out as published: Voluntary—"Rubenstein's Melody in B."

MARSHAL'S Oration. Invocation—WIS DOBNEY HUGHES. Rev. H. F. PARSHALL, St. Cloud Lodge, 516 Solo—"The Lord Is My Light".....Allison N. B. BLACK, Grand Forks. Mrs. MASTEN, Accompanist. Opening Ceremonies by Lodge..... With Solo by Mr. BLACK. Violin Solo—Selected..... Mrs. C. R. SANDORN. Address..... HON. TRACY B. BANGS, Grand Forks Lodge, 255. Solo—"Ave Maria".....Mascagni. With Solo by Mrs. HUGHES. Mrs. HARRY MASTEN, Accompanist. Closing Ceremonies by the Lodge..... Doxology.

The musical portion of the program was of exceptional merit, all who participated in this part of the program being musicians of established ability, making the music of better quality than is ordinarily heard at affairs of this kind.

The solemn services of the lodge were very impressive.

Mr. Bangs' speech was a rare oratorical effort, and contained much of great merit, the speaker advocating the habit of kinder actions one to another, less of gossip and scandal, and the exercise of more common charity in our daily transactions and mingling with each other.

Mr. Bangs said that a genial man is a good man, but all good men were not genial. It was the aim of the Elks to have in their membership men who were whole-souled, genial, broad-minded and liberal and charitable. In the lodge room and in life, the intention of the Elks was to build up a noble manhood.

"As we travel along through life," concluded Mr. Bangs, "our goal depends on our own endeavors. We must lead proper and industrious lives; and we will build up a nation of the best men and women who will succeed."

"Take to ourselves these lessons; and we can truthfully say 'I am the master of my fate; I am the captain of my soul.'"

The vocal solos rendered by Norman B. Black, general manager of the Grand Forks Times, were of a high order, and when he sang "Face to Face," the attending Elks and others were visibly affected.

A paper on "Bookkeeping" was to have been read by Alvah G. Swindlehurst, of the Wadena Pioneer-Journal, but Mr. Swindlehurst was unable to be present; and the election of officers was taken up, resulting in

the selection of the following for the ensuing year:

President—A. M. Welles, publisher of the Sauk Centre Herald. Vice President—F. A. Dare, publisher of the Walker Pilot.

Secretary-Treasurer—A. G. Rutledge of the Bemidji Pioneer.

Executive Committee—President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, and C. F. Scheers, of the Akeley Independent; Rudolph Lee, of the Long Prairie Leader; and P. J. Vasaley, of the Little Falls Herald.

A. G. Rutledge proposed Walker as the place for holding the annual outing in June, assuring the editors that Brother Dare and the Hon. P. H. McGarry and the people of Walker would royally entertain them; and that place was unanimously selected for the outing.

Staples was selected as the place for holding the next annual meeting.

It was decided to add seven more counties to the territory covered by the association, as follows, Ottertail, Douglas, Benton, Pope, Aitkin, Stearns, Crow Wing, which will give thirteen counties, embracing all publication printed in counties bordering on the M. & I. and N. P. railways and the G. N. Railway from the international boundary to Sauk Centre, the other seven counties.

A. G. Rutledge, E. M. Lafond and Harold Knutson were appointed a committee on resolutions, their report, which was adopted later, being as follows:

We, the members of the North-Central Minnesota association, assembled in second annual business convention, do hereby adopt the following resolutions:

Whereas, Appreciating the generous hospitality extended to the members of this association by Brother A. M. Welles, publisher of the Sauk Centre Herald, the city

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FARMERS' INSTITUTE WAS VERY SUCCESSFUL AFFAIR

Large Number of Farmers Were in City Saturday and Participated in Splendid Meeting.—Free Dinner Was Enjoyed by Visitors.

The state farmers' institute which was held in Bemidji last Saturday was a most successful gathering of farmers and business men seeking up-to-date information to benefit farming in this section.

The Bemidji Commercial club had assumed the management of the meeting at this place and served a free dinner to all farmers who attended the meeting, securing the city hall for the meeting and making all other arrangements which tended to the success of the meeting.

When the forenoon session was called, at 11:00, 130 farmers were in attendance; and they evinced great interest in the speeches that were made by the institute men who were present.

A. H. Jester, secretary of the commercial club, was on hand and made many friends among the farmers by his efforts to please them.

H. K. Larson, who is engaged extensively in dairying at Berner, spoke on dairying. Mr. Larson has made a success of dairying, under very adverse conditions, and his talk was highly interesting. He claimed that the dairy cow is the salvation of this section.

Mr. Larson told of the co-operation of farmers in Clearwater county and also the co-operation that was being manifested by the business men and farmers, which meant the development of the

Frank H. Gibbs, who owns a valuable truck farm between St. Paul and Minneapolis, and who is a gardener of twenty-eight years experience, told of up-to-date methods of cultivating potatoes and advocated the raising of only one or two varieties, because of the better market in shipping.

Mr. Gibbs talked on home vegetable gardening, stating that the farmer should at least raise the vegetables for his own table. He also advocated the raising of small fruits for the home.

F. B. McLeran, who owns a splendid dairy farm at Wrenshall, Carlton county, stated that the Bemidji institute was the largest which he had attended this year; and that more interest was shown here than elsewhere.

Mr. McLeran talked on the best method of clearing land of stumps and told of his success in dairying. He especially advocated the growing of clover, which not only is a valuable crop, but assists in enriching the soil. He claimed that clover was one of the first steps to successful farming in northern Minnesota.

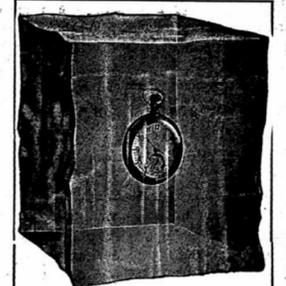
A great many questions were asked and answered, much information being gleaned thereby.

The Institute Annuals failed to arrive before the meeting but fifty of the books have been left with Given Bros. and fifty with W. G. Schroeder which copies may be secured by farmers who visit either of these places.

A SOUTH BEND WATCH FROZEN IN ICE

You Can See It at Our Store--Dec. 4 to 11

You can see for yourself a South Bend Watch, frozen in a cake of ice all week from Dec. 4th to Dec. 11th. You can see it still keeping perfect time. Compare the time it is keeping with the regulator—second for second. Then ask us how the South Bend Watches adjust themselves automatically to every temperature, why they stand strains and tests without a parallel. No matter if you don't want to buy; see this test. Learn the interesting facts about this perfect time piece. We will explain to you what gruelling tests every South Bend Watch is first given at the factory; why the South Bend Watch is proof against jolts, heat, and cold; how a South Bend Watch is adjusted for your particular use whether you are nervous and quick in your movements or slow and deliberate; whether you are engaged in heavy work or light office work. The South Bend Watch is always adjusted to your temperament. Come and ask all the questions you want to. We know what we have and we are glad to explain it to you. See the actual proof before your eyes.



WHAT has it cost to keep your watch running, to say nothing about accuracy? We know that it would pay you from a money standpoint to discard the old watch now and get a South Bend Watch that you can depend upon—that is so made that it will stand, without variation or repairs, strains twice as severe as it will ever receive at your hands. South Bend Watches frozen in ice keep accurate time. We will gladly show you our line of these watches and tell you why they are best for you.

You will be convinced that the South Bend is the most handsome and the best Christmas present you can buy for your boy or girl, father or mother, friend or sweetheart. It is the most acceptable gift you can make. The receiver of this gift will think of you every time he or she looks at the watch.

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