

FITZGERALD SPEAKS TO B. MOOSE

PROMINENT PROGRESSIVE JUDGE FROM NEW YORK SPEAKS TO ENTHUSIASTS AT LYCEUM.

Judge Fitzgerald of New York, who is making a rapid tour of the state in behalf of the Bull Moosers, spoke to a fair sized crowd at the Lyceum following the show this evening.

The meeting was called to order by State Chairman Carroll, who introduced H. R. Turner, a prominent Fargo attorney.

Judge Fitzgerald, the main speaker of the evening, gave a very pleasing address. He roasted the bosses over the spit, referred to the new currency bill in an uncompromising manner and said that a man had a right to change his coat if he desired, referring to the time that Lincoln pulled away from the Dhigs. He predicted the rapid decay of the old parties and the rapid growth of the Progressives. The Judge is a mild-mannered gentleman and made an excellent impression.

W. E. HOLBEIN FOR COM. OF AGRICULTURE

VOTERS TO BE OFFERED STRONG MAN FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE AND LABOR IN PERSON OF "LIVE WIRE" FROM MOUSE RIVER LOOP.

Announcement is made of the candidacy for the office of commissioner of agriculture and labor of Will E. Holbein, secretary of the Lansford Commercial club, publisher of the Lansford Journal and secretary of the North Dakota Press Association, and this news will undoubtedly be greeted with keen interest and appreciation by a large percentage of the newspaper men of the state, who will feel, and with reason, that not only will voters of the state have opportunity to consider the name of a man most happily qualified for the place, but that the newspaper profession offers a representative in whom they may justly feel a pardonable pride.

Mr. Holbein is an untiring worker and the personification of life, energy and optimism, balanced with that logic and sound business judgment which makes him an ideal candidate for this position, one recognized as all-important and for which the selection of the right man is most essential and vital.

He is an expert on publicity and a firm believer in North Dakota as the banner state of the union with golden opportunities awaiting all who care to enjoy them. He fairly beams the optimistic thought along this line and his address at the last meeting of the press association will long be remembered as an inspiration in itself.

He takes the position that North Dakota needs more settlers, more of the same kind we now have, men who have made the state what it is and few men available for public service, are better equipped to promote this very idea of increased immigration to the state than Mr. Holbein and his splendid business acumen, keen interest in whatever he undertakes and thorough knowledge of conditions in the state are assets he possesses with which to go before the people, which will without question be given most cordial and weighty consideration.—Grand Forks Herald.

The Independent was pleased to see the above article in this morning's Herald, for we feel certain that it means the nomination and ultimate election of faithful "Old Bill." Two months ago the Independent mentioned Mr. Holbein favorably for this office before he had ever thought of making the fight and after our edition was out, Bro. Holbein stated most emphatically that he was not looking for any public office and would continue at the same old grind at Lansford. He has been prevailed upon from all quarters to enter this fight and has finally consented. We can truthfully say that

MINOT MAN SURRENDERS TO ST. LOUIS POLICE.

Chief of Police Ed Robinson received word from the chief of police of St. Louis stating that Raymond Nail of Minot, who had broken parole, had given himself up. Nail is willing to return without extradition papers. As he had but seven more days to serve on his parole, Nail may not be brought back. Nail was given two years in the pen on a charge involving several young girls.

Judge in Sam Clark Case Dies.

Judge Chas. A. Willard, the federal judge who presided at the Jim Jam Jems trial, when Clark and Crockard were convicted, died at his home in Minneapolis Friday night after an illness of five weeks. The defense claimed unfairness on the part of the Judge and the United States Court of Appeals granted them a new trial.

Sliter Sells Barber Shop.

E. M. Sliter has disposed of his barber shop to the Howard brothers and expects to leave for Montana soon to reside on a homestead. Mr. Sliter has been in business here for a good many years and has always conducted a first class shop.

he is a candidate of no faction or political boss. He will have the endorsement of hundreds of the state's best newspapermen, the state federation of Commercial clubs and many others right from the start. Commissioner Holbein sounds good "over har."

ROLLING GREEN.

Township election held Tuesday with G. N. Bowman, moderator, and H. F. Davy, J. Gouandin and John Breslin, judges, resulted as follows: John Hippe, supervisor; Wm. Moyer, clerk; Wm. Seyers, treasurer; J. A. Borud, assessor; H. F. Davy, J. of P.; Anton Sandquist, J. of P.; Andrew Opland and H. D. Davy, constables. The writer is more than satisfied with the election as the road grader and pound yard are to be sold and the town hall was voted down. Bowman made a good moderator.

The Grange organized a local at Rolling Green church last week with T. M. Williams leader.

Walter Dickerson and Wm. Baldock shopped in Des Lacs Saturday.

Geo. Severson is very low from tuberculosis and his death is momentarily expected.

Jim Eide and J. L. Hanson were in Des Lacs Friday.

The Rolling Green Ladies' Aid meets with Mrs. Jordahl Monday.

VELVA FARMER ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

JOHN SETTERSTROM ATTEMPTS TO BLOW OUT BRAINS WITH SHOT GUN—IN CRITICAL CONDITION.

Velva, N. D., March 18.—Joe Setterstrom, aged 40, a prosperous farmer living nine miles northeast of here, is in a critical condition and not expected to live, because of an attempt to commit suicide, while at his farm, by blowing out his brains with a shotgun.

The attempt was made at about 7 o'clock last evening. Setterstrom placed a shot gun against his forehead and pulled the trigger. The bones in his skull were terribly fractured and smashed, but he had strength enough to pull himself to the phone, where he called for medical assistance.

The injured man was immediately brought to the city and everything possible is being done to save his life.

Setterstrom is a bachelor, and has been living alone on his farm. It is said that he has been despondent for the past few days. He has a brother in the insane asylum at Jamestown, and it is believed he feared he also was losing his mind.

The case of D. A. Dinnie vs. the City of Minot was decided in favor of Mr. Dinnie. The jury allowed him \$140 damages, as a result of water running into his barn last summer. Dinnie claimed \$450 damages and blames the side walk for them.

Minot Men Get Masonic Degrees.

F. L. Meservey, Wm. Murray, Dr. A. J. McCannel, A. D. Hagenstein, J. W. Samuelson, Geo. W. Kemper, M. J. Engeseth and C. F. Truax went to Rugby today where they received the Royal and Select Master's degree of the new Masonic body organized there that night. There were 72 candidates in all, from various sections of the northwest. An enjoyable banquet was prepared and the visitors entertained at a special attraction at one of the theatres.

MINOT WANTS THE ODD FELLOWS HOME

LOCAL I. O. O. F. REPRESENTATIVES WORKING FOR THE NEW \$100,000 HOME TO BE BUILT FOR STATE.

King Solomon Encampment No. 21 of the I. O. O. F., Minot, will make a strong bid to have the \$100,000 widows' and orphans' home to be constructed by the state order in the near future located here.

This was decided upon at a meeting held for special Patriarchal work at Odd Fellows hall Friday night. Eleven candidates were given the work by Grand Patriarch W. J. Holbrook of Rugby, assisted by Past Chief Patriarch J. O. Olson and J. M. Palmer of Knox and L. A. Koons of Wolford.

The ladies of Floral Rebekah lodge served a splendid lunch at midnight. Following the degree work a regular business session was held.

NEW METHOD SAVES; CARNEGIE MEDAL HERO

DUNSEITH MAN HAD 10 OUNCES OF HIS BLOOD TRANSFERRED TO ANOTHER—RESULTS WERE BENEFICIAL.

Dunseith, N. D., March 18.—Felix Patenaude, who has been suffering with purpura hemorrhagis for six weeks, underwent an operation of direct transfusion of blood. Dr. Pierce of Devils Lake; Dr. McMurty of Wolford and Dr. Lemieux were the attending physicians. Several parties offered to assist by giving their blood. Mr. Lynn Gilbert was the one selected and with sturdy Hollandish courage submitted to a painful operation lasting nearly two hours whereby one of his arteries was cut and tied over the vein of the sufferer, thus allowing the passage of 10 ounces of blood into the vascular system. So far the operation has been successful. Without this operation the patient could have lived but a short time. From the fact that Mr. Gilbert and others asked no remuneration for their services, proves that there are heroes in Dunseith who are deserving of a Carnegie medal and of whom we as citizens are justly proud.

Miss LeClair's Mother Lives Here.

Miss Marie Rose LeClair, daughter of Madam LeClair Mulligan, appeared at the Grand early in the week. Miss LeClair is a very talented little lady and a clever artist. Her singing and acting completely captivated those who heard her.

The many friends of Oscar Veach, formerly manager of the Minot Drug Co. of this city, will be grieved to learn that his father died at LaMotte, Ia.

MRS. S. SAMENUK DIES AT HOSPITAL

WELL KNOWN BENEDICT WOMAN DIES AT ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL IN THIS CITY AFTER LONG ILLNESS.

Mrs. S. Samenuk, aged 60, of Benedict, died at St. Joseph's hospital Wednesday morning of heart failure and other complications. For some time the deceased had suffered from gall stones and it was found necessary to operate. An improvement was noted, but Tuesday a change for the worse set in, and while Mrs. Samenuk put up a hard battle for life, she expired Wednesday morning. She was well known in the vicinity of Benedict, having lived there for several years. The remains were sent to that place for burial.

Oscar Wilson, the Dennybrook capitalist, is in the city today.

BEN. HULTGREN IS EXALTED RULER

ELKS ELECT OFFICERS SATURDAY NIGHT—WYSONG CHOSEN SECRETARY—HALVOR L. HALVORSON WILL REPRESENT GRAND LODGE.

Ben Hultgren, one of the most consistent boosters of the Minot Lodge, B. P. O. Elks, was elected Exalted Ruler Saturday night. C. C. Wysong was re-elected secretary. Wysong has proved himself a live one. Hultgren succeeds Halvor L. Halvorson, who made a splendid record. Other officers elected are: Dr. J. R. Pence, Esteemed eLading Knight; A. M. Thompson, Esteemed Loyal Knight; A. A. Robinson, Esteemed Lecturing Knight; Walter L. Tooley, treasurer; Harry W. Montgomery, trustee for three years, and W. C. McHugh, Tyler. C. A. Graw was elected member of the executive committee of the state organization, while Halvor L. Halvorson was elected to represent the Grand Lodge at the convention this year. Judge L. J. Palda, Jr., will act as alternate.

The White Ice Cream Co., ever in the foreground, is undergoing some extensive improvements, new cement floors, etc. Later, we'll have more to say.

TRACY BANGS ET. AL. ARRESTED

SEVERAL JURORS WHO SET McLAIN COOPER FREE IN 1911 ARE UNDER ARREST—COOPER WILL BE RETURNED FROM OREGON.

The entire state is shaken up over the arrest of Tracy Bangs, one of the most prominent attorneys of Grand Forks, charged with bribery in connection with the murder case, wherein McLain Cooper, son of a wealthy Red River Valley farmer, was tried for murder. Young Cooper had gotten into an argument with the foreman of his father's big Traill county farm and shot him. He pleaded self defense, but this was hard to prove as the bullet struck the foreman, J. F. Ross, in the back. Cooper was freed by the jury.

The complaint was sworn to by the bailiff, Sullivan, who said that young Cooper had left sums of money with the jurors with which they bought whiskey.

Young Cooper was arrested at Portland, Oregon, and released on \$5,000 bail. He states that he wanted in the

state in order that papers may be served on him in a \$50,000 damage Governor Hanna has issued extradition papers for young Cooper and he is to be returned to North Dakota.

J. C. Stevens, juror in the Cooper murder trial, held to the district court on a charge of agreeing to accept a bribe of \$3,000 in the case, is still being held in the county jail, his bond of \$2,500 not having been arranged. Scott Rex, Stevens' attorney, said at noon today that he hoped the matter would be arranged during the course of the day.

E. N. Bruyeres of Larimore, another juror in the case who was arrested Sunday morning, was released Monday evening under bonds of \$5,000. The bond was signed by his brother, Thomas Bruyeres and D. P. McLane, both of Larimore.

His preliminary hearing has been set for March 20. He is charged with agreeing to receive a bribe of \$3,000 and actually receiving \$30.

Among the other arrests are those of Harry Cooper, Hillsboro, father of McLain Cooper; J. C. Mahon, Inkster, farmer, and one of the jurors; Andy Sullivan, formerly of the Grand Forks police department and bailiff in charge of the jury when the case was tried.

Suicide Used Eleven Bullets.

Louis S. Poell, aged 62, a Linton farmer, sent eleven bullets into his head before he succeeded in committing suicide. He used a .22 calibre rifle and seven of the bullets passed entirely thru his skull. He was found by his son. The suicide left several letters arranging for the division of his property.

SOUTH OF DES LACS.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Halligan and Jim Goulden and wife spent Friday at the Tom Whitte home.

Fred Groninger is back from McKenzie county where he taught school this winter. He has taken his old position as superintendent of the M. E. Sunday school.

Ole Gullickson was in Minot Wednesday.

Mrs. Wm. Baldock is on the sick list.

E. Davis of Tolgen was on our streets in Rolling Green Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Herring of the reservation are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Fred Schaffer.

John Hippe called at the Mrs. Owen home Sunday.

James Falconer and wife were in from Burlington Saturday. Mr. Falconer, who represents the Independent so well at Burlington, mingled with the scribes at their meeting that night.

GRANDMA TRACY GONE TO HEAVENLY HOME

ONE OF WARD COUNTY'S EARLY PIONEERS SUCCUMBS TO PNEUMONIA—CAME TO WARD COUNTY IN AN OX CART.

Mrs. Phoebe Ann Tracy, one of Minot's oldest women, passed away at the home of her son, L. B. Tracy, corner Fourth and Jarvis Sts. Friday, shortly after noon after a four days illness from pneumonia. Mrs. Tracy was 83 years, 6 months and 2 days of age.

The funeral was held from Rowan's undertaking parlors Sunday, Rev. Hal P. Fudge, pastor of the Baptist church preaching a comforting sermon. The remains were interred in Rose Hill cemetery.

Phoebe Ann Stone was born at Pike, Allegheny county, N. Y. and removed with her parents to Orwell, O., where in 1850 she was united in marriage to her soldier husband, who preceded her to the beyond many years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Tracy were pioneers of the state of Minnesota, settling in Todd county before the Civil war. Her husband enlisted with the 6th Reg., Minn. Vol. While working on a fort at Fort Ripley, her husband was injured by a log, resulting in total blindness, from which he suffered for eleven years until death came. During all this time, Mrs. Tracy went ahead with the work of the farm and reared her family of ten children, six of whom survive her. They are L. B. Tracy of Minot; Grant Tracy of White Earth; H. F. Tracy of Grinnell; A. B. Tracy of Tulare, Cal., who was Ward county's first sheriff; Mrs. B. E. Williams and Mrs. A. E. McGuire of Portland, Ore. Only two of the children, L. B. and Grant Tracy, were able to attend the funeral.

Mrs. Tracy and children came to

COUNTY PEN-PUSHERS FORM ASSOCIATION

"BARNEY" McLAUGHLIN OF KENMARE ELECTED PRESIDENT—NAME OF ASSOCIATION NOT YET SELECTED.

Fourteen representatives of Ward county print shops met at the Minot Association of Commerce rooms Friday night and formed an organization, which will be named at the next meeting of Ward county newspaper men and publishers to be held here the first Friday in April.

W. B. McLaughlin of the Kenmare Journal, was elected president and he will be assisted by the following officials: Dave Larsen, Ryder Journal, first vice president; Geo. Tout, Kenmare News, second vice president; F. A. Parratt, Donnybrook Courier, secretary and treasurer. The executive committee will consist of W. E. Krick, Berthold Tribune; Geo. Tout, Kenmare News; D. R. Green, Sawyer Telegraph; M. J. Pavlik, Carpio Free Press, and C. A. Johnson, Minot Reporter.

The purpose of the association will be to meet at least once a month to discuss things of interest to newspapermen and printers. Several lively discussions were had Friday night. Thos. Thorsaldson, deputy state treasurer, and a member of the state printing board, delivered a most interesting address on state printing and the way it was let by contract and distributed. Legal and political advertising also came in for its share of consideration and the association went on record as being opposed to anything that would disturb the legal rates now in force.

Several important resolutions will be presented at the next meeting and every editor in the county will probably be present to join the organization. It is more than likely that besides the formation of a Ward county association, a call will soon be sent out for the organization of a northwest North Dakota association.

The meeting Friday night was one of the most successful ever held in Minot, and all of the members of the organization are most enthusiastic over its possibilities, both from a social and a business standpoint.

John Rogers Visits Minot.

John Rogers, secretary and treasurer of the Rogers Lumber Co., whose headquarters are at Minneapolis, was an over Sunday visitor in Minot. He was returning from Great Falls, Mont., where he attended a big convention of the managers of the Rogers lumber yards of the west. Mr. Rogers is a consistent booster for the west and a great help in the development of this section of the country.

Ward county in 1884, living on a pre-emption a mile and a half from Burlington for years. Twelve years ago Mrs. Tracy fled on a homestead ten miles north of Burlington, upon which she made final proof.

Her entire life was spent in pioneering. When she brot her family to Ward county it was in the days before railroads in this section of the state and the trip was made from Devils Lake to Ward county in an ox cart. Mrs. Tracy was a splendid type of womanhood. Her whole life was spent in living for her children. Even during the later years of her life, she was active and took a lively interest in both business and social affairs.

Glasses Relieve Nerve Trouble if Fitted Right. A letter from an Ex-County Superintendent of Schools who held office for three consecutive terms in Bottineau County, N. D. 1863 Kimball St., Portland, Ore. Dr. H. H. Hovda, Minot, N. D. Dear Friend: In reply to your inquiry about the glasses you fitted for my wife, I am glad to say that they have made a fine improvement not only in assisting her to see with much more ease, but in a physical way as well. Before you fitted her she seemed to be at a nervous tension all the time. Not only did her eyes easily tire but she was easily excited and nervously restless. After a hard day's work her nerves would involuntarily jerk. But all this has disappeared. The nervous tension has gone. She is quiet and can rest any time during the day. Physically she seems to be almost another woman. With best wishes and success to you I remain, Sincerely yours, P. E. CHRISTENSON. Mrs. Christenson was wearing glasses when she consulted us but they did not relieve her Eye Strain. CONSULTATION FREE. H. H. Hovda Neurologist and Eye Specialist Cor. Reishus and First St. Minot, N. D.