

NEW ROCKFORD AFTER LEGION STATE MEETING

Another American Legion convention battle royal here in sight this morning when ex-soldiers of New Rockford flashed the word that their aggressive little city in the center of the state was going out after the 1923 convention of the Legionaries.

The announcement from the hub of the state was like a bomb out of a clear sky as Wahpeton, which had carried on a 1923 campaign at the Jamestown convention last year, was generally supposed to have the inside track.

Taking the viewpoint that two Legion conventions have already been held in the southern part of the state, and that the Devils Lake affair will be the second one staged in the northern section, the New Rockford boomers contend that the center of the state is now entitled to the honor. On top of that, they point out that Wahpeton—which will furnish most of their opposition—is down in one corner of the state, at considerable distance from most of the membership of the organization which is along the northern route of the Great Northern.

It is a foregone conclusion that the New Rockford men will give the down-towners the stiffest opposition that it would be possible to line up. In fact, it is almost certain they will carry with them most of the votes along the northern section—thus resulting in another battle between old-time rivals.

In announcing their decision to go after the convention, the New Rockford Legionaries—who are within driving distance of Devils Lake—said they would be represented by the largest and liveliest delegation in the state, headed by a band.

EXERCISES ON MEMORIAL DAY

The program has been announced for the Memorial Day exercises to be held here next Tuesday, when it is expected that large numbers of people will gather for the purpose of paying devotion to the departed.

The first event scheduled for the day will be the parade which will march through the main streets of the city will start at 10 o'clock in the forenoon sharp, and will be led by Lieutenant Otto R. Helgeson, marshal of the day. Next will come the Boy Scout Band, followed by the G. A. R. and W. R. C., the Spanish-American War veterans, American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, the Howitzer company, Boy Scouts, and the lodges and school children. The parade will be led out to the cemetery where appropriate services will be conducted over the graves of the G. A. R., over the graves of the Spanish-American war veterans, and over the graves of those who gave their lives during the World War. Services will be conducted at the monument of the Spanish-American War veterans, where ritualistic services will be held, and where an address will be delivered by Hon. Torger Sinness.

In the afternoon at two o'clock the following program will take place at the Grand Theatre:

America by Audience, A. L. Johnson, song leader.

Invocation by Rev. Babcock.

Battle Hyman of the Republic, by the Girls Glee Club.

Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, by Miss Velma Sauvala.

Logen's General Order No. 11, by Howard Elliott.

Tenting Tonight, by Girls Glee Club.

General Grant's Memorial Day Message, by Carl Reid.

Near My God to Thee, by Girls Glee Club.

Oration of the Day, by Hon. Torger Sinness.

Star Spangled Banner, by audience.

The officers of the local G. A. R. post has issued the following:

"Gen. George A. Crook, Post No. 33 G. A. R., together with the Women's Relief Corps, No. 13, will attend divine service at the Methodist Episcopal church on Memorial Sunday, May 28, at 11 o'clock.

"The American Legion, the Spanish-American War veterans and the American Legion Auxiliary are hereby requested to join with us in attending divine services. By order of

WM. R. WHITCOMB, Commander,
JAMES McCORMICK, Adjutant.

A carload of Dodge cars arrived on Friday of last week for Harry McHugh. The car consisted of five machines, and they were all delivered at one to the several customers who had their orders in beforehand with the exception of one, which will be kept on the floor to use as a demonstrator until the next carload arrives.

Flaming Cat Caused Legitimate Fire Loss

Cathay, N. D., May 24.—A cat dressed in doll's clothes, and converted into a flaming and madly dashing firebrand by children who set fire to the clothes, caused the fire which last December destroyed the farmhouse and barn at Andrew Roth near here, is the finding of the state fire marshal's office after a complete investigation. The fire marshal holds the fire loss a legitimate one and has ordered the insurance company to settle in full. The investigation resulted after Mr. Roth repudiated a settlement for \$2,500 which representative of the company persuaded him to make. Mr. Roth places his total loss at about \$5,500. Whether the insurance company will contest further payment or not, has not been announced.

RAMSEY FAIR TO BE BIGGEST EVER

Secretary D. J. Rapp of the Ramsey County Fair is now getting attractions lined up for the fair which will be held from July 11 to 14, both dates inclusive, and in talking to The World told us that we might expect something bigger and better than ever before. The fair here has been growing each year, people are taking a greater interest in the exhibits, more exhibits are being entered, and the attractions are better as each passes.

The premium list will be out within a very short time, and this will in many cases provide for larger premiums than had been the case in past years, and it is planned on adding several new departments.

Among the chief attractions being secured will be the usual carnival, an aeroplane and drop of several thousand feet by parachute, horse races, auto races, speakers of national prominence, some fast ball games, etc.

In a very short time Mr. Rapp expects to be able to announce just what the fair association has to offer, and promises that it will be better than ever before.

Radio Club Hears Mitchell, S. D. Concert Sunday

Members of the Devils Lake radio club, whose outfit is located in the city hall last Sunday for the first time were able to hear distinctly a concert given at Mitchell, S. D. The weather that afternoon was favorable for the proper working of the radio for the first time since the outfit was installed, and the members took advantage of it. At the same time Archie Miller of the Grand theatre was able to pull down baseball score, markets, weather report and other messages sent through the air Saturday afternoon and Sunday. Mr. Dyson of the Midwest Power Co. is of the opinion that the instrument owned by the Radio Club may work better if taken out in the country away from the buildings, and intends to give it a tryout some distance away from any building as soon as the weather settles down.

JUDGES SELECT 'LAKEWOOD' AS NEW PARK NAME

Hereafter the City Park will be known as "Lakewood," that being the name selected by the judges in the Kiwanis name contest last Monday evening from the several hundred suggestions for a new name that have been pouring into the office of Secretary Cunningham during the past ten days. The judges who were unanimous in their selection were Mrs. F. P. Mann, Mrs. Earl Mann, Mrs. Verne Veitch, Mrs. Ed. Cunningham, C. E. Gray and Sivert Thompson.

The names were given the judges without the names of the contestants, and the name was selected on its own merits. The winner was found to be Mrs. Mary E. Holmes of 703 third street, and she will be given the prize of \$10 offered by the Kiwanis Club.

Several other contestants had also offered the name of "Lakewood," but according to the rules of the contest the first person suggesting the accepted name gets the reward. Each suggestion was dated as it came in so that all may have an equal chance of winning.

MATOWITKO

Matowitko, an Indian, died on Friday of last week at his home on the Reservation. Funeral services were held from the Mission Sunday. The deceased is said to have been the oldest resident on the Reservation, having lived in the state when the first settlers came into the country, and is said to have taken part in some of the battles between white people and members of his tribe in the territorial days.

N. D. WHEAT POOL TO BE EXPLAIN- ED WEDNESDAY

Farmers from all parts of the Lake Region are invited to be present at a meeting to be held at the court house in Devils Lake at 10 o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesday, May 31, when George C. Jewett of Portland, Ore., general manager of the Wheat Growers Association, will deliver an address explaining just what the organization has done up to the present time, and what it expects to do for the growers of wheat in the Northwest during the coming year.

Mr. Jewett has personal supervision of fifty million bushels of wheat in the northwestern states. Of this amount 40,000 bushels have already been pooled in Ramsey county alone, and about a million in the state.

The Wheat Growers Association is a going institution, and is very much on the same order as the fruit growers association in the western states. There is no farmer but what will admit that he has not been given a square deal in the marketing of his wheat under the old system and will any new plan that is likely to bring him a fair revenue for what he produces. The Wheat Growers Association has presented the only feasible plan so far offered, and Mr. Jewett is here for the purpose of explaining everything. Farmers are invited to come prepared to ask questions and learn everything there is to know about the association. Everyone is invited, and no admission is charged.

CONTRACTS LET FOR ROAD WORK IN RAMSEY CO.

Although Ramsey county has prided itself during the past few years in the amount of work done on the principal highway running within its borders, the end is not yet, and contracts to the amount of \$48,230.04 were let on Wednesday last week for work to be done during the coming summer, when bids were opened at the office Division Engineer John A. Wallace in this city for the state highway commission. The contracts provide for the following work:

Grading on Federal Aid Project No. 155 running south of this city towards the Narrows, to Thomas Young & Son, and the metal culvert contract for the same project was let to the Northwestern Sheet & Iron Works of Wahpeton.

Grading for Federal Aid Project No. 149 running past Bartlett, to W. H. Noel, and the metal culverts contract for this project went to the Russell Grader Mfg. Co.

W. H. Noel received the contract for graveling of Federal Aid Project No. 19, running from Devils Lake east through Cray.

Grand Forks Fair Premium List Out

The premium list for the Grand Forks Fair is already out and is larger and more complete than any ever before issued. People in the Lake region who expect to make exhibits and who desire copies of the list may obtain same by writing to Secretary Montgomery, at Grand Forks.

Higher Position For John Wallace

John A. Wallace, who during the past three years has been division engineer for the state highway department with headquarters in this city, has been promoted to the position of project engineer for the department with headquarters in Bismarck. At that time Mr. Wallace will leave for the capital city to take up the duties of his new office. His successor here has not been announced. His family will continue to reside here during the summer.

City School Elec- tion On June 6th

The city school election this year will be held on June 6th for the purpose of electing two members of the board of education to take the place of William N. Nortz and C. E. Gray, whose terms expire this year. Up to the present time neither gentleman has yet announced whether or not he would be a candidate to succeed himself, and neither has anyone else announced themselves as aspirants for the places.

MAXON OPENS GROCERY STORE

J. H. Maxon, who for the past 21 years has been in the grocery business in Devils Lake, part of the time working for others, during most of the time engaged in business for himself, and who up to a few weeks ago was manager of the People's Cash Store has opened up a new grocery store on west fifth street opposite the Bovey, Shute Jackson Co.'s yard, and has already put in quite a complete stock of groceries. Although he intends to carry a very complete line of groceries at all times, he will pay special attention to his cream and milk trade, and will keep his store open each evening until nine o'clock and also open until noon on Sundays for his customers in this line.

SERUMGARD IN CAMPAIGN FOR STATE OFFICE

Siver Serumgard, of Devils Lake, Saturday announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor at the forthcoming primary on June 28 on a "clean-up" platform with H. L. Steger, of Bismarck, candidate for Governor. Mr. Serumgard held a conference with Mr. Steger and the two laid plans, it is understood, for a campaign in the state together before the primary.

They will advocate the abolition of state socialism in the primary and will campaign together because, if elected, they would constitute the majority of the Industrial Commission with board powers in the conduct of state industries. Mr. Serumgard said that he had found much opposition particularly among farmers to continued heavy expenditures in socialistic experiments, having come to the conclusion that they will not be successful and will only entail heavy cost to taxpayers.

Mr. Serumgard has been known in the state as a progressive Republican. He came to North Dakota in 1882, settled in Fargo, taught school, established a law office in Coppers-town in 1890 and later in Devils Lake. He was a member of the state board of regents from 1892 to 1893, achieving considerable prominence through his work in keeping the University of North Dakota open during the period in which the legislature failed to make appropriation. He has been city attorney of Devils Lake and states attorney of Ramsey county. He is married and has five children, two of his boys being at the front during the war.

On Many Boards
Mr. Serumgard has farmed a great deal and given considerable attention to agricultural developments in the state. He has been prominent in the affairs of the Sons of Norway in the state.

Under the present laws governing the office of state agriculture and labor, however, a great deal of the work with relation to agriculture is purely funetory, much of the power of extension of agriculture being vested in the state agricultural college. The commissioner of agriculture and labor is on many of the state boards of importance, including the Industrial Commission, as Chairman of the Workmen's Compensation Bureau and the State Board of Administration where a varied experience in lay and business is valuable.

MANY ATTEND CANTATA 'RUTH'

The Grand theatre last Sunday evening was filled to overflowing by people from both the city and country who came to hear the popular cantata "Ruth" rendered under the personal direction of Rev. Geo. O. Loftness, pastor of the Norwegian Lutheran church. The program from start to finish was excellent, and fully as good as anything ever heard here at any time in the past.

Amidon Farmer Makes More From Coyotes Than From Wheat

Amidon, N. D., May 24.—Bill Snyder rancher and farmer of this district finds the coyote crop more valuable than wheat raising. He has just collected \$229.50 on 51 coyotes killed since last fall and sold the pelts for twice as much again.

Chevrolet cars were sold by the Lake Motor Co. during the past week to Mrs. Christina Kettwig of Sweetwater and Andrew Keiser of Penn, both of whom have taken their cars out and are now using them.

I.O.O.F. HOME SITE TO BE SELECTED HERE NEXT WEEK

The board of trustees of the state I. O. O. F. lodge will meet in Devils Lake on Wednesday of next week for the purpose of carefully going over the several sites near the city offered its location, water supply an all natural advantages will be taken into consideration, and if a site can be found here that is satisfactory, same will be accepted, otherwise it is planned by the board to locate the home at Velva as a second choice.

The local lodge has secured options on several tracts of land near this city, according to Ole Serumgard, one of the members of the board, and he is quite sure that the board will experience very little trouble in getting something that meets with its requirements in every detail. It is understood that construction work will start almost immediately after the site is chosen.

Opening Ball Games Tomorrow

The opening games of the Devils Lake City Baseball League will take place tomorrow afternoon and evening, and will be played between the Young Men and the Howitzer-Legion teams and the Elks and the G. N. shops teams. Music during the games will be furnished by the Boy Scouts Band, and a very large attendance is looked for.

DEAF SCHOOL WINS THIRD AT G. F. TRACK MEET

Grand Forks, May 24.—Devils Lake School for the Deaf made a name for itself at the track meet here Friday and Saturday, when Rolf Harmon, acclaimed the greatest High school athlete ever seen in the state, came out for 15 points for his school, the highest made individuals at the meet. The School for the Deaf won third place, with Grand Forks and Fargo tied for first place with 25 points. The School for the Deaf secured 24 points. Mueller of the School for the Deaf established a new half mile record when he ran the distance in 2 minutes, 4 4-5 seconds.

Devils Lake High School came out of the meet with 17 points, winning fourth place. Other scores were: Langdon, 10; Valley City 10; Cavalier, 6; St. Thomas, 5; Grafton and Wahpeton, 3 each; Leeds, Lakota, Jamestown and Fessenden, 2 each; and Pembina, 1.

The record made in 1918 by Sholver of Devils Lake in the high jump was broken by McCracken of Jamestown. D. Elliott of Devils Lake High school won the broad jump.

SCOUT COUNCIL IS ORGANIZED

At a meeting held at the rooms of the Civic & Commerce Association on Thursday evening of last week the perfection of the Devils Lake Boy Scout Council was completed, and the new organization is already functioning. Representatives of the 43 clubs and lodges in the city were invited to be present and the attendance was good. The principal advantage of the new organization over the old way the boys were governed will be the securing of a scout director who will devote all of his time to training the scouts. All boys in the city, whether members of the board or not, will be given the benefit of this training. The amount of \$3600 will have to be raised to pay the salary of the scout director and also other expenses, and it is planned to provide means of raising this money at once.

The first boy scout commissioner elected is Dr. W. F. Sihler, and the vice president are the county judges in the several counties in this district, namely: Judge O. D. Comstock of Benson, Judge William Botison of Towner, Judge James Brooke of Towner, Judge T. H. Oksendahl of Pierce, and Judge H. W. Swenson of Ramsey. Fred F. Traynor of this city is president of the council, Charles A. Kittrell is secretary, and M. H. Graham is treasurer.

Committee chairman selected who will in turn appoint the several members of their committee are Court of Honor, Horger Sinness; Finance, Blanding Fishery; Camping, Judge H. W. Swenson; Training and Leadership C. J. Kelly; Civic Service, Herman Shark; Educational Publicity, M. H. Graham; Troop Organization, L. M. Johnson.

ANOTHER CANDIDATE FOR REPRESENTATIVE

H. S. Mackey of near Hampden was in the city a few days last week, and while here announced himself as a candidate for the office of representative of this district. Mackey is not backed by any organization, has been a resident of Ramsey county for over 22 years during which time he held various township offices, is very bright, and should be well qualified for the position he seeks. He is a progressive farmer, has lived here long enough to know the needs of the people of his district, and not being pledged to any organization, would be able to vote on all propositions that come up as he thinks will be the best for his district.

MORTGAGED CAR DRIVEN TO CAL.

C. M. Atherton, a farmer resident of Ramsey county was arrested last week at Sioux City, Iowa, on a charge preferred against him here for taking mortgaged property out of the county. C. D. Haley is the complaining witness, and alleges that last fall Mr. Atherton took a Saudebaker car on which Mr. Haley had a mortgage and drove it to Long Beach, Cal., where he sold it or traded it for a Ford car, all without the consent of Mr. Haley. It is understood that the car was originally sold to Mr. Atherton's son who mortgaged it and let his father drive it out of the county.

Although the car was driven away last fall Mr. Atherton was not apprehended until last week. He was located at Sioux City, Iowa, and was arrested by authorities there on instructions from Sheriff Ed. Elliott, who went after the man last week, but instead of bringing him back, allowed him to drive to Devils Lake with his car.

Mr. Atherton appeared before Justice Duell Monday morning with his attorney, Fred Traynor, who with States Attorney Thompson agreed to postpone the hearing until Friday of this week. Atherton's bond was set at \$500. The moving mortgaged property out of a county without the consent of the mortgagee is a serious one, and if convicted the chances are that a severe penalty will be imposed.

Big Elks Dance Friday Evening

On Friday of this week the Big Elk dance will be given at the Pavilion at the City Park, and at the same time the huge Paige car on which numbers have been disposed of during the past few weeks will be turned over to the winner. There is hardly a person in the city but what has one or more numbers on this car, and all are waiting patiently for the evening when the name of the winner is announced. If the weather permits the attendance at the pavilion will unusually large.

JOE GROMBOIS

Joe Grombois, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Grombois of Rolla died here on Thursday morning of last week, funeral services were held at the Gilbertson undertaking parlors Friday, and the remains were shipped to Rolla for burial.

OPIUM AND COCAINE PEDDLERS JAILED HERE SUNDAY EVENING

Eary Gray, Guy Wells and Mrs. Effie Gregg, all colored, were arrested last Sunday evening by Federal Narcotic Agent R. G. Henderson of Fargo, Sheriff E. Elliott and Chief Police Pete Timboe, on the charge of having in their possession and selling opium and cocaine. All were locked up in the county jail.

For several weeks the county and city authorities were aware of the fact that dope was being sold in this city, but it appeared next to impossible to get evidence sufficient to convict the guilty parties until last Sunday when Gray was caught in the act of disposing of opium to a white man on the streets here. He was immediately arrested, and on his person were found 29 cans of the drug.

The officers next raided the home of Mrs. Gregg, and there found a large quantity of cocaine, and opium smoking outfit, including every detail for immediate use. Gray and Wells had been making their home at the Gregg home. The dope was found locked in trunks. Mrs. Gregg was not at home at the time of the raid, but was arrested later.

The officers next raided the home of cocaine seized on the person of Gray and at the Gregg home is said to be worth something like \$1,800, and is the largest amount ever taken by the

EXAMINATION FOR POSTMASTER ON JUNE 13

The United States Civil service commission, at the request of the postmaster General, announces a competitive examination for postmasters in this city.

This examination is held under the President's order of May 10, 1921, and not under the civil service act or rule.

Competitors will not be required to report for examination at any place, but will be rated their education and training, business experience and fitness.

A candidate for this office must show that for at least three years he has been engaged in occupation in which he has demonstrated ability to conduct the affairs of a business, to the extent required of a postmaster of this office.

To be eligible for the examination a candidate must actually reside within the delivery of the office, and must have been such resident for at least two years next preceding date of examination, must be at least 25 years of age, and shall not have passed his 65th birthday on date of examination.

Apply to the secretary of the board of civil service examiners at the post-office in this city or to the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., for application Form 2241, and Form 2213 containing definite information in regard to the examination.

Applications must be properly executed on Form 2241, and filed with the Civil Service Commissioner, Washington, D. C. prior to the hour of closing business on June 13, 1922.

H. S. COMMENCE- MENT ON JUNE 2

The senior high school commencement exercises will take place at the high school auditorium on Friday evening, June 2, when Attorney Torger Sinnes will deliver the graduating address, the class will be presented by Superintendent Sauvain, and Mrs. D. J. Rapp, president of the board of education, will deliver the diplomas to the members of the class.

The junior high commencement exercises will be held at the Grand Theatre on Thursday morning, June 1, at 10:30 o'clock, when the address to the class will be delivered by Rev. Benjamin Babcock and the diplomas will be presented by Supt. Sauvain.

The baccalaureate service for the class will take place at the Grand Theatre next Sunday when the sermon will be preached by Rev. Loftness.

A total of 30 will graduate at the end of the present school year.

A regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary was held in the Legion rooms Monday evening and a splendid program was rendered. Plans were made for the program to be given on Decoration Day. Mrs. Martineau was appointed chairman for the Daisy drive, which is to start the 27th of May.