

# As Weather Man Lets Up Meetings Make Gains

No sooner did the weatherman stay the breath of the blizzard than the attendance at League meetings began to jump. Except in the northwest part of the state where railroad traffic is yet paralyzed correspondents are sending in most encouraging reports.

Up to date more than 130 meetings have been held. Even during the worst weather of the winter, the last week in January, some meetings showed an attendance of over 200. Taking it as a whole it is conservatively estimated that the average throughout has been 100 persons for each meeting.

On this basis more than 13,000 persons have been addressed, already by League speakers. At this rate more than 30,000 farmers will have heard our speakers by the first of March.

### Best Meeting Yet

Cooperstown leads off in the matter of attendance, with a crowd of 200. Only one new member was added, but the correspondent explains that the country around there is already well organized. He further reports that, even though the train was late, the crowd waited and interest ran high.

### Will Do Better Next Time

Grand Forks, notwithstanding the heavy snow on January 29, had a turnout of 150, one new member and much good feeling and interest was manifest among town people. The meeting was held in the court house and the report says that a larger hall will have to be secured for the next meeting.

### Twelve New Members

From the standpoint of new members Mandan was a leader. There were 150 present and 12 new members were added. This meeting was on the stormy 28th of January and the correspondent advises that another meeting will be welcomed there.

### Conway Ties Park River

Conway on the 31st put up a crowd of 60, with three new subs and two six months advertising contracts. Park river followed on the next day with an attendance of 60 and one new member. The delay of the mails in this section, due to the paralysis of traffic, resulted in the delay of advertising matter, which accounted for small crowds.

### New Rockford Makes Good

New Rockford on the 29th of January, notwithstanding the storm, lived up to her reputation with a crowd of 140 present and five members, a high voltage of enthusiasm and a warm reception by the business men. New Rockford wants another meeting.

At Sheyenne, the day before, with a still worse storm, there was a crowd of 60.

### Here's a Close Race

At Binford there were 140 present and four new members joined, while Sutton nosed ahead with 150 in attendance and four new members, with Hannaford bringing up the rear with 127 present and two new members. At these three meetings there was all the extra trimmings of enthusiasm, interest and booster spirit.

### Crowd Waits Two Hours

Owing to slow progress in a lively rig the speakers were nearly two hours late getting into McHenry. Upon telephone information that he was coming, however, the crowd waited until 3:30. There were 150 present. A local attorney butted in and

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took issue with the speaker. The speaker gave him the floor for ten minutes. Five minutes after the League speaker started in again the attorney got up and reversed himself.

### Busy Feeding at Carpio

At Carpio the farmers had taken advantage of the let-up in the storm

to haul feed for stock and only about 30 attended the meeting. Three new subs were taken for the Leader.

### Twenty Below at Donnybrook

At Donnybrook it was 20 below zero and yet 30 farmers were at the meeting. They insist on another meeting when the weather is nice. One subscription was taken.

in some sections are expected to melt and put the streams in conditions for floods when the rains come.

Next disturbance will reach Pacific coast about Feb. 13, cross Pacific slope by close of Feb. 14, central valleys Feb. 15 to 17, eastern sections Feb. 18. Warm wave will cross Pacific slope about Feb. 13, central valleys Feb. 15, eastern sections Feb. 17. Cool wave will cross Pacific slope about Feb. 16, central valleys Feb. 18, eastern sections Feb. 20.

This will cause severe storms from the Pacific to the Atlantic and these will increase in force as they move eastward, reaching their greatest force in eastern sections.

## Dates for Future Meetings--Be Sure and Attend Them

Loma	Thursday Feb. 10th	Turtle Lake, 5 miles	" "
Moscow Township	" "	North of Tuttle Lake	" "
Schoolhouse, East of Munich, 8 p. m.	" "	Stephenson School 8 p. m.	" "
Willow City	" "	Eckelson	" "
Rhame	" "	Eckelson, 9 miles south, 8 p. m.	" "
Heimdal	" "	Tower City	" "
Sawyer	" "	Rutland	" "
Jud	" "	Coulee	" "
Munich	Friday Feb. 11th	Grano	Wednesday Feb. 23rd
Bottineau	" "	Northwood	" "
Bowman	" "	Northwood, 7 miles nor' east, 8 p. m.	" "
Bremen	" "	Groulie School House	" "
Logan	" "	McClusky	" "
Fullerton	Saturday Feb. 12th	McKenzie	" "
Carbury	" "	Aurelia	" "
Gascoyne	" "	Buchanan	" "
Manvel	Monday Feb. 14th	Fingal	" "
Barton	" "	Forbes	" "
W. Rain Butte	" "	Eckman	Thursday Feb. 24th
Buffalo Springs	" "	Holmes	" "
Leal	" "	Sterling	" "
Ardoch	Tuesday Feb. 15th	Goodrich	" "
Pleasant Lake	" "	Pingree	" "
Dover School 1 p. m.	" "	Nome	" "
Crosby	" "	Ellendale	" "
Schafer	" "	Maxbass	Friday Feb. 25th
Reeder	" "	Portland	" "
Wimbledon	" "	White Earth	" "
Grafton	Wednesday Feb. 16th	Driscoll	" "
Midway	" "	Driscoll, 7 miles north, 8 p. m.	" "
Kensal	" "	Chasely	" "
Farmers Club hall 4 miles north, 1 p. m.	" "	Hastings	" "
Knox	" "	Monango	" "
Ambrose	" "	Bantry	Saturday Feb. 26th
Watford	" "	Fergus	" "
Scranton	" "	Blaisdell	" "
Kensal	" "	Dawson	" "
Hoople	Thursday Feb. 17th	Dawson, 9 miles south, Liberty School 8 p. m.	" "
DeSart	" "	Bowden	" "
York	" "	Woodworth	" "
Noonan	" "	Enderlin	" "
Arnegard	" "	Kulm	" "
Griffin	" "	Gardena	Monday Feb. 28
Carrington	" "	Honeyford	" "
Cavalier	Friday Feb. 18th	Tappan	" "
New England	" "	Stanley	" "
Berwick	" "	Lostwood	" "
Coteau	" "	Heaton	" "
Jucyrus	" "	Mellville	" "
Cathay	" "	Mellville 6 miles southwest 8 p. m.	" "
Walhalla	Saturday Feb. 19th	Walker School	" "
Fessenden	" "	Ft. Ransom, 8 miles southwest, 1 p. m.	" "
Niobe	" "	Overly	Tuesday Feb. 29th
Alexander	" "	Larimore	" "
Hettinger	" "	Crystal Springs	" "
Tolley	Monday Feb. 21st	Dover	" "
Grand Forks, 7 miles west, 8 p. m.	" "	Jamestown	" "
Turtle Lake	" "	Ft. Ransom	" "

### FOSTER'S FORECAST

Washington, D. C., Feb. 5.—Last bulletin gave forecasts of disturbance to cross continent Feb. 9 to 13, warm wave Feb. 8 to 12, cool wave Feb. 11 to 15. This will cause a February thaw farther north than usual and the storms will be of more than us-

ual force but the heaviest precipitation is not expected with this storm. Without these storms our precipitation would be in the form of very fine mist, very fine snow and would come down gradually. This storm is expected to prepare the moisture in the atmosphere for excessive snows and rains to come later and the snows

### TO SPEAK ON LINCOLN

Next Sunday evening at 8 o'clock, in the Grand theatre, under the auspices of the Grand Free Lecture Course, Mr. David C. Coates, managing-editor of the Nonpartisan Leader, will speak on "Abraham Lincoln and His Principles Applied to Modern Times and Conditions." The lecture is free and there should be a large attendance.

### HELP GOD GOVERNMENT

F. F. Vaughan, auditor of Towner county, was one of the many county auditors of North Dakota who called at the office of the Leader in Fargo on their way to or from the recent convention at Bismarck which considered the new personal property schedule when first ordered to follow equalization to consent to alteration of some of the injustices pointed out by the Leader.

Mr. Vaughan protested against the schedule when first ordered to follow it by the state and helped to change the plan at Bismarck. He believes the convention did all it could to rectify the blunders of the state board of equalization.

The Leader did not have opportunity to print all the views of county auditors concerning the schedule before the convention met and the matter settled, but just the same it wishes to thank those who responded to the request for opinions sent out to the auditors and whose replies were not published.

Among those who wrote the Leader protests against the schedule and whose letters were received too late for publication were Mr. Vaughan, Auditor J. A. Kramer of Ramsey county; J. S. Hume, auditor of Slope county; O. P. Benson, auditor of McKenzie county and Nels O. Lindas, auditor of Traill county. Auditor James A. Beery also wrote the Leader at length giving his views.

### EQUITY CONVENES FEB. 16

The American Society of Equity of North Dakota will hold its annual meeting at Minot, beginning February 16. Among the important matters to come before the meeting is the cooperative packing house proposition. The committee appointed to select a location, which has been at work for some weeks, will be ready to report at that time. Prominent speakers will discuss the marketing question in all its phases and many things of value will be on tap.

### WALDRON IS PROMOTED

L. R. Waldron, for nearly eleven years superintendent of the Dickinson sub-experiment station, it is understood will soon resign his position and move to Fargo, where he will become identified with the executive work of the state experiment station, assuming charge of the plant breeding and propagation, in addition to other experimental work.

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