

**Local.**

**M. E. Church Services.**

Sunday: Class meeting 10:00 a. m.  
 Preaching 10:30 a. m.  
 Epworth League 6:30 p. m.  
 Preaching 7:30 p. m.  
 Thursday: Prayer meeting 7:30 p. m.  
 J. S. DeLong, Pastor.

Room for rent, Mrs. Tipton.  
 Druggist H. H. Bateman went to Park River last Saturday to visit his parents.

Our schools reopened after the holidays Monday and now have a five months' grind of studies ahead of them.

There seems to be an epidemic of sore throat going the rounds in conjunction with pinkeye. If you haven't had it you will probably get it by-and-by.

We publish a sermon on the front page of this issue of the Courier. A great many of our readers don't go to church so we provide for them a very good sermon. Read it.

It has been real warm and spring-like the last few days, the thermometer only going down to about 26 below zero. We can stand this kind of weather in January.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Macconnell entertained a few friends at lunch Wednesday evening of last week. Three tables were placed in commission and those present report a very enjoyable time.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Horace Houghton, on December 30, 1903, a bouncing boy. At last reports mother and son were doing nicely and Horace undoubtedly thinks it a fitting climax for the old year. Dr. Burnap was in attendance.

J. C. Hazard went down to St. Paul last week to remain with his son, B. W., for a few days. Latest reports from St. Paul are to the effect that Byron is improving right along and doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances.

Dr. Burnap reports four cases of diphtheria at the home of William Steffin, who lives west of town. He has placed the family under quarantine. Diphtheria is also reported in the family of Herbert Church. They are of a mild form and the patients are recovering right along.

STATE BANK of Cooperstown, has money at all times for **Farm Loans.**

The Moderation Club gave another dance in the opera house New Year's eve and like all other occasions is reported to have been a very pleasant and enjoyable event. Supper was served at the Newell House and as to its excellence we will leave that to the members of the club.

Miss Jeannette Whidden returned to Owatonna, Minn., Monday, to resume her studies at Pillsbury Hall; Miss Kathleen Crane returned to Stanley Hall, Minneapolis; Oscar Thompson, and Misses Florence Shue and Emma Hammer to the University, and Theo. Syverson to Shattuck at Faribault, Minn.

Dr. Rose, resident dentist, Cooperstown, N. D., can be found in his office from now on until further notice. Office in Syverson's new building, upstairs.

The masquerade ball at Hannaford on December 30 was attended by a large crowd, quite a few from Cooperstown going down to avail themselves of the opportunity to have a great time for once. The costumes were numerous, funny and elegant and everyone of those present report it the best affair of the season, given by the boys at Hannaford. By-the-way, our neighbors on the south are taking the lead in a social way this season and are not letting the grass grow under their feet between dances. The Nelson orchestra furnished the music for the occasion.

If your eyes pain you remember the date and the place and see W. H. Allen the Grand Forks Optician, at Allen's Jewelry Store, Jan. 4th-9th.

Posters are scattered around town—presumably printed in Fargo—announcing the fact that a farmers institute will be held in Cooperstown on January 28 and 29. The institute force will arrive on the afternoon train from McHenry on the 28th and will hold an evening session, the next day's session will be cut off; in time to let the force leave on the afternoon train. The arrangement does not give us a very good opportunity to get much institute work done as farmers do not care to come in any distance in the evening these cold days and they would be apt to be late getting in the next day, however, the institute is a good thing and the Courier hopes that the farmers generally will make an effort to come out and make it a success. Col. Butler has been putting in some good looks to secure this institute and you should back up his work by being present.

Go to **FIRST NATIONAL BANK** for your Farm Loans.

5 room house for sale or rent. Enquire of S. Almklov.

Wm. Glass went down to Stockport, Ia., last week to look after his interests at that place.

Mrs. Russell Purinton spent last Saturday in town with Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Purinton.

Good girl wanted for general house work. Apply to Mrs. W. J. Payne, Cooperstown.

W. H. Allen, registered optician will be at I. D. Allen's jewelry store, Jan. 4th to 9th. Eyes examined and glasses fitted by the latest methods.

Miss Aslaug Olson wishes to announce to her pupils that she will be here at her regular time this week to music lessons at the home of Mrs. A. B. Parsons.

Miss Mattie Ayrea returned to her studies at the State Normal school at Mayville, Monday of this week, after spending two weeks at home during the holidays.

Joe N. Nelson, who has been with the Sentinel for a long time, has accepted a position as foreman of the Courier office, commencing on his duties Monday morning.

Martin Lee returned from his holiday trip to Atwater and other Minnesota points last Monday and is again adjusting the moveable alphabet in the Sentinel office.

Frank Starr, who was operated upon for appendicitis at Fargo last week, is doing very nicely and is considered to be out of danger, all of which is joyful news to the family and friends.

Dr. L. S. PLATOU, of Valley City, graduate of Christiania University, Norway, will be in Cooperstown Jan. 29th and 30th for the purpose of practicing his profession. Regular visits last Friday and Saturday of each month.

Merchant Andrew Strandness, accompanied by his better half, drove over from Finley to spend New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Olson. Mr. Strandness says that he is well pleased with Finley and the business he has been favored with since he went over there.

Rolf Berg came over from Courtenay Monday to attend to some matters in probate court in connection with the Hans O. Lien estate. Mr. Berg has been appointed administrator by Judge Carleton for this estate and we think no better selection could have been made by the court.

The terms of two of our county commissioners, Messrs. Foshold and Armstrong, expired January 1st. The appointing board very promptly re-appointed both gentlemen to fill the vacancy until the next general election. Both are capable and efficient commissioners and we believe the appointing board's action was the proper course to pursue.

Miss Ruth Blackwell entertained a dozen of her classmates at her home last Wednesday evening from five until nine p. m. The young ladies were entertained in various ways but the principal game was solving "geographical conundrums." Miss Maude Trubshaw succeeded in figuring out the largest number and was awarded a prize for so doing. At the conclusion of the games a nice lunch was served. The girls report having a very fine time with Miss Ruth.

Sanford Dodge and his excellent company visited Cooperstown again this week and were, as usual, greeted by a good house on each occasion. Mr. Dodge is a popular favorite with the Cooperstown people, and as he always presents first-class plays, is generally very liberally patronized. He is backed up by a splendid company and their work is first-class. On Monday night the company produced "The Lady of Lyons," and on Tuesday evening that great play "Hamlet." In both plays the work of Mr. Dodge and Miss Zella Leslie, the leading lady, were fully up to their usual high standard, in fact the entire company is well balanced. The Courier takes pleasure in recommending to the public Sanford Dodge and company.

Ladies' cloaks and ladies' and gents' fur coats sold at a big discount for cash or on time at The One Price Department Store.

At a meeting of the county commissioners held last Tuesday morning, the Courier, Sentinel and Binford Times were appointed official papers of Griggs county for the ensuing year. Speaking for its editor, the Courier wishes to express its appreciation to each member of the board for the favor extended in making us an official county paper. The board is composed of gentlemen who are fair-minded in every way and they have certainly shown us many favors and courtesies in the past for all of which we again extend thanks. County Auditor Melgard has also been a good friend to this rag o' freedom and in extending the glad hand we don't want to pass him up. Let's shake all the way round and hope that all of us will enjoy prosperity and peace during 1904 and for years to come.

When you are in need of **Hardware** Come and see us.

We now carry a **NEW** and **Complete stock of**

**General Hardware, Heaters and Ranges, Silverware, Trunks, Valises and Sewing Machines.**

We also carry a full line of **Horse Blankets, Foot Warmers, etc.**

All who have traded with us know that **Our prices are right.**

**Aarestad Bros. & Troseth,**

**HANNAFORD, N. D.**

We have improved farms for sale. **FIRST NATIONAL BANK.**

**GIRL WANTED**—to work in kitchen at Palace Hotel. Wages \$16.00 per month. Apply at once.

Remember you have but one pair of eyes, have them taken care of before it is too late. See W. H. Allen, the Optician, Jan. 4th-9th.

The county commissioners have been in session this week the first meeting in the new year. Considerable business had accumulated for them to dispose of.

Arne Luckason, who is getting rich selling machinery at Aneta, came down from that rustling little city Sunday evening to see how things were getting along on his farm. He returned Monday afternoon.

Oluf Burud received a message from Northwood conveying the sad news of the death of his father. The deceased has been sick for some time and while the end was not expected so soon it was the opinion of his family and physicians that he could not live very long. Mr. Burud has the sympathy of his many friends here in this hour of his great bereavement.

I will give 10 per cent discount on all repairs of harnesses during the months of January and February. Bring in your work.

WM. STRINGER.

With this issue of the Courier the paper is twenty-one years old and can therefore be called of the proper age and discretion. Sixteen years of this twenty-one the paper has been under the management of the present editor. It has always been our aim to work for the upbuilding of Cooperstown and Griggs county and whether the paper has been a success along these lines we will leave it to our readers. The Courier certainly has been a success from a business point of view. Our subscription list is steadily growing and the general business of the office is increasing. We have been adding new machinery and type right along until to-day the Courier is one of the best equipped offices in the state. We extend thanks to the business men for their very liberal patronage and also to the hundreds of friends and subscribers who have stood by the paper. We hope to place many new names on our subscription list the coming year and would like to see the paper in the home of every farm in Griggs county. Thanking each and every one of our friends and patrons we wish them all prosperity and happiness during the coming year.

**To the Farmers:--**

**GENTLEMEN:--** We are prepared at all times to furnish money on land or other approved security. We write insurance on farm property in the Continental Insurance Co. of New York.

We are always pleased to have you deposit your funds and use our little pocket check books. Small accounts as well as large ones are appreciated. We pay interest on time deposits. Call and do some business with us. We will try to do it right. Yours truly,

**STATE BANK OF COOPERSTOWN,**

Cooperstown Lodge No. 37, Independent Order of Odd Fellows installed its officers last Monday night for the ensuing six months. The following are the new officers: Benjamin Tuttle, N. G.; A. Garborg, V. G.; B. Stastvick, secretary; Anton Christianson, permanent secretary; W. J. Payne, treasurer. The lodge is in good shape financially and every other way and the members feel pleased over the record made last year.

**Night Was Her Terror.**

"I would cough nearly all night long" writes Mrs. Chas. Applegate of Alexandria, Ind., "and could hardly get any sleep. I had consumption so bad that if I walked a block I would cough frightfully and spit blood, but, when all other medicines failed, three \$1.00 bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery wholly cured me and I gained 58 pounds." It's absolutely guaranteed to cure coughs, colds, la grippe, bronchitis and all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at H. H. Bateman's drug store.

**Happy New Year.**

With a sincere and grateful appreciation of the confidence and favor of the public, which has made the past year a very prosperous one for this bank, it returns its hearty thanks to its customers, and bespeaks for them, and all the people of Cooperstown and vicinity, a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

**THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK of COOPERSTOWN.**

**New Furniture**

We have just received **TWO CARLOADS**

**OF FURNITURE, COFFINS, CABINETS, HOUSE FITTINGS, PIANOS, ORGANS AND SEWING MACHINES.**

Etc., and are prepared to give old and new customers entire satisfaction in this line, which is complete and up-to-date. Call and see what we have to offer. No trouble to show goods.

**A. M. Sinclair & Co., Hannaford.**

**THE NEW STORE.**

It has always been our aim to place before the public the very best quality of Merchandise at the smallest possible cost to the buyer. That our efforts have been appreciated is attested by the constance and steady increase in our business. We shall continue during the coming year to handle the same high class goods and to make our already low prices still lower.

**Jimeson & Olson**

'Phone 135 Cooperstown, N. D.

**Wishing you a Happy and Prosperous New Year**

We await to see you all.

**MAT G. EVENSON.**