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The COURIER takes this opportunity to wish its many readers Merry Christmas.

STATE BANK of Cooperstown has money at all times for **FARM LOANS.**

Mr. and Mrs. And. Goff and Master Parker went down to Rogers and Valley City last Friday.

Cut flowers, blooming plants, Xmas trees. Everything for the holidays at Valley City Green House. 50

J. G. Wallbridge is building a fine large house for H. A. Sundin. It will be one of the most substantial homes in the county when completed.

Theo. Marquardt received a letter from his folks last Saturday. The letter was written on board the vessel about 24 hours before they expected to land. They were well and report having had a fine voyage none of them being seasick.

The next entertainment in the regular course will be on New Year's night at which time the Jubilee Singers are billed to entertain the people. This will be a first-class entertainment and everybody should avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing a first-class troupe of singers.

Knerr's Creamery, Fargo, pays cash Minneapolis prices for butter fat. Big saving in freight to farmers. 56

The many friends of Miss Emma Henry at Cooperstown will be pleased to learn that she has been improving in health very rapidly since she left this country and to use her own language, she is well again. She cannot walk yet but if she keeps on gaining like she has the past few weeks she will be coming back and running a foot race with some of us young people.

Jubilee Singers

January 1st
instead
of
December 20th.

Griggs Lodge No. 13 elected the following officers last Wednesday night: L. G. Larson, M. W., Thos. Hare, Foreman; Recorder, P. P. Idsvoog; Financier, J. E. Johnson; Receiver, P. E. Nelson; J. W., H. Spencer; O. W., Joe Stengele; Trustee, Millard Washburn. The new officers were then installed by Pastmaster Workman P. R. Trubshaw after which the lodge enjoyed a nice lunch and a social time. The Graff Bros. furnished the lunch.

DR. L. S. PLATOU, of Valley City, graduate of Christiania university, Norway, will be in Cooperstown Dec. 29, for the purpose of practicing his profession. Regular visits last Friday each month. Private hospital.

The insurgents passed a libel law muzzling the press at the last session of the legislature—that is all those now engaged in the reform movement voted for it, and at Fargo recently the reporters were fired out of the hall—they were not wanted at that time. Resolutions were passed later asking the co-operation of the press. This is mighty inconsistent to say the least and a poor way to inlist the services of the press. The reform movement is all right but it needs leaders in the deal who do not go off half cocked and who are gifted with good balance wheels. The press does not like star chamber work and to gain their co-operation the reformers want to work in the open.

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

George B. Clark returned to town last Friday and will put in a few days looking after the interests of his company.

Miss McPartlin will leave tomorrow for Glencoe, Minn., where she will spend the Christmas holiday at her home.

Last Saturday was a banner day for our merchants who had holiday goods for sale. The stores were crowded and a pile of goods were sold.

Invitations have been issued for a wedding to take place on the 27th of this month when Mr. Herman J. Michaelis and Miss Annie Rowley will be united in marriage.

Bismarck is now connected by long distance telephone and you can now talk over the wire with your friends at Warden Boucher's establishment—that is if you have any there.

There will be no delivery of mail by the rural carriers on New Year's day it being a legal holiday. The postoffice will be open when the mail arrives from the south and will be kept open for one hour. Patrons of the office should govern themselves accordingly.

The new electric sign of the Piatt-Electric Co. is a peach and looms up in great shape. The boys fixed it up as a surprise to Chet who did not know about it until the boys told him the roof was on fire then he rushed out and got his first glimpse of the firm name lighted by electricity.

Ben Anderson returned from Minot last Friday where he had been to take charge of the Standard Oil Company's business at that place. He loaded a car with his personal effects on Monday and left for that city where he will take up his permanent residence. The COURIER hopes that Mr. Anderson will meet with success in his new field of labor.

"When you have money to deposit remember us. When you want to borrow money we will remember you." —First National Bank.

The formal opening of the Valley City Electric car line took place last Monday and every man, woman and child got a free ride on the electric car. The new line runs between the city and the Soo line and will be a great convenience to the traveling public who have bumped over the rocky road by hack drivers for these many years.

Steamship tickets for sale by us on all of the leading lines, the North German Lloyd included. If you are going to the old country or sending for a friend, call and see us about tickets.—State Bank of Cooperstown.

The following officers were elected by Cooperstown Lodge No 2374 Modern Woodmen of America last Thursday night: V. C., W. A. Adams; Adviser, Martin Rood; Clerk, Will H. Carleton; Banker, P. R. Trubshaw; Escort, J. C. Flynn; Watchman, F. Bier; Sentry, F. L. Hodgeman; Manager, F. J. Stone. The installation will take place the first meeting in January at which time an oyster supper will be served and a candidate initiated. Every neighbor should be present to enjoy that supper anyway.

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At a recent teachers examination held in the state, this question was asked: "Who was the greatest woman in the world?" Quite a number gave as the answer, Queen Victoria, others as Helen Gould, but one struck the right chord when she wrote: "The wife of the North Dakota farmer of moderate means, who does her own cooking, washing and ironing; brings up a large family of boys and girls to be useful members of society, and finds time for her own intellectual and moral improvements, is the greatest woman in the world." —Ward County Independent.

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

Call at R. S. Lunde's office for farm loans and insurance.

The shortest days have come and gone and now the days will commence to lengthen and the cold begin to strengthen so they say.

On Sunday evening in the Methodist church. Mr. Edwin Burling, of Estaven, Canada will preach.

J. A. Uttley and Jack Jackson drove up from our neighboring town of Hannaford last Sunday and passed a few hours visiting friends in the city.

Mrs. J. V. Kelly left on Monday of this week for a visit to her parents at Welsh, La. She expects to be gone for two or three months.

The school children will enjoy a two week's vacation after Friday of this week to give them a chance to celebrate the Xmas and New Year's holidays.

Attorney J. F. Faytle, of McHenry, is the new editor of the McHenry Free Press, Mr. Morrell, who has conducted the destinies of that paper for a long time will now do the mechanical work.

Cooperstown looks quite metropolitan with its electric lighted streets. Some day may be we will have an electric street car line too, there is nothing too great or too good for a wide-awake town like this.

There will be a Christmas tree at the Fluto Bridge school next Friday night, December 22d. A charge of 25c cash will be charged for admission. It is hoped that the tree will be patronized by the friends of the school.

The COURIER has recently printed a neat calendar and date list of monthly meetings of the W. C. T. U. for the coming year. The ladies have planned regular monthly meetings and at each one of them a social program has been prepared.

The Congregational Sunday school will hold its regular Christmas exercises at the church on Saturday evening of this week to which all members of the church and congregation are invited to be present.

"Dear me," said the good looking female visitor to the superintendent of the lunatic asylum, "what a vicious look that woman has we just passed in the corridor! Is she dangerous?"

"Yes, at times," replied the superintendent evasively.

"But why do you allow her such freedom?" asked the lady.

"Can't help it," answered the officer.

"But isn't she an inmate under your control?"

"No, she is not under my control. She's my wife.—Ex.

\$250,000 to loan on farm land. First National Bank of Cooperstown.

Mr. Edwin Baring is making a visit with S. B. Langford.

The COURIER editor has a con skin overcoat in good repair that he will sell cheap to somebody. Who wants it?

Cards are out announcing a wedding to take place on Wednesday of next week at which time Mr. Orry Retzlaff will wed Miss Emma Beier.

The electric light plant made its first all night run Tuesday night. The plant is getting down to business in good shape and in a few days the experimental period will be a thing of the past.

A fine fur overcoat, large size heavily trimmed with otter. Cost seventy five will sell for \$35. Call and see it.

R. C. COOPER.

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 anniversary of the Baptist Sunday school will be held on Christmas evening. A program entitled "The King of Kings," will be presented by the members of the school. There will be a Christmas tree in all its glory and presents for all the scholars. Exercises will begin at 7.30 p. m. A kind invitation is extended to parents and friends to be present and share in the pleasures of the evening.

TAKEN UP—Red muley cow rope around neck. Owner is requested to come and identify and remove said animal.

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Christmas Goods

such as musical instruments, silverware, clocks, painted china, Japanese goods, albums, photo frames, mirrors, perfumes, cut glass, dressing cases, toilet sets, burnt goods, dolls, doll carriages, games, gameboards, card tables, toys, barometers, Cardue's weather charts, free to old and new customers. Call and get one at

Almklov's Drug Store.

A terrible accident happened at Binford Tuesday night in which the little 6 year old son of Mr. H. Alm lost his life. The gasoline lighting plant of O. S. Gunderson & Co. exploded. The lights went out and Mr. Gunderson went out to fill the machine when the thing exploded. The little boy was in the warehouse at the time and was enveloped in flames and badly burned before he was rescued and he died the next morning. No one knows what caused the explosion. Mr. Gunderson was badly cut about his arms and one of the store clerks badly burned. Others in the store were also burned. The loss by fire is about \$1000 covered by insurance. Prompt action on the part of the citizens saved the town from a very bad fire. The affair is terrible and Mr. Alm and family are to be sympathized with in their terrible misfortune.

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