

by Mr. Chapman (also of Nings) touching upon the questions that were before us at the present day—the handling of grain, Hudson's Bay Railway, etc. Other short speeches followed along the same lines, and then a vote of thanks was given to the delegates from Nings and Boissevain. Fourteen members were enrolled and a meeting called for March 17. The meeting then closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

DUNREA RESOLUTION

Mr. E. T. Watkins, secretary of the Dunrea branch, writes us under date of February 11 as follows: "We had a good meeting today and decided to hold a Grain Growers' picnic at Ninette on June 21 next. We had a very interesting discussion of free trade and passed the following resolution: 'Resolved, that in the opinion of the Dunrea branch of Grain Growers, it is advisable to keep on agitating for a lower tariff on implements, clothes, etc., as even if the present proposed reduction of 2½ per cent. on agricultural implements is passed, we look upon it as only temporary relief and we want the duty wiped right out.' A copy of this resolution is being forwarded to our member. Our next meeting is on Saturday, February 25, when our revue has kindly consented to give us an address on municipal work."

BAGOT BOX SOCIAL

"Bagot Grain Growers indicated on Friday evening that they are a live and active organization in every sense of the term by holding a box social and entertainment in the school house at that point. F. H. Radcliffe made a most suitable chairman and introduced the members in an appropriate manner. President Barrett made a brief speech in the Grain Growers' interest. Following the program, Robt. Clark of Portage took the platform, and the sale of boxes began. The boxes were works of art and were well filled with toothsome dainties. Bids were spirited and prices ranged from \$2 to \$3.50. After refreshments the gathering dispersed with the National Anthem. The proceeds netted \$61.50 which will be devoted to the fund to pay Ottawa delegates' expense. The friends dispersed about midnight, all voting the occasion a very jolly one."

MR. DIXON AT FOXWARREN

R. J. Donnelley, the secretary at Foxwarren, in a letter of the 14th inst. writes as follows: "Mr. Dixon's address on 'Direct Legislation' was listened to and enjoyed by a large audience. The arguments were deduced with forcible logic and illustrated by many sound and witty anecdotes. He defined the policy of Direct Legislation in its three branches, the Initiative, the Referendum and the Recall, and outlined the history of the movement from 1850, showing how it has been successfully adopted in Switzerland, New Zealand, parts of France, Australia and in eleven of the United States of America. Mr. Dixon expressed himself as willing to answer questions on the subject, and a short discussion followed. He then addressed the meeting on the Single Tax, and after that a committee was formed to propagate the interests of Direct Legislation."

SWAN LAKE MEETING

The Swan Lake Grain Growers held their monthly meeting on the 11th inst. They had a very interesting report of the Ottawa delegation by W. J. Moffatt. The secretary gave a report of the Brandon convention, after which the following resolution was passed and ordered to be sent to their representative in Ottawa: "Believing, as we do, that the reciprocity agreements as arranged with the United States will be of immense benefit to the people of the West, and that the Hudson's Bay Railway is an immediate necessity, and should be owned and operated by the government, we ask you to give these matters your fullest support in the house."

JUDGE LINDSEY'S VIEWS

Judge Ben B. Lindsey, of Denver, Colorado, was accorded a signal honor

on February 11, when he was invited to address a joint session of the two houses of the Nebraska legislature. Judge Lindsey is famous as the "kids' judge," being the organizer of the first juvenile court in the States. He is also noted for his work against the vested interests who for years controlled the Colorado legislature. It was largely due to Judge Lindsey's work that their power was broken. A correspondent's report of the address to the legislature at Lincoln, Nebraska, follows:

"Judge Ben B. Lindsey, of Denver, the 'kids' judge," has addressed the two houses of the legislature in joint session on their invitation. He spoke in a manner peculiarly his own, and peculiarly effective. Beginning by talking of the juvenile court, he related many stories, both interesting and instructive. They were told in such splendid spirit that he won the entire audience and was frequently interrupted by bursts of spontaneous applause."

To show how boys are bad as a result of environment he told of a certain man who had an orchard from which he seldom got any fruit. "The boys swiped all of it." He built a high barbed wire fence, but they climbed it. He got a great big dog, but in three days that dog was out playing with the boys. Then he got a bull pup. For a while the boys were baffled but one day the pup was found dead—poisoned. The story was interestingly told, but no one saw any moral."

Then Judge Lindsey told another. A certain teacher left her pocket-book on her desk one evening after school and it was stolen. In a little time the boy who stole it was found. With him were implicated two others, a "good-goody Willie boy" and a big bully. These two knew of the theft. Willie's silence had been bought for a dime. The bully was not so cheap; he got half the "swag" as the price of his silence. "Now," said Lindsey, "that school teacher represents the people who are leading bad little boys into temptation. For the people, too, are leaving their pocket-book—or their orchard if you will—lying around loose, in the shape of unearned increment, franchises and special privileges of all kinds. Little Willie is sometimes the president of a college, or maybe he preaches sometimes, and he is lough off by the dimes of donations to his college or church. The big bully is the public press. The high fence is the various statutes placed upon our law books but evaded by the bad boys who represent special interests. The unfaithful watch dog is the legislatures and city councils which too frequently are found playing with the bad boys. The Initiative and Referendum is the vigilant bull pup. But we must be careful that this faithful watch dog is not poisoned by negatory provisions in the law."

During the first of his speech the applause was practically unanimous, but as Judge Lindsey began to draw his moral it was noticed that several members of the legislature were less enthusiastic."

The applause from this faction was completely a minus quantity when Judge Lindsey told how the special interests tried to thwart the people's will in Colorado. The Democrats there had declared for the Initiative and Referendum and were elected on that platform. But a good many were too willing to play with the bad little boys and some were honestly fooled. The bill forced upon the Democratic caucus was a farce. The petition had to be signed by 15 per cent. of the total electorate, while measures under the Initiative or Referendum required 51 per cent. of the vote cast at that election to be operative. How a real measure was passed was another story."

Judge Lindsey laid the lash on hard, while the Nebraska reactionaries squirmed in their seats. Yet you could never have known from the way the judge spoke that the Initiative and Referendum was an issue at all in Nebraska. He talked always of Colorado or of the public in general, but so plainly that the most stupid saw his point. He finished with a severe castigation of special interests in politics and the most earnest of pleas for political purity."

The friends of real Direct Legislation had struck one of the luckiest accidents known to occur in Nebraska politics in several years. Nebraska has her 15 and 51 percenters too, and they are not few. But Judge Lindsey has put it squarely up to them, whether they will be watchdogs faithful to the people their master, or like the dog of the story, make friends with bad boy thieves."

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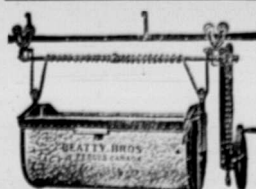
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