

Farmers Institute.

An interesting Session Held Last Saturday. Lots of Enthusiasm Displayed.

The forenoon session was not as well attended as might have been were it not for the terrible roads, but nevertheless about 30 gathered and had a lively discussion as to whether these institutes should be made to include Hannaford and Binford or have separate organizations for those places. The question will remain open until the places mentioned get a better representation to speak for themselves.

The afternoon session, beginning at 1:30, was taken up by the program as published with the exception of Mr. Bruns on "Trees and Fences." The old settlers were given a half hour at two o'clock in which to do their business, after which Rev. Mr. Dingle gave an interesting talk on "Improving Social Life in the Country."—Extracts of the talks and papers presented will perhaps be published later, as space may be given by our local publishers. Much thanks is due the editors for their valuable service in publishing all notices and announcements of the institute free of charge.

In spite of the terrible roads people flocked to town as on a circus day and the attendance was very good and will be still better when farmers learn that the scope of the Institute is a good deal different from what the indifferent farmer supposes.

A good representation of business and professional men from town were present and we were pleased to note the general interest manifested by good, sound, thinking men. The only error of the whole affair was that no special invitation was extended to women to attend; consequently, only one woman appeared in the forenoon and none in the afternoon. This was an error of the secretary, but entirely unintentional. Let it be understood hereafter, that women are wanted as much as men at these institutes, unless specific notice is given to the contrary.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, We the farmers of Griggs county and vicinity, in institute assembled, believing that to enlarge the scope of the Farmers' Institute so as to include more topics of general interest, would better serve our present needs,

Therefore be it resolved, That the scope of the Institute now being organized for Griggs county be enlarged so as to include the wider outlook mentioned and its territory to include Griggs county and its surroundings.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws in accordance with this idea.

Resolved, That only those engaged farming directly or indirectly can become active members.

Resolved, That business and professional men may become associate members with the privilege of speaking at any meeting of the society when invited so to do.

Resolved; That active members only shall vote.

Resolved, That as we are today making history for Griggs county, a list of those wishing to join as charter members be secured at this meeting.

By the Committee: HENRY A. BEMIS, E. C. BUTLER, W. T. McCULLOCH.

We failed to get this list of members because of the interest in the program and will be glad to receive names over the 'phone (No. 224E) at any time, of those wishing to join. No fee or dues.

Next meeting will be duly announced. Only watch for them in your papers.

O. B. WESTLEY, Sec'y.