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## MASONIC OFFICERS TO BE INSTALLED

Grand Installation Services of the Masons Will Occur in This City This Evening.

The installation of the officers who have been lately elected in La Grande Lodge No. 41, A. F. & A. M. in the La Grande Chapter No. 9, E. A. M. and Hope Chapter No. 13, O. E. S. will take place at the Masonic Temple this evening. The installation of the officers who have been elected in the three different departments of the order will take place conjointly each of the chapters and the lodge witness the installation of the others, it being a quasi public ceremony. The parties who will be installed as officers this evening will be as follows:—

"Blue Lodge" No. 41, A. F. & A. M. Dr. M. K. Hall, Worshipful Master, F. A. Kilpatrick, Senior Warden, C. Ralston, Junior Warden, A. C. Williams, Secretary, J. M. Berry, Treasurer.

In La Grande Chapter No. 9, E. A. M. Frank Kilpatrick, H. P. M. K. Hall, King, F. M. Jackson, Scribe, E. J. Reynolds, Captain of the host, W. J. Church, Principal Sojourner, J. M. Berry, Sec. O. T. Bacon, R. A. Captain, C. W. No. 12, Master, 1st Veil, MacWood, Master, 2nd Veil, Frank Holmes, Master, 3rd Veil.

The officers of O. E. S. are as follows:—

Miss Mertie Aldrich, Worthy Matron, Dr. M. K. Hall, Patron, Mrs. W. H. Bonnycastle, Associate Matron, Mrs. Mary Wagoner, Secretary, Mrs. Rachel Marshall, Treasurer, Mrs. O. M. Nye, Conduetress, Mrs. F. L. Lay, Associate Conduetress, Mrs. De Hall, Adah, Mrs. Charles Noyes, Ruth, Mrs. J. R. Forrest, Esther, Mrs. Esie Grandall, Maria, Mrs. Beeson, Electa, Clara, T. Lyle, Chaplain, Mrs. Aldrich, Marshal, Mrs. MacWood, Warden, Paul Lederly, Sentinel, Mrs. Nellie Neil, Organist.

These installation services will probably be the most imposing ceremonies of the kind ever held in La Grande and extremely large attendance is confidently expected by the members.

## COLD WEATHER IS PREVALENT

Washington, Dec. 27.—Reports to the weather bureau show that the first decided cold wave of the season is spreading rapidly over the east slope of the Rocky mountains. The temperature today below zero in the Dakotas, Montana and western Wyoming with a minimum reading of 30 degrees below at Havre, Montana.

Cheyenne, Dec. 27.—The mercury registered 4 degrees below zero here this morning.

An unknown man was found frozen to death near the Union depot. The cold wave is accompanied by a high wind.

**COLD IN KANSAS**  
Abilene, Dec. 27.—Central Kansas is covered with sleet and a high north wind prevails. The temperature is falling.

**SNOW IN SALT LAKE**  
Salt Lake, Dec. 27.—There was a heavy snowfall here Christmas and today, there being three inches of snow on the ground.

**Oregon Gold**  
Baker City, Dec. 26.—A \$75 gold bar from the new strike on the Mayflower mine in the Cornucopia district was brought in to Manager Boggs tonight. Much interest is manifested as the ore is running high.

**Must Not Retreat**  
Mukden, Dec. 26.—General Kuropatkin, addressing the troops, said today: "You must never allow yourselves to retreat. Even in the case of the smallest detachment having formed a plan, it must be carried out to the end."

**MARRIED**  
HARRIS-NEVIUS—In this city on Saturday, December 24, at 8 o'clock p. m., Mr. Ernest Frederick Harris and Miss Winifred Paulita Nevius, the Rev. Webb of Cove officiating. The rites were performed in the parlors at Hotel Sommer, and the beautiful and impressive ceremony of the Episcopal church, including the ring service, was carried out in its entirety. Mr. Harris is a well known and well respected young man of this city, and the bride is an accomplished, well known and well loved young lady of Elgin. It is a pleasure for the Observer to join with their many friends in wishing this estimable young couple a wedded life long and happy.

## FIRST CHRISTMAS IN OREGON

By Christmas seven cabins were covered and the floors laid. The chimneys were filled with clay and the fire logs were set roaring in the capacious chimneys that filled an entire end of each cabin. On Christmas day 1805, they moved in wet blankets and all with rounds of firearms and Christmas asstutes. Thus, the first winter home of civilized men on the great Columbia river, has an abiding charm, not unlike that of Plymouth or Jamestown—Lewis and Clark at Fort Clatsop, from "The Conquest," by Mrs. Eva Dmery Dye.

Many of the wealthy farmers who have money which is not tied up in business like some of us, could make a clean up by investing in real estate in almost any portion of the town before the big rise in property takes place.

## LITTLE NEWS FROM SEAT OF WAR

Tokio Dec. 26.—It was announced today that eight officers and 68 sailors were killed during the efforts of the Japanese to destroy the remnant of the Russian Port Arthur fleet.

Yokohama, Dec. 26.—The steamer Manchu carrying ten foreign navy attaches, four peers and 17 members of the Japanese house of representatives and other officials, sailed today for Port Arthur to permit an inspection of the conditions in the vicinity of the beleaguered port.

## WILL MEET AT FAIR

Methodists of the Pacific northwest are planning for what will be known as the Lewis and Clark Methodist conference, to be held in Portland in connection with the exposition. Five conferences will unite in the great gathering, including the Montana, Idaho, Columbia River, Puget Sound and Oregon conferences. Each of these organizations has appointed boards of commissioners, who will meet in the Taylor-street Methodist church in that city January 11, at which time plans for the gathering will be discussed and a program arranged for the conference.

**Too Cheap**  
Everybody's Magazine has announced that the more copies that were sold at 10 cents the more money she subscribers lost and that hereafter the price will be 15 cents. It has long been known to those familiar with the printing business that the low prices of the current publications were throwing an extra burden upon the advertisers and the stand taken by Everybody's will be watched with interest by the other publishers of the low-priced standard magazines and if it does not affect the circulation to any material extent will doubtless be followed as it should be.

## RELIGIOUS SECTS SHOW INCREASE

They Show a Larger Percentage of Growth Than in Previous Years.

Nearly all religious sects, as their figures of growth for last year are announced, show a larger percentage of increase than in previous years, says the Herald.

In several denominations the ratio of growth exceeds the usual ratio of increase in the population. This is notably the case in the Episcopal Church, which last year gained 3 per cent on its membership of previous year, and was in the population growth estimated at about 2 per cent. The Episcopal Church has added 25,915 to its membership, making its present figures 807,351.

In the Presbyterian Church the increase in membership last year was at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent. The Southern Presbyterian Church, a much smaller body than the Northern, having but 229,888 members, gained 2 per cent

last year. The ratio of gain by the Methodist membership is not so large as in the other bodies named, but was 1 1/2 per cent, or almost as much as the estimated ratio of population growth. For the previous year the Methodist ratio was only 1 per cent. The body has now 3,064,735 members, of whom about 300,000 are connected with foreign conferences and missions. It is stated in the Presbyterian hand book for 1905 that the religions of the world have 1,430,000,000 adherents, divided as follows:

Christianity, 477,080,158; Confucianism, 266,000,000; Hinduism, 193,000,000; Mohammedanism, 176,834,372; Buddhism, 147,000,000; Taoism and Shintolism, 57,000,000; Judaism, 7,055,000, and various heathen faiths, 118,129,479.

## Change Quarters

The officials at the United States land office at this place are busy indeed today. What with the usual routine of business, and the work in removing the files and records from the building which they have formerly occupied on Washington Street, to their new quarters in the Foley building on Adams Avenue, the Register, Receiver and the entire office force are kept on the jump.

The rooms into which they have moved in the new Foley building are vastly superior in every respect to the rooms formerly occupied. It is not only now situated more centrally, but the light, the steam heating and the other conveniences make it a more desirable place for all the officials and a credit to our Uncle

Sam who always wants his representatives in the best quarters that can be found.

There is a strong fire-proof vault in the new building, and all the records files etc will be transferred today and the moving entirely completed.

The storms during this unpleasant season of the year do not appear to check the building of residences in all parts of the city.

Real estate all over the city is beginning to change hands more rapidly and is perceptibly advancing in value. Parties contemplating the purchase of property should do so at once for in a very short time values will double. There will be no comparison between the prices now and in June next.

Remember the Leap Year ball at the L. D. S. hall next Thursday evening. All respectable people are invited.



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