

THE JUBILEE SINGERS.

The Next Attraction at the Opera House Thursday Night.

No one in La Grande can afford to miss the rare opportunity of hearing the Midland Jubilee singers at the opera house Thursday evening, January 9. They come to us with a highly deserved reputation for culture and ability to amuse as well as to entertain. Their entertainment is high class and refined. They do not confine themselves to any special class of songs, but give the best and the latest. They render the plantation songs with a pathos and feeling rarely equalled by any artists in this line.

The entertainment will be a rare treat for all lovers of good music; in fact, it will be a rare treat for all the people of La Grande, for it is seldom that such an opportunity is offered to hear such highly cultivated voices blended together in splendid harmony.

This entertainment is given for the benefit of the public schools of La Grande and will be of special interest to all our boys and girls by furnishing them high class reading matter—current—for the present school year.

"UNCLE TOM'S CABIN"

Will Be the Attraction at the Opera House January 15.

Manager Stewart has booked Stetson's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" for the Opera House and this popular company will open there on Monday, January 15, for a one night's run. This play should be a welcome announcement to patrons of that popular playhouse, as well as to the general public that loves this charming old drama. It is a well known fact that the Stetson company is one of the best that has ever presented this great play, and this season will add to its popularity with young and old, for it is even better than what it has been, if such a thing could be possible to so good a company. New features have been added and old ones given a better interpretation. The musical part of the program has been greatly increased.

Farmers' Week in Topeka.

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 8.—With an address of welcome by Governor Hoch, the 37th annual meeting of the Kansas state board of agriculture meets today in the capitol building and will continue in session several days. A discussion of alfalfa culture and wheat growing will occupy tomorrow's session, and at the evening session Rodney H. True of the United States department of agriculture will speak on "Denatured Alcohol and the Farmer."

Maple Sugar Makers Meet.

Rutland, Vt., Jan. 8.—The benefactors of humanity who supply a large portion of the maple sugar syrup which goes on the buckwheat cakes of the American public, met here this morning for the annual meeting of the Vermont Maple Sugar Makers' association. One of the largest exhibits of maple goods ever shown is being held in connection with the convention of the sugar makers.

Old Epitaph.

A traveler in Ireland recently saw upon an old tombstone over three this epitaph:

Dr. Henry Jones, Resident, Ireland with gravity, The late Mrs. Peasant Jones, Filling his last cavity.

A Sing at Kaiser.

Seattle, Jan. 8.—With the opening of the wintering today a terrific attack will be made upon Col. Dornberg by the anti-government party, which believes that he is closer to the Kaiser than any other man.

Busy.

Never before at this season of the year has The Observer job department been so well patronized by our local people. There's more than a reason—satisfied customers always return.

The ladies of the Kaffee Klatch will be entertained Friday afternoon at the J. J. Carr residence in South La Grande, with Mrs. Carr as hostess.

It begins to look as though Baker county is to have a new court house. If there is a county in the state that needs one, it is Baker county.



MAURICE FITZ MAURICE

Will Lecture Here on Saturday Evening, January 18th.

Maurice Fitz Maurice, M. A. of Trinity college, Dublin, the well known lecturer, poet, author, lawyer and preacher, will lecture at the Presbyterian church on the subject, "The Rise of the Workingman." Mr. Fitz Maurice comes with high recommendations of the leading dailies of the east, all of which speak of him as second to none among the principal orators of the nation. New York dailies speak of him as a second O'Connell, a Gladstone, or a Burke, possessing all the wit and humor peculiar to the Irish character. He is forceful, pathetic and eloquent. His best lectures are on Irish and Scotch people at home, and in the land of their adoption, their music and song. His lectures on miners' unions, socialism, and the industrial struggle have been greatly appreciated in Montana, where he has been again invited by the civic clubs for the spring course.

The subject of his lecture on the 18th at the Presbyterian church, is "The Rise of the Workingman." This is a new lecture, which he has never delivered before, and will be under the auspices of the workingmen of this city and neighborhood. The Butte Evening News referring to him, says: "Mr. Fitz Maurice's speech was eloquent and from start to finish bubbled with humor, the audience being most enthusiastic. When mention was made of the Irish martyrs the assembly rose to its feet and applauded loud and long. In referring to the Irish wit, he gave several illustrations of it, almost convulsing the gathering with laughter."

Mr. Fitz Maurice is nephew of Sir Maurice Fitz Maurice, grandson of the late Baron Clan Maurice, and a direct descendant of Lord James Fitz Maurice, who was beheaded by Queen Elizabeth for endeavoring to free Ireland from England. On his maternal side he belongs to the well known Scotch family, the Gordons of Fife, Aberdeenshire.

Mr. Fitz Maurice is not altogether a stranger in Oregon, where he has relatives. His first cousin, Maurice Fitz Maurice, a rancher and proprietor of the local Condon newspaper.

Mr. Fitz Maurice in the course of his lecture will dwell upon the cause of the financial panic, the Japanese question, and other matters of national interest, affecting the workingman. Tickets are on sale in different places in the city, at 25 cents each. A large crowd is expected.

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INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

Odd Fellows' Lodges Hold Joint Installation.

Those who attended the joint installation last evening will long remember the event. La Grande lodge No. 16, and Crystal Rebekah lodge No. 59 both installed the officers-elect. The beautiful and impressive floor work of installation was splendidly done, not a single fault or bungle being manifest in a single instance. The grand lodge officers who officiated at the installation of the Rebekah officers, under direction of District Deputy Alma Carroll, were Mary Fraker, Emma Harding, Lizzie Haworth, Lydia Grandy, Emma Clark and Mollie Buck. These ladies constituted the team and it was evident that they had given the various details of the installation careful attention.

Rebekahs.

The following officers-elect were installed for the ensuing term: Laura Styles, N. G.; Rachel Worstell, V. G.; Jennie Smith, secretary; Mabel Oesterling, financial secretary; Anna Day, treasurer; Minnie Vanderpool, chaplain; Zella Robinson, inside guard; Charles H. Blystone, outside guard; Rebecca Kochensparger, warden; Lizzie Scott, conductress; Ada Fowler, R. S. to N. G.; Maggie Blystone, L. S. to N. G.; Susan McIlroy, L. S. to V. G.; Jessie Peffer, R. S. to N. G.

Odd Fellows.

The grand lodge officers who assisted District Deputy C. J. Vanderpool, were: George Robinson, George Ball, F. P. Childers, M. S. Carroll and H. E. Coolidge and J. A. Fraker. Those installed for the ensuing year were: T. J. Scroggin, N. G.; C. H. Blystone, V. G.; D. E. Cox, secretary; W. T. Grider, treasurer; C. J. Vanderpool, financial secretary; J. H. Hillman, warden; E. E. Scott, conductor; Martin Sheasley, I. G.; J. M. Kochensparger, O. G.; H. E. Coolidge, R. S. N. G.; F. B. Currey, L. S. N. G.; George Ball, R. S. V. G.; William Holbrook, L. S. V. G.; O. R. Coolidge, R. S. S.; D. Fitzgerald, L. S. S.; Samuel D. Clay, chaplain.

After the installation, which took place at the I. O. O. F. hall, it was announced that the Rebekahs had prepared a banquet for the company at the Elks' banquet room. Here covers were placed for nearly 200. The banquet was a most delightful affair and reflected great credit upon the ladies in charge. Soon after midnight all left the hall, feeling that the joint installation and banquet had been an unqualified success.

City Taxes.

The following tax levies have been made in the following incorporated cities of the county: La Grande, 10 mills. Union, 7 mills. Island City, 5 mills. Elgin, Cove and North Powder municipalities made no levies this year.

Installation Tonight.

All members of Star Encampment No. 31, should remember that there will be installation this evening. All members and visiting brothers are requested to attend.

SPECIAL INDUCEMENT.

To Our Customers and Prospective New Ones:

We have just closed our first year's business and find it has been a very successful one. We now have a large number of good regular patrons, who pay their bills promptly. We hope to add to this number the coming year many new ones. As a special inducement for all to pay cash we are issuing coupon books good for \$5.00 in laundry for \$4.50 cash. You save 10 per cent by buying a book. This is a much more satisfactory way than running a bill.

Have your washing ready early in the week. You get better work. We have lately installed on our shirt and collar machine a new invention for ironing pleated shirts, which enables us to turn out the very finest work obtainable anywhere.

Start the new year by sending us your laundry. It will be appreciated. Phone Main 78. 281f

CHERRY'S NEW LAUNDRY.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his final account as administrator of the estate of George McFarridge, deceased, and the county court of the state of Oregon for Union county, has fixed Tuesday,

the 4th day of February, 1908, at 10 o'clock a. m., as the time, and the court house at La Grande, Union county, Oregon, as the place for the hearing of any and all objections to said account and the final settlement thereof and the distribution of said estate.

Dated at La Grande, Oregon, this 2nd day of January, 1908. B. L. LEAVITT, Administrator of the Estate of George McFarridge, Deceased. COCHRAN & COCHRAN, Attorneys for Administrator. DJ4-11-18-25-D1

Notice.

Having disposed of my grocery business to James G. Snodgrass, I wish to take this means to thank my customers for their very liberal patronage in the past, and assure them that their trade will be equally well appreciated by my successor in the future.

Would request that those knowing themselves indebted to me would call and settle at their earliest convenience. 1-3-17 E. P. STAPLES.

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