

ODD FELLOWS IN SESSION

GRAND ENCAMPMENT WAS FIRST DAY'S PROGRAMME.

Rebekahs Also Convened—Grand Lodge Meets Today—Large Attendance.

BAKER CITY, May 21.—The grand encampment of Patriarch Odd Fellows and the ladies' branch of Odd Fellowship of Oregon, convened in this city this morning. There is a large attendance of members at both conventions.

The grand encampment was called to order by Grand Patriarch T. D. Bunker at 10:15 a. m. The report of the grand scribe gives the number of encampments in the state, 75; number of members, 121, an increase of 10 during the year. The total assets of the encampments, including cash on hand, loans, investments in buildings and bonds, is \$2,853.31.

The officers elected for the ensuing year are: Thomas P. Ryan, Oregon City, grand patriarch; P. W. Stewart, Portland, grand high priest; T. F. Howard, Pendleton, grand warden; E. E. Shanon, Portland, grand scribe; Byron E. Miller, Portland, grand treasurer; William Green, Eugene, grand junior warden; A. W. Bowersox, Albany, grand representative; Claude Smith, Salem, grand secretary; M. S. Kalle, Silverton, grand sentinel; W. R. Cunningham, Canyon City, grand outside sentinel.

The Rebekah convention met in Odd Fellows hall. Besides the old members present, 125 new members received the grand lodge degree. The fifteenth annual convention was called to order by President Anna C. Bunker, with Vice-President Nellie Gustin, Secretary Ora Cooper, Treasurer Clara Munson, Conductor Margaret Boone, Marshal Pauline Harold, Outside Guardian A. King, Chaplain Oliver Welch, Past President Emily Nichols and Emma J. Metcalf present, and a full representation of subordinate lodges. After the reading of reports of officers, and the appointment of the various standing committees, the convention proceeded to the consideration of routine business. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected tomorrow.

The grand lodge of Odd Fellows of Oregon will convene tomorrow morning. The attendance will be very large. About 400 members of the order have already arrived and several more large delegations are expected tomorrow. This session of the grand lodge is the largest and most important ever held in the state.

Baker City is profusely decorated in honor of the occasion. There will be a parade in the morning before the opening of the grand lodge session, in which several hundred members of the order will participate.

HOP PRODUCTION OF OREGON.

Nearly Fifteen Million Pounds Last Year—Record of Washington.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—The May number of the Census of Agriculture, devoted to a brief paragraph to the hop production in Oregon and Washington. The article states that the industry in these two states has made great progress in the past five years. In 1896 the production of hops had fallen to a lower figure than for many years. Low prices and more especially the ravages of the hop house wire the chief causes of the depression. Since that date success in combating the pest, together with rising prices, has given new life to the industry, and cultivation has steadily increased.

An interesting table is given, showing the hop production of the two states in 1900 by counties. The Oregon figures were furnished by the leading hop producers of the state, while the Washington figures were obtained from the State Commissioner of Labor. Although fewer counties of Oregon are devoted to the raising of hops, the output of the Willamette Valley is shown to greatly exceed that of the western half of Washington. The total product of Oregon for the year 1900 was 14,000,000 pounds, the output of Washington is 5,850,000 pounds.

The results are shown in tables of 180 pounds each. Marion County is the heaviest producer of Oregon, her production being quoted at 20,000 bales. Lane, Clackamas, Polk and Yamhill counties each produced 10,000 bales. Washington County with 7,000, Linn County with 5,000, and Benton with 3,000, make up the remainder of the list, except 630 bales which were raised in other counties in different parts of the state.

The largest producing county in Washington is Yakima with 12,750 bales. Pierce with 8,000 bales is second. The others follow: King, 6,557; Lewis, 5,500; Cowlitz, 5,112; Skagit, 4,707; Snohomish, 2,901; Chehalis, 2,387; Whatcom, 1,515; Chelan, 85; Thurston, 65, and Pacific, 45.

WILL BE CHIEF GEOLOGIST.

Professor Collier Will Head an Alaska Exploring Party.

SALEM, Or., May 21.—Professor A. J. Collier, formerly of the chair of geology in Willamette University, this evening delivered a lecture in the university chapel on the experience of a geologist at Nome. The lecture was illustrated with stereoscopic views thrown on a canvas by J. B. T. Tuttle, of this city.

Professor Collier was assistant geologist in the United States geological survey party which explored the Nome country last summer, and has just returned from Washington, D. C., where he spent the winter assisting in the work of compiling the survey report. The report is now in the press, and will be ready for distribution in about a month. The Government will send another surveying party to Nome this summer for the purpose of exploring all the northern part of Bering Peninsula, and Professor Collier will be chief geologist in the party. The work will take all summer, and the report of the explorations will be written at Washington next winter.

The appointment of Professor Collier as assistant geologist last summer, and his promotion to the position of chief geologist this year are matters of considerable satisfaction to Oregonians, for he is a graduate of the State University at Eugene. He is a very entertaining speaker, and was the recipient of many hearty congratulations on his lecture this evening.

GOOD RUN OF SALMON.

Willamette and Clackamas Fishermen Are Doing Well.

OREGON CITY, Or., May 21.—Fishermen on the Willamette and Clackamas Rivers say that this is the best season for their work for several years. There has been a good run of salmon, and the prices have been uniformly good. Clackamas salmon now bring 5 cents per pound in the Portland market, but the feared that the high water will cut the season short. Some fishermen, however, express the opinion that there will be another good run of salmon before the spring and early summer season closes.

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Recommendation of Commissioner Hermann—List of Herds in the Allotment.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—Commissioner Hermann today recommended that 232,945 sheep be allowed to graze in the Mount Rainier forest reserve, Washington, as follows:

Ellensburg-Columbia Land & Livestock Company, 578; Jeff Wallace, 125; Wood & Wilson, 22; Henry Toner, 270.

North Yakima-McLellan, 500; McCallister, 610; H. C. Condon, 125; E. P. Sanford and A. D. Doss, 540; T. H. Smith, 610; P. D. Vessy, 583; Forest View, 105; Coffin Bros., 10,500; Vessy & McRae, 800; C. Potter, 440; Cramer Bros., 440; John Cleman, 730; Perry Cleman, 440; Joseph Mellett, 740; J. L. Underwood, 240; G. W. Hart, 270; P. Ager, 170; Coffin Bros., 610; W. H. Peatross, 400; Nulis & McLellan, 400; Alex E. McCredy, 1570; Vessy & McRae, 270; C. McCallister, 280; Jake Frahl, 130.

Dot-R. D. White, 195; W. B. Walker, 1635; A. C. Woods, 215; D. G. Goodman, 600; John Rosin, 410; Joseph Gadeberg, 500; John Rasmussen, 720; E. P. Vincent & Sons, 615; W. H. Hightail, 130.

Goldenale-Dans Miller, 210; Alex McIntosh, 240; Hamilton & Conlee, 165; Uriah Trout, 190; Burgess & Scott, 190; Chambers Bros., 240; Fred Farman, 170; G. H. Taylor, 230.

Glenwood-William Milligan, 220; A. D. Cunningham, 240; John McCallister, 610; G. W. Brown, 190; Laughlin & Watkins, 240; A. E. Hardin, 120; C. McCallister, 120; Tampo Roberts & Son, 300; Joseph Malley, 730; Hinkle & Co., 700; McCallister, 400; Arthur Bussey, 125.

Cleveland-Clark & Sons, 770; J. E. McCredy, 10,500; S. Sinclair, 250.

Blackhouse-Timothy Ward, 600; William Keelen Company, 125; A. Smythe, 420; McDonald, 340.

Centerville-John Jackel, 235; Henry Staggman, 165; L. O'Brien, 170; A. L. Bunkus, 240.

Columbus-H. P. Trask, 190; S. W. Childers, 240.

Grand Dalles-H. W. Wells, 270; W. H. Crawford, 180; J. Crawford, 180; M. S. Lenardo, 130.

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Bickleton-Theodore Stagenman, 260.

Madison-Hugh Craig, 240.

Cowich-P. A. Johnson, 135.

Athamun-Fred Hughes, 260.

Zellah-D. A. Leonard, 160.

Lyle-C. F. Franzen, 270.

The limit for this reserve is 250,000.

BOLD ROBBERY.

Two Men Were Held Up at Points of Revolvers—\$450 Taken.

MIDWAY, B. C., May 21.—One of the boldest hold-ups ever committed in this district took place at the Riverside Hotel, one mile from Rock Creek, about 3 o'clock last evening. Landlord Larsen, M. W. Brener, his hired man, and H. M. Green, a blacksmith, were in a small parlor when two masked men with six-shooters entered and demanded that Larsen and his companions hand up their hands.

At first it was thought that a joke was being perpetrated, but the robbers informed their victims that they were in earnest and that if the request was not immediately complied with they would have to use violence in carrying out their intentions. Larsen lost \$450 in bills, besides a number of checks.

YUKON IS OPEN.

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SEATTLE, May 21.—Advices from Lynn, Canada, report the effect that the Upper Yukon is now open to navigation. On May 15 the Upper Lebarge Lake was still covered with ice, but was expected to become open in a few days.

Smallpox among the native Alaskans is reported as dying out. The disease is alleged by many physicians not to be smallpox at all, but to be caused by excessive use of fish and general filthiness.