HOME DEDICATED BY ODDFELLOWS

Leading Officers of the Order Speak at Opening of New Dormitory.

GRAND MASTER IN CHARGE

Building Is for Use of Men and Was Built by Contributions of Lodges. Doubles the Capacity of the Institution.

The formal dedication of the new dormitory of the Oddfellows' Home, near Kenilworth, on the East Side, was held yesterday forenoon in the presence of several hundred members, representing all parts of the jurisdiction. The ceremonies were in charge of Grand Master Richard Scott. He was assisted by officers of the Grand Lodge, Grand Encampment and Rebekah Assembly, the building being dedicated to its mission in the name of friendship, love and truth. The ceremonies were conducted in the Grand Encampment room and the balcony on the north side of the dormitory, the programme beginning with the "Opening Ode," which was followed by prayer by Rev. A. LeRoy, grand chaplain. In his opening remarks Grand Master Scott said:

Today as members of the noble order of Oddfellowship, we have met to dedicate this new building of the Oddfellow's Home of the jurisdiction of Oregon to its splendid purposes; to consecrate it as a crystallized sentiment evolved from the sovereign mandate of our order, to visit the sick, relieve the distressed, bury the dead and educate the orphan. This grand and glorious enterprise calls for warm heart and willing hands, for continued effort and patient industry, and with these assured, the fragrant incense of its labors will rise in grateful clouds to the throne of grace, from which source was borne the divine command to love one another.

Grand Marshal, is this home ready for dedication in the name of friendship, love and truth, by being free from indebtedness of whatsoever kind, and by being properly officered and managed? Has it been fitted and furnished in such a manner as properly to sustain, nourish and comfort those whom providence has placed in our care as dependent?

Home Entirely Paid For.

Grand Marshal Thomas F. Ryan, member of the board of trustees, responded that the home stands in touch with the divine injunction, "Owe no man"; that it was properly equipped and that the rooms were being furnished by the lodges and encampments.

Mrs. Cosper, in the absence of Mrs. Emma Galloway, represented the Rebekah Assembly, and said in part:

In the bright realization of the ardent hope of the Rebekas to aid in the relief of distress, and in educating the orphan, we all do tenderly rejoice. The soft glow of this beneficent enterprise thrills the true disciples of Oddfellowship with joy, because it extols the sublime and holy grandeur of our creed.

M. J. Kreutz represented the Grand Encampment and closed his charge with the words:

May the walls of this consecrated structure stand erect in usefulness until the three links shall bind earth and heaven together in a glow of peace and light that shall encompass the world, and fill the universal heart with friendship, love and truth.

Grand Master Scott then ordered the grand marshal to proclaim the building dedicated, which was obeyed. Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Stapleton gave a duet with fine effect, and Miss Scott sang "Just a Little Orphan in the Oddfellows' Home."

Address by Judge George.

Judge M. C. George, representing the order at large, delivered a brief address, setting forth the fundamentals of Oddfellowship, the integrity of the home, a square deal for every man, and absolute justice for all. He declared in the course of his address that if the world practiced the teachings of Oddfellowship in all its dealings, the difficulties of the human family would largely disappear and the continuous strife between labor and capital would come to an end. He said:

We recognize the principle that the strong should help the weak. We come into the world weak and helpless and are cared for by the strong and tender arms of our parents, and as we approach the end of life's journey we again become weak and need the help of the strong. Oddfellowship exemplifies this beneficent spirit of helpfulness through such institutions.

Mrs. Ida Foster, representing the Rebekah Assembly, spoke briefly and with much eloquence of the part the order has had in the past of caring for widows and orphans, and told something of what it proposes to do in future along that line.

Lodgerooms Are Furnished.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies the entire audience was invited to the basement, where refreshments were served. During the afternoon a general reception was held in the building. The reception-room on the first floor, furnished by the Grand Encampment, was used for the women. It is the only large room that has been furnished so far. Bedrooms are being furnished rapidly by the subordinate lodges. Laurel Lodge, of St. John, had its room completely supplied with furniture, as had University Park Lodge. A Portland firm gave the dormitory 72 chairs, and the furniture for one room.

The visiting members inspected the new building and found much to approve. It will more than double the capacity of the Home. The dormitory will be for men, and will contain a central dining-room, where all will assemble at meal time.

There are 35 inmates at the Home at present, about 13 being children who attend the Clinton Kelly school. The new dormitory is considered a model of arrangement. Rooms are large and well ventilated, and baths are provided on all the floors. The wide porches will afford resting-places for the aged inmates.

PORTLAND IS SLIGHTED

Seattle Real Estate Association Ignores This City in Pamphlet.

In the report on real estate values in 50 American cities, which has just been issued by the Seattle Real Estate Association, no mention is made of Portland, while reports of several cities whose population and real estate values are only one-quarter that of Portland are included. Why such an omission should have been made is difficult to understand. The officials of the Chamber of Commerce are puzzled regarding the matter and are unable to conclude whether the omission was due to negligence or was an intentional slight. Included in the list are Spokane, Tacoma and Vancouver, B. C.

The report is contained in a pamphlet of 115 pages, illustrated with halftones of Seattle scenes and presents many interesting facts regarding real estate values, not only of the leading American cities, but the principal cities of the world. The pamphlet also contains the answers to the circular letter addressed by the Seattle Association to the commercial bodies of several cities having water transportation facilities, making inquiry regarding the value of waterfront property.

PLAN AN ACTIVE CAMPAIGN

Asiatic Exclusion League Will Put Lawmakers on Record.

Members of the Asiatic Exclusion League, of this city, will not be satisfied with merely holding anti-Japanese demonstrations. They have in view a more effective programme and will, next week, mail to all public officials letters requesting their co-operation in matters of legislation by which the better regulation of immigration will be proposed. These letters will be forwarded to the members of Congress from this state, members of the Oregon Legislature and all district, county and city officials. Answers are requested from these officials to the following list of questions:

Will you protest against and oppose any constitutional amendment or treaty provision intended, or which might be used, to extend the right of naturalization? and further,

Will you use your voice and vote towards the enactment of an exclusion law which will effectually prevent the immigration into the United States of all Asiatics, excepting merchants, students and travelers? and further,

That the said act contain provisions that merchants, students and travelers, when found performing manual labor, shall be deported, and further,

That provisions similar to the Geary registration law be embodied in any exclusion law that may be enacted and that such law, when enacted, be made perpetual in its action?

Mayor Lane and the members of the City Council were yesterday invited to attend the mass meeting to be held under the auspices of the league, at Arion Hall, next Friday night. This meeting will be addressed on the subject of Asiatic exclusion by John M. Gearin, ex-United States Senator, and other speakers. At this meeting steps will be taken to interest all fraternal societies and commercial organizations in the work proposed. At its meeting at Astoria this week, the Oregon State Federation of Labor will be asked to indorse the movement and to assist in extending the organization throughout the entire state.

The Retail Grocers' Association, of this city, and a number of the fraternal organizations have already notified the league of their hearty indorsement of the movement, and will be represented by delegates at the meeting Friday night.

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Quaint Old Customs of Twelfth Night

Pagan Traditions Mingle With Christian Observances on the Night the Wise Men Journeyed to Bethlehem.

BY LILIAN TINGLE.

DURING the past holidays I have heard several people express a wish that Christmas and New Year celebrations could be rearranged so as not to tread so rapidly on each other's heels. Some gave as a reason the desire to recover from the effects of one attack of dyspepsia before being again prostrated by the next set of festivities; others—and they were usually of the younger generation—simply wished to have more pleasures, gifts and feasting to look forward to. One expressed his sentiments as follows:

"When I'm President," (his election is, of course, certain, but in order to prevent uneasiness among politicians of today, I should mention that his "boom" will not be launched for some years to come), "when I'm President, I say, I'll make a pocklemation and have five or 'leven Chris'musses every year."

In expectation of this "pocklemation," his well-trained and obedient mother has ordered a large cake and made other preparations for the celebration of "Twelfth Night." What his father said was: "Oh, all right, if you say so; but I always thought 'Twelfth Night' was a Shakespeare play or something. What are you going to do? Dress up like Viola Allen and put the youngster into yellow stockings?"

There are very many quaint and ancient customs still clinging around January 6—the "twelfth night" after Christmas. Some of them have reference to the church feast of the Epiphany and celebrate the coming of the Wise Men from the East and their offerings to the Babe of Bethlehem. Others are frankly pagan in character. The baking of the huge spice cake with the hidden bean or piece of money, the finder of which becomes king of the evening revels, shows the usual curious grafting of Christian meanings on heathen ceremonies; though naturally both meanings and origins are generally forgotten nowadays. The "twelfth cake," under various names and often with elaborate decorations, is still eaten at this season in many parts of Germany, Norway, and England; but the custom seems generally to be dying out. In reference to this cake the following was written on January 6, 1623:

"This day about the houres of 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10—yea, in some places till midnight well nigh, will be such a massacre of spice bread that ere the next day at noone a two-penny brown loafe will set 20 poore folke teeth on edge."

I wonder whether any Oregon apple-growers follow the ancient and in some places thoroughly credited method of securing a good crop for the coming year by offering a libation of cider to the apple trees on the night of January 6, or holding on the same night what is sometimes called an "apple yelling." The exact details of the ceremony vary a little in different localities, but generally the farmer and his helpers, after a feast of cakes and cider, go at midnight to the oldest apple tree in the orchard—sometimes it is quite past bearing and hung at this season with snow-covered, white-berried mistletoe—and there they pour the good cider and sprinkle cake crumbs round its roots, dancing and chanting the while some such doggerel as this:

Apple tree, apple tree,
Bear apples for me—
Hatsful, lapsful,
Sacksful, capsful,
Apple tree, apple tree,
Bear apples for me!

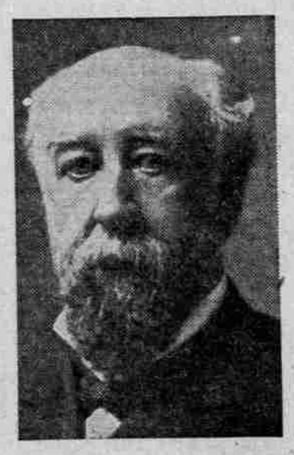
This, of course, affects all the other trees—even pear or plum trees—in the orchard, the patriarch tree having the lordship over them. Wild hurrahs conclude the libation. Can you imagine the surprise of a lot of scientifically-planted, cultivated and sprayed prize Oregon apple trees if such doings went on in their orchards?

Have you ever noticed how careful most people are to have all green Christmas or New Year's decorations burned up "within a week from New Year," and how many choose January 6 for this purpose? Here you have another superstition which some authorities trace back to Druidical times. In some places on this night young men gather long bare twigs, usually of thorn, and weave and bend them into a rude skeleton globe. This is partially burned or charred in the fire and then hung up in the kitchen for the rest of the year, where it serves to avert many kinds of misfortune. On hanging it up, everyone present raises eyes to the ceiling, saying, solemnly and with exaggerated lengthening of each syllable, "O—ld Cl—der—." There seems nothing specially solemn about "old cider" (unless, of course, you should take too much of it), but it is highly probable that the phrase is simply a corruption of an invocation in a forgotten language to a forgotten deity. Sometimes these thorn globes are charred in outdoor bonfires; often 13 in number and arranged in a circle. These have been supposed to bear some relation to the signs of the zodiac. In any case all remaining Christmas greens must be consumed in the "twelfth night" fires.

Of course, you care nothing about old superstitions, but your despoiled Christmas trees and withered holly wreaths should never come to an ignominious end in the garbage barrel as long as there is an open fireplace or even a furnace fire to help them to a dignified exit, in spark and flame, on "twelfth night." That future President I mentioned has decided, I believe, to include this in one of his "pocklemations," not so much from respect for tradition, however, as on account of the "nice jumpy crackles."

SPEAKERS AT DEDICATION OF ODDFELLOWS' HOME

Grand Master Richard Scott.



Judge M. C. George.

Funeral of C. C. Barker.

The funeral of Christopher C. Barker, the wealthy lumberman who died on a train en route East several days ago, was held from the family residence, 204 North Twenty-second street, yesterday afternoon. The remains were deposited in a burial vault pending a decision on a final resting place. A plot may be secured in a local cemetery, or the remains may be sent to Michigan for final interment. At the time of his death the deceased was president of the Peninsula Lumber Company and other lumber companies of Oregon, and was one of the best known capitalists in the Pacific Northwest. The pallbearers comprised six of the employes of the deceased who had been connected with his enterprises for over 15 years.

Cracksmen Rob Machine Shop.

The offices of the machine shop of Gardner & Nigers at 301 Water street, was entered some time Friday night or early yesterday morning, and $16.40 in cash and $2 in stamps taken. The door of the safe was left unlocked and the only damage inflicted by the robbers was the prying open of the cash drawer. The cracksmen were evidently experienced men for they left few traces of their work, and gained entrance by means of a skeleton key.

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MERGER PROSPECTS GOOD

Success of Plan to Reopen Oregon Trust & Savings Bank Now Depends Entirely Upon the Action of Depositors.

The success or failure of the movement to reorganize the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank, through a merger with the German-American Bank, depends on how the depositors of the bankrupt institution accept the proposal. The matter will be submitted to them at a meeting this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, in the Armory. Louis J. Wilde, who is a leader in the move for reorganization, and who has been annoyed by the comment made upon the plan and has threatened to withdraw, will decide what to do after today's meeting.

If the plan is not ratified and the newspapers still criticise the merger, Mr. Wilde will refuse to have anything further to do with it. He declares that he will put his claims against the closed bank in the hands of attorneys for collection. Mr. Wilde declined to make a statement for publication last night.

After the series of storms that have broken over the closed bank during the past few days, the indications are for fairer weather today. Everyone seems willing to forget the unfortunate incidents that have recently threatened the failure of the reorganization. President Day, of the Depositors' Association, and George Jabour, who had a fist fight Friday morning in the bank, shook hands yesterday on the scene of their recent encounter.

Harmony, that has been claimed for the reorganization plan since it was proposed, but which has been lacking in large measure, was completely restored yesterday, it was said, and everything looked bright for the merger. President Day, of the Depositors' Association, is working for the merger, and will do nothing to prevent the success of the plan.

"I urge all depositors to attend the meeting and consider the proposition as it will be outlined to them by President Reed, of the new bank, and others," said Mr. Day. "I advise them to look into it carefully, and if it suits them they should accept it. It seems to me to be the only way at this time in which depositors will get their money."

Receiver Devlin Talks.

"There is not a criticism of the merger plan from interested persons," said Receiver Devlin last night. "Representatives of depositors are favorable to it. The plan also receives the hearty approval of business men generally, and most of the visitors at the bank today extended best wishes and congratulations. Leading bankers have come in during the day and given the plan their support and encouragement.

"Perhaps the best proof that the merger is practicable and will win is seen in the fact that we have more applications from people who will take stock in the bank than we can accept. Everything is now on a good working basis and the success of the reorganization seems assured."

B. E. Clements, a depositor, who issued the call for the meeting at the Armory this afternoon, reached an understanding yesterday with President Day, of the Depositors' Association, and the two are said to be in accord on the proposition.

A. E. Reames, who has been in close touch with the reorganization since the campaign was first started, and who represents a claim of $80,000 in certificates of deposit on the bank held by the Pacific & Eastern Railway, made the following statement last night:

Statement From A. E. Reames.

Since there is to be a meeting of the Depositors' Association at the Armory Sunday afternoon to consider the plan proposed by the German-American Bank, I feel that the depositors ought to understand the real situation.

The reorganization plans have now reached a point where every claim can be paid dollar for dollar under the plan offered by the German-American Bank. Their proposition to buy the assets and pay them off in a period of two years by paying every depositor according to the subscription for bonds and bank stock would furnish an absolute guarantee that everyone would be paid in full.

There has never been proper credit given Mr. Wilde for the part that he has played in the reorganization. Those who have been associated with the plans from the first have found that he has always been willing to do more than anyone could reasonably have asked. If the depositors could only know the extent to which he has gone to make this reorganization possible, there would be nothing but praise for his actions.

Praise for Mr. Wilde.

All who have been closely associated with him through this trying ordeal have always found him ready to do more than his part and willing to make almost any sacrifice to carry the matter through. I think that the depositors can safely consider that any plan that is good for him, with his half-million-dollar claim, is good for them, that if he is willing to take the German-American Bank's promise to pay the debts within two years, the rest of us could afford to do likewise.

As is probably generally understood, my claim is second to his, and no one would consider for a moment that either would be willing to see this proposition put through unless it were perfectly safe and sound.

In two years the assets of the bank will have been realized upon, and I am of the opinion that they will show a profit instead of a loss. However, to continue the matter in the courts through receivership would mean a great loss to the depositors. By the new plan, the German-American, would have to pay Mr. Devlin as receiver, and thereby the depositors would be saved all expense incurred by receivership. In other words, it means complete payment to everybody and we feel that everyone should support the plan.

BREAKWATER IN TROUBLE

STEAMER STRUCK BY HEAVY SEA OUTSIDE COOS BAY.

Three Members of Her Crew Are Badly Injured and Upper Works on Port Side Are Stove In.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Jan. 4.—(Special.)—The steamship Breakwater, Captain Macgenn, from Coos Bay for Portland, was struck by a cross sea near Fairway buoy, outside of the Coos Bay Bar, at 12:30 o'clock this afternoon. Her upper works on the port bow were stove in and three members of the crew badly injured.

The Breakwater returned to Marshfield in order to secure medical aid for the injured men. The steamer will sail Sunday and will arrive in Portland Monday night.

ANNUAL MEETING OF OWLS

Election Will Be Held Tuesday Night by Portland Nest No. 4.

Portland Nest No. 4, Brotherhood of Owls, will hold its regular annual meeting for the purpose of electing new officers to serve for the ensuing year, next Tuesday night, and the new incumbents will have the responsibility thrust upon them of entertaining the first annual convention of the National order, officially designated as the Grand Nest. The Grand Nest will convene here for four days, beginning January 15, and there will be a rapid succession of business and social "hoots" during the remainder of the week.

The Brotherhood, according to its constitution and by-laws, never takes itself too seriously, and therefore the committee on entertainment has arranged for theater parties, banquets, social sessions and automobile rides without number, and the fun will continue until the members of the local nest "go broke." The committee on reception of delegates has planned to meet all incoming trains the day before the Grand Nest meets on the day of the opening session, and the visiting brothers will be escorted in style to the rendezvous of the local Owls. After that they will be expected to take care of themselves, more or less.

The local nest contains some 300 or 400 members and, according to Secretary Jay H. Upton, there are some 300 or 400 committees ready to welcome the erring and wandering Owls with open arms.

This week, especially after the annual meeting, the local birds will be busy preparing roosting places for the migrating "hooters," and an official business and social programme will be ready by the last of the week. Executive Gus C. Moser, of Portland Nest, says that several hundred birds will flit this way during the four days, and that the cities of the Northwest, in which region the order was founded, will be largely represented, because of the vigorous contest that will be waged for the honor of holding the next session of the Grand Nest.

Just as a little joke on the new fellows, the officers who are to be elected Tuesday night will have the distinguished privilege of entertaining the visiting Owls, and the retiring officials swear they are glad to get rid of the rare obligation.

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Regulations Must Stand.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 4.—(Special.)—At the Railroad Commission meeting today Engineer Pope, of the O. R. & N., continued his testimony as to the value of that road and the cost of construction. The Commission announced during the day it would overrule all objections of the railroads to the passenger transportation regulations recently promulgated by the Commission, but that it would allow until February 1 for the roads to prepare to comply.

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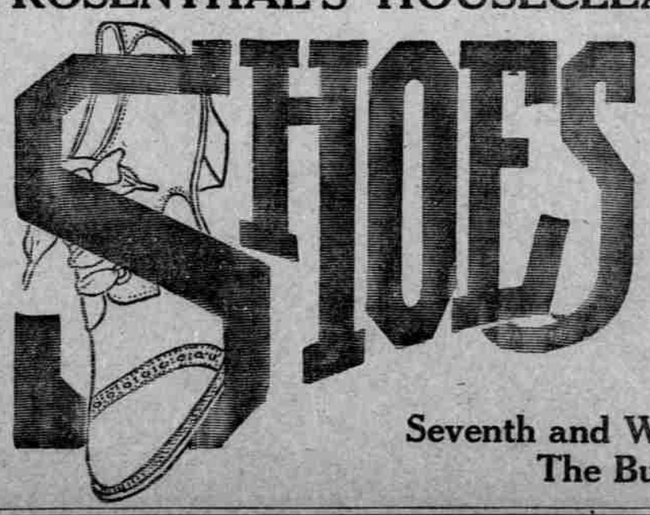

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