

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR PRAY FOR PEACE

Nine O'clock Christmas Day is Hour Set for Observance All Over World

At 9 o'clock Friday morning, December 25, Knight Templars all over the world will observe the Christmas season with prayers for peace. Following the mandate of Dillon B. Grant, grand commander of the Oregon Commandry, the order has been issued by Eminent Commander E. S. Bergelt. At the same time there will be the installation of officers elected two weeks ago.

The following is the announcement from Arthur McArthur, grand master of the Knights Templar of the United States: "Within the hallowed precincts of that holy house in which we, in spirit, as Templars dwell, comes the restful confidence of peace and brotherly love towards all mankind. This home, whose beneficent influences surround, guard and protect us, and whose teachings are of the inspired Prince of Peace, our Guide, our Comforter and our Redeemer, is the result of the application of his teachings in our daily walk of life."

"We, of the mighty hosts of Templars in this country, in full appreciation and with full thankfulness, should offer, with overflowing hearts, in this season of Christmas rejoicing a prayer of thanksgiving that to us there have been granted the blessings of peace and that we dwell in security and bask in the spirit of his wonderful love. But to that prayer also should be added the spirit of the Christmas season, the glory of doing unto others as we should have them do unto us. "The day and generation in which we are active factors demand that to those who need our help, and to those who are in suffering and in want, a Christmas spirit should prevail in a practical way. Our hands and our hearts should glory in the demonstration of the teachings of the Prince of Peace. At home and at our very doorside the poor we have always with us. The widow, the orphan and the friendless can be cheered and comforted. Abroad where war's devastation has laid its heavy hand, our prayers and above all, our charity should be a welcome visitor."

"May true Christian knighthood exist, not only throughout this broad land of ours, but throughout the world. May brotherly love prevail, and may that knightly fellowship, the true application of which is the foundation of the teachings of our order, be paramount in all the actions of man toward his brother man. "May the Great Captain of our Salvation hasten the day when the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man shall be universal on this footstool. "Above all, Sir Knights, let charity govern your hearts and hands; let love ever prevail and let the teachings of the Prince of Peace ever be your guide."

No concerted effort is being made by Knights Templar in Oregon or in the United States to raise by donation funds for the relief of war sufferers. Whether collections for the benefit of local poor will be made at the Christmas service rests with each commandery.

MRS. LANDO SPEAKER

Marshfield Woman Visits Astoria Rebekah Convention. In its writup of the First District Rebekah convention at Astoria last Saturday, the Astoria Budget says: "Mrs. Katherine Lando, of Marshfield, Ore., state president of the assembly, was among the distinguished guests. Mrs. Lando is an accomplished speaker, stands high in the fraternal work and is a close observer of commercial conditions. She paid a brilliant tribute to the objects of the assembly and called attention to her visit in Astoria some 20 years ago."

"From a commercial point of view," said Mrs. Lando while in conversation with some friends, "Astoria appears to have overlooked a big trade section on the coast line. Before the event of the railroad into Coos Bay the people looked to water transportation. The Columbia River is the nearest distributive point, but for the lack of steamship lines running north, the trade naturally went to San Francisco. The district along the south coast is growing rapidly which means an increased trade for those who see it."

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SIX ELECTED TO EASTSIDE OFFICE

Cooston Secures Two Representatives on City Council - Small Vote Cast

Three Councilmen, a Recorder and a Marshal were elected at the city election held yesterday in Eastside and Cooston. For the first time since their annexation Cooston will have two representatives in the city administration. The vote was small, about 75 in total, being much reduced below the number of registered voters on account of the inclement weather that kept many of the people at home.

For Recorder, C. P. Keating was re-elected, having a total of 71 votes against 22 votes secured by W. C. Weaver, the Socialist candidate. Sylvester McGriff, present Marshal, was re-elected to office with a total of 73 votes while Roy R. Robertson received 16.

The following is the official count on the vote for Councilmen, the first three being elected: J. C. Steckel of Eastside.....70 L. G. Meek, Cooston.....65 G. M. Bailey, Cooston.....58 A. R. Mercer, Cooston.....30 O. H. Iverson, Cooston.....24 F. A. Stonecypher, Eastside.....24

The terms of the Marshal and the Recorder are for one year and the four Councilmen for two years.

New charter amendments contemplated for Eastside as it is now incorporated with Cooston could not be placed before the voters at the election of yesterday because the annexation election came too close to the city election of yesterday, hence the matters regarding the charter amendments could not be posted for a period of 60 days as the law requires they shall be. A special election for their consideration will be necessary next year.

NEWS OF NORTH BEND

The following are the passengers who left this afternoon for Eureka: O. A. Chamberlain, Mrs. Florence Smith, Mrs. F. Stiglich, Mervin Plum, Mrs. J. M. Plum, L. Kalinowski, Lew Alger, Milton A. Glass, Robert Daly, Mrs. J. Daly, J. H. Muscraw, J. Z. Aker, Matt Lach, R. F. Anderson, M. Turney, Robert McCarron, Leonard Wilson and J. J. Jackson. Mrs. L. Anderson and Mrs. John West of North Bend went to Bandon on Monday to attend the funeral of Mrs. C. H. Pullen. They returned Tuesday evening. The North Bend Baptist Ladies' Aid will meet Thursday afternoon to take up various matters.

EASTERN STAR ELECTS OFFICERS

Mrs. E. Don McCrary Chosen Worthy Matron of Doric Chapter

Doric Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, last evening held the annual election of officers, which resulted as follows:

Worthy Matron—Mrs. E. Don McCrary. Worthy Patron—Victor A. Johnson. Associate Matron—Miss Frances Franse. Sec.—Mrs. L. L. Gorr. Treas.—Mrs. J. H. Stadden. Conductress—Mrs. Alva Doll. Associate Conductress—Mrs. C. F. McKnight. Trustees—Mrs. A. D. Wolcott, Mrs. Mary McKnight and Mrs. Ora McCarty. Mrs. McLeod, the retiring secretary, has served for over five years and declined re-election to that position.

A. P. Davis was chosen chairman of the Finance Board, the other members of which are Mrs. C. H. Marsh and Mrs. C. W. Evertsen. The installation of officers will be a joint affair with the Blue Lodge on December 26.

The Blue Lodge will hold its election of officers December 17 and the Royal Arch Masons will hold their election December 15.

North Bend Star

Coos Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, at North Bend has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Worthy Matron—Mrs. E. F. Russell. Worthy Patron—C. M. Byler. Associate Matron—Mrs. C. M. Byler. Sec.—Mrs. Nellie Weitzel. Treas.—Mrs. J. W. Grout. Conductress—Mrs. Geo. Windsor. Associate Conductress—Mrs. A. E. Morten.

Mrs. Weitzel has declined the post of secretary and a successor will have to be chosen. Mrs. Russell will announce the appointive officers at the time of the installation, which will probably be the first meeting in January.

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TO SOON DECIDE ON POSTMASTERS

Hugh McLain Given Refusal of Marshfield Office—J. T. Maguire in North Bend

Sometime between now and the first of the year, it is expected that announcement will be forthcoming from Washington settling the Coos County postmasterships.

According to semi-authoritative reports here, J. T. Maguire of North Bend will be named to succeed E. F. Russell whose term expires February. Mr. Russell has made a fine official and had it not been for the insistency that a Democrat be named, he would have been given practically unanimous support for reappointment. Mr. Young, another candidate for the place, has withdrawn in favor of Mr. Maguire, leaving Messrs. Maguire and Hoelling the only candidates.

It is also intimated that Hugh McLain has about decided to accept the Marshfield postmastership. There are several other candidates in the field and, owing to the intense rivalry, it is said that Senator Chamberlain asked Mr. McLain if he would not take it. If this is correct, it is up to Mr. McLain to say whether he will have the office or not.

W. J. Rust is also an aspirant for the place but some of his opponents have entered protest against him because he resides outside the Marshfield city limits. Legally, this would make no difference but politically it may. Tom Coke, F. A. Golden and Deputy Postmaster F. L. Sumner are also seeking it.

SUMNER NEWS

(Special to The Times.)

The show given at the Baptist church last Friday, Dec. 4th, entitled "A Trip Around the World," was fine. Everybody was pleased with the pictures.

A big dance will be given at the Sumner Hall Saturday, December 12, with music by the Sumner orchestra. The orchestra has added another recruit and has been practicing hard. They expect to do better than ever this time.

Some young people gathered at the hotel Sunday afternoon where Mrs. G. Motley treated them all to some fine music on the piano.



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