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## Remarkable Tribute to Supreme Commander Bina M. West of the Woman's Benefit Association of the Maccabees.



NEW HOME OFFICE BUILDING OF THE ASSOCIATION, PORT HURON, MICH.

On June 18 the city of Port Huron, Mich., officially welcomed home Miss Bina M. West, supreme commander of the Woman's Benefit Association of the Maccabees in recognition of her remarkably efficient work for the association. The reception was in charge of Mayor Black and the city commission and was participated in by all the societies, clubs and business organizations of Port Huron. To quote the resolution of the city commission, it was a remarkable tribute to "Miss West, able worker for fraternity and humanity."

The Woman's Benefit Association of the Maccabees gives its protection and fraternal interest to white women of good moral character. It is non-political and non-sectarian, and dispenses its fraternity in fifty-five states and provinces.

The protection of the association can be secured for whole life, and whole life combined with disability benefits; last illness and burial benefits; also sick benefits. The rates are scientifically graded, and no member pays more than the cost of her own protection. When it is known that Miss West has, with her own hand, signed away over \$12,000,000, an estimate can be formed of what this association has already done toward mitigating the dread ordeal incident to death.

Every year finds this association progressing, but the past four years have recorded its greatest advancement. Women, by securing fraternal protection, are freer to seek out new fields of endeavor and become more independent and capable.

A woman's convention without one word of dissent is rather an unusual thing. This was the experience, however, of the recent eighth quadrennial convention of the association in New York. Every session was a model of business ability and parliamentary procedure, and plans were laid for the present quadrennial term which were aimed to meet the great and growing work of its 187,000 women.

Many important features were placed before the convention for decision, one being the changing of the name from the Ladies of the Maccabees of the World to the Woman's Benefit Association of the Maccabees.

Another important step taken was the acceptance of plans for a handsome new home office at Port Huron, Mich. This will be a large, magnificent two-story white stone building on the main street of the home city of the order, where the supreme commander, Miss B. M. West, started her project twenty-three years ago. To give the reader an idea of how this society has progressed it will be of interest to know that Miss West started out with a \$150 debt, no members and unknown, to organize what today is meeting the needs of 187,000 women in the matter of home protection through fraternal insurance. Miss West has been a leader beloved and adored by her members, and as an insignia of their esteem the convention endeavored to prevail on her to accept the well earned salary of \$10,000 a year for the next term. In a masterful address she declined, stating that the wealth of the association was uppermost in her mind, not the remuneration.

Steps were taken at this meeting of representative women to endow a state hospital service in every state, Ohio, Illinois and Michigan already having their service in satisfactory way. By this philanthropy every member requiring expert medical attention may have it free of cost to herself.

Addresses were given by Mr. Miles M. Dawson, fraternal insurance actuary of New York city, and Mr. James V. Barry, Michigan insurance commissioner, congratulated the association on the signal success it has attained. "Your association," said Mr. Dawson, "is the first woman's benefit society in the United States to be established on a sound basis, and through the foresight of your peerless leader, Miss West, you are the largest society of your kind in the world. I congratulate you."

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### NEWS OF OREGON

**ROSEBURG**—Miss Maude Willhoit rescued herself from the water by using an inflated auto tire which was thrown her, while her companion, Fred Dillard, was drowned.

**PORTLAND**—James Monroe, a gardener employed at Oswego, was drowned in the Willamette River when a canoe upset.

**HALESEY**—A new clover cleaning plant is being built at Halsey which is the center of the clover growing district. The plant will be used to clean clover seed for market.

**FOREST GROVE**—Mrs. Colista B. Smith, aged 95 years, who made her home in Forest Grove for the past quarter century, died in the east where she went to visit.

**SEASIDE**—H. S. Moody, a well known Oregon City Elk, died while visiting at Seaside and the Elks of that place sent the body home.

**SALEM**—The Supreme Court has decided in favor of Bessie Smith who sought \$1,500 for valuables lost from her room from the National Surety company.

**DALLAS**—Rev. C. C. Curtis has resigned his position as pastor of the First Christian church of Dallas.

**CLATSKANIE**—Rev. S. D. Johnson has taken the place as pastor of the Methodist church in place of Rev. C. T. McPherson, who resigned to take up insurance work.

**EUGENE**—J. Duncan Spaeth of Princeton University, in a speech advocated conscription not necessarily for war, but for national efficiency.

**MILTON**—When a constable left the city jail door ajar so the prisoner could get more air, J. W. Martin, a farmer, who was under arrest, made his escape.

**PORTLAND**—The Northwestern Photogravers Association members are holding their eighth annual convention at the Multnomah hotel.

**ALBANY**—More boys than girls received eighth grade diplomas in the Linn County schools this year, which is regarded as remarkable as the girls usually are greatly in the lead.

**NEWPORT**—S. G. Irvin of Newport has just been informed that the United States engineering department has arranged for \$3,000 to be expended for a survey of the Yaquina bar with a view of obtaining 24 feet and that Wisconsin capital expects to develop the timber in the locality.

**TURNER**—The state convention of the Christian churches showed respect for Rev. R. G. Gallison who was stricken with apoplexy when speaking at the gathering and died here.

**WARRENTON**—The building of an \$11,000 school house has been started. It will stand in a ten-acre lot which was recently purchased by the Warrenton school district.

**ROSEBURG**—Judge Skpworth of Lane County has handed down an opinion that the \$300,000 bond issue of Roseburg to aid in the building of the logging railroad, is legal.

**CORVALLIS**—The Benton County grand jury is having a busy session and is investigating the case of Chester Dickey, charged with embezzlement from the Corvallis State Bank.

**ROSEBURG**—The annual home coming day held by the Roseburg Elks was a big celebration and observed the 19th anniversary of the entrance of the order in the city.

**OREGON CITY**—Edward Killfeather of Portland was awarded the verdict for \$3,191 against Clatsop County because the county delayed him in the construction of a county hospital.

**PORTLAND**—The four men bitten at the government construction camp near Irrigon, Oregon, by a mad coyote, were brought to Portland for treatment at the Pasteur institute.

**HOOD RIVER**—The members of the dedication party making the trip over the Columbia Highway are enthusiastic over the scenery and beauty of the route.

**MONMOUTH**—Thousands of Italian bees stung a valuable Jersey cow belonging to A. C. Wolvort, causing the animal's death.

**SALEM**—Governor Withycombe states that the crop of flax in Oregon this year is good and that the quality of the flax seems to be first class.

"The signora be so cruel!" she moaned. "She will remember that she gave it to me in the bottom of a box. I thought she no longer cared for it because of the torn places and the holes." "Why, girl, the holes and the torn places made it the more valuable! But I now understand how it happened. It was not your fault, but mine. I should have examined the box."

"I will take off the waist at once," said Enrichetta, "but, alas, I never can replace the bandiera as it was."

By this time Mrs. Morland had recovered her usual serenity. "There, child, it can't be helped now," she said; "run along and enjoy yourself and wear the patriotic waist if it pleases you. There is a stiff breeze coming up from the lake, but the silk is thick and will protect you from the chill air. And," she added, smiling, "to protect foreigners is one of the missions of the stars and stripes."—Cornelia Baker.

### TIMBER NOTES

News print paper has been made by the Forest Service laboratory from 24 different woods, and a number compare favorably with standard spruce pulp paper.

The Forest Service is cooperating with 54 railroads, mining companies, and cities in making tests of wooden ties, timbers, poles, piling, and paving blocks which have been given preservative treatments.

In 1895 there were 15 wood preserving plants operating in the United States; in 1914 the number had increased to 122, representing all types of plant.

The 1914 figures, based upon reports from 94 plants, show that the total number of cubic feet of material treated with preservatives was 159,582,639 cubic feet. This was an increase of 5,968,751 cubic feet over the total for 1913. Of this increase, 102,980 cubic feet was made up of piling, and 3,577,571 more cross ties were handled than during the previous year.

During 1914, nearly eighty million gallons of creosote were used by the preserving plants of the United States.

### CORVALLIS COLLEGE ENROLLMENT BIG

More at State Agricultural Institution Last Year Than Any Previous Season

**CORVALLIS, July 12.**—Total enrollment at the Oregon Agricultural College last year was far in advance of that of any previous year, according to the new catalogue just issued from the college press, and undergoing mailing from the registrar's office. Including both the regular and short courses there were 4176 students taking resident work at the College, which is 1308 more than the previous record attendance.

Students were enrolled from every county of Oregon, Benton and Multnomah leading. In the enrollment 39 other states were represented in the student body taking residence work. It is thus seen that the drawing power of the college is rapidly extending and has reached about every section of the United States. In addition to this there were students from 13 foreign countries or insular possessions. It is not unusual to meet a half-dozen different nationalities in passing along the campus from one building to another.

Enrollment is greater in the School of Agriculture, which gave instruction to 540 men and seven women, home economics being second with no men and 371 women. Of the entire attendance 2592 were men and 1584 women.

A table of comparative enrollment shows the number attending each year from 1888, when there were but 97 students all told.

### OFFERS GOOD MARKET

Philippine Islands Takes Half Million Dollars Worth Annually

**WASHINGTON, D. C., July 12.**—The Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce has issued a short monograph on "Philippine Markets for American Lumber," by Commercial Agent Franklin H. Smith, who is investigating the lumber trade in the Far East. The Philippine market, so far as imports are concerned, is dominated by American lumber. The islands provided a market for more than \$500,000 worth of forest products in the 12 months ending June 30, 1914, and practically the entire quantity represented by these figures was shipped from the Douglas fir mills of Washington and Oregon and the redwood mills of California.

Mr. Smith found, however, a sharp competition by native woods, and it is his opinion that this will inevitably become keener. Each succeeding year, he thinks, will witness an increased cut of Philippine woods. The conclusion reached is that the prospective demand for American lumber in the Philippines is not particularly encouraging.

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### WAS WITH LONG

E. E. Epling, a young one armed man of Curry county, who is said to have put \$750 into a mining deal with Long was found with him in Portland. Mr. Laird said they both seemed to be on good terms there and seemingly had adjusted their differences.

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