

INSTALL OFFICERS

ODD FELLOWS AND REBEKAHS HOLD JOINT INSTALLATION

Following Ceremonies Members of Lodges Gather About Banquet Board—Many Are Present

Joint installation of the Odd Fellow and the Rebekah lodges was held last evening in the lodge rooms on North Front street. Following the installation the members enjoyed a banquet.

Oscar Gulovsen, D. D. G. M., was the installing officer for Sunset Lodge No. 51 of the I. O. O. F. The following officers were installed:

- M. G.—Fred Grinholds, V. G.—E. B. Gherke, Secretary—Israel Lando, Ward—T. Lindborg, I. G.—C. Thorwald, O. G.—Oscar Gulovsen, R. S. N. G.—J. W. Hunt, L. S. N. G.—W. A. Hill, R. S. V. G.—E. L. McClure, L. S. V. G.—C. I. Lando, R. S. S.—W. H. Ferguson, L. S. S.—Max Fairtag, Chap.—A. Hagemeister, Sunset Encampment Installed

The new officers of Sunset campment No. 43 were installed by A. Hagemeister, D. D. G. P. The were:

- C. P.—Charles E. Powers, H. P.—C. A. Schilde, S. W.—Herbert Phillips, Scribe—I. Lando, Treasurer—J. H. Hall, J. W.—W. H. Ferguson, Guide—Carl Albrecht, Ist. W.—Robert Peters, 2nd W.—C. C. Going, 3rd W.—W. B. Curtis, Jr., 4th W.—Thos. J. Scaffe, O. S.—Fred Grinhold, 1st G. T.—Charles Lax, 2nd G. T.—T. Lindborg, New Officers for Rebekahs

Mrs. D. L. Rood, D. D. G. P. installed the new officers of the Rebekah lodge, Western Star No. 7. The officers are:

- N. G.—Gertrude Scaffe, V. G.—Rilla Ross, Secretary—Mrs. Jennie Bennett, Treasurer—Mrs. Nellie Owen, Chap.—Eva Dresser, Warden—Madge Simpson, Con.—Lillian Thorwald, I. G.—May Blake, O. G.—Emily Blake, R. S. N. G.—Kate Lund, L. S. N. G.—Ellen Rudnas, R. S. V. G.—Mrs. Tom Coke, L. S. V. G.—Mrs. J. Lee Brown.

MAIL COMES THROUGH

Two Day's Accumulation Arrives in Marshfield Today

Two days' mail came through on the morning train and was welcomed by everyone. Some of the papers also arrived, but not all of them and it is believed there may be some more on the evening train.

Little word has been received regarding the passage of the stages and it is not known whether or not the main troubles are now through with on the road.

Dr. Leslie, Osteopath, Marshfield Dance Eagles' Hall, Sat. eve, Jan. 15th, Martin's Orchestra.



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MAY COMPROMISE

MAJOR KINNEY ESTATE TAXES MAY BE SETTLED

County However Can Not Compromise Taxes for Port, School District or North Bend

No compromise could be made by the county court on back penalties and taxes due the port and school districts and the city of North Bend, in settling the Kinney estate tax muddle, according to District Attorney Liljeqvist. These questions would have to be settled by the individual organizations, he said.

On the county taxes there rests a penalty of \$3,000, and interest amounts to about \$19,000, it is said. F. B. Waite, who is attempting to compromise the taxes says there is no new angle in the matter. Judge Skipworth has the case of the county foreclosing the estate under advisement, and will await present action before going any further in the matter. He has 90 days in which to act.

Reaches Large Sum Though the exact amount of the taxes that are due, together with the penalties and back interest, has not been given out, it is estimated that the sum will run very close to \$64,000.

The county court has not assented to a compromise to the county's share of the tax, but it is claimed that body is not averse to affecting a liberal settlement.

Is Bad Precedent T. J. Thrift, county assessor, who was here today, declared his belief that to cancel any of the back interest or penalties would be setting a bad precedent.

He believed that to start it in this instance, would mean that the same consideration would have to be meted out to the Southern Oregon company, to Frank Bontin, to the O. and C. land grant and in many other cases.

In all of these instances large sums of back taxes, together with interest and penalties are due. To top them off, it is pointed out, would mean the loss of much money to the county and the setting of a precedent that might be invoked later when other taxes become delinquent.

Dr. D. C. Vaughn, Dentist, Room 26, First National Bank building.

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SHIPPING NEWS

FEW BAR CHANGES RATES GO UPWARD

LEAD LINE DEPTHS HOWEVER SHOW SOME SHOALING

Dredging Will Again Be Necessary—Mariners Find Humboldt Bay Now Has Two Bars

Recent winter storms have made but few changes in the Coos Bay bar, is the opinion of Captain McLellan, of the F. A. Kilburn. He says that soundings taken each trip as the vessel goes in and out of the harbor remain about the same, though he states there is a probability that there has been some shoaling.

Each trip he makes a report of the depth of water found on the bar, the exact soundings made at the end of the lead line.

Bad at Entrance At the entrance of Humboldt bay the greatest difficulty is experienced. Here there are practically two bars now. One is inside the harbor and the worst of the two, declare mariners.

At low tide they find it almost an impossibility to get in and out. When coming in from the outside, after crossing the first one, navigators must watch their channel closely for it narrows suddenly and a trifle too far one way throws them close to the jetty and, to the other side, onto the sand spit.

Dredge Did Good Work The government dredge Michie was used at Eureka last winter and did valuable work there. At the present time the dredge is at Grays Harbor where she has been operating since last November. Reports from there indicate that the dredge has increased the depth of water at the entrance of the harbor up to 25 feet at mean low tide and with a depth of 33 to 35 feet at high tide.

"LONG WAY TO TIPPERARY"

Peruvian Bark Goes Ahead One Foot and Slips Back Two

Old Boreas played a mighty sad joke on the Peruvian bark Callao when he allowed the ship to get within 50 miles of the termination of an uneventful 4,800 mile voyage and then blew her hundreds of miles back, retracing her steps again.

On October 24, 1915, the bark Callao, left Callao, Peru, for Port Townsend, on Puget Sound. Off the Straits of Juan de Fuca and almost within their protection, the nor-wester came on with such force the skipper turned and ran before it. When the wind abated he found himself aboard a leaking ship, short of provisions and opposite the Golden Gate. The tug boat Falcon towed the vessel inside for repairs and later she will again essay to reach her northern port.

OREGON HAS MORE THAN ITS QUOTA OF AUTOS

A statement of automobiles registered in the United States for the year ending December 2, 1915, shows a grand total of 2,199,597. Reports are missing from five of the 48 states, Oregon's total is 23,582. A comparison of population and automobile statistics shows that, while this state ranks thirty-second in population in the United States, it ranks twenty-third in the number of automobiles registered within its borders.

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IS AGED 91 YEARS PLAN FOR THE YEAR

MRS. ESTHER M. LOCKHART CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY TODAY

Oldest Pioneer of Coos Bay—Not Entirely Recovered from Recent Attack of Illness

Mrs. Esther M. Lockhart, the oldest pioneer of Coos county, today celebrated her birthday. She is 91 years of age. Mrs. Lockhart has been a wonderful woman. Although she suffers some of the physical effects of old age she has kept up remarkably. Recently she became quite sick and it was feared that she could not get over it but she has partially recovered, although not entirely.

The Very Earliest Glen Aiken, who came to the Bay a few years after Mrs. Lockhart, is the only other resident of the Bay who nearly equals Mrs. Lockhart's residence here. Herbert Lockhart and Mrs. Henry Sengstacken are the only members of her family residing on the Bay.

Born in New York Mrs. Esther M. Lockhart was born at Ulysses, Thompkins county, N. Y., January 13, 1825. She was next to the youngest in a family of ten children born to Peter and Elizabeth Selover. Her father died when she was eight years old. Two years after her widowed mother moved with her family to Huron county, Ohio.

Was a Teacher Seven years later Mrs. Selover also passed away, and the following year, at the tender age of sixteen, Esther began her career as a teacher. She met with great success in her work, entering Norwalk Academy at 20, as a pupil, was soon engaged as assistant, in which position she remained until her marriage to Freeman Goodwin Lockhart, on March 16, 1848.

Crossed the Plains In the spring of 1851, the California gold excitement being at its height, Mr. Lockhart disposed of his property in Ohio and started with his wife and infant daughter, for the west.

After traveling many miles by water and rail they arrived at St. Joseph, Mo., where they purchased oxen, wagons and supplies, and joining a large company of other adventure-some spirits, started on their long journey across the continent.

Drove the Ox Team On leaving St. Joseph, Mrs. Lockhart underwent a novel experience, being obliged, on account of the sickness of her husband, to walk beside the oxen and, with whip in hand, drive the team to Council Bluffs, the man in charge of the baggage wagon yoking and unyoking the animals for her. After a tedious and perilous journey of five months they finally arrived at Oregon City on September 13, 1851.

Taught At Yamhill Six weeks after her arrival Mrs. Lockhart began teaching school in Yamhill county, where she remained for a year. She then moved with her husband to the Umpqua Valley, where they lived for a year, when they went to Coos Bay, arriving at Empire City October 18, 1853.

First White Woman Here Mrs. Lockhart was the first white woman to settle in Coos county. She taught the first school in the county, beginning at Empire City in November, 1854. Mr. Lockhart was a member of the so-styled "Coos Bay Commercial Company," and the supposedly rich coal claims at North Bend was assigned to him immediately upon his arrival in the county.

Indians Hostile They remained at their post for two months, surrounded by hostile Indians, whose actions finally became so warlike that the family had to hurriedly pack their belongings and flee for their lives to Empire City. Since then Mrs. Lockhart has made her home on Coos Bay. Mr. Lockhart died in August, 1882. Mrs. Lockhart is the mother of six children, four of whom are living.

DOING GOOD BUSINESS

The new telegraph office at Coquille is doing a good business, according to the following from the Herald:

"The Western Union Telegraph office, which was established at this place a couple of weeks ago, is doing a good business, even at this early period. Some days the messages come over the wires so lively that it keeps the station masters on the jump to tend to them and dispatch the trains at the same time.

DIES AT MYRTLE POINT

Mrs. Ella Southmayd, aged 63 years, died at her home in Myrtle Point. Her death was due to an attack of the grip, and she had been in failing health for some time past. Her husband died within the past year.

DUCK SEASON ENDS

SATURDAY NIGHT MARKS CLOSE OF FEDERAL SEASON

State Law Says No End Until January 31, But Deputy Game Warden Says "Nothing Doing"

Old Sol, whether or not it is raining, will tuck his head under the western horizon next Saturday afternoon and with his going, goes the annual duck season. It's a fact, the last gun is soon to sound along the marshes and the sand hills.

On the whole, this duck season has been only fairly successful. Hunters contend that the season opens a month too early in the vicinity of Coos Bay. They had hoped that an arrangement might be made whereby the month could be lopped off the early season and tacked on at the last, thus giving hunting here until the middle of February.

May Have Law Passed. Such a law as this would have to come through Congress. It is possible that a bill to this effect may some time be effected.

Early storms in this vicinity tamed to bring the ducks from the North. Not until some time in November, did they begin coming in to any extent and even then most of the hunting resulted in "skinny" bags.

Deputy Game Warden Thomas announced that as far as he is concerned the season has got to close on the night of the 15th of this month. This is the Federal law. The last Legislature passed a statute extending the hunting here until January 31. Inasmuch as this is contrary to the Federal law, it is understood that the government takes the precedence. At any rate the game warden insists that arrest will be made of anyone caught hunting ducks after the middle of the month.

Want Industries Another matter which will be taken up during the year is that of securing more payrolls and industries for North Bend. Harbor improvements, goods roads and a terminal rate on the railroad for Coos Bay are other matters which will receive special attention during the coming year.

The heads of the different committees of the Chamber of Commerce made reports of the work accomplished during the year. It was decided to hold a banquet the latter part of this month when residents of the Tenmile country will be asked to be present and take up the matter of a fish hatchery to keep the lakes supplied with fish. The securing of industries and terminal rates will also be discussed at that time.

Opening Streets There was quite a lively discussion at the meeting last night in regard to the matter of opening Sherman avenue through to Marshfield, and the opening of Newmark to connect with the Empire road. It was suggested that a committee now having the matter in charge should confer with a committee of the Chamber of Commerce or city council of Marshfield. It was suggested that the opening of Newmark would give Marshfield as well as North Bend a quicker route to the beaches.

The opinion which prevailed at the meeting last night appeared to be that it would be best first to see to the improvement or repair of the water front road on which there is now much travel between the two cities, and then take up the matter of Sherman avenue and Newmark.