

K. OF C., NEW HOME GIBING AT RAPID RATE

Order Continues Its Work for Former Service Men; Portland Council Now on Firm Footing.

The Knights of Columbus was organized in New Haven, Conn., March 25, 1852, the first national fraternal society to be incorporated in Connecticut. Seven Catholics were the incorporators. By 1900, so rapid was the expansion of the order that councils had been established in all sections of the country save the far West and the extreme South. By 1904 only four states were not represented. In 1905 councils had been established in Canada, the Philippine Islands and Mexico. Continuing the growth the order reached to Panama and Cuba in 1909, and later to Porto Rico.

At the present time there are approximately 750,000 members in 2000 councils. When the war ended the Knights of Columbus, who had performed a considerable service for the men in uniform, turned their attention to the needs of the men who were quitting the service. War had interrupted the schooling of many of these men and it appeared to the Knights that they could make no better use of the funds remaining in their hands than to provide educational facilities for the ex-service men.

With this idea in mind the knights established many hundreds of scholarships in well known educational institutions. These, however, could accommodate only a small proportion of those who wished schooling because of the fact that no man had to earn a living and could not leave his employment to attend school or college. On this account the knights decided to open evening schools in the centers of population, where practical work would be given in common school subjects, business and other vocational lines.

ORDER OPENS 121 SCHOOLS

Up to the present about 121 such schools have been opened and 150,000 students have taken advantage of the opportunity offered.

In Portland the Knights of Columbus evening school was opened early in January, 1920, and has enrolled nearly 1500 students to the present time. Among the courses which have proved most popular are those in auto mechanics, show card writing, bookkeeping, seamanship, mechanical drawing and reading. This school is located at 230 Grand avenue north in the Christian Brothers college. The present term will come to a close this month and the school will reopen at the end of September.

A. G. Bagley of San Francisco has charge of the K. of C. educational work on the coast and James Gorman of Seattle is Northwest supervisor.

COUNCIL ORGANIZED IN 1902

Portland council No. 678, Knights of Columbus, was instituted during the month of June, 1902, being the first at that time by the supreme organization, which is incorporated under the laws of the state of Connecticut. Its headquarters are at New Haven in that state. During the 19 years of its existence the local council has had a steady growth and has tried to live up to the fraternal and benevolent ideals of the founders, while at the same time giving every possible benefit to the benefit and enjoyment of the members.

While membership in the Knights of Columbus is limited to Catholics in good standing, and many fraternities take its chief inspiration from the religious tone of its ritualistic work, community service is engendered wherever a council of the order is established. The influence for the better is reflected upon all. No rule of the society is more firmly established and more widely obeyed than the one which bars politics from its chambers. This, however, does not mean that the knights do not take a live interest in all matters of civic betterment, or that they are indifferent to the great social and economic problems of the day. Indeed, study of these is earnestly encouraged, and the council has a directors maintains a lecture bureau which has accomplished much in this direction. Also, the fourth degree of the order has as its principal aim the development of patriotism and good citizenship. This phase of the subject is here mentioned aside from the war activities of the Knights of Columbus, with which all are familiar.

HOME PURCHASED IN PORTLAND

In common with other progressive societies, the local council, within a few years of its establishment, set about to acquire its own home. At the first meeting called for the purpose of considering ways and means of raising the amount necessary to start the project was subscribed, and a building committee consisting of Joseph Jacobberger, William Sheehy, P. J. Ryan, and John F. Daly was appointed. To this committee Robert J. O'Neil was seen afterwards advised that the plan articles of incorporation under the charitable and benevolent society act were filed in the name of Portland Knights of Columbus Building association. This association is the holding corporation for the council and every member of the latter is also a member of the former. There being no stock issued.

A lot at the southwest corner of Park and Taylor streets was purchased and a large sized house thereon was remodelled into a temporary council chamber and club rooms, which later was enlarged by connecting with a second house which occupied a space of ground in the rear. These temporary quarters served their purpose for some years, but it was soon manifest that the growth of the council demanded a larger and better home. Adverse financial conditions for a time held back plans for new building, but early in the year 1917 it was decided, after refunding the bonds outstanding and about to mature that the project should be started. War emergencies interfered, however, and again postponement was made. During the war and for some time after its ending, the club rooms were given over almost wholly to the use of the soldiers and sailors of the army and navy and sleeping quarters provided for them free of charge, which was attended of every night for their full capacity.

SUBSTANTIAL GROWTH MADE

In the meantime the membership in the council had made a substantial growth and after the armistice when the servicemen began coming home, it was clearly evident that the building plans could no longer be delayed. It was to be understood notwithstanding the high prices still prevailing. Accordingly, in the fall of 1919, temporary quarters were obtained elsewhere, and the corner down and the erection of the present clubhouse started at the beginning of the following year.

September, 1920, found the council installed in its new home, which, including

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ONE OF CITY'S THRIVING ORDERS



Above, left to right—F. J. Lonergan, supreme director supreme council, Knights of Columbus; J. H. Pearce, state deputy for Oregon, K. of C.; A. C. Greenwood, grand knight Portland Council No. 678; E. J. Engdahl, financial secretary of Portland council. Below, left to right—F. J. Hanley, district deputy district No. 1 of Oregon; J. N. Casey, president Portland K. of C. Building association; R. J. O'Neil, master of the fourth degree, district of Oregon; J. J. Burke, faithful navigator, Portland council, fourth degree.

lot, building and furniture, represents an investment of approximately \$250,000. It has been financed entirely by bond subscriptions, the interest upon which is met from revenues consisting mainly of the dues of members, practically no donations having been received or solicited. The council expects to set aside each year as a sinking fund sufficient money to gradually retire the bonds, and lay the foundation for still further growth.

While not as large or pretentious as some other K. of C. buildings, the home of Portland council has been much admired for the convenience of its appointments and the beauty of its architectural features. In the basement is a large swimming pool, which at certain hours is open to use of women and children as well as to members. The first floor contains the office, lounge room, library, billiard room and card room. On the second floor is the council chamber furnished in strikingly beautiful decoration. The ball room or assembly hall occupies the third floor, with separate entrance on Park street, and the fourth floor, which is given up to hand ball, squash, basketball and other athletics.

The management of the club rooms is under the control of the board of directors of Portland Knights of Columbus Building association, which at present has for its president John N. Casey and for its secretary Daniel J. Conlan. The grand knight of the council, Alvin C. Greenwood, and the financial secretary, Edmond J. Engdahl, are ex-officio members of the board. The five other directors, elected at the annual meeting of the association, are P. J. Hanley, Robert J. Dixon and Joseph J. Burke. J. J. Dowd, faithful controller. The assembly meets at dinner each month and gives an annual ball which is always eagerly looked forward to by the members. It also conducts lectures and stands behind all movements of an educational, civic or patriotic character.

Portland council publishes a monthly bulletin edited by John R. Murphy, which is the medium for keeping all the members in touch with the work being done. It contains the names of members, and lists of donors, and contains much interesting material. There is also a regularly organized local assembly of the fourth degree, of which Alvin C. Greenwood is faithful navigator, Joseph J. Dowd, faithful controller. The assembly meets at dinner each month and gives an annual ball which is always eagerly looked forward to by the members. It also conducts lectures and stands behind all movements of an educational, civic or patriotic character.

J. Sinclair Powell, Oregon Pioneer, Dead at Age of 82

Dallas, Or., May 14.—John Samuel Sinclair Powell, well known resident of Falls City, died at the Deaconess hospital, Salem, Tuesday. He was 82 years old, came to Oregon in the early '60s, and lived in or near Philomath until 1908, when he moved to Falls City. He is survived by the wife and the following children: Cleve and Clarence Powell, Mrs. Grace Brown and Mrs. J. Kreitzer of Falls City; Mrs. R. A. Baldwin of Winlock, Wash.; and Mrs. Culbert of Seaside, Or.

Ezekiel Francis Sargeant, who was born at Grand Ronde more than 65 years ago, died at his home near Bridgeport, Monday. With the exception of 12 years his entire life had been spent in Oregon. Funeral services were held at Sheridan Friday. Sargeant is survived by his wife and the following children: Bertel and Delmar Sargeant, residing near Dallas, Mrs. W. H. Houck and Mrs. H. W. Hough, both of Enterprise.

President Harding Lifts Embargo on Stopover Privileges

Washington, May 14.—(U. N. S.)—President Harding has issued an executive order lifting the wartime restrictions on stop-over privileges on passengers. Under the following children: Bertel and Delmar Sargeant, residing near Dallas, Mrs. W. H. Houck and Mrs. H. W. Hough, both of Enterprise.

Depew Laments Great Drouth Income Tax Is Also Joy Killer

New York, May 14.—(U. N. S.)—Chauncey Mitchell Depew, who celebrated his eighty-seventh birthday recently, complains of the world. He says there is no fun in it; that good things are a thing of the past, and that humor, if not in the unbursed dead class, is, at least, afflicted with sleeping sickness. Two things the distinguished statesman and raconteur blames for the drab tone of our daily life—income taxes and prohibition.

"When men are hit on the pocket-book they can't feel very funny," he lamented, when seen at his office the other day. "There is nothing humorous about giving up money. And prohibition—no humor there, either." Although one year older than the last time we saw him, Chauncey Depew looks much the same as he did upon his eighty-sixth birthday. That the advance of years does not necessarily dull one's sense of fun or joy in life is proved by the chuckles which Mr. Depew gave while recalling humor of bygone days.

HOW WARD AWAKENED ALBANY "There was Artemus Ward, once considered the funniest of the humorists in the world. It wasn't so much that he had a lot of funny stories and jokes to tell as that his way of presenting a thing was especially ludicrous." "Albany furnished an audience that seemed cold to him upon one occasion that I recall. I was secretary of state then, in 1861. "That's 57 years ago. Haven't I a clear memory? For a young fellow, any-

argument he would relate some occurrence or story that left nothing of the other person's position. "There is little humor in the world now. The war left Europe saddened. Only political enemies can find the heart to poke fun at one another."

"We have a particular style of humor anyway. Chesterton, a visitor to America recently, wasn't a very great success, I believe, because his mellow is paradox and irony. The American loves a broad exaggeration, such as the humor of Mark Twain, whom I consider our greatest 'funny man' of all."

"Innocents Abroad" is the best of all his works for the essentially Yankee type of humor. "The exaggeration of the ordinary is humor. It produces the unexpected, which always makes people laugh. Yet the English go a step beyond this when they take one of your jokes and make it more unexpected. "There is an old one about the British chap who went out West and saw the salmon fishing on the Columbia river. He asked what was done with such an enormous quantity of fish. A native of the region replied: 'We eat what we can, what we can't we can.' Struck by this remark, the Englishman went home and told the story: 'We sat what we can, what we can't we can.'

"Prohibition, as I remarked before, kills humor because a man who wants a drink can't get one doesn't feel very gay. The man who disapproves of drink and doesn't want anyone else to have a drink is apt to get mad at the would-be inebriate."

Officials Depart To Inspect Boys' Training Schools

Salem, Or., May 14.—Secretary of State Kossuth W. K. Knighton, architect, left tonight for the middle west, where they will make a tour of inspection of the state training schools for boys with a view to applying the best points in these institutions to the new institution to be constructed on land south of here. Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner also left tonight with two repaired insane patients, whom he is returning to their native states, Wisconsin and Oklahoma, where he will join Governor and Knighton.

The tour will include the boys' schools of Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, Kansas, Colorado and California. The last legislature appropriated \$230,000 for the construction of a new boys' training school in the vicinity of Grants Pass, Oregon, on the cottage plan after the most highly approved plans in effect in other states.

Cavalry Unit Work Will Be Inspected By R. O. T. C. Head

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, May 14.—Major H. T. Bull, in charge of all R. O. T. C. cavalry units in the office of the chief of cavalry at Washington, D. C., will visit the college cavalry unit on Saturday, May 15, and 21. Regular classes of the cavalry unit and the target range will be visited to inspect the scope of the work.

The management of the fruitgrowing establishments in the Willamette valley were studied by seniors in horticulture this week under W. S. Brown, professor of horticulture, and Dr. Zeller of the plant pathology department. E. L. Smith, E. Shanahan, E. R. Ding, S. N. DasGupta, T. H. Hall, W. E. Murray, B. G. Silva and H. L. Wilson made the trip.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS TO PICNIC

Salem, May 14.—Sunday schools of Marion county will participate in a monster get-together rally and picnic at the state fair grounds here July 20, according to plans announced today. Several hundred Sunday school workers and students are expected to attend the event, which will be fettered by a parade.

FOREST PATROL WILL BE BEGUN BY PLANES FRIDAY

Thirteen Squads of Three Planes Each Cover Oregon, Washington and California Timber Belts

San Francisco, May 14.—Aerial patrol of Pacific coast forests will begin next Friday, according to announcement made today by Major H. H. Arnold, air service officer of the ninth corps area of the army. On that day fifty planes of the army air service will leave Mather field for the 1921 patrol and from then on, until late in the fall they will cover no less than 3000 miles daily, flying over the timber belts of California, Oregon and Washington to give warning of fires. This year's patrol will be made up of thirteen squads of three planes each. Squads will fly from Mather field, Berkeleyfield, Red Bluff and Fresno to protect the big tree groves, white firs, park and timber lands of California. Other patrols will fly from Medford, Or., and from Camp Lewis.

Each Delta Kappa Epsilon route of approximately 400 miles a day. By means of wireless telephones, the fliers will be in constant communication with land secretary, Peter Anderson, so that fliers may be immediately dispatched to any blaze sighted by the airmen, flying 10,000 feet above the forest. "We have a particular style of humor anyway. Chesterton, a visitor to America recently, wasn't a very great success, I believe, because his mellow is paradox and irony. The American loves a broad exaggeration, such as the humor of Mark Twain, whom I consider our greatest 'funny man' of all."

Men's Educational Fraternity Names Ohioan President

University of Oregon, Eugene, May 14.—The Delta Kappa Epsilon educational fraternity, elected J. Carl Bowman of Perryville, Ohio, president; vice president, Read Bain, Baker; corresponding secretary, Fred Anderson, Corvallis; recording secretary, Lloyd Enlund, Portland; treasurer, Arthur Hicks, Canyon City.

Small but enthusiastic audiences saw Oscar Wilde's "A Woman of No Importance" in Guild hall, Thursday and Friday nights.

Claire Keene and Irene Stewart of Eugene played the leads and Leota Rodgers, in the title role. The cast included, Juvenile roles, Marion Taylor and Marian Gilstrap, Eugene; Dorris Pittenger, Portland; Martha Rice, Boise; Harold Brown, Portland; Russ Moore, Eugene; Carl Miller; Darrell Larsen, Imbler, and Helen Casey, Roseburg, took parts.

Salvation Army's Josephine Drive Is Begun; \$2000 Total

Grants Pass, Or., May 14.—The drive for funds for the support of the Salvation Army was started in this county Friday. The quota for Josephine county is \$2000. In this county, the county of Sydney Cooke of Portland is in the city to assist in the drive. Mrs. Captain Horton is the officer in charge of the local work. E. L. Colburn is chairman of the drive, and E. C. Macy is the treasurer.

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