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ANTI-O. O. F. LODGE INSTITUTED

Last Saturday about ten of the members of Heceta Lodge, No. 111, I. O. O. F. went to Seaton for the purpose of helping to institute a lodge at that place.

About 5 o'clock D. D. G. M. Kyle called the members to order, in Neely's hall, for the purpose of commencing the institution ceremony of Maple Lodge, No. 133. The ceremony being completed the following officers were nominated, elected and installed: Wm Brynd, N. G.; Geo B Camp, V. G.; Phil Nicolle, Sec.; F. C. Beane, Treas.; J. J. Neely, W.; F. C. Reid, Com.; J. W. Jackson, R. S. N. G.; and J. N. Wiklow, E. S. V. G.

Three candidates were then introduced and instructed in the mysteries of the initiatory degree. Supper, which was prepared at the Seaton hotel, was then announced, and Mrs Neely deserves great praise for the splendid repast that was furnished on that occasion. After spending an hour in social enjoyment a lodge was called to order by N. G. Brynd and four more candidates were initiated into the mysteries of Odd Fellowship.

Three first degrees were then conferred and by that time it was six a. m. Lodge then closed and the members retired once more to the dining room where breakfast was waiting for them, the refreshments being over with the Florenscites boarded the steamer Mink for Florence and a short time after arriving at their destination, they were wrapped in oblivion, in which state the most of them remained all day.

The members of Heceta Lodge, No. 111 are a unit in wishing their brethren of Maple Lodge, No. 133, a long and prosperous career.

TEACHER'S EXAMINATION.

The next quarterly teacher's examination, for Lane county, Oregon, will commence at the court house at 1 o'clock p. m., Wednesday, May 10th, 1899. Teachers wishing state certificates, state diplomas and state life diplomas must apply at the same time. State Supt Ackerman has prepared the following program for the examination:

Wednesday—Penmanship, History, Spelling. Thursday—Writing, Arithmetic, Theory of Teaching, Grammar. Friday—Geography, Mental Arith, Reading, Physiology, Composition, Physical Geography, Book-keeping, Oregon School Law, General History, English Literature, Algebra.

This will be the last examination under the old law.

Dated this 29th day of April, 1899.

W. M. MILLER, Cupt. Lane Co.

NOTICE.

May 2nd, 1899.

I am directed to collect all unpaid Poll Tax according to section 2833 Hill's Code, which reads as follows:

The assessor shall require every person to pay his Poll Tax of every kind at the time of assessing the same and in default of such payment the assessor shall immediately give to the sheriff a list of such poll taxes and the sheriff shall immediately collect the same. Also see section 2834: And if he cannot find personal property out of which to make the same, shall demand such tax from any person who may be indebted to such tax payer and shall collect the same.

D. P. BURTON, Co., assessor.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

May 1st, 1899.

A copy of "Freedom" a Manila paper of March 29th was received at this office yesterday.

Some correspondence from Greenleaf was received too late for publication in this issue.

Mrs. Bean is getting lumber to build a large barn at Mapleton. John Butterfield will superintend the work.

The separator for the skimming station on Maple creek is expected in a few days. It will be hauled in with teams from Eugene.

Several pieces of new road have been opened between Glenada and Walton on the stage route to Eugene in the past few weeks.

Invitations to attend the execution of Claud Branton at Eugene next Friday were issued from the sheriff's office this week. A number of the black bordered cards were sent to citizens of this part of the county.

With this issue the West starts on its tenth year. We hope to secure several more correspondents during the coming year and in other ways make the West more interesting with each succeeding volume.

ACTIVE SOLICITORS WANTED, EVERYWHERE. The story of the Philippines by Murray Hamilton, commissioned by the Government as official historian to the War Department. The book was written in army camps at San Francisco on the Pacific with General Merritt, in the hospitals at Honolulu, in Hong Kong, in the American trenches at Manila, in the front of the Olympic with Dewey, and in the rear of the battle at the fall of Manila. Bonanza for agents. Original photographs taken by government photographers on the spot. Large book. Low price. All profits for the Philippine war fund. Drop all trashy unsolicited war book offers. Address: F. F. Barber, 207 1/2 Washington Bldg., Chicago.

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ADMIT DEFEAT.

Filipinos See Their Cause Is Lost.

General Otis Dictates Terms of Surrender to the Defeated Rebels.

Three volunteer Americans, Lieutenant-Colonel Wallace, of the Montana regiment, and Brigade surgeons Adims and Shields, who were held by insurgents at Santa Tola, eight miles beyond Calumpit, as hostages for the safe return of the peace envoys, have been released from General Luna's headquarters, and have returned to Manila. They say that the rebel army is demoralized and disintegrated, and that few preparations have been made to resist the Americans. Luna and the other leaders are discouraged, and admit that they are beaten. Luna cannot say enough for the prowess of Funston and the other Americans in crossing the Rio Grande. It is clear that the most brilliant coup d'force was the thing which brought the rebels up short.

The refusal of Otis and Dewey to accept anything short of unconditional surrender is commended in Manila by the best element, and by all foreigners.

The following dispatch received April 29 from General Otis:

"Manila, April 29.—The conference with insurgent representatives terminated this morning. Their request was for a cessation of hostilities for three weeks to enable them to call their congress to decide whether to continue the prosecution of the war or prepare terms of peace. The proposition was declined and full amnesty promised on surrender. It is believed the insurgents are tired of war, but seek to secure terms of peace which will denigrate their representative congress.

"Otis"

War department officials are gratified with the tone of the reply of Otis to the Filipino delegation. It is considered as comporting with the dignity of the United States. It would not be possible for the United States to recognize the existence of the Filipino congress or Filipino government. It is said at the war department it is not likely any further concessions than that of general amnesty will be made. Peace and freedom, it is believed, will appeal more strongly to Filipino army than any argument Aguinaldo and his officers may make. Lawton is expected to continue the movement toward joining forces with MacArthur, according to the original program, and this juncture probably will be effected next Tuesday.

HERMANN ITEMS.

By C

May 2nd, 1899.

Born at Hermann, Oregon on April 26th, 1899 to the wife of Wm Kirby a girl. All doing well.

Joe Duncan has a black eye. The funny thing about it is he says there was no one else around when he got it. There seems to be an epidemic of boils in Hermann. If it is a fact that they are worth five dollars apiece we know of several parties up here who would like to know where they could get them cashed.

Some of our people are beginning to boat how high their garden is; well ours is nearly all up stairs yet; but you will hear from us when peas and beans are large enough to use.

Ben Jeans was down the other day to get me prophesy on the weather, but over a week ago I prophesied fair weather and it has rained every day since; so I am going out of the business.

Some of our old Oregonians say the cold rains have hurt the fruit blossoms. Now look out for a large yield of fruit.

Sunday was a lively day among the young ladies of Hermann, everybody called on everybody else.

ALPHA CLIPPINGS.

By EVEN CHANGE.

May 1st, 1899.

April has made a record for bad, nasty, cold weather.

Bald mountain was covered with snow several times last week.

We hear there are several elk ranging on the head waters of the left fork of Deadwood.

Rev. I. G. Knotts of Florence preached at Alpha Sunday, owing to bad weather people living at distance could not attend.

Mr Ed Haight was down the creek Sunday. He says he came after the U. S. mail. Ed is one of the few bachelors left on Deadwood. There are new attractions down here.

Miss Olga Swanson who came down to attend church while going home was thrown from her horse into Deadwood having to wade out and come back to Mr Potter's and get dry clothes.

Deadwoodites are just rolling in wealth. Mr Joe Ferguson of Monroe bought, while here, about 50 head of cattle leaving quite an amount of cash. The people of Deadwood have had in time past rather a hard time of it, but are getting in better condition to take life in the future.

THE DEDICATION.

Of the New Court House at Eugene.

Monday, May 1, 1899.

Interesting Addresses, Some Reminiscences of the Pioneers of Lane County.

Last Monday was the day set for formally dedicating the new court house at Eugene. The building was completed by the contractors a few days ago and accepted by the county court.

The court records have all been moved from the old building and from the rooms about town that were temporarily used for offices, to the commodious quarters in the new building.

Though the weather was threatening and several showers fell during the day there was a large number of people from the surrounding country who attended the dedicatory exercises. All the forenoon there was a constant stream of visitors at the court house to see the various offices and rooms in the building. The county officials were all on their good behavior that day (if indeed they are ever any different) and with the aid of several assistants, showed the people through the building and each explained the arrangement of his quarters and the convenience of the furnishing.

Many also visited the enclosure in the jail yard and inspected the gallows lately constructed there, Sheriff Withers showing them how it is worked.

About 2 p. m. the band played several selections in the open air before entering the building and taking their places in the court room which was already filled to overflowing. Standing room was at a premium and many were unable to gain admission.

After another selection by the band the opening address was delivered by Prof. Condon, president of the day. He dwelt upon the influence of American institutions and called attention to various institutions as peculiar to the country. He then announced a piece of music by the choir.

The next speaker was Judge J. J. Walton of Eugene who gave an interesting history of court matters in the early days of Lane county, mentioning the names of the judge, jurymen, attorneys and others who had business at the first term of circuit court held in Eugene. Zara T Sweet afterward a resident of the lower Siuslaw, was on that jury and was fined by the judge for contempt of court, being the first man fined in Lane county. Mr Sweet apologized to the court next day and the fine was remitted. This was followed by another song by the choir.

A J Zumwalt of Irving then spoke of the meeting of Delazon Smith and E D Baker which occurred at Eugene in 1860 and asked all present who attended on that occasion to stand up. About 15 arose.

After another piece of music D R Hill took the floor. He said he represented the farmers and regretted that the streets had been opened across the court square. It should be restored to its original size and the south part used for a park.

H C Veatch gave some reminiscences of pioneer days. The audience then joined in singing America.

Prof. F S Dunn a native of the county called attention to the difference between the conditions surrounding the people now and the pioneers. Music by the band concluded the afternoon program.

IN THE EVENING.

People began to assemble in the court room quite early and when the hour arrived for the evening exercises to begin the room was crowded.

The band played a number of pieces while the people were assembling and also at intervals during the evening.

E P Coleman delivered the first address of the evening. He spoke of what strong characters the pioneers were and thought the present inhabitants are inferior to them.

E R Skipworth referred to the erection of the court house as an absolute necessity from a business standpoint. It is a pleasure he said to note the desire of all the people to erect a new and modern building.

S L Moorhead was the next speaker. He is included in the list of those who have come to Oregon in the last few years. He congratulated the people on the solid and substantial appearance of the building.

S M Yoran spoke of the progress of mankind and the commonwealth of Oregon and of Lane county being a sturdy worthy of recognition.

Robert Clow of Junction made a few remarks concerning present institutions and western liberality and ideas of progress.

J J Walton then offered a motion that the county court be requested to place in the building a memorial window to the early pioneers. This was passed unanimously. Similar motions for a window in memory of Eugene Skinner also one in honor of Charnell Mulligan were passed.

L T Harris the last speaker gave some very interesting data in connection with the early county and circuit courts. He dwelt on the pride of citizenship, pride in the pioneers and pride in our standing as a county and our county institutions.

THE BUILDING.

The building is about 100 feet square and two stories in height besides a basement and tower. The walls are constructed of pressed brick with cut stone trimmings and stands on a stone foundation.

The basement was constructed in the fall of 1897 by L N Roney and the contract for the main building was awarded to the same gentleman in the spring of 1898. The work has just been finished and the building was accepted by the county court but a few days ago.

The furnace and other apparatus for heating the building are in the basement. The offices of the clerk, sheriff, assessor, treasurer, county judge and county court rooms are on the first floor. The second contains the offices of the school superintendent and surveyor, circuit court room and several jury rooms. The handsome clock, which tells the hour of the day, to the people of Eugene, is placed in the tower.

The entire cost of the building including basement, clock and furniture is a little less than \$75,000. It is said to be the best court house in the state.

How to Find Out.

Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENT.

Wash. April 24th, 1899.

Secretary Long is very anxious to learn something definite of the fate of Lieut. Gilmore and the boat's crew of fourteen men from the Yorktown, who are supposed to have either been killed or captured by the Filipinos last week, and he has cabled Admiral Dewey for all the information he has; also for information as to what steps have been taken to ascertain the fate of the men, or to secure their release if they are prisoners in the hands of the Filipinos.

Recent news from the Philippines has been considered in official circles to be decidedly favorable, and to indicate that the backbone of the revolt is broken, notwithstanding sensational publications to the contrary both in Europe and in this country. Officials charged that to an organized effort to create a sentiment against our retaining the Philippines, is responsible for most of these stories.

Everything has an end. The beef inquiry is over, and the court is now working upon its report, which is looked for this week. Some very radical predictions are being made as to the nature of the report, such as that it will whitewash the war department officials and censure Gen. Miles and other officers who found fault with the beef; but conservative men believe that the report will be a different sort of document; that it will deal very lightly with cen-

sure for anybody and that it will aim to be of such a nature that all parties concerned can, without loss of dignity consent to drop the whole controversy, which many think to have already been productive of more harm than good. It will soon be known which of these predictions is the correct one, as the understanding is that the report will be made public as soon as submitted.

Senator Stewart of Nevada, whose long service in the senate has made him an authority upon the rules and regulations of that body, was asked what action he thought the senate would take if Mr Quay presented his appointment to the senate, made by the governor of Pennsylvania, following his acquittal on a charge of criminal conspiracy by a Philadelphia jury, and he said: "For the last century the senate has been reversing itself on that question, but the last four cases have been decided against the appointee, and if this precedent is maintained, Mr Quay will not be seated. But I do not believe the senate will be called on to decide this matter, as it is my opinion that the Pennsylvania legislature will be called in extra session before the next meeting of congress, and that Mr Stewart, who is Mr Quay's political opponent, said of the result of his trial: "I regard the verdict of the jury in Senator Quay's trial as a just one, and the only one that could have been honestly rendered on the evidence submitted. Senator Quay is infinitely better than his opponents."

The fact that the contest for the speakership of the house, a position second only to the presidency in importance, and made by Mr Reed second in power over legislation to none, which has been precipitated by the announcement that Mr Reed has become a member of a New York law firm and would retire from public life, promises to be between the east and the west is not surprising. Of the thirty-two speakers of the house, only four—Keifer of Ohio, and Davis, Coifax and Kerr of Indiana—have come from the west, while fifteen of them have been taken from the south, and the other thirteen from the east. In ante-war times the west was not sufficiently influential in political councils to make an effective protest against not getting its share of the honors, but it is different now, especially in the house, where the west furnishes more than a majority of the votes of the party in control. This would seem to make it easy to elect a western speaker, and so it would if there were only one candidate from that section, but there are several; consequently there is no certainty about the section that the next speaker will come from. It is believed in Washington that the candidate who gets the support of the administration will get the speakership, regardless of what state he comes from. But it is a natural failing for those in Washington to always exaggerate official power and to assume that the administration will be the winning factor in all contests within the party in power, but there has been occasions when the administration candidate for speaker has been defeated. President McKinley's long experience in the house will go a long way, however, towards enabling him to choose a man for the administration candidate who can win, and the chances are decidedly in favor of his doing that very thing. Representative Payne of New York, who was chairman of the ways and means committee of the last house, and floor leader of the majority, spent Sunday in Washington, and took occasion to publicly announce his candidacy for the speakership. He is the first in the field, but there is no danger of his becoming lonesome.

Friends of Vice President Hobart, whose health continues bad, deny the report that he had decided not to be a candidate for renomination. They say that he has not decided either to be or not to be a candidate.

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