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### PAID FRATERNAL VISIT

Dallas Masons Were Guests of Lyon Lodge No. 29, in Independence Last Saturday Evening.

Twenty-four members of Jennings Lodge, No. 9, A. F. & A. M., paid a fraternal visit to Lyon Lodge, No. 29, A. F. & A. M., of Independence, last Saturday night. The visitors were given a cordial reception by their hosts, and, after the work of the lodge was over, were invited into the beautiful new banquet hall, where refreshments were served. Nothing was overlooked that would add to the pleasure of the occasion, and a pleasant and profitable evening was enjoyed by all. The visitors from Dallas returned by special motor, arriving home shortly after midnight.

Those going from Dallas were: W. V. Fuller, Harry Hollister, Oscar Hayter, Ed Biddle, A. B. Muir, R. L. Chapman, E. C. Kirkpatrick, Dr. Mark Hayter, N. L. Butler, J. C. Uglow, V. P. Fiske, Dr. H. L. Toney, J. T. Pepper, Lot Shreve, J. J. Wiseman, G. L. Hawkins, Dr. B. H. McCollon, Charles F. Bolt, J. C. Hayter, U. S. Loughary, W. G. Vassall, D. S. McDonald, Frank Wrightson and Willis Simonton.

### GIRLS PLAY BASKETBALL

Contest at College Gymnasium Saturday Night Draws Good Crowd.

A game of basketball between two teams of College girls was witnessed by a good-sized crowd in the gymnasium last Saturday night. The teams were evenly matched in skill, and the contest was lively from start to finish. The first half lasted 10 minutes, and the last 15 minutes. The score was 1 to 0 in favor of the Fireflies. The game was highly enjoyed by the spectators, and good feeling prevailed among the players. The line up was: Fireflies Enigmas Ada Osfield forward Edith Frink Florence Palmer forward Pauline Olin Georgia Shriver center E. Ballantyne Mamie Allen guard Esther Savage Leona Allen guard Amy Perry Officials: Bert Peats, umpire; Walter Ford, referee. Miss Mildred Slemons played forward for the Enigmas in the last half of the game.

### Working For Electric Road.

J. M. Stark, of Independence, was in Dallas, Monday. He is working hard in the interest of the proposed electric railway between Independence and Salem, and is receiving substantial encouragement from the citizens of both towns. Instead of asking for a bonus, the company will probably request citizens of Polk and Marion county to subscribe for stock in the road. It is hoped to raise \$6000 in Independence and \$20,000 in Salem in this manner, the people of each town to assist in obtaining a right-of-way for the road.

### Annual Meeting.

The annual congregational meeting of the Presbyterian church will be held Thursday evening, March 30, at 7:30 o'clock. Reports, election of officers, and other necessary business will be transacted. It is desired that every member be present.

### FOR CIVIC BETTERMENT

Citizens of Dallas Will Meet and Discuss Plans for Beautifying the Town.

Much interest is manifested in the proposed organization of a Civic Improvement League in Dallas, and there is every prospect of a large attendance at the citizens' mass meeting to be held in the City Hall next Wednesday night. This meeting is called by the City Council, and the officers earnestly hope that there will be a large turnout of business men, householders, women and school children. All can help in the good work of making Dallas a clean town, and the City Hall should be packed to the doors next Wednesday evening.

The move for civic betterment is general in all parts of Oregon and Washington, and the people of every city of importance are holding mass meetings, at which the leading authorities tell of what can be best done to accomplish desired results. Such a meeting has been called in Seattle, and the newspapers of that city express the belief that no public hall will be large enough to accommodate the crowd of citizens who will desire to turn out.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer of Sunday March 5 publishes letters from many prominent men and women, indorsing the move for a Civic Improvement Club. These letters all contain practical suggestions for the work, and show that it is within the power of every citizen to bring about splendid results.

### RESULTS OF "BLOCK SYSTEM"

Many of these letters speak of the "block system." By this it is possible to reach every citizen and householder of the city. It only needs one enterprising man or woman to the block to start the ball rolling, and when they have secured the co-operation of a majority of the householders in the block the influence they can bring upon the negligent and stubborn will be sure of bringing results. The care of the park strips, the planting of trees, the seeding of lawns, the planting of handsome gardens and beds of flowers, the painting of the houses, the removal of unsightly fences, piles of rubbish, the inclosure of barnyards with fence and trellis, and the constant maintenance of the work when once performed, can be done by means of the "block system."

### NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

Austin E. Griffiths, one of the leaders of the movement, says: "The request for a general yard cleaning in Seattle brings to mind the old couplet: 'If each before his own door swept, The village would be cleanly kept.' 'For under normal conditions municipal cleanliness is largely dependent upon the personal pride and attention of the citizen; especially is this so in the matter of fresh paint, nice lawns and beautiful homes. To prevent or extirpate plague or dangerous disease municipal authorities

often times, but at enormous cost to taxpayers, successfully enforce a regime of strict sanitation. This drastic remedy would be unnecessary if cities were, as they should be, always clean. But municipal power stops short of municipal beauty. No official mandate can bring forth neat fences, trim hedges, attractive gardens, pretty shrubs and flowers and other evidences of taste and refinement that characterize the homes of many cities much less bountifully endowed by nature than is our own city. The citizen is responsible for the cleanliness and beauty of his own city.

"We all agree it is right our city should be made and kept clean and beautiful, and apart from the constant pleasure afforded ourselves in the enjoyment of a city well ordered, we should have regard to the fact that our city and ourselves will be judged by appearances this coming Summer and Fall by many thousand of Portland exposition visitors. This year may be made a harvest time by Oregon and Washington in securing the best class of settlers for town and country, as well as the intelligent good will of numbers of Eastern tourists and business men. Let the members of our improvement clubs be among the first to set up and maintain the highest standard of civic excellence.

"The first and most obvious thing to do is for each householder to resolve to put and keep his own property in the best condition that his means will admit of. Not only the lots themselves, but the parking strips, where there are any, should be put and kept in order. Especially I would urge every householder to plant trees in front of his property. Nothing makes a city more attractive or yields a greater return of beauty and comfort for the money invested.

"The most effective means of bringing about the cleaning up of the city would be neighborhood organization. The various improvement clubs should appoint a committee for each block in their territory to urge neglected property owners to put their grounds in order, and to create neighborhood competition in the line of beautification and improvement. Where there are unsightly vacant lots in an improved block the neighbors might be persuaded to club together for their improvement if the owners could not be reached."

### WEEK FOR CITY BEAUTIFUL

Reuben W. Jones, secretary of the school board, makes these recommendations:

"It is evident that one of the greatest and most immediate needs of the city is general cleaning up of streets, alleys, private grounds, vacant lots, and the removal and repair of so many unsightly features and neglected premises.

"I would suggest a week to be designated 'A week for the city beautiful' to be universally observed by the city government, the improvement and other clubs, the newspapers, the Chamber of Commerce, the real estate exchanges, the schools, and all associations and citizens throughout the city, as a definite period for cleaning and renovating and for making improvements, so that at the end of the week a surprising change might be noticed in the appearance of the city. The season is advancing, and such a week should be soon named. A further outline might be offered in brief as follows:

"The improvement clubs, led by the conference committee, calling a meeting of every club of the city for Monday evening of the week, to plan the work for their respective localities, dividing into subdistricts, and with the aid of the women getting down to the unit of the 'block system.'

"The Chamber of Commerce and real estate board, by special committees, undertaking some definite special work for the beautifying of the city during that week.

"The merchant dealers in garden tools, lawn mowers, trees, shrubbery and seed, paints and oils, to assist by advertising and making special displays and offering their best discounts for the week.

"The schools, through superintendent and teachers, principals and children, could reach and influence nearly every home in the city and awaken a wonderful interest in the subject and encourage the work of beautifying the home surroundings, and at the same time do something for the school grounds."

### WOMEN CAN DO THEIR SHARE

Mrs. Homer M. Hill, president of the Federation of Women's Clubs, says: "The park board will see to it that the driveways and parks are in the best possible order; the Women's Century Club will look after the kitchen garden and maybe the back yard; the improvement clubs will suggest and urge improvement of streets, the removal of unsightly objects, and enjoin tidiness generally. But who will look specifically after the house-keeper who never sweeps her share of the sidewalk, who throws ashes into the street, all that she dares to; who

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## Special Alteration Sale

To make room for the improvements inside before the bulk of our Spring Goods arrive, we will sell at a great reduction until April 1st: Ladies' Tailor-made suits at 40 per cent reduction; Ladies' Skirts at 20 per cent off; all ladies', men's and children's Shoes at a reduced price; Trunks, suit cases at 20 per cent reduction.

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### WOMEN WILL HELP

Lewis and Clark Division Will Attend Civic Improvement Meeting Next Wednesday Night.

That the women of Dallas are taking a lively interest in the move for civic improvement is evidenced by the fact that the Lewis and Clark Division has voted to attend next Wednesday night's mass meeting in a body. The subject was introduced at the meeting of the Division, Tuesday afternoon, and the proposed plan of organization was endorsed by every member present. The Division has a membership of over 100 women, and its influence will be felt for great good in the move to make Dallas a more beautiful and attractive town.

The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Frank Kerslake, and was largely attended. Mrs. Kerslake was assisted in receiving her guests by Mrs. T. B. Rowell. After an interesting hour devoted to business matters, a pleasant social session was enjoyed. A vocal solo by Mrs. J. C. Uglow, a select reading by Mrs. Kerslake, and a piano solo by Miss Erna Smith were pleasing features of the program. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.