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HAPPY IS HE THAT CONDEMNETH NOT HIMSELF IN THAT WHICH HE ALLOWETH.—Romans 14:22.

**TWO NOTABLE ADDRESSES**

The following addresses were delivered at the dedication last Thursday night, of the Estacada Masonic Lodge. The first, on the history of the local lodge was by C. S. Allen, and the other on "The Spirit of Masonry," by H. C. Stephens, W. M.

**HISTORY OF LOCAL LODGE**

Pursuant to a call the following Masons, members of various lodges, from various jurisdictions, met at the Estacada State Bank on January 9th, 1911, for the purpose of organizing a Masonic Lodge. There were present Fred W. Gartner, Wm. R. F. Brown, Wm. Dale, Roger W. Cary, J. C. Clarkson, Levi G. Coudon, S. Frank Smith, Beach R. Kimmel, E. S. Womer and Henry Joyner. After some preliminary talk Fred W. Gartner was elected chairman, B. R. Kimmel, Secretary. A committee was appointed to petition the Most Worshipful Grand Master for a dispensation to organize such a Masonic Lodge and to initiate, pass and raise all good men and true who might apply for this purpose and to do certain other Masonic work. On April 4th the dispensation having been granted, the members were called together and a lodge was organized. A charter was granted by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge June 16th, 1911, and the lodge was constituted by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Thomas W. Baldwin on July 13th, 1911, A. L. 5911. The following officers having been elected and appointed, were duly installed: W. M., Fred W. Gartner; S. W., Wm. R. F. Brown; J. W., Henry Joyner; Treas., Roger W. Cary; Secretary, Wm. Dale; S. D., S. Frank Smith; J. D., Levi G. Coudon; S. S., Edmund E. Salling; J. S., Ed. L. Wonacott; Tyler, Beach R. Kimmel. The following members having presented their demits were enrolled as Charter Members of Estacada Lodge No. 146 A. F. & A. M., Wm. Dale, Roger W. Cary, Frederick W. Gartner, J. C. Clarkson, Levi G. Coudon, E. S. Womer, Beach R. Kimmel, John E. Schenk, Ed. L. Wonacott, Henry Duboise, Wm. R. F. Brown, Henry Joyner, S. Frank Smith, and Edmund E. Salling.

We have initiated, passed and raised 65, admitted 28 by demit or transfer, there have demitted 11, transferred 7, dropped from the rolls 7. Brothers Henry Duboise, Henry Dillon and Burton T. Moore have died, leaving 65 members in good standing.

Our Masters have been Frederick W. Gartner, Wm. R. F. Brown, W. S. Pyle, Owen E. Smith, Claude W. Devore, Fred Grant Robley, Alfred Drill, Cornelius S. Allen, John Greenwood, Thomas Watson, Edwin D. Allen, Charles A. Norris, Theodore Ahlberg, and our present Master Harold C. Stephens.

Our present officers are W. M., Harold C. Stephens; S. W., Ray H. Keith; J. W., Cornelius S. Allen; Treas., Geo. R. Ellis; Secretary, Wm. Dale; S. D., Walter C. Scrutton; J. D., Fred C. Bartholomew; S. S., Geo. E. Lawrence; J. S., Harold E. Wooster; Chaplain, Charles A. Norris; Marshall, Perry M. Anderson; Tyler, Beach R. Kimmel; Trustees, Geo. A. Lovell; Geo. P. Rose, and Geo. E. Lawrence.

For many years the Lodge has considered the building of a Masonic home, with various plans suggested. It was not until this spring, however, that the matter took shape to the extent that it was referred to a committee for the purpose of considering the matter and devising a plan and should it be deemed feasible to proceed at that time. The committee consisted of C. S. Allen, Geo. E. Lawrence, G. A. Lovell, G. P. Rose, H. C. Stephens, and S. E. Wooster. This committee reported a plan for the erection of the building and the financing of the same and the report was approved and the committee continued as a building committee with authorization to do any and all things necessary in connection with the matter. The Masonic Building Association was incorporated with all members in good standing of Estacada Lodge No. 146 A. F. & A. M. as members thereof. Lots 3, 4, and 5 in block 7, Estacada were purchased and the building as you now behold it was erected. And tonight we are able to appreciate the work not only of the committee but of all good Masons, members of the Eastern Star and others who have assisted in this grand and glorious work.

Furthermore, I would like to state that it has been largely due to the untiring effort and ability of our Master, Harold C. Stephens, that this building has become a reality. While each and every one of the committee has given his best, the ultimate decision

has been deferred to him, and I feel that the rest of the committee concur in this statement.

**SPIRIT OF MASONRY**

It is my very pleasant duty at this time to give expression to the feelings of pleasure which we experience in being thus honored with the presence of the M. W. Grand Master and other Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge of Oregon A. F. & A. M. It has been a long time since we have been permitted to entertain even one representative of the Grand Lodge and it is quite worth the effort we have put forth in the past few months to have so many of them with us tonight. We hope that they may be so favorably impressed with their reception here tonight that they may be with us again at no distant date and that their next visit may not be deferred until we again build a Temple.

We are also delighted to have with us so many members of our affiliated organization, the Order of the Eastern Star, who are always ready to do their utmost to aid and assist in any Masonic undertaking. Our pleasure at being in our new home is heightened by the thought that they will share it with us.

We would also voice a word of appreciation at the presence of citizens of this and other communities. It was the design of Estacada Lodge in erecting this building to have one which would not only be a home for this Lodge, marking a milestone in Masonic progress in this jurisdiction, but one which should be a credit and a means of service to this city and community, and we feel that our design has been, in a measure at least, accomplished.

Never again will anyone convince me that dreams don't come true; for years we have dreamed and hoped and prayed for a home for this Lodge and tonight hope has attained fruition, prayers have been answered and dreams have come true in this beautiful building that has been dedicated tonight to the spirit of masonry and the good of mankind.

We all know that Masonry is a progressive Science, and if we are progressing as we should in the Science that progress will be manifested not only in purer acts and nobler deeds but in more beautiful Masonic edifices as well.

This building stands as a concrete expression of that progress, but my friends, this building is but the outward manifestation of the Spirit that should actuate all Masons; the spirit of Harmony, of Brotherly Love, of Fraternity; the spirit, if you please, of the Golden Rule which should inspire all of us, and especially Masons, and which, if lacking among us, makes this beautiful building a hollow mockery and this dedication tonight an empty sham.

I know, however, that this building does represent the peace and harmony prevailing in our Lodge, for were it not so, we could not have brought to a successful conclusion the business on which we have been engaged. With a membership of less than seventy, one-third of them non-residents, it may be realized that it was a somewhat sizable undertaking upon which we entered and it could not have been accomplished without the active and earnest support of the members of this Lodge.

As time goes on, you may hear some brother claim, either for himself or for another, a preponderance of help or influence in the building of the temple. If you do, I hope you will correct the same. Tell him you did as much as any other brother and that you have for your authority the statement of the Master of your Lodge at the dedication of the Temple; for, my brother, if you did the best you could in the accomplishment of our purpose, then did you as much as any other brother, no matter what his achievement. Your mission in life, and mine, does not lie in doing as much as someone else, but in doing ALL that we are able in the furtherance of all right and worthy achievement. That is all for which we must answer.

We frequently hear criticism of Masonry because some member of the order does not measure up to the expected standard. That is wrong; that is not the true test of Masonry. There are undoubtedly many men who have never seen the inside of a Masonic Lodge who are better Masons than

some who have received the benefits of our mystic rights and ceremonies. The real test of Masonry is not whether one man is better than another by reason of having received the degrees of Masonry, but whether he is better after having received those degrees than he was before. And by this Test Masonry has been tried for centuries and not found wanting; so, if we are not better men and better citizens by reason of having received instructions in the beauties of Masonry, the fault lies with us and not with Masonry. And may I not digress at this point to paraphrase a little poem which I came across one day?

If you want to have the kind of a lodge Like the kind of a lodge you like, You needn't slip your clothes in a grip And start on a long, long hike. You'll only find what you left behind, For there's nothing that's really new; It's a knock at yourself.

When you knock your Lodge; It isn't the Lodge—it's you! Real lodges aren't made by men afraid Lest someone else gets ahead. When everyone works and nobody shirks, You can raise a lodge from the dead; And if while you work for Fraternity's sake, Your brother is working too, Your lodge will be what you want it to be; It isn't the Lodge—it's YOU.

For centuries Masonry has had a distinct place in the affairs of man and the history of nations. A large majority of the leaders in the founding of this Republic were Masons and as they carefully laid the foundations of the government in Justice and Equity, placed the cornerstone with Truth and Wisdom and erected the superstructure with the Freedom of man and Equal opportunity for all, so may we in our little sphere strive to maintain those principles for which they gave so much.

Masonry is doing its part in the world today as it did in the days of our forefathers. The best thinkers of the world are members of our order and it is to be hoped that the day is not far distant when their influence will be sufficient to bring to an end the strife and turmoil of war. It seems so incomprehensible that nations in this enlightened age should ever deem it necessary to go to war to settle their differences. Many remember back only a few years when the approved way of settling differences or disputes was with a gun, a knife or a sword; those of us who had the privilege, and I count it a privilege, to have grown up in a frontier country, well remember how it was quite the expected thing for the cow punchers and bad men to rush in and shoot up the towns and forcibly exterminate any who opposed them. Those were the days of the triumph of the man with the best gun, but those days are happily past; the individual gun toter is an outlaw in society; we have learned better and more just and honorable methods of adjusting difficulties; not so, however, is it with nations; we still have the national gun toter, who attempts to demonstrate the righteousness of his cause by means of the largest gun or the most poisonous gas, or the most deadly submarine. If it be true that a nation rises no higher in the plane of civilization than the average of its citizenry; then the corollary should also be true that it does attain to that point. To the candid and thinking mind it seems incomprehensible that while in our ordinary affairs the gun toter or the bad man is summarily dealt with by society, yet in national affairs the national gun toter or firebag is recognized as having a proper place in the economy of things. We are told that there are questions of honor that can not be settled by arbitration or by adjudication by an international court. Such contentions have long since passed in individual affairs and they have no more place in international negotiations. There is no question that cannot be more honorably settled by proper adjudication than by warfare.

God grant that the Spirit of Masonry which prevails in the hearts of all good men and the institution of Masonry which exists throughout the world may hasten the time when the national gun toter may be as unpopular as is the individual engaged in similar pursuits, and that peace and harmony may prevail among men and Masons throughout the world.

**COUNTY FAIR NOTES**

There are many little corners and small display cases in the large exhibition rooms at the Clackamas county fair grounds in Canby that draw no such wide spread attention as do some of the shelves on which are lodged great blue ribbon displays, but these nooks and smaller cases house articles which are often the product of days and weeks of the most intricate labor and skill and care. They are the needle work exhibits, the home economics department and the floral displays.

Mrs. A. H. Knight of Canby will have charge of the domestic science department. Mrs. Knight is well posted in this department, having been in charge for a number of years and is interesting women in the county in entering articles in that department.

Mrs. Bertha Hurst McFarland of Canby, who has had charge of the floral display for several years, will again take charge of that department this year. Mrs. Frank T. Barlow, one of Gladstone's prominent dahlia growers, and Mrs. Frona Dimick of Oregon City, also a prominent dahlia grower, are to be among those to enter blossoms in the floral class.

There are a number of special prizes offered in the dahlia class this year. For the best display of cactus dahlias a first prize of \$1 is to be given, with a second prize of 50 cents; for the best display of peony dahlia \$1 for first and 50 cents for second, and similar cash prizes offered for the best display of show and single dahlias. For the best display of cut flowers by florists of Clackamas county a cash prize of \$5 will be given with a second prize of \$2. Among those who will enter will be the Oregon City greenhouse and Starkers greenhouse of Jennings Lodge. There will also be given \$5 and \$2 for the best display of cut flowers by amateurs. The greenhouse flowers are not to be displayed in the cut flower contest, and all flowers must be in the hands of the secretary by 12 o'clock of the first day of the fair.

Three bands of Clackamas county will furnish the music for the fair this year. Heretofore but one band was secured for the four days. Estacada will furnish the band music for Estacada, Oregon City and West Linn day, Thursday, September 18; Molalla band which furnished the music last year, will play for Molalla and Grange day, the last day of the fair, and the Milwaukie band will play for Milwaukie and Juvenile day, the 18th.

A baby show will be held on Oregon City, Estacada and West Linn day, and from indications there will be a dozen baby girls and boys entered in the contest. There will be an age limit.

Definite decision was made last week for the girls' baseball team at the fair, the date to be on the last day of the fair—Saturday, September 20. At this time the Oregon City Manufacturing girls' team and the All Star Americans of Gladstone will compete for the cash prize. As both teams are yet to be defeated the game is attracting no little attention in Clackamas county, this coming event promises to be one of the big main drawing cards of the fair.

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BY C. E. SPENCE, MARKET AGT.

**How the System Works Out**

The ordinary family, that of the day laborer or the salaried man, allows "about so much" for family necessities. The grocery account must be held down to a certain figure; the vegetable and meat allowance must not overrun; fruit for canning, clothing, luxuries and all the general family needs must be kept within certain limits.

The result is that when living expenses rise, or when the price of a certain commodity goes up, then the family budget is trimmed somewhere to offset the increase. There is only so much money to be spent, so the family budget is contracted accordingly. If the price of sugar and peaches is high, then canned peaches are taken off the winter menu of the family, or the usual supply reduced. If meat, eggs, potatoes, milk and like necessities are high priced, then again the side-lines, fruit; vegetables, etc., are cut down. If wood, coal furniture, etc., are too high, then the new

suit of clothes or the overcoat must go over.

When a multitude of middle interests are supported between the producer and the family; when a dollar's worth of food products on the farm goes to the homes at three dollars, and when like middle profits are exacted from almost any necessary manufactured product, then there cannot be but one result—reduced consumption—and that condition hits everybody.

If there were normal consumption in Oregon; if the salaried and day-labor families could buy what the families could consume, fruits would not rot under the trees; berries would not be left to dry on the vines and there would not be any "surplus" in the state.

Perhaps someday there will be joint action between the grower and eater when a greater part of the 66% middle profit will be eliminated. Nearly all the nations of Europe have taken this course because necessity has compelled.

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10:00 a. m. Meeting of Clackamas County Jersey, Guernsey and Holstein cattle clubs, and inspection of cattle and agricultural products.

12:00—NOON—BASKET DINNER—Coffee will be served free.

1:15—Speaking by E. E. Faville, editor Western Farmer; O. M. Plummer, Mgr. Pacific International Stock Show; C. E. Spence, State Market Agent; F. J. Tooze, State Senator, and others.

Eugenics contest.  
Stock judging and judging of Boys and Girls exhibit by experts from O. A. C. and County Agent.

**PRIZES GIVEN**

Money and Ribbon Prizes will be given on First, Second and Third premiums to boys and girls of school age.

**ADMISSION FREE**

**Display the Flag Tomorrow**

The state committee for the observance of Defense Test Day requests that all communities, business houses, patriotic bodies and individuals display the National colors on September 12.

M. Lonsberry is taking his vacation, commencing September 8th. He contemplates a trip east

as far as Chicago. He will visit his old home at Oakwood Ill. He will also visit Peoria, Decatur, Chicago and some points in Iowa, Nebraska and Missouri before returning. C. A. Linn will have charge of the lumber yard during the former's absence. Mr. Lonsberry expects to return late in October.

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