

SUPREME OFFICER KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS VISITS MEDFORD

Brig S. Young, supreme chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, accompanied by his wife and the grand chancellor of Oregon, arrived in Medford this morning. This is the first time Supreme Chancellor Young has ever been west of Denver. He makes but three stops in Oregon and comes here from Portland, where the supreme lodge meets next year. The distinguished visitors will be here until 4 o'clock tomorrow and are being shown around the city and valley.

The Knights of Pythias, of which the chancellor is the highest official in the world, is now, at less than 52 years of age, the third largest fraternal order in the United States, with a membership of 750,000, scattered over every state of the Union, Alaska, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Hawaiian Islands, Philippines, China, Mexico and the canal zone. The lodge has made a miscellaneous growth for a fraternal order and includes among its members most of President Wilson's cabinet, one-third of the United States senators, two-fifths of the house of representatives and half of the governors of the different states.

Supreme Chancellor Young and Grand Chancellor Marks will make the Knights of southern Oregon an official visit at the local lodge hall this evening, where music will be furnished and a banquet served. Talisman lodge is inviting all knights, including all who have ever held membership in the order, but the meeting will not be open to the public. The Pythian Sisters will entertain Mrs. Young.

The grand vice chancellor of California, J. C. Brown, is here to attend the meeting tonight and escort the supreme chancellor into California, where he makes his first stop at Sacramento. At the meeting there he will be welcomed by Governor Johnson, a Pythian Knight, and other distinguished officials.

CONSERVATORY NOTES

To those who have been misinformed, may we state that no one is in any way connected with Medford Conservatory except Mrs. Lynette Hovious, who is the instructor in the departments of expression, public speaking, physical training and aesthetic dancing, and Miss Ivadell Swindler, who is the instructor in the departments of piano, musical theory and club work.

The entire enrollment of students in all departments of the conservatory is now 101.

Miss Gould is a new student in the Tuesday afternoon class of physical training.

The public speaking class made five-minute speeches last week on the following subjects: "Evolution," "Child Labor," "Labor Unions," "Gary System," "Home and Nation."

Miss Phipps is one of the new students enrolling this week in the expression department.

The Jacksonville Glee club meets each Wednesday under the direction of Miss Swindler of the music department.

Miss Leah Walkers is a new member in both class and private work in physical training and aesthetic dancing.

Because of Thanksgiving coming on Thursday, the public speaking class will meet the Monday evening following Thursday, November 25.

The men debate the subject, "Resolved, national preparedness is essential to the peace of the United States." Messrs. Nordwick, McCredie and Altimus for the affirmative; Messrs. Bell, Simmonds and Forbes for the negative. Mr. Pierce, Miss Heine and Mr. Seeley acting as judges, with Mr. Pierce, chairman, and Mrs. Hovious critic.

The expression class which meets Thursday at 4 p. m. will be assigned their parts next week in the play on which they will begin work.

Mrs. Harbin of the ladies' physical training class, having been a visitor last week at the exposition, was absent from class work on Monday.

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Gus Newbury and family have returned from the San Francisco exposition.

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WORST TRAGEDY WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN IS FATE OF SERBIA'S STARVING ORPHANS

Letters From Relief Workers Paint Horror Picture of Misery of Nation of Homeless Babes Living Like Scavenger Dogs.

Soldiers Fighting Desperately in the Trenches Snatch Moment to Share Crust With Suffering Waifs That Crawl to Them for Aid.

By HARRY PAYNE BURTON, NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Serbia is now to leave an almost humanless, lifeless country to the conquerors!

Except for the cries of the 10,000 starving babies wandering through the woods and devastated villages and towns, Serbia will be deserted, desolate, voiceless.

Yesterday I tried to visualize for Americans just how this state of colossal misery has been brought about and just what it means. I showed that 200,000 war casualties and the wiping out by typhus of 600,000 mothers and fathers had left a nation of orphans, starving, living like scavenger dogs.

I have just heard from the trembling lips of Miss Helen Losavitch, the beautiful daughter of a former Serbian minister to London, terrible stories of the utter wretchedness of these lost "Babes of the Woods."

For gripping, pathetic, tragedy, history has never heard the equal of these tales. Their pathos is staggering. Their appeal must reach down to the very depths of the hearts of the most cynical and skeptical.

"You cannot possibly conceive what frightful unhappiness the war has brought to Serbia," began Miss Losavitch.

"They have killed off the parents and have left the children to be starved to death. These 10,000 orphans—Mr. Wordsworth of the Rockefeller foundation says they number 20,000—are the flotsam and jetsam of a wrecked nation. They are groping in the woods and hills, living on roots."

"During the summer the army cared for many of the orphaned children, for the soldiers adopted the waifs they met, shared their food and blankets with them, and cared for the tiny tots with the utmost tenderness.

"But when they were called to the battle front they had to leave their charges behind them, to the mercy of chance. Sometimes they sheltered and fed them in the trenches. Here is a letter I have received from my mother. My father, you know, is head of the Serbian war relief fund. My mother says:

"Now the cold is coming and at night the children generally gather near a village and creep against a house wall to sleep. The older ones take care of the younger.

"I went to St. Roman's, where the St. Helen's home is, the other day and the lady in charge told me a heartrending story. A poor soldier who was wounded came home for ten days' leave. When he reached home he found his wife dead of typhus and his two children alone, starving. He was heartbroken.

"After his leave was up, and he



There's 10,000 of these starving Serbian "Babes in the Woods!" Homeless, hungry and sick little Serbian waifs, like the two pictured above, are even forced by their misery to crawl in the very fighting trenches in hopes of sharing some soldier's crust of bread.

had to return to the front, he did not know what to do with the kiddies. So he took them to this home and, crying bitterly, pictured what would happen to them unless they were received there.

"The children were sobbing and the lady cried, too. It seemed to her so tragic that the soldier must leave them in the hands of strangers to save them from worse things that must befall were the enemy not to be kept out of the country."

"So much for my mother's letter. "The municipalities," Miss Losavitch explained, "have tried to farm out these 10,000 orphans among the peasants, by twos and threes. But as these peasants can scarcely maintain their own children they generally keep them a few days and then take them out into the streets and leave them there, where they are found by the police, and brought back to the municipality, which tries again to place them.

"The trouble is not only how to keep these children alive, but how to keep them good. With the lack of oversight, and the disorder of the community, we are afraid many of them will grow up beggars and criminals.

"Surely you cannot turn a deaf ear to the souls of these fatherless, motherless and homeless little wanderers.

"If these children were running,

TEUTONS WATCHING MOVE OF RUMANIA

BUCHAREST, Rumania, Nov. 20.—The newspaper Epoca asserts that Austrian and German troops have landed on the Rumanian island of Hurawai in the Danube river and that they are placing mines in the river and watching the movements of the Rumanian troops. The Epoca asks why the Rumanian government takes no action in the matter.

wild in this country a million dollars would be raised in a few hours. Don't forget that Serbian children are very much like yours.

"I am sure that Americans will not let these innocent victims of the war perish by the roadside in thousands like so many noisome insects."

What Will You Do for These 10,000 Lost, Starving Orphans?

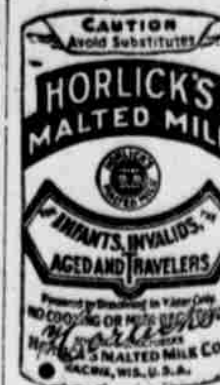
WILL YOU CONTRIBUTE A CRUMB FROM YOUR THANKSGIVING FEAST TO THE WANDERING ORPHANS WHO ARE PARENTLESS AND DYING IN THE FORESTS OF SERBIA?

Contributions should be sent direct to the Serbian relief commission headquarters at 70 Fifth avenue, New York City. No sum is too small to aid. Boys and girls and grown-ups who can raise \$9 in nickels and pennies can provide for a kit as follows:

Outfit for 4 to 13-year-old boy: 1 cap, 1 sweater, 2 blouses, 1 pr. trousers, 2 undershirts, and drawers, 2 pajamas, night-drawers, overalls, shoes, stockings and sundries.

Outfit for 4 to 14-year-old girl: 1 hood, 1 sweater, 2 dresses, 2 aprons, 2 nightgowns, 2 petticoats, 2 union suits, 2 bodices and drawers, shoes, stockings, etc.

The chief American patron of the American commission for Serbian relief at 70 Fifth avenue, New York City, is Dr. Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard university. Princess Helen of Serbia is the Serbian patron and will be responsible for the proper handling of contributions in Serbia.



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