

OBSERVANCE OF LAW, IDEALS OF LINCOLN, AND RELIGIOUS CONSCIENCE URGED AT BANQUET

Deploping the disregard of the eighteenth amendment, urging a keener religious consciousness and enjoining the people of the United States to regard as a sacred heritage the ideals left to us by Abraham Lincoln and our other great forefathers, Rev. William S. Gilbert of Astoria, thrilled and inspired more than two hundred Jackson county republicans in a brilliant address at the ninth annual banquet of the Lincoln club at the Hotel Medford last evening.

A feature of the evening was the introduction of Miss Grace Chamberlain of Ashland, president of the Jackson County Lincoln club for 1923 by the retiring president, Frank P. Farrell. Miss Chamberlain is the first and only woman to have been accorded this honor during the nine years of the existence of the Jackson County Lincoln club and presided during the evening with finish and grace proving her worthy of the position bestowed upon her.

Other officers for 1924 are vice-president, Cole Holmes of Medford; secretary, A. J. Crow of Medford; treasurer, E. E. Harder of Medford. The nominating committee which recommended the election of these officers was composed of P. M. Ker-shaw, Ben Hilton and George Gates.

Following the invocation by Rev. E. P. Lawrence the Gettysburg address was read in an admirable manner by Captain H. A. Canaday of separate company A of the Oregon National Guard.

Telegrams to E. V. Carter, Col. R. C. Washburn, the Lincoln Club of Multnomah county and Will G. Steel from the Jackson County club and from Alfred E. Clark, president of the Portland Lincoln club and Robert Stanfield to the Jackson County Lincoln club were read by Miss Chamberlain.

An excellent banquet was served with Emil Mohr's usual careful consideration and was enjoyed by the crowd, which was one of the largest in the history of the local Lincoln club. Music by the Christian church orchestra led by D. E. Millard and selected to fit the occasion accompanied the banquet.

Mr. Millard sang a solo of his own composition and responded twice to cheers.

The banquet hall was a mass of flags on all four walls. The picture of Lincoln hung over the speaker's table while that of Harding was on the opposite wall. Pictures of other noted republicans were also displayed. Elk and deer heads and numerous specimens of game formed part of the decorations which were arranged by Tom Swann, assisted by W. L. Coleman.

Following the banquet, Miss Chamberlain introduced J. E. Thornton, a comrade of Lieutenant Colonel Gilbert, during the Spanish-American war and the Philippine insurrection, who introduced the speaker as a man of rare courage and ability and self-sacrificing character. Mr. Thornton introduced him as "Major Gilbert, fighting pastor of the 2nd Oregon Volunteers" and spoke of his leadership in the rehabilitation and relief work following the Astoria fire disaster of several months ago.

Rev. Gilbert thanked Lieutenant Thornton for his introduction as an old friend and thanked him for the mention of the Astoria disaster some of the details of which he described. He thanked the people of Medford, Ashland and Grants Pass for their help and for the spirit they had shown following the disaster.

"Let us be glad of the splendid spirit which even in these times of stress allows gatherings in every community in this country to do honor to the memory of Abraham Lincoln," said Rev. Gilbert. "Abraham Lincoln is the embodiment of America from east to west. In every city, in every schoolhouse in the land people gather, not only to honor and remember him, but to reaffirm and re-dedicate themselves to the great principles he represents."

"The man Lincoln! It took two and a half centuries to make Lincoln! Three great things happened in the year 1819. In 1819 a Dutch man of war came into Jamestown harbor and sold the colony there 20 'negars.' In the same year Puritan refugees were preparing to sail for New England, where they could worship God according to the dictates of their own consciences and in that same year a boy was born in England named Samuel Lincoln. At an early age he crossed the Atlantic and settled in Salem, Mass. in 1837. The Lincoln family moved first to Pennsylvania and Quaker blood was mingled with the blood of the Lincolns, then to Virginia, where the chivalry of the old south was obtained, finally to Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois where we find the boy Lincoln on the frontier."

He was ten years old when his mother died and during her fatal illness he read to her each day from the Psalms. It is in the incomparable English of the English Bible that Lincoln himself says that he learned his English. At the age of 19 he went down the Ohio and Mississippi rivers to New Orleans where he saw the slave mother torn from her family and the young girl sold on the auction block to a fate worse than slavery. It is then that we hear him mutter through his clenched teeth, 'If ever I get a chance at that thing I'll hit it, and hit it hard.' Little did he dream then how God was bringing to pass his will!

"The man Lincoln! Tall, straight, sinewy, a physical giant. Even this ought to be considered by Americans of today. The war gave a wonderful setting for some of the things America should think of and remember. Think of it! Fifty-six per cent of our young men physically unfit to be soldiers; 30 per cent actually rejected by the draft boards; America today eleventh among the nations in standards of physical manhood!"

"The boy Lincoln with an old geometry, a Bible and a grammar becoming the peer among the world's great minds. Master of English; but think of America today, seventh among the nations in literacy. In the second draft of 1,552,000 men, 286,000 could neither read nor write; eleven million Americans today illiterate!"

"The youth of today should remember his integrity, his simple honesty and his sterling dependability. The spirit of Lincoln! It was civil war in Lincoln's time, and the burning desire of his soul was for a United America. Have we forgotten so soon? As we think of him our citizenship should have a new significance. I have seen soldiers die for citizenship, nor have I ever heard a lament. Citizenship is our right to rule. Can we forget so soon? Today so soon after the nation's sacrifice we find America torn with class bitterness, race hatred and religious feud. The department of justice tells us that there are 60,000 Americans organized to overthrow the government. Think of it! There are 10,000 Americans murdered every year by 10,000 other Americans. A wave of crime sweeping the land and the average age of our criminals, 20 years!"

"Whoever willfully disregards the constitution is a traitor to his country and I wish to remind the people of this country that there is an eighteenth amendment to the constitution. I once heard a major in the army say, 'Oh hell, you can put anything in the constitution.' That is the attitude of many and it is deeply to be deplored."

"Lincoln was a partisan. He had principles and believed the issues of his time were great moral issues. Republican? Yes! And if he were alive today I believe that he would still be a republican. He was also a staunch advocate of strict adherence to the constitution."

"Too great for malice; too universal for intrigue or petty politics; partisan but not small. One is ashamed when he thinks of the small partisanship of the twelfth and twelfth of the reputation of the League of Nations and the establishment of an 'Association of Nations.'"

"Think of it! We were allied with 30 nations on the line and then withdrew when the world needed us most for America as our portion of the world responsibility. Perhaps the de-throned king of Greece was right when he said: 'The responsibility of conditions now in Turkey and the Balkans lies at America's door.'"

"Lincoln believed in a representative government, the leadership of chosen leaders rather than the whims of a fluctuating populace. It was well for Oregon to inquire why national financiers consider Oregon a risky security. Let us not advertise the size of the state debt in relation to the assessed valuation with a long black line and deplore conditions of taxation. Let us in Oregon talk prosperity. Seven million dollars in the banks at Astoria, five million at Eugene and three and a half million at Medford and we talk poverty!"

"America does not need more wealth, more mechanisms or efficiency, nor does she need more liberty. She needs a universal, keen religious consciousness. When America revivifies religion she loses her soul and when she loses her soul, she loses herself."

In telling of an incident that occurred while he was on leave in France during the world war, Lieutenant Colonel Gilbert closed his address. "I was en route to Paris and sitting next me in the coach was a Belgian Chaplain who was going on

his first furlough in four years. I fell into conversation with him and during the course of our conversation he said, 'The sublime thing we have seen so far in the war is the idealism of America. To think that a nation should be so great and so powerful with such a superb army of fighting men organized in so short a time at its command and should yet have no thought of conquest but should come here to help us. The spirit of America is to us the sublime thing in the war.' We thought that the god of America was gold and this disillusion has meant much to all of us."

"To us," answered the Colonel, "the sublime thing in the war is little Belgium defying the giant and holding back the destroying hordes, knowing that everything she loved and cherished would be destroyed; holding them back for three weeks; staying the hand of the giant, while unsuspecting Europe organized to resist the attack."

"The soul of America shall not die. Remember Concord, Lexington, Gettysburg, Vicksburg, San Juan, Malaban, Chateau Thierry, the Argonne and the Meuse. Before God we swear it. The spirit of our fathers still lives! The spirit of our fathers shall not let us sleep."

During Rev. Gilbert's address the lights went out and he continued undisturbed. "I can speak just as well in the dark as in the light," said he. "In fact the best speech I ever made was in the dark and she said 'Yes.'"

Following Rev. Gilbert, Clarence Hotchkiss, United States Marshal from Portland gave a short talk in which he took slight exception with Rev. Gilbert on the League of Nations question, saying that he thought that if the United States were a member of the league now that she would be sending troops to the Rhine instead of withdrawing them as was recently done. He also brought the best regards of the Multnomah county republicans and stated that he never met as warm friends or enjoyed himself so much as he does when he visits Medford.

W. P. Campbell of Ashland, "Dick Pooley" southern Oregon's James Whitcomb Riley, recited two of his poems in his inimitable manner and convulsed the audience which fully appreciated the first one concerning the similarity of adults to children playing a game of tag. The key note was "I've got my fingers crossed" and this was applied to Gov. Walter M. Pierce's campaign promises regarding tax reduction.

Miss Chamberlain introduced Pooley with an original verse which was as clever and entertaining as though it had been written by the poet himself.

Mrs. V. A. C. Ahl, Grants Pass attorney, gave a history of republicanism from the early beginning with the federalist party which put the first four presidents in the capital down to the present administration. The meeting which is regarded as one of the most successful of the Lincoln club in Jackson county, was closed with the singing of two verses of America.

The following messages were received and read at the Lincoln Club banquet:

Portland, Ore., Feb. 12, 1923. Hon. Frank Farrell: The republicans assembled in Portland this evening send greetings and join you in doing homage to the memory of a great American and great republican leader, Abraham Lincoln. The hope and conviction are expressed that animated by ideals of the Lincoln the republicans of Oregon will face the problems of the future courageously and with united front.

ALFRED E. CLARK, Chairman Multnomah Co. Lincoln Day committee.

I sincerely and deeply regret my inability to be present with you tonight. There never was a time in the history of our republic when the need was greater for observation of the Golden Rule as taught by the lowly Nazarene, and exemplified in our great Lincoln who discharged the high obligation of his life with malice toward none and with charity for all. The United States of America during these troublesome days of reconstruction and readjustment needs the patient spirit of Lincoln again expressed in the lives of our living leaders to direct us onward towards the high destiny of our nation. May every worthy citizen of this land rededicate his life this night to the country that Lincoln loved and served so well.

"ROBERT N. STANFIELD."

"If I were in Oregon, I would permit nothing to interfere with the acceptance of your invitation, but although I must of necessity be absent, my good wishes go out to the personnel of the club, while my heart responds to the greatness and genius of him whom you honor. I recall very pleasantly some years ago when I spoke to the members of the club on a similar occasion, and I live in the hope that I may have an opportunity to sit with them at some future time."

"SENATOR CHAS. L. McNARY."

"I remember with the utmost pleasure the banquet which I was privileged to attend in 1919. In my opinion you are rendering a great public service by holding this banquet from year to year. There is great ethical value in hero worship. No one can spend an evening in contemplation of the life and work of Abraham Lincoln without being benefited thereby. In these days when destructive propaganda is so rife we cannot be better employed than in perpetuating the memory of the great men who have given us and preserved for us our free institutions."

"WALLACE McCAMANT."

Messages were sent to the Multnomah County Lincoln club in session at Portland, W. G. Steele, father of the club, Col. R. C. Washburn, E. V. Carter, Senators Chas. L. McNary and R. N. Stanfield.

Geo. Hilton, federal land examiner, leaves today for Salem and Portland on business.

With Medford trade is Medford made.

MEETING CALLED TO CONSIDER ERECTION OF STORAGE PLANT

The fruit growers of Rogue River valley are requested to meet at the public library in Medford at 2 p. m. Thursday* to consider ways and means for the erection of a cold storage plant in this district. It is believed that cold storage in connection with production of fruit is one of the most vital factors in the successful marketing of the fruit from this district.

For a long time we have talked of cold storage in this valley but there has been no definite step taken to provide for this service until just recently. Several plans are being offered for the erection of cold storage plants and it is believed that all interested growers should be present at this meeting and take part in the discussion and offer suggestions as to the best means of securing proper cold storage for the valley.

The time for action in this matter is short and something definite will have to be developed within the near future if we are to have adequate cold storage facilities for this season's crop and it is thought best to have all the growers interested get together and decide upon the most feasible plan for this development. Every fruit grower is invited to attend this meeting Thursday as there is a definite plan to be submitted to the growers. CLAUD C. CATE, County Agent.

GAME RESULTS IN Y. M. C. A. LEAGUE

Team	Played	W.	Pct.
South Methodists	3	3	1.000
North Methodists	3	2	.666
Christians	4	2	.500
Baptists	3	1	.333
Presbyterians	2	0	.000

The games last night were hotly contested. In the first the Presbyterians put up some snappy resistance but were defeated by the older, heavier and more experienced Methodist team. Being the youngest team in the league and able to qualify, regarding most of its men, for a Junior League did one exist, the Presbyterian boys never-the-less are gamely playing through the schedule against teams of adult men seasoned and experienced through many a season of high school playing. Much credit is due these youngsters who are showing the true sportsman's spirit.

As referee Williamson showed up well. He was on the ball continually and had a good eye for fouls. He did not hesitate to call the personals. The first game—N. Methodists vs. Presbyterians. Schleicher vs. F. Harriet. Glascock L. F. McDonald. Glascock H. C. Mears. Hurt vs. G. Conrad. Hearty-Lawson vs. Chastain. Evans-Fredenburg vs. Silliman. Steene vs. Green.

Referee—Williamson.

The second game was a fast scrap from whistle to whistle. Somewhat rough in spots, due largely to the small playing space, for the most part there was every evidence of a desire to be fair and play cleanly. The somewhat larger and older South Methodist team were able to turn the trick and finished with a very comfortable lead. The stubborn resistance of Carl White, playing standing guard for the Christians, was often remarked by spectators. Many a shot by a taller and stronger opponent was blocked by his speed and fight. Vimont proved a strong guard for the winner, his sure handling of the ball and his accurate, hard passing accounting for many successful shots. The line up: S. Methodists 28 Christians 19. Fitzpatrick vs. F. Jannings. Gentry vs. F. Chastain. Caldwell vs. C. Newland. Vimont vs. G. White. Jackson vs. G. Olson.

Referee—Williamson.

Next game, Monday night, February 19. Baptists vs. North Methodists. South Methodists vs. Presbyterians.

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MEDFORD VICTOR IN WILD SCRAMBLE O'ER ROGUE RIVER

In a mad scramble, that for the lack of a better name, can be called basket ball, the Medford high school five defeated Rogue River 39 to 37 before 150 people—all that could be packed and jammed into the narrow confines of the tiny hall. Neither team had a chance to show its real playing ability.

Both teams fought hard, so hard at Referee Coleman of O. A. C., called the players of both teams to mid arena for a warning.

The Rogue River team played on familiar ground, and showed the result of clever passing, and made some hair-raising shots, one wild heave gliding into the basket of a peculiarly constructed light guard in the attic.

High point man for Medford was Daughman with eight baskets, Singler with five, and Beane with three. The locals showed the results of their northern trip, but lost several throws for baskets, owing to their chief failing inability to hang onto the ball. As a result confusion reigned supreme and there were rushes reminiscent of the football field.

One substitution was made, Chastain for Bateman at guard, and at the close of the game Bateman returned to the field.

The Rogue River team, with only 12 students in school is nothing to sneeze at, and are basketball players of ability, but sadly handicapped by being compelled to play on a dinky floor, under the impression it gives them an advantage. They will play a return game in this city Monday, Feb. 20th.

GRANTS PASS TO RIDE DE MOLAY GOAT

The local chapter of the Order of De Molay will make a trip to Grants Pass next Saturday at noon and initiate 35 members of the Grants Pass chapter into the order. The ceremony amounts to an installation ceremony as the Grants Pass chapter has only recently been organized.

The first degree will be put on Saturday afternoon and the second degree Saturday evening. The patrol will make the trip in uniform and a large number of Medford Masons will accompany the local delegation. Cars will leave the Masonic hall at twelve o'clock noon Saturday and all members of the Medford chapter Order of De Molay are urged to be on hand.

Following the second degree in the evening the Medford delegation will be entertained with a dance and preceding the second degree work a banquet will be given for the visitors and the candidates.

DANIEL WEBSTER'S OLD HOME ESCAPES FIRE

FRANKLIN, N. H., Feb. 13.—Two buildings of the New Hampshire orphan's home at Webster Place were burned early today. All of the children were removed without injury. Four firemen were injured, one probably fatally. The loss is estimated at \$60,000.

The superintendent's house, once the home of Daniel Webster, was not touched by the flames.

HOME DAMAGED BY FLUE FIRE

A fire at nine o'clock this morning damaged badly the home of Harry Bryant and family at 112 Cottage street. It is believed that the blaze started from the fire in the dining room of the Bryant home.

The house it is understood was sub-tenanted, furnished by the Bryants from Mrs. Louise Gilbert who had been renting it from the owners and who had lived in it until she left on a trip to the middle west and east. The furniture, most of which it is understood belonged to Mrs. Gilbert, is said not to have been insured.

The furniture in the two front rooms of the building was carried out by the firemen and neighbors and the firemen did excellent work in checking the blaze after the start that it had.

The house is said to be owned by Mrs. W. Brobeck and it is understood was covered by insurance. Although no definite estimate of the loss was made, it is thought that the damage may reach \$200.

NEWLYWIDS DIE ON HONEYMOON

AVALON, Catalina, Feb. 13.—Efforts to keep warm by means of a gas heater and tightly closed windows of an apartment terminated their honeymoon fatally for Margarita Serano, 18, and her husband, Abalido, in the Hotel McLean here, according to investigation here today. The couple, from Whittier, Cal., came here a few weeks ago and the bodies were found in the hotel room by a maid yesterday.

Crude Rubber Probe. WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Appropriation of sufficient funds to make a thorough inquiry into the world production of crude rubber will be recommended to congress soon by President Harding, it was indicated today at the White House. Funds also will be asked to carry on experiments in cultivation of rubber plants in American insular possessions, notably in the Philippines.

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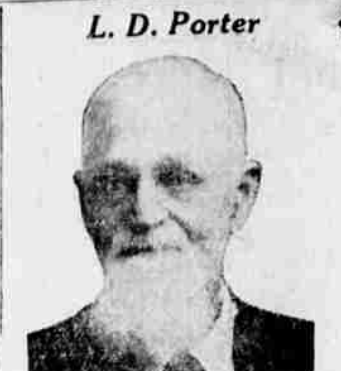
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L. D. Porter

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