

COOPERATION NEED JERSEY HEIFERS OF 1000 LODGE IN COMING CONCLAVE DIE FROM POISON IN SAMS VALLEY

The forthcoming session of the grand lodge of the subordinate and Rebekah and auxiliary bodies of Odd Fellows in Medford in May is an event in which all branches of the order throughout the state, and the Medford and other Loge River valley membership in particular, are deeply interested. It will be an event in which the people generally of Medford are interested, also much interested, according to the committee which has general supervision of plans for the grand lodge session in charge.

A little historical sketch, in this connection, will be illuminating. The last session of the grand lodge was held in Medford in 1917, some 12 years ago. At that time, Medford was in the "boom," following the collapse of her incident "boom," which started in 1908. Fort Hubbard, one of the old-time and zealous workers of Medford lodge, is quoted in a statement that the grand lodge session at that time did as much, or more, than anything else to wipe out a black eye that Medford received following the shipping of Medford, at that time, was the first of no end of jibes because of her slip, recalls Mr. Hubbard. Throughout the state she was referred to as a "black number," a "dead town" and similar unpleasant appellations. Odd times will recall that Medford did not get quite a setback when her first "spurt" subsided, only a new belief, that was the beginning of the end. But the majority of people held a faith in their little city, and how well that faith has been justified, the Medford of today attests.

With the grand lodge session on their hands, the Medford members determined to put forth every effort to show the visitors that Medford was not a "black number." The various committees planned and worked faithfully and diligently to make the session not only one of the most successful in grand lodge history, but to endeavor to prove that this city was still on the map, and here to stay.

Every plan was carried out according to schedule. The visitors were splendidly entertained. They were shown Medford and its surroundings. The business firms and citizens cooperated generously and wholeheartedly. Every courtesy and attention were shown the visitors. And when the grand lodge had finished its labors, it most enthusiastically voted the session here one of the best ever held in the state. As a result of the members' expressed it: "If Medford is a dead town, pray give us more of the kind in Oregon." The visitors returned to their respective homes exuberating praise for Medford—her spirit and her hospitality. Papers throughout the state quoted many complimentary statements. As a result, Medford came forth from under her black wings and was heralded up and down the state as one of the loveliest and best towns in Oregon—a praise that has continued to abide.

Since that time the Odd Fellows of Oregon have looked forward with pleasant anticipations to another grand lodge session in Medford. There will undoubtedly be a number of visitors of the former session here. And many new ones who have long been ready to welcome a visit to the Loge River valley.

At the coming session, it is proposed to show the old-timers the decided contrast of the Medford of today and that of nearly 20 years ago. And to the new delegation, the public is expected to testify all the favorable anticipation. To accomplish all that is desired is a little beyond the facilities of the Medford lodges. Hence it again looks to the public-spirited people for some support. The local lodges are not asking the business interests of Medford to underwrite the expenses of the forthcoming session. But to ask the public to respond to the series of public entertainments that are being given to provide funds for the program it has in contemplation. It is going to require considerable resource to finance the entertainment of the grand lodge; and in view of the good that is to accrue to Medford at this time, as it did in the past, it is expected to have the earnest cooperation of her people.

A few minor entertainments have already been given and a nucleus for the fund provided; but the major events are to come. Assistance will also be necessary in providing housing and eating accommodations, and for cars to give the visitors a survey of the valley. A liberal cooperation will be expected from the I. O. O. F. grand lodge over the big, and Medford again live up to its reputation as one of the liveliest and loveliest little cities, not alone in Oregon, but on the coast.

SAMS VALLEY, Ore., March 11.—(Special)—While the sky was growing more and more cloudy with strong indications of rain, the farmers rushed to finish preparations for seeding and now (March 9) that the rain is falling plentifully, those who were lucky enough to have gotten the seed in the ground are rejoicing, for to them, the "rain is raining crops."

Mr. Buereson, the new proprietor of the Gulvaen ranch, is lamenting over the loss, the past few days, of a well-bred Jersey heifer, one of which was eligible for registration. The heifer met her death by eating from a pile of four-a-green, which had been carelessly placed under a tree in the pasture by some unknown party. Mr. Buereson might have saved the last three heifers if he had known what caused the death of the first two; but it was only after the veterinary was called that the cause of the loss was determined. This resulted in the discovery of the Paris green. Dr. Chisholm of Gold Hill was summoned Tuesday and Thursday to the Wilson place to attend Mrs. Frances Wilson, who was afflicted by a serious attack of measles. The patient is now recovering satisfactorily.

Mrs. E. A. White of Eagle Point accompanied Mrs. East, who had visited the latter Sunday down to the valley, where she has visited this week at the homes of her friends. Grandma formerly resided in our community and never finds any new location so good, but what she always rejoices in a chance to visit again among Sams Valley friends.

Mrs. Mary McKinnis announces the arrival of a new grandson, Jack Bryce Riley, who was born to Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Riley of 729 Cedar street, Medford.

Mrs. J. C. Lewis of Grants Pass and Mrs. Louisa Davis of Medford were Saturday visitors with Mrs. Luther East.

Gyp and Howard Vincent are reported as slightly improving from a serious attack of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Schulz, O. T. Wilson and son, John, Mrs. Ada East and Mr. and Mrs. George McDonough were among the Medford and other town visitors of the week.

The last encounter with our basketball boys resulted in a bad defeat when they met the Butte Falls team at Butte Falls March 8. Our boys account the defeat to several members of the team having recent attacks of flu.

Attendance at school has been cut down considerably the past week, due to illness and exposure to contagious diseases.

Another new pupil has been enrolled in the school.

Charles Fredericks and sister, Mrs. Leslie, are enjoying a visit from Washington relatives this week.

Mrs. J. B. Fisher is reported to still remain in a very serious condition.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Schulz visited Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carter of Gold Hill. The Carters were just making an estimate of their recent loss by fire.

This may be the last items from Sams Valley for a few weeks, as your correspondent has just come in close contact with the measles from which I've just by the doctor's aid, brought our daughter back to partial recovery and learned about all I wish to know of the discomforts of the disease.

But, spite of the unpleasantness of the visitor, I am due to entertain him the first of next week. Rather sad time of year when the spring showers make one want to dig in the earth and plant flowers, but that isn't half of it; every member of the family but one is due for the same thing. However, the Lord takes care of his own, and I believe I suppose I can do the same so the Sams Valley items may appear again.

PARIS, Mar. 11.—(AP)—The condition of Elsie Janis, American stage star, was unchanged this morning and still extremely serious.

The congestion in the right lung is the disturbing factor along with the blood infection which is spreading. The appendicitis symptoms were less pronounced yesterday.

Hundreds of messages from American and English admirers have been sent to Miss Janis here.

HELP SAVE "OLD IRONSIDES"



Old Ironsides' The U.S. Frigate Constitution. As she will soon be restored from the official painting by Gordon Grant a few copies of which are being sold to complete the fund for her restoration.



Old Ironsides' enters dry dock last 1877 to take a new name of life.

The frigate, Constitution, most famous ship in the world, a shrine of the American navy, is being rebuilt at the navy yard in Boston. In the very same dry dock that she christened in 1793, thanks to popular subscription, restoration is now fifty per cent completed. Over \$450,000 has been raised towards rebuilding the Con-

stitution; approximately \$100,000 is required to complete the fund. This money is being raised through the sale of beautiful ten color lithographs of the ship, measuring 18 by 22 inches, at 50 cents each.

Restoration should be completed within a year. Once again, equipped as she looked at the height of her brilliant career, the Constitution will put to sea, this time on a cruise of peace, carrying her historic message to Americans in every port in the country.

Anyone desiring to help save the Constitution, send 50 cents to "Old Ironsides," Navy Yard 431, Boston, Mass., for each copy of the color painting of the ship.

Rich and Historic Sterling Mine Once More Gives Gold Under Urge of Newly Installed Water Supply

Once again the mountains and valleys of the quiet Little Apple river are resounding with the roar of water rushing through the hydraulic giants of the old and historic Sterling mine. Back in the '50s and early '60s this same quiet valley was the scene of the greatest gold mining activity ever known in the state of Oregon.

Thousands of miners and prospectors seeking gold were scattered over these hills and valleys. The Applegate river and its tributaries were alive with gold seekers. Sterling creek alone gave up to these early day miners over \$5,000,000 in gold dust. Boomtowns creek and Forest creek gave up another handsome pile of gold, estimated from one and a half to two millions. Every small creek and gulch in this section was mined by the old-time method of those days, the pick, pan, shovel and rocker.

When the miners reached a point where water was not obtainable they were compelled to quit and seek other fields. Then followed a long period when there was little activity in mining.

Find River Channel. An ancient river channel was discovered on Sterling creek, Portland capitalists were interested and a mammoth ditch 27 miles in length was built and hydraulic mining started. For nearly 40 years these Sterling claims produced a great deal of gold, and during that period two and a half million dollars were extracted from the Sterling diggings, bringing the total output from this creek to approximately \$8,500,000.

About the same time the Sterling work was inaugurated Captain Sturges installed hydraulic operation on Forest creek, and a mine, operated for a period covering over 20 years, Sturges then sold his mine and retired. It has been operated off and on in a small way up to the present time. Owing, however, to the little water available, but a small amount of gold has been recovered.

It has also been considerable mining on Poorman's creek. However, it has only been possible to work on these diggings during exceedingly rainy seasons.

Blakely Takes Hold. Something over a year ago, Fred Blakely of Portland acquired the Sterling holdings, comprising approximately 2000 acres. He reorganized the Sterling company.

Having secured the service of one of the most successful Alaska miners, J. F. Mathews, the new company proceeded to clear the land of trees and brush on the lower end of the Sterling property, about two miles below where hydraulic operation was started.

This work having been effected, a complete and up-to-date hydraulic plant was installed. Early last fall a ditch was surveyed in order to get a better water supply. This ditch is one of the largest and most expensive mining ditches constructed in southern Oregon during recent years. Over a mile of the work was through solid rock which required drilling and blasting. Compressors were used in the drilling. Two large power shovels worked constantly, and a large force of men was also employed on the work. The cost of this ditch was approximately \$25,000.

Giants at Work. The giants are now belching forth their great streams of water against the rich gravel banks of Sterling creek, starting a new era in the mining industry in Jackson county.

The old pioneer miners will be highly gratified to see mining activities again opened up. Ask any of these old-timers about the gold lying in the valleys of the Applegate, Sterling, Forest, Poorman and Jackson creeks, and they will at once say, "This territory has only been scratched over. If water was available, there is many times greater values remaining in the

ground than have ever been taken out." One of the old boys, in giving some reminiscences of the early days, said: "Look here, mister, if you will just take a Jackson county map, stick a pin in old Cap Rich's place, then draw a circle six and a half miles from the center, inside that ring, which takes in old Jacksonville, you will find it has produced over \$19,000,000 of gold, and that's not a marker to what's left in these diggings."

Once Show Place. In bygone days, when Aukney and Cook were operating the Sterling, it was one of the great show places of southern Oregon. It was one of the places all visitors were taken to. In those days there were no automobiles, so the trip required the biggest part of a day by horses. Sundays it was a regular picnic ground when the weather permitted, there were always a score or more rigs lining the banks of this old mine. Today the drive to present scene of operations can easily be made in 45 minutes by taking the Applegate river road. It is one of the most beautiful and historic drives out of Medford, as all along the road one sees evidences of the early day mining activities, and one wonders how men in those olden days could have moved such vast quantities of gravel and monster piles of rock with the primitive tools they then employed.

Associated with Mr. Blakely in the rejuvenation of the Sterling are several Eugene and San Francisco capitalists, and the well known host of the Hotel Medford, Harry Hutton.

AMERICAN SAILOR PERISHES IN FIRE HONGKONG HOTEL

VICTORIA, Hongkong, March 11.—(AP)—An American seaman, Kish of the cruiser, Memphis, lost his life today in a fire which took 13 lives in destroying the King Edward hotel.

Kish jumped from a high window of the burning building to a sheet held for him by firemen and spectators, but missed the sheet and struck the pavement, instead.

A petty officer of the U. S. S. Nashville, named Phillip, refused to make a similar jump, and instead knotted two sheets together and lowered himself safely to the fire escape.

General Chan Ming-Shu, civil governor of Kwantung, jumped with his wife to sheets held under their window. They were injured slightly.

BURLESON'S DAUGHTER BACKS WOMEN'S RIGHTS. AUSTIN, Tex. (AP)—Mrs. Laura Burleson Nealey, daughter of A. S. Burleson, postmaster general in President Wilson's cabinet in a champion of women's rights in the Texas legislature.

Rights of men and women came closer to an equal basis after Mrs. Nealey succeeded in passing a bill making a husband's separate property community property.

Texas laws previously had been silent as to what constituted a husband's separate property, but defined a wife's separate property as community property.

Mt. Pitt School

The children have been looking in Hegford's pasture, which is close to the school. Ray Stanley built a logging truck for them to haul their logs on. The children have put a log on across the creek. They are very much interested in this project.

Bertrand Stanley, 6th grade.

Absent Pupils. There have been three absences this week. They are Geneva Coffman, Ida Boardman and Anzel Conley. Geneva's mother is sick, so she has to stay home and help her. Anzel's baby brother is sick so his mother took him to Medford. Anzel has to take care of his little sister Zola while his mother is away.

Joe Richman, 4th grade.

School Board Meeting. The Mt. Pitt school board met at the teachers' home Wednesday, March 4th. One thing they considered was whether the children moving in the Butte Falls district would continue going to school here. Ike Coffman and Leonard Richman attended the meeting to see if their children might finish the term of school here.

Dessie Anderson, 8th grade.

Scrap Book. Last Tuesday, March 5th, the children of the Mt. Pitt school listed the things they were going to make scrapbooks of: Flowers, birds, animals, fish, domestic animals, crops of Jackson county, means of transportation, minerals and kinds of people. We are anxious to see who will have the neatest book.

James Tongate, 7th grade.

The pupils of the Mt. Pitt school are organizing a baseball team. We have a big field to play in. William Fickelsover is umpire and Lawrence Boardman is captain. We are all glad that spring is here so we can play baseball.

Frank Platt, 7th grade.

New Pupils. Monday, March 4th, two new pupils came to the Mt. Pitt school from Klamath county. Their names are Melvin and Charles Hillkey. Melvin is in the third grade and Charles is in the fifth grade. They are living at Old Camp One, which is two miles from the schoolhouse.

They have to walk to the main road, where they catch the school bus, which takes them to school. We are glad to have them because we need them on the baseball team when the season opens.

William Fickelsover, 7th grade.

Julius Rosenwald, millionaire, philanthropist and head of Sears, Roebuck and company has returned from Washington D. C. and has

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JAPANESE SHIP CREW RESCUED BY U. S. TUG

WASHINGTON, March 11.—(AP)—The rescue of 43 officers and crew of the Japanese steamer Bankoku Maru, near Kan-

ma Island, about 470 miles S. of Guam, by the seagoing U. S. S. Napa, was reported to the navy department, steamer sent out an S. O. S. March 7. The vessel was a loss, but there were no casualties.

The speeding fire truck has started a bit in Brawley, Cal. City council has placed a 30-mph. an-hour speed limit on fire ap-

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