

## Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Gather Here

### Grand Lodge Sessions Being Held This Week—Streets Gaily Decorated—Parade Wednesday—Public Functions Planned

#### INVITE PUBLIC TO ENJOY ODD FELLOWS' MEET

Part of Degree Work to Be Public — Free Dances Planned — Great Street Parade Wednesday Night — Public Invited to Participate With Floats.

Although the grand lodge sessions are for the purpose of promoting legislation for the good and welfare of the order in general, the conclave is not entirely a matter of exclusive lodge routine. There will be several features of a public character. Among them are the conferring of the decoration of chivalry at the Patriarch Militant or Canton branch Monday evening at the armory. The general public is invited to witness this ceremonial. Following this will be a dance, free to everybody. The Canton and ladies auxiliary members will, however, withdraw to the Elk's temple for a strictly military ball, as required by the mandates of the order. Other Odd Fellows and Rebekahs will remain with their guests and do the honors of the occasion.

Another event open to the public will be the reception and welcome Tuesday evening, a program of which will be found elsewhere. This will be followed by a grand march and dance. A general invitation to this function is also extended. No charge will be made.

A third feature of public interest, and one which will perhaps prove the greatest attraction, is the grand street parade Wednesday evening. In this column will be every Odd Fellow and Rebekah in attendance at the session and every member from adjacent towns who can be present.

There will be several bands in this march and a number of floats for the best of which prizes are to be awarded. These floats are not confined to Odd Fellows organizations. An invitation has been extended to other orders and business firms to participate, and a number have signified their desire to do so.

The parade will form at the public library, march down Main street to Bartlett, thence down Bartlett to the armory, after which the members will proceed to their various halls for the work outlined for the evening.

The Boy Scouts will enter this parade with their drum corps and as large a membership as they can muster.

**No Cockneys Born Now.**  
LONDON (AP)—Strictly speaking, there hasn't been a real Cockney born in London for three years. Tradition has it that only those born within sound of Bow bells—the bells of St. Mary-le-Bow—are true Cockneys. Now it happens that Bow bells haven't rung for three years. They need repair, and money for the work has not been available.

**Method of Testing Coffee**  
A way to test the quality of coffee is to put a spoonful in a glass of cold water and add a few drops of lemon juice. If the coffee is pure it will remain on top of the water; if not, the water will become brown in color.



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#### JACKSONVILLE HAS OLD ODD FELLOW LODGE

Was Instituted in 1860—Odd Fellow Building Once Used As Fort—Lodge Still Maintained—Rebekahs Organized 1873—Encampment 1877.

Perhaps no institution in Southern Oregon is richer in historical associations than Jacksonville Lodge No. 10, I. O. O. F. It has gone through the era from pioneer days down to the present time. It was at one time one of the leading Odd Fellows lodges in the state. Only nine other lodges preceded its birth. It has witnessed much of the tragic, the dramatic history with which Southern Oregon is replete.

The Jacksonville lodge was instituted August 18, 1860. Its charter members were William C. Ransom, Elmer Emery, Patrick Phelan, James Kilgore, Jesse Robinson, Isaac N. Knight, pioneers who have long passed from this scene of action.

The lodge was honored with two state grand masters, Elias J. Day, in 1868-9, and A. J. Boyer, in 1882-3. During Grand Master Day's term, his jurisdiction covered what was at one time called the Northwest Territory, comprising Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

During his term of office Mr. Day visited every lodge in his jurisdiction—on horseback, muleback, wagon and sometimes afoot. The Odd Fellows building in Jacksonville is as historic as the institution it houses. It was started in 1855 and completed in 1856 as a fort. The iron shutters which protect its doors and windows were brought in from Crescent City on the backs of mules. There is only one older building in Jacksonville—in Southern Oregon—that across the street opposite, which is now a museum and holds many relics of pioneer days.

As Jacksonville declined with the subsidence of the mining industry of early days, so the I. O. O. F. lodge dwindled in membership, but a few of the faithful ones still carry on the work and maintain the lodge.

James (familarly known as "Jimmie") Burns, now of Gold Hill, has been a member of Jacksonville lodge for fifty years, and in honor of this the lodge has issued to him a life certificate, the only one in existence in this section.

Ruth Rebekah No. 4 was instituted May 20, 1873, the fourth Rebekah lodge in Oregon. Its charter members were Newman Fisher, Edwin Smith, Henry Klippe, Isaac Sachs, Chas. W. Savage, John Miller, J. A. Boyer and Sisters Louise Savage, Rachel Fisher, Augusta Helms, Jane Kubli, Mary Miller.

Table Rock Encampment No. 10 was instituted October 14, 1877, with S. J. Day, Newman Fisher, H. V. Helms, A. Bish, K. Kubli, J. A. Boyer, F. Luy, John Miller, Daniel Cronemiller, F. B. Kent, William Ray, F. M. Plymale, J. F. Kellogg, W. W. Kentner, E. J. Farlow, J. D. Fountain and A. D. Helms as charter members.

A reading of the above names brings to mind many of the men and women who were prominent in the pioneer life of Jackson county. So far as known, not one now is living.

#### Wilson is Grand Junior Warden



J. M. Wilson, Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Encampment of Oregon

#### Pratt is Grand Senior Warden



The Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Encampment of Oregon is E. J. Pratt

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