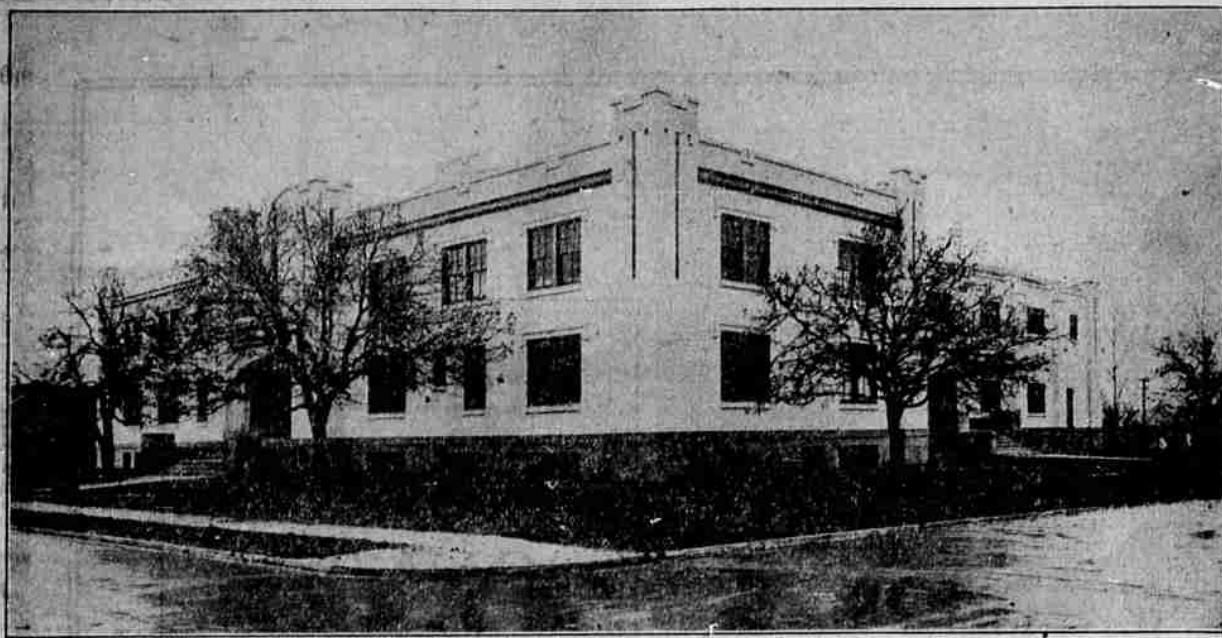


Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Will Meet at the Medford Armory



The Medford Armory building on North Bartlett street will be the scene of much activity during the I. O. O. F. Grand Lodge convention in this city. On Monday afternoon the Patriarchs Militant and Ladies' Auxiliary will assemble there, on Tuesday the Rebekah Assembly will be held and in the evening the great public reception will attract people from all parts of the Rogue River valley. On Wednesday the Rebekah Assembly will also be held in the armory building.

To Hold Sessions at Elks' Temple



Medford's beautiful Elks Temple at Fifth and Central avenue will be the scene of the Grand Encampment on Tuesday, the Grand Lodge on Tuesday evening, and the Grand Lodge session on Wednesday.

ORIGIN OF ORDER IS RECALLED

Odd Fellow Lodge Founded From Old English Order — Was Established in Baltimore in 1819 — Thomas Wildey Was Originator — Rebekah Branch Begun 1850.

To attempt to enter upon a sketch of the origin and development of Odd Fellowship invites an article, though it would have been interesting, too lengthy for the purpose to be served in this article. Just a brief outline is here essayed.

The order was founded in England in the eighteenth century. Its origin is veiled in some obscurity, but as early as 1745 various writers mentioned an Odd Fellows lodge as "a place where very pleasant and recreational evenings were spent." These lodges were originally formed by working men for the purpose of giving brethren aid and assisting them when out of work and for social purposes. These primitive benevolent associations later inspired a general order, and in 1809 the Manchester Unity, the

source of American Odd Fellowship, was founded.

Thomas Wildey became a member of the Manchester Unity, and after his immigration to the United States, began laying the foundation for the order of Odd Fellows in America. Associating with him John Welch, Richard Rushworth, John Duncan and John Cheatham, all initiates of the parent order in England, the first Odd Fellows lodge was founded in Baltimore, April 26, 1819, under the name of the "Washington Lodge of Odd Fellows."

The order made slow progress at first, but later receiving an impetus by the formation of lodges in Massachusetts, it began to spread rapidly, and through the succeeding one hundred years it has grown until today it has a membership of approximately 2,800,000, with in the neighborhood of 16,000 lodges. It has paid out in relief something over eight hundred million dollars.

There have been many changes in its ritualistic work and in its laws since 1819, but the fundamental principle of "visiting the sick, relieving the distressed, burying the dead and educating the orphan" has remained the same throughout its existence. On May 13, 1827, the sovereign grand lodge authorized the establishment of the encampment branch, which branch has flourished and grown until today it is a strong and influential support to the subordinate orders.

The aims of the Encampment are to carry the moral precepts of the subordinate lodge to a higher and more far-reaching degree, and embody some very pregnant degree work based on Biblical lore.

The Patriarch Militant branch was brought into existence in 1855. This branch carries the order into the unformed rank.

Odd Fellowship was the first institution in America to place woman upon an equality with man in a public manner. The guiding hand and mind in this accomplishment was Schuyler Colfax, of Indiana, later vice-president of the United States. One of his colleagues was Rutherford B. Hayes of Ohio, afterward president of the United States.

As early as 1850 Mr. Colfax began an agitation for the female branch, but it was not until 1868 that it was sponsored by the sovereign grand lodge. In 1888, however, the Rebekah degree and lodge was established as an entity unto itself.

This branch has grown rapidly and is second only to the subordinate in point of membership.

The objects of the Rebekah order are to supplement the work of the subordinate and has been a very useful and helpful unit in advancing Odd Fellowship to a station among the great fraternal orders of the world. It has a membership of about 1,100,000.

The first Odd Fellow lodge instituted in Oregon was Chemeketa Lodge No. 1, at Salem, December 6, 1852. A dispensation had been granted in 1846 for the establishment of a lodge at Oregon City, but, through some miscarriage, the dispensation went astray and was used for instituting a lodge at Honolulu in the Sandwich Islands (now Hawaii).

The first encampment was Ellison Encampment No. 1, instituted at Portland, September 20, 1837.

The first Rebekah lodge, Salem

Official Program of Official Grand Lodge Session

SUNDAY, MAY 19
SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE—BAPTIST CHURCH
8:00 P. M.—Service in Baptist church. Sermon by Rev. W. H. Eaton who is a brother Odd Fellow. Cantons and Lady Militants will march from Hotel Holland. All Odd Fellows and Rebekahs are invited to attend this service.

MONDAY, MAY 20
DEPARTMENT COUNCIL, PATRIARCHS MILITANT—ARMORY
9:00 A. M.—Opening regular session Department Council.
1:20 P. M.—Closing session—Department Council.
3:00 P. M.—Installing of officers.
4:00 P. M.—Conferring of P. M. Degree.

LADIES AUXILIARY, P. M.—ELK'S TEMPLE
9:00 A. M.—Opening session
12:00 A. M.—Complimentary luncheon given by Canton and Ladies Auxiliary of Medford to Hospital Corps at Hotel Holland.
1:00 P. M.—Closing session.
3:00 P. M.—Installation of officers.
4:00 P. M.—Conferring Degree.

MILITANT BANQUET
6:00 P. M.—Department council, Ladies Auxiliary, candidates for Decoration of Chivalry, banquet at Methodist church. Form at Hotel Holland.

CONFERRING DECORATION—ARMORY
8:00 P. M.—Conferring Grand Decoration of Chivalry, by General Will C. Miller, General Commanding Patriarchs Militant.
9:00 P. M.—Conferring Decoration of Chivalry on Ladies.
10:00 P. M.—Dance for all Odd Fellows and Rebekahs, Armory
10:00 P. M.—Military ball at Elk's Temple for Chivalry, Ladies Militant, escorts and candidates for Decoration.

TUESDAY, MAY 21
GRAND ENCAMPMENT—ELK'S TEMPLE
10:00 A. M.—Opening session.
1:20 P. M.—Closing session.

REBEKAH ASSEMBLY—ARMORY
9:00 A. M.—Opening session. Seating officers: Olive Rebekah Lodge of Medford. Conferring Assembly Degree. Tribute to Past Presidents.
1:20 P. M.—Regular session.
4:00 P. M.—Past Presidents' Banquet.

TUESDAY EVENING
6:30 P. M.—Special session of G. L. Elk's Temple, for purpose of conferring Grand Lodge Degree.

GRAND RECEPTION—TUESDAY, 8:00 P. M.—ARMORY PROGRAM
D. E. Millard, Chairman for Evening.

- Music..... Band
- Salute the Flag..... Boy Scouts
- Song, Grand Lodge Booster, Tune "Marching Through Georgia."
- Welcome—Behalf of City..... Mayor W. A. Pipes
- Behalf of I. O. O. F..... N. C. Chaney
- Behalf of Rebekahs..... Carrie Mae Biekert
- Music—Vocal Solo, Selected..... Mrs. C. H. Paske
- Responses..... Grand Master..... Fred Meindl
- President..... Louise Perozzi
- Music..... Male Quartette
- C. A. Meeker, A. J. MacDonough, W. W. Howard, Ed. Shuckley
- Responses (continued) Grand Patriarch..... James Shannon
- Patriarch Militant.....
- Brigadier General W. E. Wadsworth
- Council President..... Betty Jean Burke
- President Association of Rebekah Assemblies.....
- Bertha E. Willis
- Music—Vocal Solo, Selected..... H. Weatherford, Corvallis
- Stunt..... American Legion
- Music..... Band
- Grand March

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22
GRAND LODGE—ELK'S TEMPLE
9:00 A. M.—Special session. Grand Lodge Degree.
10:00 A. M.—Regular session.
1:30 P. M.—Regular session. Competitive drills.
3:00 P. M.—Joint memorial services at Armory.
5:30 P. M.—Past Masters' banquet.

REBEKAH ASSEMBLY—ARMORY
9:00 A. M.—Regular session.
1:30 P. M.—Past Presidents' Degree Staff.
2:00 P. M.—Degree Staff Style Show.
3:00 P. M.—Joint Memorial Services at Armory.
5:30 P. M.—Olive Rebekah Degree Staff, hostess to Oepha Rebekah Degree Staff of Portland, Banquet at Christian church.

WEDNESDAY EVENING
6:45 P. M.—Grand Parade.

I. O. O. F.—ELK'S TEMPLE
7:45 P. M.—Special session of Medford Lodge No. 83 for conferring of First Degree.

REBEKAH ASSEMBLY—ARMORY
7:45 P. M.—Special session of Olive Rebekah Lodge No. 28 for conferring of Rebekah Degree by Oepha Rebekah Lodge of Portland, Oregon.

10:00 P. M.—Lady Muscovites, Samaritans, and Zuannas will parade and immediately following will hold Ceremony: Samaritans at Woodman Hall on North Grape, Zuannas at I. O. O. F. Hall, and Lady Muscovites at Knights of Pythias Hall.

No. 1, was instituted at Salem (date unknown). There are some 240 subordinate and about the same number of Rebekah lodges in the state of Oregon.

An Improved Dusterpan
Bend the hollow tin handle of the dusterpan to a right angle with the pan and insert a discarded broom handle. It avoids much stooping.

To Clean Playing Cards
To clean soiled playing cards, dip a small sponge in spirits of camphor and rub lightly. This restores the newness.

Clean rags wanted at the Mail Tribune office.

Information For Visiting Odd Fellows

- Registration Headquarters at the Baptist church. All representatives, delegates and visitors are requested to register immediately upon arrival in Medford.
- All room assignments will be made from the headquarters at the Baptist church.
- Medford Chamber of Commerce will keep open house to all visitors during the three days of the convention.
- Hospital Corps Headquarters, City Park, West Main street, near Medford hotel.
- I. O. O. F. and Rebekah Headquarters, Hotel Medford.
- Patriarch Militant Headquarters, Hotel Holland.
- Meeting Places.
- Patriarch Militant—Armory
- Ladies Auxiliary Elk's Temple
- Rebekah Assembly—Armory
- Temple.....
- Grand Encampment..... Elk's Temple
- Grand Reception—Armory
- Subordinate Session..... Elk's Temple
- Samaritan Ceremonial..... Woodman Hall
- Zuanna Ceremonial..... I. O. O. F. Hall
- Lady Muscovites..... Knights of Pythias Hall

Maintain Home for Aged and Needy

In nearly every state in the Union the I. O. O. F. maintain a home for the aged, infirm and dependent children of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs. Some of these homes are among the most beautiful in architecture and grounds of any public buildings in the state and a source of much interest. Oregon Odd Fellows and Rebekahs have their home at Portland.

land. It is filled to capacity and expansion of the home can hardly keep pace with the purpose of the institution. It comprises fine buildings and grounds and is maintained in a manner which elicits high praise from all visitors.

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Interesting Bits of Odd Fellow News

It is a custom of Medford Lodge No. 83 to present veteran jewels to its members who have been continuous members of the order 25 years or more. About 40 of such jewels have been presented to members of this lodge. Some of the members have a continuous membership going past 40 years.

Orpha Rebekah Lodge degree staff, one of the best and most proficient in the state, will be present at the Medford session and will exemplify the beautiful Rebekah degree for the edification of the Rebekah membership Wednesday evening at the armory.

At all sessions of the I. O. O. F. Grand Lodge, a hospital corps is maintained to take care of minor cases of accidents, faintings, prostrations, etc., and provide first aid in emergency cases. This corps will maintain headquarters and staff at the city park during the session of the grand lodge in Medford.

To Enrich Plants
To enrich the earth around plants, water them with a solution consisting of 150 grains of glue to two gallons of water.

Greetings Odd Fellows and Rebekahs

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