

Scottish Rite Bodies Open Spring Reunion in City Monday

DELEGATES TO ARRIVE TOMORROW

Sessions Start Tomorrow Morning — Medford and Eugene Lodges Participate—Followed By Shrine Ceremonial in Ashland.

Tomorrow, from all parts of southern Oregon, as far west as Eugene and east as far as Lakeview, will come Scottish Rite Masons to participate in the spring reunion in this city for the next three days. This year's reunion is expected to eclipse even that of last May. Just preceding the Hillam Temple Shrine ceremonial in this city and a large class of candidates will receive the coveted Scottish Rite degrees, under the direction of Siskiyou Lodge of Perfection and Siskiyou Chapter Rose Croix of this city and the Eugene Council of Kadosh No. 2 and Eugene Consistory number 2 of Eugene.

The program for the next three days includes strenuous degree work and various banquets and fraternal gatherings with the Masonic temple at Main and Holly streets as the headquarters for the reunion. Members of Siskiyou Lodge of Perfection and Siskiyou Chapter Rose Croix have been preparing for the reunion here for the past several months and the local hosts to the northern Masons have left nothing undone to assure a successful convalesce in this city.

D. L. Davidson, 32°, venerable master of Siskiyou Lodge of Perfection and Walter H. Jones, 32°, venerable master of Siskiyou Chapter Rose Croix, have been very active directing details of this week's assembling of Scottish Rite members. The reception committee comprises James Taylor 32°, H. H. Brown 32°, K. M. C. Neil 32° and E. C. Jerome 32°. The entertainment committee includes Chas. A. Wing 32°, Hugo M. Lange 32°, P. S. Anderson 32°, S. W. McQuat 32° and E. C. Jerome 32°. While the personnel of the class committee is George W. Porter 32°, E. C. Jerome 32°, Walter C. Van Emon 32°, W. L. Lonigan 32° and H. H. Brown 32°.

A large number of the Scottish Rite class at this week's reunion is expected to receive the mystic degrees of the Shrine at the spring ceremonial of Hillam temple in Ashland next Saturday.

The record of having had the Masonic degrees conferred upon him in three different languages by three different lodges is held by J. C. Henderson. He was accepted as a candidate for the degrees in American Lodge No. 475, late in 1927. His knowledge of English, French and German being known. Vallee de France Lodge No. 329, commonly known as the French, was invited to confer the Entered Apprentice degree in French. The Fellowcraft degree was conferred upon him a short time later in German by Aedea Lodge No. 438, and early in 1928 American Lodge raised him to the sublime degree of master Mason in the English language. Such practice has now been prohibited by the Grand Lodge of California.

Hi-Ho Scottish Rite

We Hope Your Spring Reunion Is a Great Success

MANN'S

National Scottish Rite Head



John Henry Cowles, 33°
Sovereign Grand Commander, Washington, D. C.

Scottish Rite April Anniversaries

Col. John Mitchell, first grand commander of the supreme council, E. S. A. (1891-18), received the thirty-third degree April 2, 1795.

Gilbert Burns, brother of Robert Burns, poet laureate of Freemasonry, died April 27, 1827. He was a member of St. James Lodge, Tarbolton, Scotland.

Albert Pike was made deputy inspector general for western Tennessee, April 12, 1854. On April 25, 1857, he became honorary inspector general in a special session at New Orleans, La., also being made special deputy for Louisiana on that date. His death occurred at Washington, D. C., April 2, 1891.

FRANKFORT, Ky.—The Masonic fraternity was well represented in both the house and the senate in the session of the Kentucky legislature which adjourned recently. In the senate there were six Masons and in the house forty-six members of the fraternity, according to the Blue Book, which gives a brief biography of the members.

Scottish Rite May Anniversaries

Gen. John Brooks, who aided Baron von Steuben in training the Continental army and who served as governor of Massachusetts for six terms, was born at Medford, Mass., May 31, 1752, and was a member of American Union Lodge.

Mal. Gen. Joseph Warren, who is credited with ringing the alarm bells in Boston on April 18, 1775, became grand master of Masonry in Boston, May 30, 1789.

Louis McLane, minister to England (1829-31; 1845-46), secretary of the treasury under President Jackson (1831-33), secretary of state (1833-34) and president of the B. & O. railroad (1837-47), was born at Smyrna, Del., May 28, 1756. He was a member of Lafayette Lodge No. 14, at Wilmington.

Gen. Joseph Robinson, who served in the War of 1812 and was grand secretary of the grand lodge of Maryland (1842-63), became a member of Concordia Lodge No. 13, Baltimore, in May, 1811.

SISKIYOU LODGE OF PERFECTION ORGANIZED 1921

(By D. L. Davidson, 32°, present Venerable Master)

So far as is known, the first authentic effort to institute the Ancient and Accepted Rite of Freemasonry in southern Oregon, was a notice read at a ceremonial of Hillam Temple A. A. O. N. M. S. held at Ashland in December, 1921. In answer to this call, about 25 Masters of the Royal Secret—32°—met in the Masonic temple in Medford, and discussed plans to organize a county Scottish Rite club. As a means to get all Scottish Rite Masons in southern Oregon out, a banquet was held early in January at the Hotel Medford. Brethren were present from Ashland, Grants Pass, Central Point, Talent, Jacksonville and other points, there being 14 consistories represented.

The club was duly organized, with D. L. Davidson, president; W. H. Flanagan, vice president; H. O. Frohach, secretary; Geo. E. Gates, treasurer, and J. D. Rickert, almoner.

At this meeting Brother George T. Collins presented a petition for signature by those present who would join in a regular petition to the sovereign grand inspector general in Oregon for letters temporary to institute a Lodge of Perfection, fourth to fourteenth degrees, inclusive. This agreement contained 35 names. Nothing more, however, was done toward establishing a body in Medford, and the club also died through the indifference of its members.

The first semi-official services of the rite was the Rose Croix obligatory observance of Maundy Thursday in the spring of 1922. This meeting was held under the direction of Brother J. D. Rickert, 32°, Rev. W. Judson Oldfield, 32° K. C. C. H., was the principal speaker and in closing his remarks, he urged the brethren present to speed up action on the organization of a Lodge of Perfection, as did also several others present. Still nothing was done.

At the Maundy Thursday observance in 1923, the question of organizing a Lodge of Perfection was again presented, and 19 brethren agreed to get limits or certificates of standing from their respective bodies, and join in a petition for letters temporary. These signers met April 16, and completed the regular petition, and recommended the following appointments: Venerable master, D. L. Davidson; senior warden, McE. M. Dow; junior warden, J. D. Rickert; secretary, Paul B. Rynning. The letters temporary were granted April 26, 1923, by P. S. Malcolm, 33°, sovereign grand inspector general in Oregon. The first meeting under these letters was held May 4, and the lodge at once settled down to work.

Brother Lee M. Hall, formerly with the post office department, presented petition No. 1 for the inaffable degrees. Petitions came in regularly, and on August 27, four months after granting of the letters temporary, a class of 13 aspirants was created Perfect Elus.

In the meantime, negotiations had been carried on with the sovereign grand inspector general, looking to a reunion, when all the degrees from the fourth to the thirty-second, inclusive, could be conferred in Medford. It finally was decided to hold this reunion November 23, 1923. The Rose Croix degree, November 12 to 18; Council of Kadosh, November 19 to 26, and Consistory, thirty-first and thirty-second to be conferred by the co-ordinate bodies from Eugene.

Venerable Master



D. L. Davidson
Venerable Master of Siskiyou Lodge of Perfection.

Past Masters



E. M. Wilson, 32°
Venerable Master from January 5, 1925 to January 9, 1928.



Paul B. Rynning, 32°
Venerable Master from January 9, 1928 to January 10, 1929.

The next reunion was in May, 1927, with a small class, only four finishing through the thirty-second.

Starting with 19 names on the petition for letters temporary, Siskiyou Lodge of Perfection now has a membership of about 56, 39 members having been created Perfect Elus before January 1, 1925. Since its organization it has lost only three members by death: H. C. Smith, 32°; W. C. Taylor, 14°; H. R. Johnson, 32°.

Scottish Rite Committees

- Reception Committee
 - Jan. Taylor, 32nd degree.
 - H. H. Brown, 32nd degree.
 - K. M. C. Neil, 32nd degree.
 - E. C. Jerome, 32nd degree.
- Entertainment Committee
 - Chas. A. Wing, 32nd degree.
 - Hugo M. Lange, 32nd degree.
 - P. S. Anderson, 32nd degree.
 - S. W. McQuat, 32nd degree.
 - E. C. Jerome, 32nd degree.
- Class Committee
 - Geo. W. Porter, 32nd degree.
 - E. C. Jerome, 32nd degree.
 - Walter C. Van Emon, 32nd degree.
 - W. L. Lonigan, 32nd degree.
 - H. H. Brown, 32nd degree.
- Representatives of the Venerable Master and Wise Master
 - Michael Conrad Sult, Lakeview, Ore., 32nd degree.
 - Will Leonard Lonigan, Grants Pass, Ore., 32nd degree.
 - Ralph Matt Farmer, Chiloquin, Ore., 32nd degree.
 - Walter C. Van Emon, Klamath Falls, Ore., 32nd degree.
 - H. C. Stock, Ashland, Ore., 32nd degree.
 - Emil Britt, Jacksonville, Ore., 32nd degree.

Scottish Rite Program

- Monday
 - Work by Siskiyou Lodge of Perfection.
 - 8:00 a. m.—Fourth degree, Secret Master.
 - 9:00 a. m.—Fifth degree, Perfect Master.
 - 10:00 a. m.—Sixth degree, Confidential Secretary.
 - 10:40 a. m.—Seventh degree, Provost and Judge.
 - 11:15 a. m.—Eighth degree, Intendant of the Building.
 - 11:30 a. m.—Orator's address by P. G. Rynning.
 - 12:00 noon—Luncheon.
 - 12:45 p. m.—Class photographs. Photographer, E. A. Peasley.
 - 1:30 p. m.—Ninth degree, Elu of the Nine.
 - 2:45 p. m.—Tenth degree, Elu of the Fifteen.
 - 4:00 p. m.—Orator's address by P. G. Rynning.
 - Twelfth degree, Master Architect.
 - Thirteenth degree, Royal Arch of Solomon.
 - 4:30 p. m.—Orator's address. Orator, Chas. A. Wing.
 - 6:00—Dinner.
 - 8:00—Fourteenth degree, Perfect Elu.
- Tuesday
 - Work by Siskiyou Chapter Rose Croix.
 - 8:00 a. m.—Business meeting.
 - 9:00 a. m.—Fifteenth degree, Knight of the East, of the Sword and of the Eagle.
 - 12:00 noon—Luncheon.
 - 1:30 p. m.—Sixteenth degree, Princes of Jerusalem.
 - 2:45 p. m.—Seventeenth degree, Knight of the East and West.
 - 6:00 p. m.—Dinner.
 - 8:00 p. m.—Eighteenth degree, Knight of the Eagle, Knight of the Pelican, or Prince Rose Croix.
- Wednesday
 - Work by Eugene Council of Kadosh No. 2.
 - 7:30 a. m.—Nineteenth degree, Pontiff.
 - Twentieth degree, Master of the Symbolic Lodge.
 - Twenty-first degree, Noachite or Prussian Knight.
 - 8:00 a. m.—Twenty-second degree, Knights of the Royal Axe Prince of Libanus.
 - Twenty-third degree, Chief of the Tabernacles.
 - Twenty-fourth degree, Prince of the Tabernacle.
 - Twenty-fifth degree, Knight of the Brazen Serpent.
 - Twenty-sixth degree, Prince of Mercy.
 - Twenty-seventh degree, Knight Comm. of the Temple.
 - Twenty-eighth degree, Knight of the Sun Adept.
 - Twenty-ninth degree, Scottish Knight of St. Andrew.
 - 9:30 a. m.—Thirtieth degree, Knights of Kadosh.
 - 12:00 noon—Luncheon.
- Work by Eugene Consistory No. 2.
 - 1:30 p. m.—Thirty-first degree, Inspector Inquisitor.
 - 6:00 p. m.—Dinner.
 - 7:30 p. m.—Thirty-second degree, Master of the Royal Secret.

State Scottish Rite Leader



Louis G. Clarke, 33°
Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Oregon, Portland, Oregon.

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HEADS CREDIT MEN. DALLAS, TEXAS, May 17.—(AP)—William Fraser, New York City, has been selected by the National Association of Credit men as president of the organization for the coming year.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—(AP)—Comptroller Ebele of the customs bureau announced today that a large alcohol consignment from Heiland had been seized at Chattanooga, Tenn.