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CAPT. SCHETKY REACHES 100

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION MONDAY

Navy, Masonic Lodge Honor Veterans—President Coolidge Sends Congratulatory Telegram

Just a hundred years ago in the city of Philadelphia Captain Charles Alexander Schetky was born, and Monday night the chief executive of the nation, the United States Navy and the grand lodges of Pennsylvania and Oregon Masons joined Lodge No. 2, of Philadelphia, and Lodge No. 105, of Hood River, in a unique celebration on the eve of the centennial anniversary of this rugged, sturdy veteran, now the oldest naval officer of the nation and probably the oldest member of the Masonic lodge.

Headed by their grand master, Edgar H. Senech, of Portland, Oregon Masons gathered at the main lodge to fill an overflowing local lodge room. Brethren were present from many mid-Columbia Washington points. Simultaneously Masons of Philadelphia and Pennsylvania were gathered in the Pennsylvania metropolis on the Atlantic. At 7 o'clock—it was 10 at Philadelphia, the signal sounded, announcing that connection by transcontinental telephone lines had been made across the vast expanse of the nation.

"Hello," said H. O. Kresse, master of the local lodge, "This is Hood River Lodge, 105."

For 15 minutes members of the local lodge listened by wire to addresses by Pennsylvania Masons, representatives of Lodge No. 2 and the grand lodge of Pennsylvania. Addresses, too, were delivered by Rear Admiral Mayo, acting as a special representative appointed by Secretary of the Navy Curtis D. Wilbur, and Captain C. H. Dickens, chief chaplain of the navy.

Mr. Kresse then extended greetings to Philadelphia from Hood River, thanking the Pennsylvania lodge for making possible so wonderful an event. He introduced Grand Master Senech, who stated that he was a native Pennsylvanian and for 12 years a resident of Philadelphia before coming to Oregon.

"Brother Captain C. A. Schetky," said Mr. Senech, "is in wonderful surroundings. We feel highly honored to have him in our midst. He is being well taken care of."

Captain Schetky then, his deep, melodious voice booming through the hall, said:

"I speak to Rear Admiral Mayo and Captain Dickens and extend to you all the courtesies you have paid me. My time was actively spent in the Navy. All recollections are pleasant. Storms, calm, it was always action. In quiet times, I was assessing. In war time I was fighting." Captain Schetky then directed his words to his home lodge.

"It has been 23 years since I have visited Philadelphia lodge," he said, "but my connections have always been maintained. I am glad of the messages sent me. Today I can recall the face of but one living member of the lodge when I was there."

Geo. W. Smith, local singer, rendered two of Captain Schetky's old-time favorite songs: "Nancy Lee" and "Lassie O' Mine." Truman Butler, past master of the local lodge, presented Captain Schetky with a magnificent silver fruit bowl, a gift of the local lodge. Ralph B. Bennett, another past master, presented from the lodge 100 red carnations.

"The red," said Mr. Bennett, "represents the love Hood River lodge holds for you."

"I want to thank you brothers individually and collectively for your honors," said Captain Schetky. "I have never met with more courtesy than from you members of Hood River lodge. I have visited lodges all over the world."

An ebony cane, with an ornate gold head, a gift of Philadelphia lodge, was presented by Grand Master Senech. After expressing his thanks, Captain Schetky turned to Mr. Senech, saying:

"I have met only three grand masters before. As we grow old we drop out of life, but we are not forgotten. A brief eulogy was paid Captain Schetky by Ernest C. Smith on behalf of the local lodge."

Lieutenant Commander P. W. Northcroft, of Portland, presented a special aide to Captain Schetky for his birthday celebration, said:

"I greet you as a member of the navy, Captain Schetky."

"I came to the navy as a mustang," said Captain Schetky in response. "I was appointed from the ranks and took an examination."

An address was delivered by D. Rufus Cheney, grand secretary of the Oregon grand lodge, after which the veteran officer was presented with a huge birthday cake bearing 100 candles.

"It doesn't look like a ribbage board," said Captain Schetky, when it was held up for his view.

Messages by the score reached here Monday for Captain Schetky. One came from President Coolidge, who said:

"It is with great pleasure that I extend heartfelt congratulations upon the occasion of your hundredth birthday. Your long record of service in our navy has not been forgotten. Best wishes for future health and happiness."

Another telegram came from Admiral Eberle, who extended felicitations from the Navy. Lieutenant Commander Northcroft remained with Captain Schetky throughout Tuesday, when a reception was held at the West Side home of Captain Schetky's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Scott F. Aitken. A birthday dinner was served Tuesday night at the Aitken home.

Several weeks ago, in anticipation of Captain Schetky's centennial anniversary, the Navy Mutual Aid Society voted to amend its by-laws, permitting all members who reached the 100-year mark to receive immediately fully paid up benefits. Monday the First National Bank of this city received telegraphic instruction to remit \$7,512.16 to the veteran officer. The check was delivered in person by E. O. Blancher, president of the bank.

"Now be careful with that," jokingly said Mr. Blancher, when Captain Schetky in a remarkably clear hand had signed the formal receipts.

"I'll see that they do not use it to start a fire with," countered Captain Schetky.

Other high Masons who accompanied Grand Master Senech here Monday night for the celebration were: Frank M. Patterson, grand junior deacon, and K. E. Landis, assistant grand secretary.

Members of the Hood River lodge who formed the committee in charge of the celebration were: W. L. Marshall, E. C. Smith, J. K. Carson, Harold Sarashan, J. H. Hazlett, H. L. Shoemaker, R. B. Bennett, S. F. Aitken, Truman Butler, H. O. Kresse and Kent Shoemaker.

REPORT SHOWS SOME PROGRESS

DISTRICTS FOR COUNCIL AGENCIES

Organization of Apples and Shippers New in For Local Market

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With W. F. Gwin as chairman, the shippers are already outlining plans of tentative organizations, according to Mr. Clark, who has started signing up local shippers already. The growers of the various districts, according to Mr. Benton, will organize district associations, which will be joined through a confederation. Mr. Benton will join other members of a contact committee of growers at Spokane today, when it is expected that definite details of the individual districts will be effected.

SECRETARY OF NAVY WRITES TO VETERAN

Delivery by Lieutenant Commander P. W. Northcroft, of Portland, appointed by the naval department as a special aide to the veteran officer for his birthday celebration, of a letter from Curtis D. Wilbur, secretary of the navy, was the high spot Tuesday on Captain Charles A. Schetky's 100th birthday. Secretary Wilbur wrote:

"My dear Captain Schetky: I note with a great deal of pleasure that the 22nd of March will mark your 100th birthday. May I express to you the interest and best wishes of the Navy in this event, and at the same time extend my personal congratulations and congratulations of the Navy on the occasion. You will served your country during the trying times of the Civil War and in later years saw service on both the Atlantic and Pacific.

"You have seen the Navy change from sail to steam and from ships of oak to ships of steel. The spirit of the fleet today has been molded by the heroic deeds and traditions of the Navy of the days of your active service. The Navy is proud of your distinguished career and is happy to felicitate you on your birthday and joins me in wishing you continued good health and happiness."

Scores of neighbors and friends called at the Oak Grove home of Mr. and Mrs. Scott F. Aitken, son-in-law and daughter of Capt. Schetky, Tuesday afternoon, when a public reception was held. Captain Schetky regaled them with stories of the sea. His mind was as alert as that of any of his guests, and he was quick at repartee. Indeed, the occasion was thoroughly enjoyed by him. In spite of the unusual excitement of the night before when he had been honor guest at the local Masonic lodge, he withstood the unusual activities well, and he declared himself Tuesday night as comfortably tired.

Lieutenant Commander Northcroft Tuesday was delegated by Captain Schetky to cut a huge birthday cake. The veteran officer called for his son-in-law, Truman Butler, to assist him. He unhesitated it and at his request, Lieutenant Northcroft sliced the great cake with the sword.

Captain Schetky posed for his picture as Lieutenant Commander Northcroft read to him the letter from Secretary Wilbur. It was an all Navy affair, this making of the picture, for the photographer was Fred W. Donnelly, naval veteran of the great war.

It is a custom for theatrical productions to be judged from Broadway, but the sponsors of "Above the Clouds" have chosen another factor to pass on the moral and entertainment qualities of their picture.

Why Hood River? Because the farming cities are the backbone of America and Hood River is the most prominent farming city in the world. The fame of Hood River apples carrying confidence in their producers has spread to the four corners of the globe. So, along with being the queen city for apples, it is to have the sacred duty thrust upon it of turning thumbs up or down on a new form of motion picture, in "Above the Clouds" will have its initial preview in Hood River at the Rialto theatre on April 13 and 14.

If the picture survives by Hood River approval, Mr. Reeves, the producer, will "tell the world" that it was ushered into life in Hood River, for he knows the world has learned confidence through its staple commodity in the standards of Hood River's citizens. The fact that a prominent part is played in the story by Margaret Kissinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kissinger, of Oak Grove, will make it of special interest to Hood River people.

DR. JENKINS HEADS NEW ROTARY CLUB

A Rotary club was organized here last Thursday night with the following officers: Dr. C. H. Jenkins, president; Dr. V. R. Abraham, vice-president; C. M. Dyer, secretary; Robt. B. Perrygo, treasurer; John A. McLean, sergeant-at-arms, and Rev. F. Gordon Hart, Edward Lage and Walter R. Woolpert, the other members of the board of directors.

Al B. Reynolds, of the Portland club, represented District Governor James Beatty, of Victoria, B. C., as organizing officer. He was accompanied here by the following Rotarians: Frank W. Cutler, J. Fred Staver, Walter Whiting, A. M. Work, Dave Seger, Al Smith and L. B. Cornell.

On receipt of the charter, the new club will be instituted at a meeting to be held early in April at the Columbia Gorge hotel. Rotary delegations will be present from various Oregon and Washington cities.

Other charter members of the local Rotary not formerly mentioned are J. H. Koberg and Fred H. Bell.

Mosier Boy Sings Here

Forrest Evans, a vocal student of Mrs. C. H. Sletton, won high praise Tuesday from members of the Tuesday forum of the chamber of commerce. Young Mr. Evans has a rich voice of great promise.

Mrs. Sletton was his piano accompanist at the Tuesday presentation.

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LINCOLN DECLARED BEST EDUCATED

Judge Fred W. Wilson, who was scheduled to deliver an address on Washington and Lincoln here in February, but who was unable to visit the city because of conflicting dates, Tuesday in a strong address told the forum of the chamber of commerce that he considered Abraham Lincoln one of America's most educated men. Judge Wilson challenged to debate any college professor who might be in his audience and who might take exception to the statement.

Abraham Lincoln, the visiting jurist declared, was educated for the reason that he had never learned anything that had to be unlearned. He cited his inaugural address and his Gettysburg address as examples of the purest literary style, which had resulted from his childhood and youthful study of the Bible. Judge Wilson gave Shalom Pearce credit for the unusual insight of the Great Emancipator into the motives of men. The education of Lincoln was largely based, Judge Wilson said, on the Bible and Shakespeare, which had formed his selection. In later life, at the age of 40, he improved his logic by the mastery of Euclid.

Without military glamour, Judge Wilson declared, and yet with a mystery and mysticism, Lincoln has and continues to influence the thoughts of men and women, the high and the lowly alike, with the impress he has left upon the world.

During the course of his address, Judge Wilson declared that Americans have grown too much a nation of headline readers, declaring that men and women indulge in too much loose talking and too little sane, clear thinking.

Turning to Lieutenant Commander P. W. Northcroft, naval officer of Portland, who was a guest at the forum, Judge Wilson said:

"I maintain that the duty of voting, of voting intelligently on vital issues of the day, is as solemn an one as the pledge that this representative of the navy has taken on himself in upholding the nation's honor and in her defense."

With Dr. E. L. Seabee, new chairman of the forum, presiding, Lieutenant Commander Northcroft was the first speaker Tuesday. He expressed a delight with the Oregon country and scenery and declared that he would regret the day when he will be transferred to some other point in the line of duty. Lieutenant Commander Northcroft said that he had visited Hood River on only one former occasion, having brought his mother here.

"She came up from California," he said, "but I sold her Oregon. It took me just two hours on a trip over our Columbia River highway."

DEE EXPECTS RODGERS TO WIN BOUT

A record crowd for a local boxing bout is expected here next Monday night, when the main event will be a 10-round go between Young Rodgers, of Des, and Kid Roberts, of Pendleton. Rodgers, who will have the roiling support of the entire Dee community, is training hard for the event, and his friends are confident that he will win the bout. In December in what was characterized the hardest fought bout and bloodiest ever seen in the mid-Columbia, Rodgers knocked Roberts to the count in the seventh round.

Residents of Dee here yesterday said that half of the population of the sawmill town and the surrounding orchard section will be here for the fight.

Other bouts on the card of next Monday night, when the event will be under auspices of the American Legion post, Val Bearson, matchmaker, will be: George Woolley, of White Salmon, and Spin McClaskey, of The Dalles, in the 6-round semi-wind-up; John Colvin, local boy, and Jimmy Hanley, of Stockton, Calif., in a 4-round bout.

Uniform Grade Sought

A delegation of apple shippers and growers will visit Yakima today to attend a grade and pack conference of Washington fruit-men. Efforts will be made by the Oregon delegates to secure as great a uniformity as possible of the grades of varieties of apples grown in the two states.

The local delegation will consist of the following men: A. F. S. Steele, C. H. Casner, W. R. Woolpert, J. H. Mohr and M. O. Downing.

The Pine Grove Grange will present "Mrs. Tubbs of Shanty Town" at the Grange hall March 25. Save the date.