

REDMEN WILL CELEBRATE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

The Improved Order of Red Men, having instituted a lodge at Klamath Falls in October last, are going to celebrate Washington's birthday in a fitting manner.

The Order of Red Men was organized by George Washington, the first president of the United States, and who was the first Sachem of the order.

The initiation work of the order is founded wholly on the tradition of the Indians, and is one of the most beautiful of all of the secret societies in existence today. It is an American institution and dates all its documents from the time of the discovery of America by Columbus in 1492.

Modoc Tribe No. 50, Klamath Falls lodge, have retained the Houston Opera House for the evening of February 22, at which time, if their paraphernalia arrives, will show to the people of Klamath Falls something very unique in the way of entertainment, after which they are going to give a grand Hard Times ball.

The commemoration, annually, of the sinking of the battleship Maine in Havana harbor on February 15 by public ceremonies in Washington, D. C., is the object of the Battleship Maine Memorial Association, which was formally launched last week. Plans for the first memorial exercises are now being matured. Rear Admiral Sigbee, retired, was elected president of the association. He commanded the Maine when she was sunk. On the morning of February 15 a requiem mass will be celebrated for the repose of the souls of the sailors and soldiers who lost their lives in the explosion. In the afternoon there will be a pilgrimage to the graves of the sailors and marines buried in Arlington cemetery, and in the evening a meeting in the First Presbyterian church. Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans will speak, and Admiral Sigbee will tell the story of the Maine. President Roosevelt and Secretary Newberry will be invited to attend the ceremonies.

The officers of the United States navy are practicing horseback riding. Some very funny stories of how these sailor men perform in the early stages of their lessons. It is related that oftentimes one of them, who has achieved some girth and accompanying flesh, is seen clinging to the neck of a horse that doesn't exactly understand what is expected of him. At other times some of the officers who feel that they must cling to the horse with their heels, and consequently dig the spurs into the flanks of the animal, produce results entirely unexpected and give an exhibition of acrobatics such as is rarely seen outside of Buffalo Bill's wild west show. But the officers are determined and they are keeping up the practice with the intent of carrying out the order of the commander-in-chief.

Adolph Werderitach, aged 17, the human ammunition box, committed suicide in Chicago last week in a unique manner. The youth first filled his pockets with cartridges. Then he fired a bullet into his breast, set fire to his clothing and ran screaming into the street. As he raced along, a pillar of flames, the cartridges in his pockets began to explode, endangering the lives of persons who vainly attempted to save his life. The lad died on the way to the hospital.

MERRILL ITEMS.

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church had a tea and apron sale Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. R. Tenbrook. They netted \$22 on the sale.

The meetings at the Presbyterian Church closed with the addition of thirteen new members.

Mrs. M. Giacomini was in town Friday on professional business.

A. L. Rose of the Davis ranch is in Merrill this week.

Rev. L. M. Anderson, of Merrill, who has been helping Rev. Milligan with the meetings at Spring Lake, returned Saturday.

The Ladies' Club now have a nice room fixed up for the public library in the bank building. There are now 300 books on hand. Library is open every afternoon and evening. Everyone is cordially invited to come in.

Mrs. Eibel Gibson took dinner with Mrs. G. H. Graybael Wednesday.

O. E. Irvine and Billy Gibson have purchased the well boring machine from Ed. Duffy and are now ready to put down wells for anyone.

The Ladies Mutual Benefit Club is now studying Japan.

Claude, Ruby and Faye Demorest spent Saturday evening with their friends, Addie and Orisa Graybael.

Alla Balls gave a party to a number of her friends last Friday evening. Everyone enjoyed themselves most heartily. Games were played and refreshments of cake, sandwiches coffee and cocoa were served. Those present were: Claude Andrews, Lee and Charlie Brown, Calvin, Luther and Chester Haskins, Solie Dewey, John Nye, Harriet Garrison, Phoebe Brown, Goldie Stukel, Emma Burr, Esaa and Nita Ratliff, Grace and Addie Graybael, Grace Barrows and Alla Balls.

The use of the books in the public library have been kindly offered to the school children under eighteen years of age free of charge. For which the ladies have the thanks of the entire school.

Mrs. Grant Gay was in town trading Saturday.

Herbert Fitch and Robena Rhodes doubled up on their birthday and spent a pleasant evening at Mrs. Fitch's. Ice cream and cake were served. Those present were: Solie Dewey, Beulah Rhodes, David, Herbert, Eddie and Jerry Fitch and Robena Rhodes.

Miss Alice Allen was a visitor in town one day this week. Miss Allen is the best lady horse rider in this country. She rides some of our worst sagebrush broncos with grace and ease.

Frank Bloomingcamp was brought before Recorder Anderson on charge of selling cigars without a license. He was fined \$50 and costs. On refusing to pay the fine he was turned over to the mayor who will collect the same by levying on his property. Thursday he was brought up again on another charge of selling soft drinks without a license. He asked for time to get an attorney, so his trial was put off until Monday.

Miss Edith Allen, of San Francisco, is visiting with her cousin, Mrs. P. R. Merrill.

Sollie Dewey returned last Monday to school after a week's absence.

Last Tuesday at noon some of the larger girls of the Merrill school went to the top of the school house and viewed the country.

Grace Barrows and Alla Balls visited in the country Sunday with their friend, Phoebe Brown.

Mr. Hoey, Mr. Church and Mr.

Crosby, Southern Pacific officials, were in Merrill Wednesday. We understand work will begin on the Modoc line within two months from this date.

I. C. Young was in Merrill last Thursday.

J. P. Harter is up from the sheep camp.

On account of the washouts between Mt. Hebron and Sacramento, C. A. Bunting and Chas. Horton were delayed in shipping their cattle.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Clubine, of Fairview, were in town Thursday.

Mrs. T. J. Offield, of San Jose, California, expects to come to Merrill soon.

Chas. and Herbert Anderson were in town trading Wednesday.

Maney Bros.' outfit passed through Merrill this week on their way to Nevada, where they have a railroad contract.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Donley was buried in the Merrill cemetery Sunday afternoon.

A. J. T. Joslin, the new photographer from Klamath Falls, expects to be ready for business within a week.

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BAND FROM MANILA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 1.—On board the transport Buford, due to arrive here in about eight days, is the Philippine constabulary band, an organization of 84 men, en route to Washington to head the inaugural parade on March 4. The symphony orchestra of 64 pieces is to play for the inaugural ball the same night.

The constabulary band is under the leadership of Captain Loving, and all its members are Filipinos. The band took first prize at the St. Louis exposition, and Sousa is said to have credited it with being the best military band he ever heard.

FISHERMAN'S LICENSE.

According to a bill introduced in the house by Representative Miller, of Jackson County, at the request of the Rogue River Fish Protective association, it is proposed to provide an angler's license similar to the hunter's license, the proceeds from which will be used to establish and operate trout hatcheries and restock streams of the state with trout under the direction of the master fish wardens. The measure has been endorsed by the Oregon Fish and Game association, by the Multnomah Rod and Gun club, and by practically every sportsman's association in the state.

An annual license of \$1 for resident hook and line fishermen over the age of 16 is imposed by the bill. The license for residents of other states is placed at \$5. The money collected from the sale of angler's licenses is to be deposited with the state treasurer and held intact in the "game hatchery fund," which the bill creates, which can only be used under the master fish warden's direction in hatchery and restocking work.

At present there is no trout hatchery in Oregon. But little attention is paid to game fish under the existing laws and conditions. All work now done for the propagation of fish is exclusively for salmon. As a result the supply of game fish in every Oregon stream is rapidly diminishing and it will be but a few years until the trout will be practically extinct in the finest angling streams in the world. It is to remedy present conditions, check the extinction, and replenish the supply that the proposed law has been drafted, the design being that those who reap the benefit, shall pay the cost.

House bill 209 is drawn upon lines of similar laws in Washington, Colorado and other states, where the angler's license has furnished the necessary funds for restocking streams, with the result that good angling has been restored to streams whose natural supply had been exhausted.

Cut throat, steelhead and rainbow trout are all natives of Oregon and the streams of the state furnish the finest sport for the rod that any section produces. The gamiest trout can be found in the thousand brooks and riverlets that traverse the wooded hills—that is they could have been found a few years ago—but now lack of adequate protection and over fishing and no replenishment have produced the usual result and there is not one trout where ten years ago there were a hundred.

Much new legislation is proposed to check trout extermination. A lost season will be restored, and the proposed new code will help protect the remaining trout, but the angler's license bill is the only proposed law that offers a practical solution of the problem of replenishing the supply of trout in Oregon streams. Protecting remaining trout will help, but before good trout angling is restored, it will be necessary to also replenish the supply—and the wherewithal, the ways and means for accomplishing it, are provided in house bill 209.

An indictment which was found on January 16, was Saturday filed with the Court charging Dr. F. M. White with falsely certifying that a person was in need of alcoholic stimulants. The warrant was served and Dr. White gave bonds to the amount of \$250. The case was set for hearing on February 15. Benson & Stone, as attorneys for Mr. White, gave notice that they would file a demurrer to the indictment.

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