

ECHOES FROM THE LODGE ROOM

United Courts, Foresters of America, Conduct Smoker—
Death of Past Grand Master Workman Hale— Odd
Fellows Hold Whist—P. S. W. Chapin Chosen Secretary
of Grand Lodge, N. E. O. P.

N. E. O. P.
Past Supreme Warden Jonathan W. of New Haven has been selected as executive board of the Connecticut Grand Lodge for the year 1913, the appointment taking effect on Dec. 1. Mr. Chapin is a member of the Grand Lodge No. 1233 of New Haven, having joined the order in April 1896 he was elected ad interim warden of Connecticut and for consecutive years was its presiding officer. During his term of grand warden he became a member of the supreme lodge and on May 12, 1912 was elected supreme warden of the order and held this office for two years. Since that time he has continually been on the executive board and committee on laws of the supreme lodge and is at present counsel for the order in Connecticut and has done considerable legal business for the order throughout New England. He is considered to be the best informed on fraternal insurance and has a wide circle of loyal friends and supporters in the order throughout New England and especially in Connecticut, where he is personally known to members of the local lodges.

Thames lodge, No. 224, nominated officers Tuesday evening at the regular meeting held in Foresters' hall. Election takes place at the next meeting December 11.

FORESTERS OF AMERICA.
There were about 200 Foresters at the smoker conducted by the united courts F. of A. of this city in Foresters' hall Wednesday evening. All enjoyed the finest kind of a time. Foremost among the entertainers was the quartette, which had been playing at the Davis theatre during the past three days, and whose services were secured through the kindness of the management. Dr. J. J. Donohue presided at the session and gave an interesting talk to the members. During the early part of the evening Cornelia's orchestra furnished music. Frank J. Murtha gave a short talk to the members, urging increased interest in the coming fair. The quartette, composed of Horace Corning, Nicholas Spelman, James Sheehan and Joseph Parzell rendered several pleasing numbers and solos were given by Arthur Campbell, Walter Hynds, Horace Corning and James C. Kane. David Daniels of the Davis theatre gave an entertaining comedy recitation. Two numbers which were warmly applauded were given by the Sodality chorus with John Slattery, soloist.

George H. Morry was called upon to tell of his capering in the boxing ring, and he gave a brief account of the trials attendant on his latest boxing show.

The quartette from the Davis theatre concluded the programme with a number of pleasing songs and recitations and their work met with a warm reception.

The committee in charge of the affair was composed of Fredrick Brennan, George Fox and George Dolan. Sandwiches and soda were served by members of the committee in charge and the evening was a success.

Court Sachem No. 94 received one application at Thursday's meeting in Foresters' hall. The following committee was appointed to assist the general committee in charge of the affair: Henry Clavin, Lewis A. Andrews, Dona Simineau, James A. Quinn and Daniel Donahue.

INDEPENDENT FORESTERS.
Court Norwich No. 433 received one application for membership at Monday evening's meeting in Foresters' hall. Routine business was transacted. Election of officers takes place on Dec. 22.

MODERN WOODMEN.
When the Modern Woodmen Society reaches its thirtieth anniversary on January 5, next, it will have a record of death claims totaling \$1,482,000 equal to the losses of the Union army in the Civil war. In the years 1861 to 1865, the United States sustained a loss of 67,000 killed in battle. Since its organization in 1883, the Modern Woodmen Society has paid \$5,511 death claims aggregating \$1,482,000.

The members of the Modern Woodmen Society, who suspended because of the agitation resulting from the change in rates ordered by the supreme governing body are restoring their memberships rapidly. During the month of October there were 16,482 reinstatements from suspension, these members carrying \$24,370,000 insurance.

REBEKAHS.
Hope Rebekah lodge No. 21 held a regular business session Wednesday evening in Odd Fellows' hall with about 40 members present. Two candidates were initiated and officers were nominated, election to take place at the next meeting. Installation takes place in January.

At the close of the session refreshments were served and instrumental selections were enjoyed.

The lodge is to send a gift to each Norwich member who is at the Odd Fellows' home at Fairview at Christmas.

ODD FELLOWS.
Treas lodge held a well-attended session Monday evening in Odd Fellows' hall and one new member was initiated.

At the next meeting of Shetucket lodge No. 27 there will be work in the first degree.

Centon Oneco nominated officers at Thursday evening's meeting. The Lucas and Shetucket lodges jointly held a pleasant whist Friday evening in Odd Fellows' hall with a good number present. Twenty tables were played and prizes were awarded as follows: Ladies—First, Miss Anna Brasmahan, fancy clock; second, Miss Rachel Smith, salt and pepper shakers; consolation, Miss Lizzie Ortman, pin-cushion. Men—First, Charles Treadwell, knife; second, James Ryan, knife; consolation Mr. McCarthy, cigars.

Fruit punch was served and on the close of the whist dancing was enjoyed, music being furnished by the Odd Fellows' orchestra.

OWLS.
Norwich Nest No. 1294, elected officers at Tuesday evening's meeting in Odd Fellows' hall, and a good number were present. E. B. Worthington, who was elected president, has been an earnest worker in the interests of the Owls since the institution of the nest in Norwich, and his many friends are glad at his election to this office. Installation takes place the first Tuesday in January.

The first Sunday in February will be observed as Memorial Sunday and services in memory of the deceased will be conducted. This committee was appointed to arrange for the occasion: Ashley T. Bown, E. B. Worthington, Warren Andrews, W. R. Bacon, J. A. George.

DOES NOT BELIEVE HIS SON FIRED SCHOOL.
Fremont Buddington Disputes Confession Alleged to Have Been Made.

Fremont Buddington of Poquonoc takes exception to the charges that his son, Roy Buddington, set fire to the Poquonoc schoolhouse, to which he has confessed. It was stated that the boy had confessed to the crime at the Norwich state hospital, where he is now confined. As soon as he heard of the report that young Buddington had confessed, N. S. Joseph of New London, who is engaged to the boy's sister, went to Norwich by motorcycle. He arrived at the state hospital early Wednesday evening and saw Dr. Pollock, the superintendent.

Mr. Joseph says that Dr. Pollock told him that no one had been there to secure a confession from the boy and that no one would be allowed in the mental condition in which young Buddington now is.

Mr. Buddington says there are many things which point strongly to the innocence of his son in this crime. "The night of the fire," he says, "I was home. We had some company and after they went Roy went to bed. I was shortly before 12 o'clock in the night and I heard Roy snoring soundly in his room. I went to bed soon after. To leave his room it would be necessary for Roy to open the door of his room and pass through the hallway directly past my room. I would surely have heard him as he passed the door of my room and I am a light sleeper and am awakened by the slightest noise. The fire occurred after midnight and the schoolhouse is a quarter of a mile away.

"The morning after the fire Roy knew nothing of it until told by his mother. As far as I can find out no one has been to get any confession from the boy. He is not in a court of law where he is responsible for what he says, anyway. His mother was at the insane hospital to see him Tuesday and he did not know who she was. The doctor told her that chances of his getting rational again were few.

"I realize Roy has done many things that are wrong, but the gossips over our way are accusing him of everything. They have accused him of burning Mr. Weeks' dog in the ground with the head above the ground. I do not believe he did that. He is very fond of the dog and Mr. Weeks in my house only this morning said he did not believe Roy did that. He got the name of the woman from whom he got the story that my boy killed the dog."

FRATERNAL BENEFIT LEAGUE.
Norwich Council, No. 25, held its regular meeting Tuesday evening in Hiernian hall with a good number present. One application for membership was received. At the next meeting the election of officers will take place.

CHANUKAH.
Hebrew Feast of Lights Began Thursday for Eight Days.

Chanukah, or the Feast of Dedication of Lights, began Thursday night and will continue eight days.

The holiday is of deep and far-reaching significance. The modern Jew commemorates in this midwinter festival one of the most momentous periods and victories in all his or universal history.

The celebration of this feast has no elaborate ritual in the synagogue or in the home, it has become a special children's feast. The children are to be inspired with the moral and religious responsibility to continue the tradition and the practice of kindling the eight lights in their homes. It is upon them that the future task of keeping alive the holy lights of freedom, religion and patriotism devolves.

RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT TAFT
Tribute of Lakes-to-the-Gulf Deep Waterways Association.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Although expressing his deep sympathy with the movement looking to the improvement of the waterways of the Mississippi valley, President Taft in addressing at the White House today a delegation from the Lakes-to-the-Gulf Deep Waterways association which presented him with a handsome bound copy of the resolutions adopted at their annual convention in Little Rock, Ark., last September, referred to what he termed the "formidable difficulties" in the way of carrying out the project.

The president declared, however, that if the members of the deep waterways association would "press and press the solution in a satisfactory form he will be had."

Opera House and Church Burn.
Fairlee, Vt., Dec. 5.—Fire which started in the Fairlee Opera house shortly before midnight consumed that building and the village church adjoining. Sparks ignited the drug store of D. W. Abbott and the Fairlee house and several residences. Only hand extinguishers are available for fighting the fire.

Our Near Royalty.
The nearest approach to royalty in this country is attained by baggamasters. They can make the traveling public jump through an imaginary hoop—Toluado Blade.

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Mr. Carnegie might try penning off some of the crowned heads of Europe—Springfield Republican.

Stray Bullet Enters Window.
Hartford, Conn., Dec. 5.—As Joseph R. Zeph, a butcher, was dressing in his home at No. 154 Windsor street tonight, a bullet broke a pane of glass in a window and lodged about seven inches above his head in a tin can. His wife was talking to him at the time and she also narrowly escaped being hit. The police were notified.

To Release Revolutionist.
Washington, Dec. 5.—General Luis Mena, who headed the last unsuccessful revolution in Nicaragua, which involved the United States naval forces, is to be released from the "detention" he has been under at the Ancon hospital in Panama, since the collapse of that rebellion.

Vacancy in Coast Artillery.
Hartford, Conn., Dec. 5.—Adjutant General George M. Cole announces a vacancy in the grade of colonel, coast artillery corps, which will occur Dec. 11 by reason of the retirement of Col. Gilbert L. Fitch. Ballots for colonel will be counted at Hartford Dec. 14.

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Feminine Characteristics.

Most of the astute insight into the feminine is pure bosh. For the greater part of alleged female traits are merely human traits, and as common in men as in women.

I do not believe the ancient fictions that woman is the weaker vessel, that she jumps at conclusions instead of reasoning to them, that she is naturally better than man, that she is more domestic, that she is superstitious and credulous, that she is all heart and no head, and such similar time-honored mob-orthodoxies.

I believe that the reason she seems to have merited these judgments is to be found in custom and environment. It has been assumed that she is so, and it is beyond human nature for the generality of folks not to be what everyone expects them to be.

As to this that most of the philosophizing on this subject has been done by males, and very naturally they have credited the weaker and less creditable elements of character to the sisters.

At least Lafontaine's verses are true: "Elen ne pese tant qu'un secret; Le portier l'est difficile aux dames; Et je sais mieux sur ce fait Bon nombre d'hommes qui sont femmes."

(Nothing weighs heavier than a secret; It is hard for ladies to carry one far; and on this point I know even quite a number of men who are women.)

Go on describing feminine qualities, if you are of a mind to do, but do not forget that "there are quite a number of men who are women."

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