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ECHOES FROM THE LODGE ROOMS

Elks' New Treasurer—Neopian Whist—Red Men in Twenty-eighth Annual State Council—Owl's Vote to Hold Whists—Eagles Decide on Another Smoker—Royal Neighbors Met at Members Home.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS. Dow Camp, No. 7187, met on the evening of May 6th at the home of Mrs. L. Robbins at Poquetanuk. Ten tables of whist were played from 10.30, after which refreshments were served. Prizes were awarded as follows—1st lady's prize to Mrs. M. M. Killig; 1st gent's prize to Mrs. E. M. Nichols; 2nd gent's prize to Mr. J. M. Condon; prizes were awarded to Miss Doyle and Mr. Samuel Whitmarsh. Phonograph selections were rendered.

REBEKAHS. Hope Rebekah lodge, No. 21 met in Odd Fellows hall on Wednesday evening and conducted a regular business meeting with a large attendance. It was decided to hold an initiation in June.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS. Wauregan lodge, No. 6, met at their club quarters in the hall on Tuesday evening, Noble Grand H. Knowlton occupying the chair. Just the regular routine business was transacted after which the meeting adjourned.

OWLS. Norwich East, No. 1394, met in Owls hall on Tuesday evening and had a well attended business meeting. Senior Past President Ashley T. Boon presided over the meeting. The whists in the future as these whists this year have proved to be a marked success. The whist will occur on Friday evenings and the dates that they are set for are May 15, May 29, and the next one on June 12. The business of the lodge was transacted after which adjournment was declared.

ODD FELLOWS. Shetucket lodge, No. 27, held a regular business meeting in Odd Fellows hall on Tuesday evening with Noble Grand H. A. Lyter, in the chair. The meeting was held in a fairly good attendance conducted a regular business meeting at their lodge rooms Monday evening. One application for membership was received. The meeting was full of enthusiasm and Noble Grand E. K. Manning filled the chair. Canton, No. 3, held a regular business meeting on Thursday evening in Odd Fellows hall. The attendance was fair and the regular officers of the lodge presided.

EAGLES. Norwich Aerie, No. 1896, with regular officers present conducted an interesting business meeting in hall on Monday evening. Five applications for membership were received. The meeting was held in a well reported a success and it was decided to hold another at the next meeting at which Deputy Grand Worthy President James T. Devlin of New London will be present. The attendance was fair and the meeting adjourned after the completion of the regular business.

ORDER OF PROTECTION. Slater lodge, No. 500 on Tuesday evening conducted a regular business meeting at their usual meeting place. The regular officers of the lodge were present and the attendance was very good.

An enjoyable whist evening with 20 tables playing was given on Tuesday in Foresters hall by Thames lodge, No. 236. When the judges had collected the score cards the winners of the pretty prizes were determined as follows:—Gentlemen—1st, T. Beck with 15, book; 2nd, Joseph Bellefleur 14, umbrella; 3rd, L. Volkman 14, book of cards; 4th, H. Kane 14, pin; consolation, William Breshnehan, ash tray. Ladies—1st, Mrs. Pike, 16, umbrella; 2nd, Miss Anne Mosher, 16, string of real beads; 3rd, Mrs. Brennan, 15, fern; 4th, Miss Breshnehan, 15, linen handkerchiefs; consolation, Miss McKelvey, sugar and creamer. The scores were taken on number of games and not on points.

RED MEN. Increases in numerical and financial strength were reported at the twenty-eighth annual great council of the Red Men of Connecticut in session in Bristol, Conn., at the home of Mr. J. W. Sturford, who presided, stated that most of the tribes were in a flourishing condition, but that there were some weak tribes which needed immediate assistance. One new tribe was instituted during the year, Menunketesuck, No. 59 at Stonington, and one, O. S. Culver, No. 23, of Stonington, surrendered its charter.

The report of the great chief of records, William Saunders, showed that the total membership of the 40 tribes in the state was now 5,220, a gain of 203 for the year, which the report described in view of business conditions for some time past, as "a fairly good increase." Total receipts of the tribes were \$164,271.25, and expenditures \$17,743.77, approximately one-third of which was for charitable purposes.

The report of O. S. Culver, great keeper of wampum, showed that the receipts for the general fund of the great council were \$5,266.60, expenditures \$2,938.28, leaving a balance of \$1,645.62. Receipts for the orphans' fund were \$3,674.88, disbursements \$624, and balance \$3,050.56. Upwards of 300 were in attendance at the session and before proceeding to business the delegates listened to an address of welcome by Mayor James Cray.

The response to the welcoming address was by Frank A. Wells of Waterbury. After all reports had been accepted nominations were called for and the following were made, the choice of George S. Fairchild of Stamford as great sachem being assured as he had no contestant; great senior sagamore Walter N. Austin, Stamford; great junior sagamore, George M. Barnes, Bridgeport; Alfred Ligouri, New London; Albert Judd, Bristol; and Frank E. Stearns, Wallingford; great prophet, Frank Wells, Waterbury; great chief of records, William Saunders, Naugatuck; great keeper of wampum, O. S. Culver, New Haven; A. C. Klammer, Middletown; Howard M. Godfrey, South Norwalk; and St. Clair T. Corson, New Haven; great representative to the United States grand council, Frank Wells, Waterbury, and O. S. Culver, New Haven.

UNITED WORKMEN. At the last meeting of Thames lodge, No. 13, of Groton, District Supervisor Joseph Zeller and Past Master Workman Charles Cushman of Stonington lodge, No. 80, of Stonington were present and made interesting remarks. Brother Zeller is a very enthusiastic member and should fill the office of district supervisor, to which he was recently appointed, with his manifold duties, in an able manner, characteristic of his former performance in behalf of the order. The members of Thames lodge will stand firmly in back of him in his position and will try to end the term with a marked increase in membership. Remarks were also passed during the evening by Brothers Bailey, Klippell and others, making it a very interesting session.

vention of lodges of the Degree of Honor in Connecticut will assemble as guests of Hope lodge, No. 8 of New London. The headquarters for the delegates will be at the Mohican hotel, where a reception to the grand lodge officers will be given on the night before the opening of the convention.

ELKS. At its meeting at the Elks' home on Thursday evening, Norwich lodge, No. 420, elected a new treasurer for the current year in the person of William R. Babcock, and he was duly installed. Mr. Babcock succeeded W. A. Sullivan, who was elected to the office, but soon thereafter by a change in his business was transferred to New Haven, so that he resigned the office shortly after his installation. The newly elected treasurer is a popular member of the lodge and has had acquaintance with financial matters in connection with other organizations brings experience to the office, for which he is well fitted.

LADIES' AUXILIARY, A. O. H. Ladies' auxiliary, Div. No. 18, A. O. H., held their regular bi-monthly meeting in Foresters hall, Poquetanuk square, Monday evening, with a large attendance and with the president, Mrs. M. L. Silney in the chair. The members were advised with a visit from their county president, Mrs. Annie T. Henley of New London, who is to give an address at the unveiling of the monument.

The members of Div. No. 18 sent three elegant May baskets to Mrs. J. J. the national president; Mrs. Catherine E. Foley of New Haven, the state president, and Mrs. Henley, the county president at the unveiling of the charter of Div. No. 54, in St. Mary's T. A. and B. hall last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Henley thanked the members personally for the May basket she received and also thanked them in behalf of Mrs. Jolly. A letter was received from the state president, Mrs. Ellen Ryan Jolly of Pawtucket, is to make to Washington next week to attend the unveiling of the Hope Valley High school and to give an address at the unveiling of the monument.

During the evening a class of candidates was initiated into the ranks of the division. A social hour followed the business of the lodge and the meeting closed with the singing of America.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS. Sedgwick company, No. 15, assembled for its regular meeting, Friday afternoon at the Buckingham Memorial with the president, Maud E. Baker, in the chair. The regular business was transacted. General Orders No. 7 were read, again speaking of the department convention to be held at Waterbury Thursday and Friday, May 14th and 15th. Many members are planning to attend. It was voted to have a proxy supper for this month.

DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA. The annual roll call of Liberty council, D. of A., was held Wednesday evening in Mechanics hall, Mystic. A large attendance was present. The meeting was opened by the councilor, Mrs. Mary Beebe, who read the usual routine of business had been transacted the roll was called by the recording secretary, Mrs. M. Vallette. Following the roll call Miss Estelle Lamb, the new national deputy, was welcomed by the councilor and a beautiful bouquet of flowers was presented by Mrs. Gertrude Sawyer. The retiring deputy, Mrs. Mary Latham, who has held the office several years, was chairman of the roll call committee and through her kindly efforts assisted by Mrs. Augusta Foster and Mrs. Sawyer, made it a memorable evening for the lodge. A fine birthday cake, decorated with 15 lighted candles, was presented by Mrs. Latham which was cut and passed around by Miss Lamb and other refreshments were served.

The following program was given: Piano duet, Miss Hope Burrows; Mrs. Frank Banning; vocal duet, Mrs. George Griswold and Mrs. Knight; reading, Mrs. M. T. Vallette; solo, Miss Pearl Carson. An original poem composed by Mrs. Hattie Ashby, was read in which many of the members were mentioned in a happy vein.

ORDER OF VASA. The regular business meeting of lodge Oscar, No. 30, was held in Foresters' hall on Friday evening with a good attendance. President C. Johnson occupied the chair and the various officers were at their posts. Routine business matters were cleared up. The matter of building a home for the aged members of the lodges in this district which is district No. 1 was taken up and voted upon favorably. Further plans for the new home will be made later provided the other lodges in the district vote favorably upon the project.

It was decided to hold an open meeting on May 29 and the members of the New London and Willimantic lodges were to be invited to attend. There will be an entertainment programme. At the next meeting the speakers will be decided upon.

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Principal and Assistant Resign At Hope Valley School—Matters in Probate Court—Baptisms.

The monthly meeting of the school committee of Hopkinton was held Monday morning at the home of the clerk, Miss Clara A. Olney in Hope Valley with all the members and Superintendent, Henry Wheeler present. Bills were ordered paid to the amount of \$32.30. Applications for reappointment were received from Laura S. Yeaw and Martha T. Holdredge, at Hope Valley school, Ella M. Barber, at Barberville, and C. Marguerite Hawkins at Hopkinton City. The resignation of George W. Avery as trustee of the Hope Valley school was accepted and George H. Barber appointed to fill the vacancy. The superintendent reported that both the principal and assistant principal of the Hope Valley High school had resigned to take effect at the close of the present year in June. The annual reports of the committee and superintendent were read and approved and the clerk was authorized to have 400 copies of them printed for distribution among the taxpayers at the annual financial town meeting May 21st.

Town Council Meets. The town council held its monthly meeting in the town hall Monday afternoon. Bills were ordered paid to the amount of \$975.42.

Probate Business. At the session of the probate court, Monday afternoon the will of George Woodman was proved allowed and ordered recorded. The daughters Mattie and Mary Woodman were appointed executors. The final account of George R. Holberton, executor of the will of Charlotte Arnold was allowed and ordered recorded.

The first and final account of Edna M. Cook, administratrix of the estate of Susan Jane Main was referred to June 1st with order of notice. Eugene B. Pendleton, of Westerly, and Mrs. Reuben Cook of North Stonington, were business callers in town Monday afternoon.

The Ashaway school was closed Monday to enable the teachers to visit out-of-town schools. Professor Albert B. Crandall and sister, M. Althea with Miss C. Gertrude Stillman visited the Wakefield schools and Miss Ruth Marion Carpenter visited schools in Norwich, Conn.

Many Baptisms. Thirty-seven candidates were baptized at Ashaway last Friday evening; twenty-two were received into the First Hopkinton Seventh Day Baptist church. Arrangements were made for another baptism Friday evening. Rev. E. A. Witter is expecting to baptize six at Hopkinton City this (Saturday) morning at 9.30 o'clock.

Miss Dorothy S. Wheeler was received into the First Hopkinton Baptist church last Sunday. Rev. E. B. Saunders preached in the Seventh Day Baptist church at Bradford Monday evening.

Mrs. Sarah F. B. Hood was a guest of Miss Sue Kingston a student nurse at the Memorial Hospital in New London one day last week.

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L. While all eyes are on Mexico, don't forget the colored boys in blue, nor the suffering colored citizens under the Stars and Stripes in America. At the evening service at 7 o'clock Rev. J. H. Dennis will preach the thanksgiving sermon to the Odd Fellows and the Household of Ruth. At Grace Memorial Baptist church, preaching morning and evening by the pastor, Rev. R. E. Harris. At the Church of the Good Shepherd, Universalist, Rev. Joseph F. Cobb will preach upon The Call of Today, Sunday school at noon, Y. P. C. U. service at 6.15 p. m. Subject, Mother's Day. At the Central Baptist church, Rev. C. H. Ricketts of Greenville will preach at both morning and evening services. Morning sermon upon Enslavement to the Deepening of the Spiritual Life, Evening subject, The Attraction of the Cross. Reconciled to the Worst. Cole Blease announces that in the event of war he will take command of the South Carolina contingent in person. That reconciles us to whatever may happen.—Rochester Herald.



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