

## NEWS OF THE LODGES.

## EVENTS OF THE WEEK AMONG SECRET FRATERNITIES.

**Shriners Pleasantly Entertained in Pittsburgh—When Masonry Was Introduced into the Different States—An Interesting Batch of Odd Fellowship News—Other Matters.**

The following Masonic bodies meet upon the evenings of the ensuing week:

**Lodges.**—Masonic Temple—National No. 12, Tuesday, 1st; Washington Centennial No. 14, Wednesday, 2d; La Fayette No. 19, Thursday, 3d; Lebanon No. 7, Friday, 4th.  
A. A. S. R. Sanctuary, 1007 G street—Cathedral: Ostris No. 29, Wednesday, 2d; Blue Room: Columbia No. 3, Wednesday, 2d.  
Masonic Hall, Nineteenth street and Pennsylvania avenue—Hiram No. 10, Friday, 4th.  
**Royal Arch Chapters.**—Masonic Temple—La Fayette No. 5, Tuesday, 1st; Columbia No. 1, Wednesday, 2d.  
Masonic Hall, Nineteenth street and Pennsylvania avenue—Mount Horeb No. 7, Thursday, 3d.  
**Royal and Select Masters.**—A. A. S. R. Sanctuary, 1007 G street—Washington Council No. 1, Monday, 30th.  
**Accepted and Accepted Scottish Rite.**—Sanctuary, 1007 G street—Mithras Lodge of Perfection No. 1, Tuesday, 1st.

Acacia Lodge No. 18 have called off during July and August.

Mount Horeb Chapter will confer the Mark degree on Thursday evening.

La Fayette Lodge No. 19 will confer the third degree Thursday evening.

Potomac Commandery No. 3 have called off until the first meeting in September.

Hiram Lodge No. 10 will not have any work at the next meeting, which occurs July 4.

Put in a vote for your favorite school teacher in THE HERALD'S grand free vacation trip to Europe.

Columbia Commandery will not hold a convocation Friday evening (the 4th) and have postponed all business, etc., until the convocation of July 18.

Ostris Lodge will confer either the second or third degree Wednesday evening. A special communication was held last Wednesday evening for the first degree.

The communication of Lebanon Lodge No. 7 falling upon Friday evening, July 4, the lodge will simply attend to routine business and then close, all degree work being postponed.

Columbia Lodge No. 3 held a special meeting Wednesday evening last and conferred the third degree. At the regular communication Wednesday evening the first degree will be worked.

La Fayette Chapter No. 5 held a special convocation Tuesday evening for the Past and Most Excellent degrees and will confer the Royal Arch at the regular meeting Tuesday evening.

Washington Centennial Lodge No. 14 held a special meeting Wednesday evening for the third degree. At the stated on Thursday, July 2, the second and third degrees will be worked, and a special communication will be held on Thursday, July 9, for the first degree.

Benjamin B. French Lodge No. 15, Potomac Lodge No. 5, Pentapolis Lodge No. 23, and Anacostia Lodge No. 21 will not hold stated communications to-morrow evening, it being the fifth Monday in June. If any specials have been arranged for they have not as yet been reported.

Washington Council No. 1 will probably confer the degree of Royal and Select Master Monday evening, and will also act on the proposed amendment to the by-laws changing date of meeting, which was postponed from the last meeting. The T. H. Master will shortly confer the degree of Super Excellent Master upon the fifty or sixty members of the council who have never received it.

As will be seen by the advertisement in another column, the corner-stone of the new Masonic Hall of Anacostia Lodge will be laid by the Grand Lodge on Wednesday evening, July 2, at 5 o'clock. The Grand Lodge will assemble at the hall of Naval Lodge, and from thence will be escorted by Anacostia Lodge to the new building. A copy of THE SUNDAY HERALD containing this notice and other Masonic news will be placed in the corner-stone.

The menu card of the banquet tendered the visiting Shriners at the Monongahela House in Pittsburgh Monday evening was very handsome and strikingly emblematic. The frontispiece was a steel engraving of a moonlight desert scene. A camp of Bedouins and the pyramids in the distance added picturesque to the general effect. At the banquet Serene Potentate George H. Walker, of Almar Temple, of this city, was called upon to respond to the somewhat peculiar toast, "Peculiarities of the camel and the Shiner." He was also appointed chairman of the important credential committee of the Imperial Council.

Brother John F. Parker, of Harmony Lodge No. 17, died Saturday morning at 1 o'clock. Brother Parker was for many years connected with the police department in the first period of its organization. For the past six months he has been suffering from a complication of throat and lung diseases, which left him in the last stages of his illness. The funeral will occur at 4:30 this afternoon, from his residence, 816 Sixth street northwest, Harmony Lodge No. 17 having charge of all the arrangements. The interment will be made at Glenwood with Masonic honors. Members of sister lodges and Master Masons of other jurisdictions residing in the city are invited to attend.

The Shriners of the city attended the special meeting of the Imperial Council of the order at Pittsburgh, Pa., Monday last, in large numbers. A very cordial welcome was extended by the local committees, and everything possible was done to make the visitors feel perfectly at home and thoroughly enjoy the occasion. Quite a number of the Washingtonians remained in the city several days, and upon their return expressed themselves as being delighted with their reception and kind treatment. The regular meeting of the Imperial Council, which will be held in San Francisco during August, will not be very largely attended by the Eastern Shriners, and the Pittsburgh reunion was consequently very successful.

The first lodges of Freemasonry which were held on this Continent derived their charters from foreign sources, and in many instances the ancient records have been kept, and to-day are very valuable for reference as to the customs of the past. Though Blue Masonry has no national organization, yet the fraternal intercourse of the different grand lodges of the United States makes up in a great measure for what many authorities deem a sad defect, and have always contended that such an organization should exist. While it is not without the pale of possibility, yet it is extremely improbable that any such body will ever be formed, though the good results which would accrue from such an organization cannot be too highly estimated. In this connection the following history of the dates of the introduction of Masonry and formation of grand lodges in different States will be highly interesting:

Alabama—Freemasonry was introduced into this state by virtue of charters granted from the Grand Lodges of South Carolina and Tennessee,

dates unknown. The Grand Lodge of the State was organized June 14, 1821.

Arkansas—The Grand Lodge of this State was organized February 22, 1832.

California—Freemasonry was introduced into this state in 1849-50 by warrants from District of Columbia, Connecticut, Missouri, and New Jersey.

Colorado—Masonry was introduced into this State when a Territory, in 1859.

Connecticut—November 12, 1750, by authority of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

Delaware—Prior to 1806 lodges were held under warrants from Pennsylvania. The Grand Lodge was organized June 6, 1806.

Florida—First lodge organized in 1806, in St. Augustine. This lodge and several others were suppressed by the entity of the Spaniards.

Georgia—Grand Lodge organized December 16, 1786, although Masonry existed under authority of England as far back as 1733.

Illinois—A grand lodge was formed, but ceased to exist in 1827. April 6, 1840, present Grand Lodge was organized.

Indiana—Grand Lodge organized in 1817.

Iowa—Delegates from three subordinate lodges formed the Grand Lodge January 3, 1844.

Kansas—March 17, 1856, delegates from several lodges formed the Grand Lodge.

Kentucky—Lodges were originally held by authority from Virginia. The Grand Lodge was organized October 16, 1806.

Louisiana—July 6, 1812, Grand Lodge was formed.

Maine—Grand Lodge was organized October 14, 1819.

Maryland—Lodges originally chartered from Pennsylvania and Massachusetts. The Grand Lodge was organized July 31, 1783.

Massachusetts—The two grand bodies existing before this date formed the present Grand Lodge June 9, 1792.

Michigan—The Grand Lodge was formed June 24, 1836.

Minnesota—Delegates from three lodges formed the present Grand Lodge February 23, 1853.

Mississippi—August 25, 1818, the Grand Lodge was organized.

Missouri—April 23, 1821, Grand Lodge was organized.

Montana—Grand Lodge was organized January 24, 1866.

Nebraska—September 13, 1857, the Grand Lodge was organized.

New Hampshire—The Grand Lodge was formed July 8, 1789.

New Jersey—Grand Lodge organized December 18, 1786.

New York—The precise date of the formation of the present Grand Lodge is not known, but it is generally conceded that when articles of peace were ratified between England and the United States the provincial Grand Lodge existing prior to that date became independent.

North Carolina—Samuel Johnson was elected Grand Master in 1787.

Ohio—January 8, 1808, the Grand Lodge was formed, Gen. Rufus Putnam being elected first Grand Master.

Oregon—The Grand Lodge was organized August 16, 1851.

Pennsylvania—Present Grand Lodge organized September 14, 1786.

Rhode Island—Grand Lodge formed April 6, 1791.

South Carolina—In 1808 present Grand Lodge was organized.

Tennessee—Grand Lodge formed December 27, 1813.

Texas—Grand Lodge formed in 1837 and 1838.

Vermont—Grand Lodge was formed October 19, 1794.

Virginia—October 14, 1778, the Grand Lodge was organized.

Washington—December 7, 1858, the Grand Lodge was organized.

West Virginia—April 12, 1865, the Grand Lodge was organized.

Wisconsin—The Grand Lodge was organized December 18, 1843.

District of Columbia—Grand Lodge was formed December 11, 1810.

**Independent Order of Odd Fellows.**

The committee on by-laws have been kept quite busy of late.

To-morrow night closes the election of officers in subordinate lodges.

The new digest, which includes the legislation of 1889, is now ready for delivery to purchasers.

Fred. D. Stuart Encampment No. 7 conferred the Golden Rule degree upon eight candidates.

Past Grand Master George W. Robinson, of Washington Lodge No. 6, is reported to be dangerously ill.

The installation of the officers of the several subordinate lodges will be in order, commencing on Tuesday evening.

Deputy Grand Sir C. M. Busbee is an active member of Manteo Lodge No. 8, held at Raleigh, Wake County, N. C.

Representatives to the Grand Lodge, to take effect upon the adjournment of the next annual session, have been chosen.

Are you a school teacher? Do you want to go to Europe this summer without expense? Read THE SUNDAY HERALD'S offer in another column.

Monumental Canton No. 2, of Baltimore, engaged Bay Ridge for Wednesday, July 16, and Washington Grand Canton decided to go from here at the same time to meet them.

The Sunday edition of the *News and Observer*, published at Wilmington, N. C., devotes a column to the interest of Odd Fellowship, and in appreciation of said services the Grand Lodge of that jurisdiction passed a resolution commending the paper to the brethren of the State.

Harmony Lodge No. 9 unexpectedly received a visit from the Noble Grand of Union Lodge No. 11. These lodges meeting the same evening, Monday, the usual civilities and visiting rarely occur. And the visit of Brother D. L. Hazard was particularly welcome, and he was invited to occupy the N. G. chair during the conferring of the Degree of Friendship.

Excelsior Lodge No. 17 was astonished when Past Grand R. H. G. Bous declined to serve as Treasurer of the lodge, which position he has held for a number of years acceptably and faithfully. His son, who was Vice Grand of the lodge, declined the position of Noble Grand. It is understood both brethren are contemplating leaving the city indefinitely.

A letter received from Grand Representative Oliver Dufour says he is delightfully situated near Woodstock, Shenandoah County, Va. The house is some two hundred feet above the village, giving a majestic view of the Fort Mountain from Strasburg on the east to Mount Jackson on the west, a distance of over one hundred miles, with the broad Shenandoah Valley spread out before you. Under such circumstances Brother Dufour hopes to be sufficiently recovered to be home in good time to attend the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge.

**Independent Order Mechanics.**

Capital Lodge will give an excursion to River View on July 22.

Past Master J. M. Krouse, of Columbia Lodge No. 1, left last Wednesday for a summer vacation in the East and West.

A free trip to Europe, everything first-class that a white man could desire, is the most popular Washington school teacher this summer.

Capital Lodge No. 11 held its regular meeting Wednesday, June 25, with a good attendance. Junior Master McLain in the chair. Brother Charles Lambrecht had the second degree conferred upon him. Brother C. U. Smith,

who has been sick for several weeks, was reported well. Mr. H. D. Meader made application for membership. The following were elected for the ensuing term: Worthy Master, J. V. McLain; Junior Master, William Voltz; Recording Secretary, E. L. Kolb; Financial Secretary, E. H. Bradford; Treasurer, John W. Thompson; Chaplain, W. E. Clark; Conductor, D. H. Strother; Visitors, Grand Conductor G. W. Berry, of No. 1; Brother C. A. Eward and Vice Grand Architect R. B. Wilson, of No. 13.

Members of the order will be pleased to learn that P. S. R. J. M. Richards, who has been quite ill, is improving, and will soon be seen in the lodge-rooms again.

Goodwill Lodge No. 14 met in regular session on Tuesday evening last, at their hall in Georgetown. Brother W. Hardy received the second degree. Brother F. S. Neikirk, the efficient recording secretary, is quite ill, and has gone to his former home in Virginia. Officers for the ensuing term were elected as follows: Worthy Master, H. T. Tobbs; Junior Master, C. G. Meeker; Recording Secretary, F. S. Neikirk; Financial Secretary, James J. Truman; Treasurer, Edward Journey; Chaplain, G. W. Ballinger; Conductor, James Stark; Trustees, F. S. Neikirk, C. G. Reckert, and G. W. Ballinger.

Visitors present: Brothers Boaman and Staley, of Friendship Lodge No. 7. On next Tuesday evening three degrees will be conferred.

La Fayette Lodge No. 13 held its regular session Thursday. Brother H. C. Riley received the third degree. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Worthy Master, C. A. Eward; Junior Master, J. R. Faran; Recording Secretary, (6th term), Edward Hodgkins; Financial Secretary, (6th term), C. H. Scott; Treasurer, (4th term), R. B. Wilson; Chaplain, F. O. Brien; Conductor, C. O. Horton. The hall at the corner of Fifth and G streets northwest has been secured for the future meetings of the lodge, and it was understood that Wednesday evening would be the time of meeting, but it now transpires that the hall can be secured for Thursday evenings, and so the lodge will meet next Thursday night in the new hall. Installation of officers Thursday, July 10.

Columbia Lodge No. 1 met on Tuesday evening last, with Worthy Master W. P. Knight in the chair. Brother W. H. Harshman, residing in Anacostia, D. C., was reported disabled by accident. Application for membership was received from Mr. Charles Bischoff. Brother R. G. Tinkler received the third degree. Officers for the ensuing term were elected. The lodge will meet at 7 P. M. next Tuesday evening. The recruiting committee for the following week are as follows: T. M. Nolan, Charles Nagle, Christian Nelson, Z. B. Offutt, Bun Oliver, M. J. Patburg, William H. Peters, John T. Petty, George Prince, Edward W. Petty, George M. Pettit, John Penn, William Palmer, John F. Purcell, Eli Price, C. W. Pyles, William F. Perkins, Milton V. Plager, Otho S. Punphrey, and George W. Purly.

Seven members were suspended for non-payment of dues. Brothers George T. King, Edward Bawel, and George H. Baldwin were elected members of the Endowment degree. Members of sister lodges are cordially invited to be present at the public installation. Tickets of admission will be furnished them at the door by members of the committee. A full list of those present will be printed in next Sunday's HERALD.

**Independent Order of Rechabites.**

Quite a number of High Representatives and Past High Representatives will come to Washington and go to Hagerstown with the District of Columbia delegation.

Chief Ruler Willard Hobbie, of the Friendship unit, will receive the honors of the Connecting Link to-morrow evening and be advanced to membership in the Primary Tent.

Rechabites who have friends engaged in school teaching in the District should vote for them in THE SUNDAY HERALD'S contest for a free vacation excursion to Europe. Read all the particulars on another page.

At Friendship Tent No. 73, Red Men's Hall, Monday evening last, after installing Deputy Ruler A. J. Eaton as Chief Ruler, electing two new members and nominating officers for the ensuing term, the tent closed to enable members to attend the so-called of Purity Tent.

High Secretary W. J. Webb has issued a circular to the order announcing the arrangements for the meeting of the High Tent in Hagerstown, July 8, giving rates of transportation, etc. The railroad rate is 1 1/2 fare for the round trip; that is, full fare going and one-third returning.

At the stated meeting of Western Tent No. 10, Friday, after installing two candidates, encouraging good-order remarks were made by Grand Deputy Ruler E. C. Lucas and Grand Treasurer C. B. Allen, and songs by Grand Guardian Samuel Cole and Past Chief Ruler J. D. Buckley, and a stirring address by Grand Representative J. L. Wright.

The event of the week in Rechabite circles was the so-called of Purity Tent No. 4, (Ladies' Branch), in Odd Fellows' Hall, Navy Yard, last Monday evening. There was a good attendance. Among those participating in the musical and literary programme were Past High Secretary J. J. Murray and High Secretary W. J. Webb, solo, Miss Clara Price, Past Chief Ruler, remarks, Past Chief Ruler Clarence Mills and George J. Murray; songs, Mrs. Mary Cecil; remarks, Grand Chief Ruler E. S. Woodford and Grand Lecturer A. M. Dewey; reading, Mrs. Lida Murray and Chief Ruler A. A. Allison; remarks, Grand Representative J. L. Wright and Grand Secretary L. H. Patterson; songs, Shepherd Samuel Ellis and High Representative Thomas Brown; remarks, Past Chief Ruler A. B. Hurlbut and Chief Ruler A. J. Eaton, of Friendship Tent No. 73, and Mr. and Mrs. George Allen and others. Refreshments were liberally served under the supervision of Sisters Murray, Allen, and Price. The ice cream-eating prize was won by Grand Representative Wright.

**Golden Cross Notes.**

There were twelve junior class assessments issued during the year 1889.

New Hampshire has thirty-one working commanderies within her borders.

Goodwill Commandery will hold a special meeting on Monday, at 7 o'clock P. M.

St. John's Commandery will hold its semi-annual election for officers on Thursday night.

About eight hundred applications were filed in the office of the Supreme Medical Director during April and May.

The many friends of Knight Joseph P. Smith, of Goodwill, will be glad to hear that his health is still improving.

Mt. Vernon Commandery will install its new officers on Tuesday next, Anacostia Commandery on Wednesday next, and Haley on July 18.

James J. Brooks, of Meridian Commandery No. 178, for a number of years chief of the Secret Service Division of the Treasury Department, is at his old desk again, as acting chief of the division.

Rev. J. E. Rankin, D. D., president of Howard University, is the author of that beautiful hymn, "God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again." The Doctor has for many years been a member of Goodwill Commandery.

It is expected that the general meeting called for Monday evening next, at 8 o'clock, at the citadel of Goodwill Commandery, will be an occasion of unusual interest. Grand Conductor E. C. Lucas has called for the meeting, especially desired all the newly elected officers of commanderies, including the deputies, to be present for instruction generally in

relation to their duties. All members of the order who feel an interest in this subject are welcome to attend. A committee of ladies and gentlemen of Goodwill is at work preparing a liberal supply of edibles, etc., for this occasion.

Are you a school teacher? And would you like a trip to Europe this summer that will cost you nothing? Have you a friend who is a school teacher, and whom you would like to help secure such a trip? If so, read the offer made in another column of THE HERALD this morning.

Mrs. S. E. Fuller, of Boston, Mass., vice grand commander of Massachusetts, and a prominent member of the U. O. G. C., is in the city for a few days on business connected with the Woman's Relief Corps, of which she was one of the earliest members and originators in Massachusetts.

The executive session of the Supreme Commandery was held in May in Philadelphia, and was both pleasant and profitable to the participants. The reports handed in showed the order to be in excellent condition financially and otherwise. The next session will be held in May, 1891, at Louisville, Ky.

Goodwill Commandery No. 21, U. O. G. C., has elected the following officers to serve for the term beginning July 1: N. C. James W. Cheney, V. N. C. Mrs. Louisa T. Watrous; W. P. Harvey S. Knight; K. of R. Edward Steer; E. K. of R. Benjamin F. Moore; Treasurer, Frank C. Severance; W. H. Jacob B. Derrick; W. I. G. Mrs. Mary E. Goss; W. O. G. H. W. Frankland.

**Weekly Excursions to Pen Mar via Pennsylvania Railroad.**

In order to afford the people of Washington opportunities of spending a day on mountain top the Pennsylvania Railroad has arranged to run weekly excursions to Pen Mar. Wednesday is the day fixed, and the excursions will be run on each Wednesday of the summer from July 2 to August 27, inclusive. The round-trip rate will only be \$1.50, tickets to be good only on the special train in each direction. The special will leave Baltimore and Potomac Railroad Station, Sixth and B streets, at 8:15 A. M., and run through to the mountains via the Baltimore and Potomac and the Western Maryland railroads, leaving Pen Mar on the return trip at 5:37 P. M.

Pen Mar is a delightful place for a summer day's outing, and these weekly trips will prove a great boon to the citizens of Washington.

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