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ANNUAL MEETING KEOKUK COUNCIL

United Commercial Travelers Select Officers at Session Held Yesterday in Cameron's Hall.

CHICKEN PIE SUPPER

Served by Ladies of the Council at 6:00 O'clock—Dancing and Card Playing Enjoyed in the Evening.

The annual meeting of Keokuk council No. 400, United Commercial Travelers, was held in Cameron's hall yesterday afternoon and the occasion was rounded out with a chicken pie supper at 6:00 o'clock and dancing in the evening. There was an exceptionally large number present both afternoon and evening. Some of the features of the day were the election of officers, selection of delegates to the Muscatine convention, the initiation of a class of candidates and a stereopticon lecture on "The Ray of Hope." Altogether it was one of the most enjoyable days ever spent by the local council.

Following are the new officers elected yesterday afternoon: Senior counselor—E. H. Loewenstein. Junior counselor—Joseph H. McAndrew. Past counselor—C. S. Cooley. Conductor—Fred Dennis. Page—J. W. Van Fassell. Sentinel—Harry Pauslan. Secretary and treasurer—A. H. Cushman. Chaplain—C. S. Wells. Executive committee—R. P. Greaves, H. A. Bank. Auditing committee—J. P. Peterson, A. C. Bode, Arthur Hambleton.

Delegates to Convention.

The following delegates and alternates to the convention at Muscatine on June 1, 2 and 3, were selected:

Delegates—E. H. Loewenstein, C. S. Cooley, John W. Clark; alternates: D. W. McDevitt, C. W. Dickinson, H. E. Dill.

Keokuk council has made a large enough gain to secure a new delegate this year, and is fast coming to the front in the grand jurisdiction of Iowa. It is expected that there will be a special car from Keokuk to the convention with about thirty members and their wives to take in the "big day" on which the parade is given. The members of Keokuk council will have on Indian costumes, and all members of the Good Indian club of Keokuk council will march.

Chicken Pie Supper.

A class of candidates was initiated during the afternoon. After the business meeting, a chicken pie supper was served at the hall by the ladies of the council. Directly following this was the stereopticon lecture on "The Ray of Hope." Dancing was next on the program, the music being supplied by Agne's orchestra. Card playing was also enjoyed.

Last week the booster committee issued a letter to all members, together with a list of manufacturers and jobbers so that the members could become thoroughly posted on goods made in Keokuk. It is the intention to have all manufacturers and jobbers named and any who were omitted may send their names in to be included in the revised list to be issued shortly.

HEAD OF OWLS TO BE ARRESTED

Charged With Circulating Libelous Pamphlet About Vice President and Others.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 18.—Governor Dunne has signed a requisition for the arrest of John W. Talbot of South Bend, Ind., supreme president of the Order of Owls, who, with Thomas McCabe of Batavia, Ill., was indicted several weeks ago at Aurora, Ill., on a charge of criminal libel and conspiracy.

The charge is said to be based on a pamphlet attacking Vice President Thomas R. Marshall, former Congressman John J. Lutz of Columbus, O.; James J. Davis, chairman of the board of governors, and Rodney Brandon, manager of an institution, conducted by the Loyal Order of Moose at Mooseheart, Ill., and Arthur H. Jones of Chicago, former supreme dictator of the order.



A scene from the Wm. Fox photo-play supreme, "A Soldier's Oath," starring the renowned actor of the stage and screen, Wm. Farnum—to be presented at the Hippodrome Theatre tonight. First performance commencing at 6:45 p. m.

COOKERY TEACHER IS BREAD EXPERT

Monday's Program Looks Interesting

Miss Ellis Will Make Fine White Cake That Costs Little



PROGRAM FOR MONDAY AFTERNOON

SUBJECT: "Why We Cook Our Food."

MENU:

- Feather Omelet
- Doughnuts
- Baking Powder Biscuit
- White Cake
- Sauce Soubise

Miss Harriet Ellis, the cookery expert who comes to Keokuk, to conduct a Better Foods Better Homes school for interested housewives here, welcomes questions at all times and on every phase of housekeeping and good cooking. She is especially interested in the making of good bread, which she considers an important accomplishment for every housewife, and will give special attention to teaching this branch of the culinary art during her stay in this city.

Complete arrangements have been made for the opening of the school on Monday afternoon. Masonic Banquet hall has been put in readiness for the occasion and Miss Ellis promises a program which looks decidedly interesting. A feature of this Monday program will be the baking of a fine white cake that costs very little and is not too much trouble to make. Miss Ellis will also fry doughnuts and make baking powder biscuits and give some interesting suggestions in regard to egg cookery. On Tuesday there will be two sessions of the school, one in the afternoon at the usual hour, 2:30, and one in the evening, at which time Miss Ellis will bake ice cream.

Every year the interest in good cooking and efficient home making increases and the opportunities offered to the woman for improving herself along this line grow better and more numerous. This second annual Better Foods Better Homes school for Keokuk promises to be the very best affair of this kind ever offered to the housewives here and the cause of good cooking is sure to be advanced. Club women and others of the city are planning to attend and will cooperate in making Miss Ellis' visit to this city a pleasant and profitable affair, both to her and for the women who attend her classes. The subject of food in its relation to health will be taken up in a practical and entertaining way by this food expert and she will show how health is the most natural thing in the world and how it may be maintained by eating good foods, breathing plenty of fresh air and taking lots of exercise.

The homemakers of Keokuk may spend five very pleasant afternoons at Masonic Banquet hall this week. To those who feel that they have no leisure time for study and recreation, this course offers special opportunities, for while they are resting from their labors in the home, they are at the same time gathering information that will enable them to take fewer steps in the performance of their household duties and accomplish more in less time. Miss Ellis will show women how they may transform their manner of living, and work so as to have time for things which bring inspiration and joy and peace into their homes. Her Better Foods Better Homes school opens promptly at 2:30 on Monday and it is anticipated that a large crowd of Keokuk housewives will be present.

Our Invasion of Mexico.

Chicago Tribune: An American force is sent into Mexico because the provisional Mexican government, recognized and supported by the United States, is wholly unable to preserve order.

The process of coddling by which the feeble Mexican attempts at government have been encouraged has come to nothing. Carranza, the provisional president, does not dare go into Mexico City and take charge of the government. He is afraid of Zapata and afraid of his own representative in Mexico City.

He is afraid of Obregon, and he cannot do anything with Villa. He cannot control his own men out of his sight. If Carranza be government in Mexico there is no government. Carranza is government and there is none.

Nevertheless, although the invasion of Mexico by American troops betrays the fact that there is no government in that country, it is the intent of our government merely to catch Villa and then retire, having accomplished nothing more than the elimination of one cause of disorder.

Carranza will sleep a little more restfully if he knows Villa is disposed of, but his government will be but little if any stronger. It will remain for the next hour to produce the next revolutionary leader.

We intend to operate against a symptom, and not against the disease. A good many peons will be in better condition if Villa, who rules by terror, is put out of the way. The American border will be quieter, for the time being, but Mexico will be the same unsolved problem.

It will be after Villa the same exposed flank of the United States that it is now. Our administration intends to do something without accomplishing anything.

All of Mexico's disasters are not carried around in the person of Francisco Villa. Eliminate him and there remain a dozen other men of influence and activity who are able to keep Mexico in disorder for the next ten years.

If Villa and his band be exterminated, Mexicans may be taught, in the only way they can understand, that it is not safe to shoot up American towns and murder American citizens on American soil. That lesson has been needed for a long time, but it does not solve the Mexican problem.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Cole have Ring Which was Made Somewhere in France.

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A Genuine Mystery. New York World: Why did Germany overlook the seizure by Italy of German ships in Italian ports while making similar action by Portugal grounds for a declaration of war? That Germany and Italy should keep up the pretense of not being at war is one of the real mysteries of the European situation.

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| Reed & Barton dessert spoons, per set . \$3.80 | Reed & Barton berry spoons, each . . . \$1.80 |
| Reed & Barton salad forks, per set . . . \$3.95 | Reed & Barton cold meat forks, each . . . \$1.25 |

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