

PYTHIAN AT GREAT FALLS

SEVENTEENTH MEET

PYTHIANS WILL CONVENE FOR TWO DAYS.

BIG BANQUET AT THE CLOSE

Leading Men of Montana Will Take Part in This Meeting—Knights of Khorassan Will Parade—Butte's Representatives.

An event of the greatest importance to the Knights of Pythias of Montana is approaching and will come to pass about the middle of this month. It is the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, which will be held at Great Falls on the 17th and 18th of this month.

The coming meeting will be the 17th annual session of the Grand Lodge, and it will be an affair of great magnitude and much interest. The Pythians of Butte and every other place in the state are looking ahead to the gathering with the most enthusiastic expectancy. They are also preparing for it extensively, sparing no pains in their preparations.

Besides the meeting of the Pythian Grand Lodge the annual ceremonial of the Knights of Khorassan will take place at Great Falls on the evening of the 17th. The Dramatic Order of the Knights of Khorassan is the ornamental branch of the society. Its annual ceremonials are gorgeous rites and this one will be up to the standard of all the past ones, if it does not excel them.

The city of Butte is the seat of five lodges of the Knights of Pythias, and it will send 21 delegates to the Grand Lodge. There are three delegates from each lodge and six past Grand officers.

The lodges in this locality are the Damon Lodge No. 1, Ivanhoe Lodge No. 5, Oswego Lodge No. 9, Calanthe Lodge No. 40 and Silver Bow Lodge No. 41. Damon Lodge will send George C. Fitcher and Harry Blumppkin, Ivanhoe Lodge will send A. B. Ayres, G. R. Davis and John H. George. Oswego Lodge will send James Dowell, George Mennie and T. H. Wilson. Calanthe Lodge will send Frank Billings, J. D. O'Neill and E. Cunningham. Silver Bow Lodge will send A. W. Johnson, J. Q. Goss and Wade Steel.

The following past grand officers will also attend the gathering from here: Past Grand Chancellors John G. Evans, J. B. Gallagher and Dr. J. S. Hammond and Past Grand Prelate S. R. White. These gentlemen are delegates-at-large. In addition to them Damon Lodge will be represented by Past Grand Chancellor Lee Mantle, and Oswego Lodge by Past Grand Chancellor J. E. Rickards.

There are about 1,200 members in the five lodges of Butte, and many Butte Pythians besides the regularly credited delegates, will visit Great Falls during the time the Grand Lodge is in session. They and many Knights of Khorassan will be drawn from here by the Grand Lodge meeting and the annual ceremonial, and by the competitive drill of the uniform rank of the Knights of Pythias, which will take place during the session of the superior Pythian body.

In the morning of the first day of the Grand Lodge session the report of the committee on credentials will be received and the organization of the meeting perfected. At 1 o'clock of that day the

and Pythians from all over Montana will take part in it. It will be a public display of the numeral strength and social importance of the order in Montana, and the Grand Lodge delegates will include among them many prominent men and representative citizens from every section. Great Falls will be honored by the presence of this body of men.

The competitive drill of the uniform rank of the Knights of Pythias will take place in the afternoon. This is a feature of the Grand Lodge meeting that is of enthusiastic interest to the members of the Pythian order. Butte will send a capable team to represent it in the drill, and it will have a chance of winning the prize.

The second day will be devoted to the transaction of various matters of business. On this day the election of officers will be held, and the date and place of the next annual meeting fixed.

On the evening of the 17th, when the annual ceremonial of the D. O. K. K. will be held, a torchlight procession will



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Grand Lodge parade will take place. This will be an interesting turnout be carried out by this branch of the order. It will resemble in character that held in Butte during the street fair, but will be on a much larger and more effective scale. The Knights of Khorassan will parade in spectacular uniform of various kinds. Their costumes will be of the dramatic and histrionic classes, and the procession will contain many striking features.

At the meeting of the Knights of Khorassan 75 new members will be initiated into this lodge, and this event will furnish a great deal of interest.

The chief event of the meeting of the Knights of Pythias will be the grand banquet that will conclude the business on hand. This will be held in the evening at the Park hotel, and it will be exceedingly elaborate. Many covers will be laid at the feast and it will cost several dollars a plate.

A souvenir programme of the annual ceremonial, in the form of an edict, will be issued by the Knights of Pythias shortly.

It is expected that over 100 Pythians will go to Great Falls to attend the Grand Lodge meeting and the annual ceremonial, and there will be at least 500 from all parts of the state.

Tales of Modjeska.

Mme. Modjeska's courteous memory always keeps her younger friends and comrades close in her thoughts and she seldom forgets a face and never a personality. Maud Odell, who has been a sort of protegee of Daniel Frohman's since her beginning time of acting, had met Mme. Modjeska once very formally at a rehearsal and except to insure an already deep admiration for the great actress in the younger hopeful Miss Odell's introduction meant little more than compliment to her. Five years after

Miss Odell was on a train which carried Modjeska's private car and at a station madame walked out for the air and Maud followed at a respectful distance. When Modjeska saw the young woman she left the Count Bozenta's arm, which is always at his distinguished wife's service and made her way to the flattered Maud, extending a gentle hand of greeting, and asking her all sorts of questions and finally inviting the young actress to be her guest in the private car for the remainder of the journey. Modjeska called her Miss Odell, seemed to know her closest ambitions in her career chosen and was as beautiful and considerate and imperially gracious as only Mme. Helena Modjeska can be.

Out in the village near her ranch El Torro, in the big mountains of the west, Modjeska knows nearly all the limited population, and is looked upon as a sort of mysterious queen, who comes and goes, lives in and deserts her lonely palace up in the green California hills. She calls many of the people by their first names and is interested in their small domestic happenings, the new babies, the crops or lack of them, and marketing. Her books are always at the disposal of the mindful hungry and her advice sincere and ardently given when requested. Many Poles migrate there because of the presence of their masterful countrywoman, who has done

so much for their poor, their talented and their oppressed. She will act again this year, and her route winds all over the United States, and her repertoire is enlarged and beautiful. She is so good, so brilliant, so splendid a type of woman, that to have her still eager and vigorous enough to illuminate the stagnant, lack-luster parade of meager, feminine genius borne aloft upon the stage is a benefice and a glory.

Germany's Gardens.

North Germany is a low and level plain, bearing the strongest possible outward resemblance to a patchwork bed-quilt of the old-fashioned log cabin pattern.

The land is cut into patches no larger than our garden plots. Patches mostly rectangular shaped, but some to meet the exigencies of the ground, are curves, squares, half squares, wedges and ovals. Not a fence or boundary line is anywhere seen.

The freshly quilted colors of these little fields, green, brown and yellow, according to the tint of the crops and the foliage alone, give diversity to the placid scene, for solidity, regularity and the quintessence of stiffness stamps every thing German.

Clearly outlined against the horizon, picturesquing the otherwise monotonous landscape, are countless windmills, whose jagged arms seem forever beckoning to you frantically as you speed along.

There is, however, no such thing in German as "out in the country" in our sense of the term. The dense population is all either gathered into the cities that stand in astonishingly close proximity, or into the little peasant villages everywhere dotting the plain, usually about two miles apart, and looking brown and tempting, like wasps' nests.

Absolutely no land runs to waste in Germany. Every foot of the soil is grain sowed or planted to vegetables or flowers. One crop is no sooner removed than the ground is again plowed and made ready for the next crop.

The ground looks as light and loamy as if it had all been shaken through a coarse sieve, or gone over with a coarse comb. Yet these smooth fields are mostly cultivated by yokes of clumsy oxen or single cows that draw their

loads by ropes and leathers attached to broad bands lashed in front, driven often by women.

German farming implements are all far inferior to ours. The scythe is a straight stick with two sub-handles attached. The general fork and rake combined is wooden and clumsy, with three tines wide apart. Farming utensils are very costly, too, in Germany.

No rugged scars of gashed earth are anywhere seen in Germany, but smooth, white highroads, bordered on both sides by apple trees. These trees belong to the government, to which they yield a considerable revenue by the sale of their fruit to the peasants, who sell it, in turn, and at a profit to townspeople.

Aside from oxen and cows, the peasants themselves, rather than horses, are beasts of burden. Nearly every man woman and child of them carries a large basket strapped over the back at each shoulder, in which they carry manure, farm or grain to and from the fields.—Farm Journal.

"Dear Father—Kindly send me \$50 at once; lost another leg in a stiff engagement, and am in hospital without means."

The answer was: "My Dear Son—As this is the fourth leg you have lost, according to your letters, you ought to be accustomed to it by this time. Try to wobble along on any others you may have left."

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