

UNITED MODERNS WELCOME DISTINGUISHED VISITOR



E. M. JOHNSON,
Supreme Chancellor United Moderns.

Today and tomorrow will be red-letter days in the history of United Moderns in Butte, who are about to receive an official visit from their supreme chancellor, Edwin M. Johnson, who is distinguished not only as supreme chancellor of the United Moderns throughout the United States, but also one of the most successful financiers in the West.

Mr. Johnson was born in Cook county, Illinois, October 18, 1861, and at a tender age removed with his parents to Audubon, Iowa, where, as in the lives of so many of our public and successful men of modern times, he learned from the unromantic life of the home farm those lessons of industry, integrity and economy which have continued to distinguish him through life and have forced him into the front ranks with successful business men.

Educated in the public schools and at Drake university, Iowa, from which latter institution he graduated in the law department in 1888, Mr. Johnson at once entered upon the active duties of a practical lawyer; his worth was at once recognized and he was elected district attorney, which position he filled with success and ability. The duties of the lawyer, confined to active practice, were not, however, so congenial to his tastes and enterprise as were those of the financier and business man generally, so that, realizing a necessity for a larger field and one better adapted to give breadth and scope to a successful business career, he moved to Denver, where, in November, 1889, he founded the Fidelity Savings association. He is now president and manager of this institution, which is today

the largest and most successful savings association in the Middle West.

Founded the United Moderns.

In March, 1897, Mr. Johnson, together with others whom he called to his coun-



W. L. STOWERS,
Supreme Vice Chancellor.

sel and assistance, founded the United Moderns, a fraternal beneficiary order, and incorporated the same under the laws of the state of Colorado, with head offices in Denver.

The magnificent record of the United Moderns at only four years and nine

months of its career, shows \$10,169,250 insurance in force, with a reserve fund of \$234,503.12, or a reserve fund of \$23.07 for each \$1,000 of insurance in force.

Montana Lodge No. 45 is the largest lodge of any kind in this state, and has initiated 1900 members during the past two years. The arrangement committee for receiving and entertaining supreme Chancellor Johnson, comprises Hon. Thomas S. Kilgallon, member of the supreme lodge and representative from the Northwestern department; John M. McManus, P. C. Gillis, Dr. J. L. Hannafin, J. E. Carroll, Della I. Gibbons, Mary A. Eadie, Mary E. B. Simonson, Edward J. Cleo, J. J. Eddy, and Timothy Harrington, chancellor.

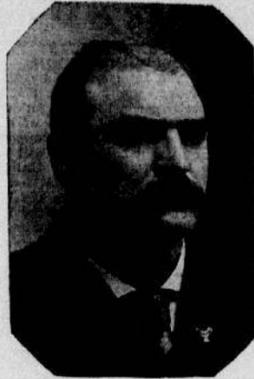
Committee on arrangement of program—H. S. Lovett.

Mr. Johnson Will Talk Tonight.

Tonight a musical and literary program, including a public address by Mr. Johnson, will be given at McGuire's opera house, for which no admission will be charged. The exercises will commence promptly at 8 o'clock, after which a grand ball will be given under the auspices of the lodge at Renshaw hall.

On Friday evening at the regular meeting of the lodge, at Pythian castle, 109 new candidates will be presented for initiation, who were secured during the month of February, in honor of the supreme chancellor's proposed visit.

After initiation of candidates and routine work of the lodge, Supreme Chancellor Johnson will present the lodge with the prize banner of the order, which



HON. T. S. KILGALLON,
Representative Supreme Lodge.

It has so worthily won. Montana Lodge No. 45 now holds the pennant of the whole order, and at the close of the current year will hope to be the conqueror for 1903. After presentation of the banner a banquet will be served to lodge members only, at the banquet rooms in Pythian castle, under the direction and supervision of a committee headed by Mrs. Mary Frances Tevlin.

W. L. Stowers of this city is supreme vice chancellor of the order, and has had much to do with its growth in Montana.

Reception at the Thornton.

Mr. Johnson arrived in the city today, and a reception was tendered him at the Thornton by members of Montana Lodge No. 45 this afternoon.

The reception committee included the following:

Timothy Harrington, Frances E. L. Charlesworth, Susan M. Arnold, Annie Cutte, Dr. Ignatius Donnelly, Larry Duggan, A. C. Fellows, Robert J. Giles, Margaret Jones, Sarah J. Judge, C. V. Hammond, Dr. J. G. Loeb, Susan A. Lynch, J. P. Moore, Kate Earles, Agnes A. Pope, Flora B. Rooney, E. H. Sherman, Elizabeth A. Sillicorn, Samuel H. Treloar, Effie M. Weal, Joseph Richards, P. E. Hutchinson, Margaret Greeley, Ellen McGuire, Clem Bailey, William Hogan, Mattie R. Cassin, Mary Leahy, J. D. Miller, Dr. B. J. Keenan, W. O. Mallahan, Margaret R. Miller.

FOR RIGHT OF WAY

POSTAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY
VS. THE OREGON SHORT LINE.

PROPOSED WIRE TO OGDEN

Plaintiff Has a Wire Between that City and San Francisco and Intends to Connect Montana and the Coast.

The Postal Telegraph Cable company and the Oregon Short Line Railroad company met in legal combat in the United States court today, but up to 3 o'clock the contention between them had not been finished.

The plaintiff is being represented by Col. J. R. McIntosh of Richmond, Va., general counsel for the Postal company throughout the United States, and O. W. Powers of Salt Lake, district counsel, while the interests of the defendant are being looked after by P. L. Williams, general attorney for the Oregon Short Line, with headquarters at Salt Lake, and John G. Willis of Dillon, the Montana legal representative of the company.

The matter at issue involves a right of way for the wires and poles of the postal company from Silver Bow Junction to the point at which the Oregon Short Line road leaves the state and enters Idaho.

The plaintiff desired to string its wires and poles over the Oregon Short Line right of way, but the latter corporation objected, and the postal company instituted suit to enforce its desires.

The case is being heard without a jury. If the postal company wins, then will follow the determination of the amount of money which the defendant should receive as damages for the use

of the right of way by the plaintiff company.

Montana Man Interested.

A. M. Holter of Helena, secretary and a director of the postal company, gave verbal testimony concerning the business of his company in Montana, being followed by the reading of the testimony given by Charles M. Baker and W. E. Vigus in a similar case in Idaho.

The postal company has connected Ogden and San Francisco by wire and intends to make the western line complete by connecting Helena, Butte and other Montana points with Ogden.

Two Men Strike Bedrock.

Henry A. Niemyer, a harnessmaker of Butte, and James Jensen, a mill-hand of Anaconda, were adjudged bankrupts in the federal court today. Niemyer places his liabilities at \$2,167.17 and his assets at \$100, the latter being exempt from execution. The majority of his creditors reside in Minnesota and Jamestown, N. D.

Jensen places his liabilities at \$1,065 and his assets at nothing. Of the \$1,065 he says in his petition that \$720 represents four promissory notes executed by him some time ago.

CANNOT LEARN CHINESE.

Prof. Giles Says Some Uncomplimentary Things About Women.

New York, March 6.—That women are incapable of mastering the Chinese language was a statement made by Herbert A. Giles, professor of Chinese at Cambridge university, England, in an address at Columbia.

It was his first lecture in this country, and also the first to be given by the new dean of the department of Chinese at Columbia, for the establishment of which an unknown person gave \$200,000.

More than half the audience was composed of women, and this proved rather embarrassing, as some of Professor Giles' remarks were not exactly complimentary. He said, for example, that "the Chinese symbol for treachery was woman."

MONTE CARLO.—The morning games in the chess tournament resulted: Wolf beat Popiel; Teichmann defeated Tschigorin; Schlechter and Albin drew.

WAS NOT ARRESTED

ADOLPH PINCUS BREAKS INTO COUNCIL DEBATE.

TELLS DUGGAN THAT HE LIES

Police Investigation Is Asked for and Is Referred—Funding Proposition Rejected Along With Incinerator Bids.

There were all sorts of belligerent doings in the meeting of the city council last night. But it ended in talk.

Alderman Duggan, the scrappy councilman from the First ward, went to the front again in behalf of his ideas of what is right and wrong, and stirred up two different stirs that afforded entertainment for the gallery.

The first volley came when Alderman Duggan caught a reference of the petition of Adolph Pincus for an additional building permit to cover alterations and improvements on the old Marlow stable on South Main street.

A discussion followed, and Alderman Duggan made the statement that Pincus was practically putting up a new building under the repair permit, and was turning the rear of the building into shacks to be used by dissolute characters.

Pincus Was Angry.

"That's a lie!" interposed Pincus, who was in the audience. No order of arrest was made, and the incident passed with Alderman's Duggan's remark that he would meet Pincus outside of the council chamber. Objection was made to Pincus being given the floor, and then he was granted a permit to confine the improvements by a vote of 11 to 3.

Alderman Duggan started another discussion by calling attention to the dis-

HOUSEKEEPERS' WANTS



We just mention a few things here that will attract the eye of every good housekeeper. Every price made below means a great saving to the economical housekeeper, for, while the prices are very low, the qualities can be depended on.

Pillow Cases	
The Diana pillow case, size 36x45, with wide hem; regular 15c, today	9c
The Mohawk pillow case, size 36x42, extra wide hem; worth 11c, today	11c
The same pillow case, size 36x45, worth 19c, today	13c
The Flower pillow case, size 36x45, 3/4-inch hem; regular 20c, today	15c
The Defender pillow case, size 36x45, hemstitched, with extra wide hem; worth 25c, today	20c
White Bed Sheets	
All the sheets offered here have torn edges and ironed and will hold their shape after being laundered. The Defender sheet, single bed size, 50x90, at	38c

White Bed Sheets—Continued	
The Defender sheet, size 72x90, at	55c
The Defender sheet, size 81x90, at	65c
The Defender sheet, size 81x90, hemstitched, at	75c
The Harvard sheet, size 72x90, at	40c
The Harvard sheet, size 81x90, at	47c
The Mohawk sheet, size 72x90, at	55c
The Mohawk sheet, size 81x90, at	60c
The Pequot sheet, size 72x90, at	55c
The Pequot sheet, size 81x90, at	68c
Every housekeeper knows that the prices quoted on these sheets are at least 25 per cent cheaper than they ever bought them before.	

450 Dozen Turkish Towels		
This lot of towels come in bleached and unbleached, very large sizes, and worth from 12 1/2c to 17 1/2c each; today	8c	
Limit not over 12 sold to any one customer.		
200 dozen bleached cotton towels, 18x36; this is a good towel for service and wear; price today		5c
Not over one dozen to a customer. 100 pieces of the best 26-inch silk-line—as to styles we won't try to describe them—only to say they are beautiful—the quantity is large and the styles so numerous it would be hard to do so; they are worth 15c; today		8c

THE SYMONS WAY TODAY

Enormous purchases—extensive preparations—Incomparable values and unrivaled qualities will make today's sale a triumph. This is one of those unusual purchasing opportunities that keen shoppers are always on the alert to take advantage of.

Ladies' Collar Tops	
The Latest Fad	
Made of fine white lawn, handsomely embroidered in small, pretty designs; worth 25c.	
Today 10 Cents	
The fancy linen kind, made of fine linen lawn and linen batiste, handsomely embroidered in all colors; worth 50c.	
Today 25 Cents	
Ladies' Silk Hose Supporters	
What do you think of this? All the newest styles of fastenings, such as the "hook on" belt fastening and side straps, made of the best ruffled and plain silk webbing; worth up to \$1.00 a pair.	
Today 17 Cents	
Ladies' Kid Gloves	
The Symons guaranteed ladies' kid gloves, over-seams and plique; there is no better glove made; come in all sizes; black and all colors; will sell today	
\$1.00 Pair	

Floire Silks	
The moire is the leading silk this spring for waists, skirts, raglans and jackets; nothing more stylish; you can find it here in black, brown, gray, red, reseda, Nile, white, cream, maize and navy, and the price	
Today \$1.00 Yard	
Linings	
Cambrie skirt lining, best quality, black and all colors.	
Today 4c Yard	
Fast black percaline, 36 inches wide; regular 15c goods.	
Today 7 Cents	
Silk Mulls	
Nothing like this ever offered at the price in this lot. You find silk mull in plain colors, silk mulls with embroidered dots and figures and printed silk mull in stripes and small printed figures; the regular price is 20c.	
Today 22 Cents	

CORSET DEPARTMENT

We would inform the public that we are exclusive selling agents of the following high-class corsets: The G. D., the W. B., the Thompson Glove Fitting and the celebrated French corset, La Grecque. We also carry in stock at all times all the leading styles in the R. G. corset. In this department you will always find everything that is new in bust extenders, bustles and pads. Our corset department is the most complete anywhere, having separate fitting rooms with an experienced fitter in charge, who will give particular attention to every little detail in corset matters. You should not fail to visit our corset department.

ferent stories floating about regarding two unknown policemen who are said to have been accused of dividing stolen money with colored women thieves. The alderman asked that in justice to the honest men on the force the stories be investigated, and the matter was referred to the police committee.

Bids for the new incinerator were called for and only one bid was received, that being from the DeCaire company of Minneapolis, and amounting to \$35,000. The price was too much for the city fathers, and on motion of Alderman Evans the bid was rejected.

Bids for two new sprinklers were received as follows: Two Austin sprinklers, \$1,050; Olsen & Christian company, two Studebaker sprinklers, \$950; G. W. Woods, two sprinklers, and Beebe Grain company, two, \$684 to \$880. The bids were referred to the sprinkling committee.

Alderman Kroger objected to the new arch connecting the new Oppenheimer building on Galena street with the Symons store and which was only eight feet high across the alley. The mayor stated that work on the arch had been stopped.

On motion of Alderman Kroger the council voted to pay each of the registration agents \$250 for all services.

Cronin Is Named.

Frederick W. Cronin was named by Mayor Davey as the new employment agent, and the appointment was unanimously confirmed. The new appointee has been business agent for the Cooks' and Walters' union, and also for the Bartenders' union. The new office will be opened Monday.

The proposition to fund the floating indebtedness of the city with a new bond issue for \$200,000 was defeated on a report of the judiciary committee, which follows:

"That they have had under consideration council bill No. 43, a bill providing for the election, etc., and recommend that said bill do not pass.

"That they have had under consideration the communication from J. P. Callan, wherein he offers to collect certain moneys alleged to be due the city from the county of Silver Bow, arising from penalties upon taxes collected by the county, amounting to the sum of \$5,430.53, for 15 per cent of the amount, and your committee recommend that said offer be accepted and Mr. Callan be authorized to collect the same for and on behalf of the city, providing that said amount be collected in its entirety.

"In the matter of council bill No. 44, a bill for an ordinance for the paving of East Park street, your committee asks for further time in which to report."

Alderman Cohen was granted a 30 days' leave of absence.

Theosophy Society Meeting.

There will be an open meeting at the Theosophical society's new quarters, No. 411 Goldberg block, tonight at 8 o'clock at which Mrs. Carl J. Smith will deliver a lecture on "Ancient and Modern Philosophers." The public is cordially invited.

FROM GOD OF WAR

READING ROOM, WRESTED FROM MARS, IS OPENED.

EVACUATED BY COMPANY B

Armory Has Been Transferred Into a Spacious and Comfortable Reading Room—Thrown Open Yesterday.

The new reading room of the Butte public library was formally opened to the reading public yesterday.

The room was formerly occupied by the local company of the Montana National Guard and it will be remembered that the soldier boys were somewhat reluctant about evacuating the position.

Captain Jeans, who is the commanding officer of the company, appeared before the city council to protest against the attack upon his position, maintaining that the state had some right in the matter and that, figuratively speaking, he, Captain Jeans, was ready to defend the position at the point of his figurative sword.

The Butte city council, however, being a body which fears neither the state nor swords, figurative or material, informed the captain that in this chess game of state and city rights, it was the captain's move and that he should look out to the manner of his moving, but move.

Civil Authorities Won Out.

The military after making a few tactical demonstrations without avail, decided to retreat, making a successful get away from the outposts of the police department, militant losing, however, a few lockers and other minor munitions of war to the valiant bluecoats of the Reynolds brigade.

This succession of victories is believed by many to have been the cause of firing the martial spirit of Commander-in-Chief Reynolds, who immediately fired a couple of policemen and afterwards fired volleys of defiance at the county attorney and the recalcitrant members of the city government.

From which it may be learned that very mighty affairs of state hang on trivialities and that such a trifling circumstance as the renovation of the city library for the accommodation of the Butte public was possibly responsible for the discharge of two policemen and a whole lot of incendiary eloquence.

The room which was won from the god of war looked well this morning in its new furnishings dedicated to the gentler and more refining arts of study and intellectual improvement.

It Is Roomy and Comfortable.

A broad stairway leads from the main room and the visitor finds himself in a large, well-lighted, well-ventilated hall, with 15 fine oak reading tables and a number of elegant, luxurious chairs scattered around.

There are 24 windows in the room be-

sides a number of incandescents suspended from the ceiling.

By the ingenuity of Charles Lane, supervising architect for the city, the number of visitors each day is ascertained.

As the visitor descends the steps, his weight registers a number on a machine conveniently arranged. As the visitor registers a second time returning, the total divided by two gives the number who have patronized the room during the day.

The city, through its library committee, deserves to be congratulated upon the whole arrangement and the improvements which give Butte a library at once commodious and elegant.

CASTING THIEVES

INFORMATION FILED CHARGING TWO MEN WITH BURGLARY.

ONE OF THEM IS IN JAIL

Frank Wilson and John Doe Are the Defendants—Gave Constable Ellsworth a Tussle When Arrested Several Days Ago.

Assistant County Attorney Yancey today filed an information in Judge McCleman's court charging Frank Wilson and John Doe, the two men who gave Constable Ellsworth of Meaderville such an exciting time while he was trying to jail them for attempting to steal castings from the Montana Ore Purchasing company's smelter, with burglary.

The men are accused of breaking into the warehouse of the smelter company on March 1, and the information says that the place contained "several pieces of brass, a lot of brass fixtures and machinery and tools, all of the value of \$100." They are charged with breaking and entering the house with burglarious intent.

Their Wheels Went Wrong.

Wilson is in jail. He was captured by the constable and landed in jail while trying to find the nuts from the wheels of the wagon he and his confederate had driven up to the warehouse to be used in their burglarious enterprise. The nuts had been taken off by the smeltermen. It is said Wilson's real name is Verden.

John Doe, whose name is not known, escaped when the attempted burglary was discovered and has not been apprehended.

Wilson and his accomplice drove a spring wagon to the smelter yard and were calmly loading it with castings when discovered. They made a fight when an attempt to arrest them was made, and Wilson's friend was captured. He escaped afterwards on the way to jail.

The pair were compelled to abandon their wagon, but they drove it away for some distance, and it is said they threw all the castings out of the wagon on the run. They are young men. The police are searching for John Doe.