ACTIVITIES AND AFFAIRS OF WASHINGTON FRATERNAL SOCIETIES

Masons

At the annual communication of National Lodge, No. 12, F. A. A. M., held Tuesday, December 7, officers for the ensuing ear were elected, as follows: Master, Dr. Richard L. Spire; senior warden, Clarence E. Schooley; junior warden, Walter E. Kern; secretary, Dan C. Vaughan, P. M. (re-elected); treasurer, Frank E. Ghiselli, (re-elected); senior deacon, William D. Hanback; junior deacon, Henry A. Works; senior steward, John W. Tiffany; junior deacon, Gail T. Judd; master of ceremonies, Samuel J. Gompers; chaplain, Admiral James J. Kane, United States Navy; assistant chaplain, Rev. F. Paul Langhorne; degree director, Edward Burkholder, P. M.; choir leader, Henry A. Kruger; organist, Raphael Koester; tiler, John J. Hill, P. M.; assistant tiler, Merrick Williams; delegate to St. John's Mite Society, George L. Sherman, P. M.; delegates to Masonic board of relief, James E. Payne, P. M., and T. John Newton, P. G. M.; representative on board of managers of lodgeroom, Merrick Williams; representative on board of managers of Masonic and Eastern Star Home, John W. Kimmerling, P. M.; incorporator Masonic Hall Association, Joseph E. Falk, P. M.; trustees, Joseph E. Falk, P. M., Max M. Rich and T. John Newton, P. G. M.

Following the election, the officers were duly installed by Past Grand Master Newton and later in the evening Retiring Master, John W. Kimmerling was presented a handsome pastmaster's jewel.

William D. Hanback, Henry A. Works and John W. Tiffany were appointed as proxies of the master and wardens in the Grand Lodge, and committee appointments were announced by the incoming master as follows: R. L. Spire, Clarence E. Schooley and Walter E. Kern, as charity committee; Hunter H. Laughton, Stephen H. Talkes and Robert Meyer, as finance committee; W. D. Hanback, H. A. Works, J. W. Tiffany, G. T. Judd and S. T. Hazard, as instruction committee; C. E. Schooley, W. E. Kern and C. T. Forteney, as examination committee, and J. W. Kimmerling, J. S. Wasney, jr., and G. C. Rodgers, jr., as a committee to visit sick members.

The Grotto

Past Monarch E. S. Schmid, Grand Venerable Prophet E. W. Libbey, Monarch Charles A. Stevens; Chief Justice C. P. Boss, Master of Ceremonies M. W. Pickering, Marshal Arthur C. Shaw and a large number of Prophets of Kallipolis Grotto attended the ceremonial of Yedz Grotto, Baltimore, on Friday evening, when the Kallipolis cast under the direction of Past Monarch Charles D. Shackelford exemplified the ritualistic work. A large number of candidates were initiated, after which an enjoyable program of entertainment features was staged, lasting until midnight.

The dance of the Grotto Band and Drill Corps, to be held at the New Willard Hotel on Thursday evening, will be resplendent with the usual brilliant features, and, in addition, there will be awarded three live turkeys to an equal number of popular attendants.

On Friday evening the Grotto will hold a business meeting at Old Masonic Temple, the principal feature of which will be the annual nomination of officers for the ensuing year. The officers nominated at this meeting will be elected at the annual meeting, to be held on January 27. After the disposal of business at Friday's session, the Grotto Glee Club, under the direction of Prophet A. J. Walker, will stage an old-time minstrel show, which promises to be an up-to-the-minute musical production.

On December 29 the Grotto will hold its regular Kiddies' Christmas Carnival, on which occasion Santa Claus will gladden the hearts of the Grotto children, and a committee, of which Past Monarch E. S. Schmid is chairman, will provide an evening's entertainment of varied amusement.

Masonic Clubs.

A meeting of the convention committee of the Masonic clubs was held on Thursday evening. Much business of a routine nature was transacted and the various subcommittees made reports relative to the progress being made with the numerous features in connection with the convention of the National League of Masonic Clubs, to be held in this city next May. Past Grand Master James W. Witten, chairman of the committee, expressed his pleasure at the manner in which the subcommittees were working. Much enthusiasm is being manifested over the convention and all clubs are working hard to make the convention one of no regrets. All branches of Masonry in the District will be asked to assist the clubs in making the 10,000 Masons who are expected to be in attendance glad they selected the Nation's Capital as the 1921 convention city. Such assurance of assistance has already been manifested that the clubs are determined to make the convention the largest attended Masonic event ever held in this city, and likewise the most enjoyable.

President Morris J. Hole, of the Level Club, announces a meeting of that club at Masonic Temple on the evening of December 18.

The newly organized National University Masonic Club has elected the following officers: President, Philip Herman; vice president, Chas. J. Diller; secretary, Robert E. Johnson; treasurer, John P. Baker; chaplain, C. D. Little; marshal, Thomas E. Rhodes; herald, Fred D. Allen.

Jr. O. U. A. M.

Anacostia Council, No. 16, met in Masonic Hall with a large attendance of members and visitors. Several applications were received. Six candidates were initiated in virtue, liberty and patriotism. Thea initiation was done by the past councilors as follows: J. D. Simpson, councilor; W. J. James, vice councilor; P. D. Carter, past councilor; J. A. Smithson, conductor; P. J. Martin, chaplain; W. J. Mitchel, inside sentinel; Julius Owen, warden; Capt. Roy Thomas, in charge of degree team; F. C. Prather, accuser and rescuer; J. A Smithson, sponsor.

The Tribunal—R. A. Estep, James E. Frye, William M. Bargerow, W. E. Kemper. The initiation was without mistake anywhere.

The visiting councils were: American Star, No. 32, Savage, Md.; Indian Head, Md.; Andrew Jackson, No. 6; Star Spangle, No. 8; Mount Vernon, No. 10.

Speeches were made by the following: Councilor Watts and Financial Secretary Frazier, of Savage, Md.; John E. Smallwood, Mount Vernon, No. 10; Past National Deputy Councilor Maurice Peabody, of Star Spangle, No. 8; Past Councilor Cox and Councilor Ware, of Andrew Jackson, No. 16; F. C. Prather, of No. 16.

Refreshments and cigars were served.

Daughters of America.

American Flag Council, No. 5, Monday evening elected the following officers: Councilor Bessie Gorbutt; associate councilor, Mary E. Hern; vice councilor, Ida Knott; associate vice councilor, H. J. Gorbutt; warden, E. M. Sweeney; conductor, Nellie Crarien; inside sentinel, Allyne Brown; outside sentinel Ella Herbert; assistant recording secretary, Turner Hall; junior past councilor, Ada Herbert; associate junior past councilor, Lena Jordan; trustee (18 months), Mary E. Hern.

W. A. Fifield has been appointed the new drill master and by a unanimous vote of the council a bouquet of flowers was ordered sent to Mrs. Gorbutt. Under good of the order the council observed its social night, with addresses by the State councilor, Mrs. Anna Hill, Past State Councilor Mrs. Emily E. Halliday, Mrs. Clara Ryan, of Fidelity Council, No. 4, and visiting members from Golden Rule Council No. 10. Games of all kinds were indulged in, followed by singing and dancing by the younger set. Refreshments were served.

Liberty Council, No. 6, has elected the following officers for the new term: Councilor, Maud Howland; associate councilor, A. E. Gorham; vice councilor, Emma Raymond; associate vice councilor, Rosa Walker; recording secretary, Charles H. Miller; financial secretary, Lillie E. Miller; treasurer, Maud Knowles; conductor, Anna Henry; warden, Anna Hill; inside sentinel, Mary Brown; outside sentinel, Lillie A. Miller; Trustee (18 months), Anna Hill; Past Councilor, Mayme Barnes; associate past councilor, Evora Pettitt. The council had as their guests at their meeting in Pythian Temple, the State councilor, Mr. and Mrs. Sacarey, of Golden Rule Council, No. 10. A handsome hand-embroidered yoke was won by L. Johnson, of Benning, D. C.

The next State visitation is scheduled to Star Spangled Banner Council, No. 7, in Palmer's Hall, Seat Pleasant, Md., Friday evening, December 17, and will be the last one for 1920.

Triumph Council, No 8, Tuesday evening elected the following officers for the ensuing term: Councilor, Elsie Steele; associate councilor, Charles Newman; vice councilor, Georgia Leeman; associate vice councilor, Mary Stormer; conductor, Daisy Tolson; warden, Edith Browning; assistant recording secretary, Hattie Burroughs (re-elected, fifth term); inside sentinel, Frank Wright; outside sentinel, Harry Thompson; trustee (eighteen months), Pearl Wolfe; junior past councilor, Gladys Robertson; associate junior past councilor, Ray Campbell. The council had as their guest Deputy Rose Lanham, of Friendship Lodge, No. 16. The council will hold a rummage sale tomorrow, and will also have initiation Tuesday evening.

Knights of Pythias

The ceremonial team of Calanthe Lodge will confer the rank of Knight on a class of five candidates tomorrow evening. Chancellor Commander Harris requests all members to attend promptly at 8 o'clock as the work will proceed per schedule. All Pythians are cordially invited to attend.

Home Lodge will hold its regular monthly meeting tomorrow evening in Pythian Temple. New members are being added to the lodge roster monthly, and a number are due at this meeting.

Grand Prelate C. W. Henderson, who has been on the sick list for several weeks, is convalescent and has been able during the past week to go to his law office for a brief call each day, which is most gratifying news to his many friends in the Pythian order and associates of the legal profession.

Webster Lodge held a rousing meeting on Tuesday evening. The lodge room was crowded with members and visitors to witness the esquire rank ceremonial. The Knight rank is scheduled for next Tuesday evening. Past Chancellor Locke was reported to be improving from a severe illness.

The big meeting for next Friday evening will be for the purpose of consolidating Syracusians and Equal lodges, the former taking over the members and property of the latter. A class initiation will follow the joining of the lodges, a class of twenty-five candidates will be presented for initiation with Equal Lodge, and the new class will bring Syracusians Lodge to the front and make it one of the strongest in the domain.

The Pythian Bowling League has games scheduled for December 13, 16 and 17, as follows: December 13—Syracusians and Capital. December 16—Columbia and Century-Decatur. December 17—Capital and Century-Decatur.

Grand Chancellor Yates and officers of the grand lodge visited Friendship Temple on Wednesday evening. The members of the temple and of the visiting temple, Rathbone, were out in force. The lodge room was beautifully decorated. A handsome testimonial was presented to the grand chancellor on behalf of Friendship Temple. Music and refreshments occupied the social session.

Mount Vernon Lodge at their meeting on Wednesday accepted the resignation of Chancellor Commander J. E. Wycoff and elected E. F. Jaehnke to fill the vacancy. Ernest A. Grant, secretary to Representative White, of Maine, was elected vice chancellor. Both officers were installed by Past Grand Chancellor Harry P. Wiley, deputy grand chancellor.

Royal Arcanum

Oriental Council Tuesday evening in Pythian Temple elected the following officers for the next year: Representatives to the grand council, J. H. Grubb, E. G. King and E. E. Bruce; alternate representatives, F. I. E. McCarten, W. A. Jack and F. W. White; regent, George W. Smith; vice regent, V. P. Mackey; orator, T. H. Griffith; secretary, Corbin Birch; collector, W. B. Hill; treasurer, J. Ed Swaine; chaplain, John H. Davis; guide, L. C. Morrison; warden, M. J. Dillon; sentry, F. E. Easnight; trustees, J. H. Grubb, F. W. Wood and C. W. Bowers, and representative to the R. A. Hospital Bed Fund Association, M. A. Tolson.

A supreme council prize was awarded to George F. Peters and a plan for the celebration of the thousandth meeting of the council was discussed. Grand Regent George M. Evans exhorted the members to greater activity in their work for the order and Grand Treasurer Guy F. Allen spoke of the pleasures of fraternal gatherings. Past Regent E. E. Bruce reported satisfactory results from the book campaign of the Hospital Bed Fund Association. Among others present were Supreme Representative Charles J. James, Past Grand Regent W. W. Chase and Grand Secretary Edwin A. Niess.

Knights of Columbus

Carroll Council met last Tuesday with a record attendance, Grand Knight Christopher Murphy presiding. Rev. Peter L. Ireton, of Baltimore, personal representative of his eminence the Cardinal, and Patrick J. Haltigan, past grand knight of the council, were the guests of honor. Father Ireton presented to the members, in behalf of the board of governors of St. Mary's Industrial School, Baltimore, a plea for the appointment of a committee to make the necessary arrangements for a campaign for funds for the school's benefit. The committee was composed of fifty men.

An appropriation of $100 was made to the Church of the Holy Comforter for the benefit of the new school. Rev. Clarence Wheeler, rector of the church, is chaplain of this council.

Frank A. Kidd, former grand knight of Carroll Council, presented in the name of the council a testimonial to Past Grand Knight Haltigan. Mr. Haltigan, who is reading Clerk in the House of Representatives, gave a glowing tribute to the work of the council during the last 23 years of its existence. Mr. Haltigan was called upon by the testimonial committee to present to Redmond DeVaney, retired warden of the council, a gift from the council, which consisted of a victrola.

The Christmas Tree party for the members will be held in the hall on Tuesday evening, December 21, Joseph Degnan in charge.

A lengthy letter from the supreme grand knight, concerning the part the Knights of Columbus will take in the American Relief in Europe, of which Mr. Herbert Hoover is director, was read and adopted.

Spalding Council's Minstrel dance held in Gonzaga auditorium last Monday and Tuesday was a decided success. The minstrel, under the able direction of George Dowden, who was assisted by Lee Moxley, was so novel and unique in its setting that even the most skeptical were delighted, while the soloists, Miss E. Burke, Mrs. E. San Filippo, Messrs. Bernard Fitzgerald, George Dowden, F. Murphy and A. Durkin, were most pleasing. Miss M. Flynn and Harry Chick were especially pleasing in their solos. The end-men, Messrs. Dowden, Baldwin, Goss and Moxley, kept the house laughing from curtain to curtain.

The music, under the direction of Gates E. Rapp, was delightful in its entirety. A record crowd was in attendance both evenings. The Rev. Valentine D. Cuevas, rector of the Church of St. Mary, Swetnam, Va., for whom the minstrel benefit was given, was the guest of honor. The entertainment committee announces a dance to be held in the Knights of Columbus Hall, Friday evening, December 17. Admission will be by invitation. Spalding Council's candidates for the third degree of the order have been requested to assemble in their hall this afternoon at 2:30. Thursday evening the council will hold its regular monthly meeting.

This afternoon at 2:30 o'clock the third degree will be exemplified to candidates of Spalding, Keane and Potomac Councils. State Deputy M. J. McAuliffe, with District Deputies John T. S. Burns and John Sheil, will be in charge.

Washington Council will meet in their hall on Tuesday evening, Grand Knight Frank O'Hara presiding. The open forum will feature the evening.

On Thursday evening Keane Council held an important business meeting. The lecturer's committee reported progress in arranging the Christmas party and entertainment for the members and their friends and families, which will be held on December 29.

The dance assembly of the council will hold the third of their series of dances this season on Tuesday, December 14, at 2400 Sixteenth street. The dances given by the assembly have been the most successful and enjoyable in Knights of Columbus circles, and a large crowd is expected. Simonton's augmented orchestra will furnish music.

On last Monday evening the Washington General Assembly, of the fourth degree, held a business meeting, followed by an informal dance.

At the meeting the patrons' committee was authorized to plan for a fourth degree ball, to be held in one of the downtown hotels during the month of January. The patrons' committee will meet Monday evening to arrange furher details. Several applications, for admission at the next big exemplification of this degree, on Washington's Birthday, were considered.

On last Wednesday night the sir nobles of Alcantara Caravan assembled in the Knights of Columbus Hall for their annual frolic and pep meeting. Grand Commander Philip Buetner presided. The entertainment featured John Baldwin, minstrel characters; Tom Cantwell, songs; Arthur Tholl, songs; Hawaiian Trio. Talks were made by several visitors from Baltimore, Vice Supreme Commander Kennedy, and State Deputy M. J. McAuliffe. The cheer leader was James Meegan.

Washington Chapter met last Wednesday evening together with a committee from the Daughters of Isabella to perfect arrangements for the annual Christmas tree party for the orphans of Washington, the following institutions having been invited: Bruen Home, Episcopal Home, German Orphan Ayslum, Emergency Home, St. Anne's Academy, Industrial Home School, St. Anne's Infant Asylum, St. John's Asylum, Jewish Foster Home, St. Joseph's Asylum, Methodist Home, St. Vincent's Asylum, Washington City Orphan Asylum, Baptist Home, St. Rose Institution, Central Union Mission. This entertainment, under the direction of the Knights of Columbus, J. M. Spreckelmyer, chairman, will be held at the Immaculate Conception Hall, Sunday, December 26. The following chairmen have been appointed: Mrs. George Howe, ladies' committee; C. W. Aughinaugh, transportation; E. J. Smith, reception; Charles I. Griffith, invitations; Frances McCann, publicity; E. C. Mooney, decorations. It is estimated that 1,000 orphans will be entertained by the local knights.

B. P. O. Elks

Week's Calendar.

Monday—Charity ball committee, Los Angeles Reunion Association, free moving pictures. Wednesday—Reguar session of the lodge. Thursday—Informal regular dance. Friday—Band rehearsal.

The oyster roast held last night was a complete success. Dancing, vaudeville, with serving of the bivalve supreme was enjoyed by all.

Secretary Wm. S. Shelby's address on charity was pronounced a gem, by the members assembled at the regular session.

Fifteen hundred Elks and their friends attended the beautiful memorial services of the order, at the National Theater last Sunday.

D. C.'S GREATEST KNIGHT

DANIEL J. CALLAHAN.

His recent appointment as a Knight of the Order of St. Gregory by Pope Benedict XV and his elevation to the post of supreme treasurer of the Knights of Columbus constitute Daniel J. Callahan the foremost member of this great organization in Washington.

An O. Henry Story

Nemesis and the Candy Man.

(Continued from Yesterday.)

The candy man cackled shrilly as he arranged a stock of butter-scotch that had tumbled down.

"Smoke up!" said he, vulgarly. "Nothin' doin' in the complimentary line. I'm too wise to be bamboozled by a switch of hair and a newly massaged arm. Oh, I guess you'll make good in that calcium, all right, with plenty of powder and paint on and the orchestra playing 'Under the Old Apple Tree.' But don't put on your hat and chase downstairs to fly to the Little Church Around the Corner with me. I've been up against peroxide and make-up before. Say, all joking aside—don't you think we'll have rain?"

"Candy man," said Mademoiselle, softly, with her lips curving and her chin dimpling, "don't you think I'm pretty?"

The candy man grinned.

"Savin' money, ain't yer?" said he, "by bein' yer own press agent. I smoke, but I haven't seen yer mug on any of the five-cent cigar boxes. It'd take a new brand of woman to get me goin', anyway. I know 'em from sidecombs to shoelaces. Gimme a good day's sales and steak-and-onions at seven and a pipe and an evenin' paper back there in the court, and I'll not trouble Lillian Russell herself to wink at me, if you please."

Mademoiselle pouted.

"Candy man," she said, softly and deeply, "yet you shall say that I am beautiful. All men say so and so shall you."

The candy man laughed and pulled out his pipe.

"Well," said he, "I must be goin' in. There is a story in the evenin' paper that I am readin'. Men are divin' in the seas for a treasure, and pirates are watchin' them from behind a reef. And there ain't a woman on land or water or in the air. Good-evenin'." And he trundled his pushcart down the alley and back to the musty court where he lived.

Incredibly to him who has not learned woman, Mademoiselle sat at the window each day and spread her nets for the ignominious game. Once she kept a grand cavalier waiting in her reception chamber for half an hour while she battered in vain the candy man's tough philosophy. His rough laugh chafed her vanity to its core. Daily he sat on his cart in the breeze of the alley while her hair was being ministered to, and daily the shafts of her beauty rebounded from his dull bosom pointless and ineffectual. Unworthy pique brightened her eyes. Pride-hurt, she glowed upon him in a way that would have sent her higher adorers into an egoistic paradise. The candy man's hard eyes looked upon her with a half-concealed derision that urged her to the use of the sharpest arrow in her beauty's quiver.

One afternoon she leaned far over the sill, and she did not challenge and torment him as usual.

"Candy man," said she, "stand up and look into my eyes."

He stood up and looked into her eyes, with his harsh laugh like the sawing of wood. He took out his pipe, fumbled with it, and put it back into his pocket with a trembling hand.

"That will do," said Mademoiselle, with a slow smile. "I must go now to my masseuse. Good-evening."

The next evening at seven the candy man came and rested his cart under the window. But was it the candy man? His clothes were a bright new check. His necktie was a flaming red, adorned by a glittering horseshoe pin, almost life-size. His shoes were polished; the tan of his cheeks had paled—his hands had been washed. The window was empty, and he waited under it with his nose upward, like a hound hoping for a bone.

Mademoiselle came, with Sidonie carrying her load of hair. She looked at the candy man and smiled a slow smile that faded away into ennui. Instantly she knew that the game was bagged; and so quickly she wearied of the chase. She began to talk to Sidonie.

"Been a fine day," said the candy man, hollowly. "First time in a month I've felt first-class. Hit it up down old Madison, hollering out like I useter. Think it'll rain tomorrow?"

Mademoiselle laid tyo round arms on the cushion on the window-sill, and a dimpled chin upon them.

"Candy man," said she, softly, "do you not love me?"

The candy man stood up and leaned against the brick wall.

"Lady," said he, chokingly, "I've got $500 saved up. Did I say you wasn't beautiful? Take it, every bit of it, and buy a collar for your dog with it."

A sound as of a hundred silvery bells tinkled in the room of Mademoiselle. The laughter filled the alley and trickled back into the court, as strange a thing to enter there as sunlight itself. Mademoiselle was amused. Sidonie, a wise echo, added a sepulchral but faithful contralto. The laughter of the two seemed at last to penetrate the candy man. He fumbled with his horseshoe pin. At length Mademoiselle, exhausted, turned her flushed, beautiful face to the window.

"Candy man," said she, "go away. When I laugh Sidonie pulls my hair. I can but laugh while you remain there."

"Here is a note for Mademoiselle," said Felice, coming to the window in the room.

"There is no justice," said the candy man, lifting the handle of his cart and moving away.

Three yards he moved, and stopped. Loud shriek after shriek came from the window of Mademoiselle. Quickly he ran back. He heard a body thumping upon the floor and a sound as though heels beat alternately upon it.

"What is it?" he called.

Sidonie's severe head came into the window.

"Mademoiselle is overcome by bad news," she said. "One whom she loved with all her soul has gone—you may have heard of him—he is Monsieur Ives. He sails across the ocean tomorrow. Oh, you men!"

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Maccabees

The annual election of National Review was held Friday evening. A full report of same will appear in next week's issue.

The annual election of Mt. Vernon No. 2 was held last Thursday evening, resulting as follows: Commander, Edith Van Ness; lieutenant commander, Florence Topping; past commander, Elizabeth Rule; record keeper, Mary A. Van Ness; lady-at-arms, Edna McIntosh; sergeant, Estelle Dushon; captain of guards, Lillian Patrick; musician, Violet Rule.

The entertainment and euchre given by Columbia Saturday evening was a decided success both socially and financially. The annual election will be held next Saturday evening.

Brightwood, Georgetown and Victory will hold their annual election tomorrow evening. It is important that all members be present at these meetings.

Liberty Union held their annual election last Monday evening resulting as follows: Commander, Mrs. Ella Weeks; lieutenant commander, Mrs. Elizabeth Mosely; past commander, Mrs. Mary Byrd; chaplain, Mrs. Grace Constable; record keeper, Mrs. Mattie Ewald; lady-at-arms, Mrs. Clara Christman; sergeant, Mrs. Helen Luckett; sentinel, Mrs. Maggie Dunnington; picket, Miss Elizabeth Barnes; musician, Mrs. Rae McGee; captain of guards, Mrs. Margaret Dobrowolski. Following the election, the officers-elect were installed in short form by Miss Anna Singles. Sister Catherine Justes and Anna Sheriff were reported indisposed as the result of accidents, but both are improving, Mrs. Justes being in the Emergency Hospital.

The dance committee of the Officers' Club dance met Wednesday to perfect plans for the annual affair, which will be held in midwinter.

Mount Vernon Tent, No. 4, Maccabees, elected the following officers for 1921: Past commander, William B. Severe; commander, J. C. Bass; lieutenant commander, Wilford H. Davis; record keeper, Harry C. Sengstack, re-elected fourth year; finance keeper, Frank Hannan, re-elected nineteenth year; chaplain, Edwin F. Latham, re-elected twelfth year; sergeant, W. E. Kemp; first master of the guard, Peter J. Logan; second master of the guard, Charles E. Sengstack; sentinel, Jesse G. Buck; picket, J. F. Frishold; trustee for three years, Sydney Haas; auditors, W. W. Adamson, Sydney Hass, Dr. Charles I. Griffith.

These officers will be installed January 4 at Northeast Masonic Temple. The entertainment committee stated the installation ceremonies will be a gala occasion, with a vaudeville show and a banquet for the members and their ladies.

V. F. W.

The Department of the District of Columbia, Veterans of Foreign Wars, met in special session at Community Service Building, December 7. Department Commander George L. Tait presided. Plans were initiated for an extensive organization campaign and arrangements for the institution of a number of new posts were made in the department. A committee was appointed to designate the territorial limits for the new posts and arrange for suitable meeting places. The names and locations of the new posts will be announced later. At the next meeting of the State department installation of officers will be held.

The department officials of the Veterans of Foreign Wars paid an official visit to Fred Barrack Post No. 341 at Community Service Building, December 7. The new practice was adopted and the departmental offices occupied the various stations jointly with the post's offices. Department Commander George L. Tait and Comrade Frank L. Heise presided. An intensive membership drive has been started by Fred Barrack Post with a view to enrolling every member of the District of Columbia National Guard rating a gold chevron. Department Senior Vice Commander Bettelheim, Department Junior Vice Commander Seckermann and E. H. Hale, chairman of the national legislative committee, delivered short addresses. The following candidates were nominated and the election will be held at the next meeting of the post, December 21: Commanders, Comrades Heise and Frost; senior vice commanders, Comrades Marsh and Manning; junior vice commander, Comrade Clugston; quartermasters, Milton and Gould.

Admiral Peary Post No. 427 has procured quarters at the Naval Reserve Enrollment Building, 921 Pennsylvania avenue southeast and will hold its next meeting on December 13. The removal of Admiral Peary Post No. 427 from the Naval Hospital to southeast Washington is in compliance with an urgent request of the overseas men in the southeast section. Already a large number of recruits have signed up for affiliation, and there will be a large class initiated at the next meeting. The regular meetings of the post will be held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month and Comdr. Heise promises even more interesting meetings than this "gob" post ever held at its old quarters. The departmental officers of the V. F. W. will attend the meeting December 13 and occupy the stations jointly with the officers of the post.

Walter Reed Hospital Post No. 350 has completed its arrangements for the "open" meeting to be held December 20. Comdr. Jamieson is looking forward to a large visitation from the V. F. W. posts in the city. The election of officers will be held and past commander's badge bestowed on Past Commander Cornelius O'Rouke. Adjt. Mallory, of Walter Reed Hospital Post, who suffered from a severe back injury at Chateau-Thierry, has invented a brace which prominent attorneys declare possesses great merit. Through his friends of the V. F. W. a patent has been applied for.

National Capital Post No. 127 has formed three rifle clubs and application has been made to the War Department for the issuance of necessary rifles and ammunition. All members desiring to participate in the "shoots" should communicate with Commander Edward Grant, 3213 Kansas avenue northwest. The next meeting of the National Capital Post No. 127 will be held Tuesday, December 14, at Community Service Bldg. Commander in-chief Robert G. Woodside visited Washington December 6 and in company with Chairman E. H. Hale, of the National Legislative Committee, visited various members of Congress and discussed legislation desired by the V. F. W. A communication was addressed to the national commander of the American Legion calling for a joint meeting of the legislative committees of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion to insure co-operation in the interest of adjusted compensation now on the Senate calendar.

The Russell Mitchell Post of Alexandria, Va., will hold an "open" meeting at Dreadnaught Athletic Club on Thursday, December 16, when the post will be formally instituted by Department Commander George L. Tait. All members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the District of Columbia are invited to attend the institution of this post.

Catholic Fraternity

Francis A. McCann, secretary, Committee on Boys' Activities, National Catholic Welfare Council, at a meeting of Capital Assembly, No. 6, Catholic Fraternity, was elected president for the coming year. McCann, who is a special field commissioner for the Boy Scouts of America and deputy grand knight of one of the local councils of the Knights of Columbus, has been actively engaged in Catholic work for many years past, having as one of his objects the establishment of boys' clubs in Catholic churches in Washington. The other officers elected were as follows: Past president, L. Woodbury Stoddard; vice president, Victor Dickson; recording president, Carmen Quantrille; financial secretary, James I. Fowler, Jr.; treasurer, Thomas O'Brien; chaplain, Rev. Francis J. Hurney; orator, J. Kenneth Ragan; medical examiner, Dr. Jerome F. Crowley; marshal, Rupert Casper; guards, Louis Nix and W. A. Burns; trustees, W. L. Stoddard, J. F. Crown and N. J. Volkman. The Catholic Fraternity, which meets on Friday evenings at the Aloysius, 47 I street northwest, is an organization of Catholic men, for their advancement socially and fraternally. The newly elected officers will be installed in January.

HE'D CHEAT DEVIL BY MOVIE REFORM

Farewell, ye soul kiss of the silver screen, you bathing beauties clad mostly in sunshine and atmosphere, and you thrilling moment when Jimmy Valentine sandpapers his finger-ends to the raw and frees the maiden from the trapping sare. Farewell, that is, if the Rev. Howard E. Clark, of Plainfield, N. J., has his way.

Before the conference of the International Reform Bureau yesterday he smote the movies hip and thigh, as it were, declaring that "the devil has a monopoly on too many good things, including the movies." He urged the creation of a Federal commission to censor and control the production, distribution and exhibition of all cinemas. The Rev. Clark made it plain that his condemnation of motion pictures did not apply generally. Properly directed, he said, the movies are a good thing.

Good Health Club.

The Good Health Club Home, recently purchased by the Woman's Evening Clinic, 1022 Eleventh street northwest, will be open for inspection to the members of the Good Health Club and their friends every evening of this week from 5:30 to 9:30 o'clock. A circulating library has been installed and many things of interest are in store for the members.

Classes are being formed in corrective exercises and simple gymnastic work by the physical director, Miss Donna. The different units will meet in January and plan their work and elect their officers for the coming year.

Red Men

Great Sachem Bergman and his board of great chiefs paid a fraternal visit to Logan and Osceola Tribes combined, it being the annual visitation to the tribes. The chiefs of both tribes were complimented by the great chiefs for the excellent showing both had made. It was the largest visitation of the year. Several out-of-town visitors were present. Refreshments were served.

Seneca Tribe, No. 11, reports several candidates for the class adoption. The boosters' committee of the tribe is working hard and have an excellent program outlined commencing with the first meeting in January.

Red Wing Tribe, No. 20, held one of its special nights at its last meeting. The surprises given by the entertainment committee are genuine and the members cannot afford to miss them.

Sioux Tribe No. 18 at its last meeting made the final arrangements for a family night on December 30. The committee in charge of the affair are A. C. Nicholas, Samuel Feldman, H. W. Gompers, Harry Lewis and Jacque Heidenheimer. Special attention will be paid to the kiddies and a good time is in store for those who attend. This will be one of the red letter nights of the tribe.

The great sachem has appointed the following raising officers to the various tribes and councils: Osage Tribe, No. 6, P. G. S., C. F. Fuller, Logan No. 8, P. G. S., W. C. White; Seneca No. 11, Great Sannap R. A. Humphries; Mineola No. 14, P. G. S., J. A. Madison, jr.; Idaho No. 15, Great Senior Sagamore Robt. Strobel; White Eagle No. 17, Great Keeper of Wampum T. H. Dennis; Sioux No. 18, Great Representative H. W. Tippett; Osceola No. 19, Great Junior Sagamore Lee B. Emory; Red Wing No. 20, the Great Sachem; Idaho Council No. 1, Great Chief of Records John I. Bunch; White Eagle Council No. 4, P. G. S., R. W. Thompson; Waneta Council No. 6, P. G. S., W. B. Garner.

Don't forget the class adoption to be held at Pythian Temple, 1012 Ninth street northwest, Wednesday night. The adoption degree will be conferred by the team of Idaho Tribe, No. 15, of the District of Columbia; hunter and warrior degree by Tecumseh Tribe, No. 108, of Baltimore, Md., and the chief's degree by the team of Mineola Tribe, No. 14, of the District of Columbia. The following committee has been appointed to take charge of the affair: P. G. S.'s H. W. Tippett, W. B. Garner, Charles J. Benner, Samuel Feldman and C. O. Storm. Refreshments will be served and several members of Congress will be present. The great chief of records will have charge of the candidates and each tribe is requested to have its candidates present as early as possible in order that they may be enrolled before the degree work is started.

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WEEKLY BULLETIN.

Monday—Union No. 11, second degree. Beacon No. 15, regular business. Langdon, No. 26, regular business.

Tuesday—Washington No. 6, third degree. Golden rule No. 21, degree. Amity No. 27, third degree. Excelsior No. 17, degree.

Wednesday—Eastern No. 7, second degree. Harmony No. 9, grand visitation. Covenant No. 13, first degree.

Thursday—Columbia No. 10, initiatory degree. Salem No. 22, second degree.

Friday—Central No. 1, second degree. Metropolis No. 16, second and third degrees. Federal City No. 20, first degree. Phoenix No. 23, regular order.

Golden Rule Lodge No. 28, on Tuesday evening received the grand master and corps of officers, the occasion being the annual visitation. The examination of the officers showed them to be very proficient in their work and the lodge in general in a flourishing condition, having taken in forty-five new members during the year. Rev. C. C. McLean, of this city, a member of Star of Hope Lodge of Pennsylvania, was the speaker of the evening, using for his subject the first great principal of the order, friendship. At the close of the session the members and visitors retired to the banquet hall and enjoyed the refreshments that had been prepared by the committee of which Past Grand Rodgers was chairman.

The grand master announces the final visitation of the fall series for December 15, when Harmony Lodge No. 9 will be paid its annual visit. All members of the order are invited to attend.

The Dramatic Club of Amity Lodge No. 27 is rehearsing for a play to be given in connection with the home circle for the benefit of the I. O. O. F. Home. The date for same will be announced later.

The annual visitation of Naomi Rebekah Lodge No. 2, Monday evening, November 6, was one of the most interesting of the fall term. The large attendance present was well pleased with the examinations and reports of the officers showed the lodge to be in a most flourishing condition. Chaplain S. M. Sanderson, on behalf of the lodge, presented the president of the Rebekah Assembly, Mollie E. Edmonston, with a beautiful cut-glass basket as a token of appreciation of her untiring efforts in the work of the Rebekah branch.

Miriam Rebekah Lodge, No. 6, on December 3 suffered the loss of one of its most faithful and energetic workers in the death of Past Grand Jennie Kennison. The remains were shipped to Kent, Ohio, for interment.

American Legion

In spite of the inclement weather, fifteen members of the Rifle Club of the Stuart Walcott Post, No. 16, American Legion, turned out for rifle practice last Sunday morning. Comrades Morford, Werner, Richards and Strauss made unusually good scores, considering the heavy winds. Debating teams are being organized by the post. Some of the subjects to be debated are "Immigration," "Federal Education," "Income Tax" and "Merchant Marine." Comdr. Beaulac has appointed Delegate Bremer to the resolutions committee and Delegate Strauss to the credentials committee of the State convention, to be held here December 16.

Sensible Treatment For Rheumatism

Drives Out the Millions of Tiny Pain Demons That Cause the Disease

There are many ways of treating Rheumatism, but there is only one right way.

On the streets every day you see the results of improper and misdirected treatment. You see victims of this painful and disabling disease, limping through life, their limbs bent and stiff, and their bodies tortured with aching joints, until you wonder how they can bear so much continued suffering.

You see these same unfortunates hobbling along as another winter approaches, knowing that there is another season of suffering in store for them. You notice that they are a little more stooped, and their gait is a little more difficult as the years go by.

If you are beginning to feel the first slight touches of Rheumatism, there is just as much pain and suffering ahead of you, if you follow blindly in the same misdirected footsteps of unintelligent treatment. For remember that all these thousands of victims of this painful disease have spent countless hours, no doubt, as well as their hard-earned dollars, in a vain effort to find a cure.

And your own experience will be just as disappointing as theirs, if you follow the old, worn-out and worthless methods of treatment.

The whole trouble is that the symptoms of the disease are being treated, and not the disease itself. When you realize that you must get rid of the cause of Rheumatism, and that its torturing pains will disappear when their cause is removed, then you will be on the right track, and there is a splendid chance for you to rid yourself of the disease.

First of all, get it firmly fixed in your mind that all the liniments in the world have no effect whatever on Rheumatism. You may use them by the gallon, and rub the painful parts by the hour, getting possibly some temporary relief from the torturing pains, but you are making no headway whatever toward reaching the cause of the disease.

The most common form of Rheumatism is caused by millions of tiny disease germs which infest the blood. The one and only sensible treatment, therefore, is one which cleanses the blood of these germs, and routs them entirely out of the circulation. And everyone knows that this cannot be done by rubbing the surface with liniments.

This is why S. S. S., the greatest known blood purifier, is so successful in the treatment of Rheumatism. It is a powerful cleanser of the blood, being composed entirely of the extracts of roots and herbs of recognized medicinal value, and it promptly routs out of the blood all disease germs. S. S. S. has been used for more than half of a century, and it has proven beneficial in hundreds of cases of Rheumatism.

If you are a victim of this disease, why waste further time with the wrong kind of treatment? Go to your druggist today and get a bottle of S. S. S. and begin a course of treatment that will delight you with its results. S. S. S. will attack the disease germs that cause your Rheumatism, by cleansing your blood.

We maintain a medical department in charge of a specialist on Rheumatism, and after beginning treatment with S. S. S. you are invited to write for free medical advice about your own case. Address Chief Medical Adviser, 160