AMONG THE FRATERNITIES.

MASONIC

LODGES.
Monday—Potomac, No. 5, special, F. C.; Mount Pleasant, No. 33, special, F. C.
Wednesday—Washington Centennial, No. 14, off; Osiris, No. 26, M. M., and King Solomon, No. 31, E. A.
Friday—Columbia, No. 3, off; Lebanon, No. 7, M. M.
ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.
Wednesday—Columbia, No. 1, Mark.
Friday—School of Instruction, Grand Chapter.

Mount Pleasant Lodge, No. 33, is to hold a special communication September 30, at which time the F. C. degree will be conferred. The regular meeting scheduled for September 6, Labor day, has been called off, but September 20 the M. M. degree is to be conferred by all past masters of Harmony Lodge on five candidates. Members of the lodge promise to make an excellent showing at the grand visitation October 4.

At the stated communication of Lebanon Lodge, No. 7, Friday evening, the M. M. degree is to be conferred, with Senior Warden Charles E. Alexander in the east and the other line officers advanced. The master has announced that the communication will start promptly at 7:30 o'clock, so that the work can be finished in ample time for a social hour in the banquet hall. The M. M. degree is also to be conferred September 17.

William T. Galliher has been appointed by the executive committee as chairman of the membership committee of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.

At a communication of Takoma Lodge, No. 29, September 14, the E. A. degree is to be conferred, while at one scheduled for September 28 the M. M. degree is to be conferred.

Columbia Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M., will hold its regular convocation Wednesday, after a six-week summer vacation. Excellent High Priest West announces the mark degree for this convocation, and states that from the appearance of the work calendar the fall and winter months will be very busy in Columbia Chapter.

Grand visitations to the constituent lodges for the current year are to be made as follows:

Federal, No. 1, Masonic Temple, November 9, 8:30 p.m.; Columbia, No. 3, Masonic Temple, November 19, 8 p.m.; Naval, No. 4, Masonic Hall, 4th street and Pennsylvania avenue southeast, November 4, 8 p.m.; Potomac, No. 5, Masonic Hall, Georgetown, October 18, 8:30 p.m.; Lebanon, No. 7, Masonic Temple, November 19, 8:30 p.m.; the New Jerusalem, No. 9, Masonic Temple, November 11, 8 p.m.; Hiram, No. 10, Masonic Temple, November 18, 8:30 p.m.; St. John's, No. 11, Masonic Temple, November 26, 8:30 p.m.; National, No. 12, Masonic Temple, November 16, 8 p.m.; Washington Centennial, No. 14, Masonic Temple, November 17, 8:30 p.m.; Benjamin B. French, No. 15, Masonic Temple, November 15, 8:30 p.m.; Dawson, No. 16, Masonic Temple, November 8, 8 p.m.; Harmony, No. 17, Masonic Temple, November 24, 8 p.m.; Acacia, No. 18, Masonic Temple, November 9, 8 p.m.; La Fayette, No. 19, Masonic Temple, November 18, 8 p.m.; Hope, No. 20, Masonic Temple, November 26, 8 p.m.; Anacostia, No. 21, Masonic Temple, November 1, 8 p.m.; George C. Whiting, No. 22, Masonic Hall, Georgetown, October 18, 8 p.m.; Pentalpha, No. 23, Masonic Temple, November 15, 8 p.m.; Stansbury, No. 24, Masonic Hall, Brightwood, October 25, 8 p.m.; Arminius, No. 25, Masonic Temple, November 16, 8:30 p.m.; Osiris, No. 26, Masonic Temple, November 17, 8 p.m.; Myron M. Parker, No. 27, 8th and F streets northeast, November 2, 8 p.m.; King David, No. 28, Masonic Hall, Brookland, October 26, 8:30 p.m.; Takoma, No. 29, Masonic Hall, Takoma, October 12, 8 p.m.; William R. Singleton, No. 30, Masonic Hall, Tenleytown, October 21, 8 p.m.; King Solomon, No. 31, Masonic Temple, November 3, 3 p.m.; Temple-Noyes, No. 32, Masonic Temple, November 11, 8:30 p.m.; Mount Pleasant, No. 33, Masonic Hall, 14th and Kenyon streets, October 4, 8 p.m., and East Gate, No. 34, Masonic Hall, Brookland, October 28, 8 p.m.

The theater party of Kallipolis Grotto Glee Club at Poli's Theater during the week commencing tomorrow promises to be one of the most popular affairs given by the grotto this year. While the benefit runs for the entire week Wednesday will be "Grotto night."

In addition to the regular play, "The Ringmaster," there will be grotto specialties introduced between the acts Wednesday evening, and a motion picture film will be shown depicting the frolics of the prophets and their friends on the occasions of the recent grotto excursions to Chesapeake and Colonial beaches.

The Glee Club will entertain the Printers' League amateur base ball team this afternoon at Typographical Temple.

News has been received of an automobile accident near Penn Yan, N. Y., in which Grand Monarch William H. Snyder and his wife received painful injuries. The grand monarch, with a party of friends, was on his way from Elmira to Sodus, when the automobile turned turtle, throwing the occupants into a ditch. Mr. Snyder turned the car to the right of the highway to pass a horse and buggy, when another car, traveling in the same direction as the buggy, also attempted to pass. The grand monarch turned his car into a ditch to avoid a general smash-up. It is said that the other automobile drove away without stopping. Mr. Snyder suffered a dislocated shoulder, and Mrs. Snyder escaped with minor injuries. The injured people were taken to a hospital at Penn Yan for treatment.

During the recent Supreme Council convention held in Buffalo one of the chief attractions was "Joco," the monkey of Kallipolis Grotto. This monkey had a prominent place in the parade and attracted attention wherever he went. Past Grand Monarch Henry A. MacFrier of Syracuse, N. Y., formed such a liking for "Joco" that Grand Chief Justice Edward S. Schmid let him take it to Syracuse. A few days ago he received a letter from the past grand monarch in which he says: "The monkey has enjoyed excellent health and has been a great source of pleasure, as well as some mischief. Owing to his association with the thousands of prophets who assembled in Buffalo he is making all kinds of high signs and makes a very nice attempt at the grips. His mischief has been overshadowed by the fun he makes. He is most friendly with the dog, cat and birds, although he did let the birds out of their cages and ate their seed. It would take a large book to contain the entire story of his doings, but they were all of a most amusing and interesting kind. I don't mind the fact that he has destroyed several pairs of lace curtains, smashed several parlor lamps, destroyed some valuable bric-a-brac and cut glass, romped on the piano and chewed up my fez, but I fear that I have imposed upon you too long and if you will give me the necessary instructions I will ship him back to you."

M. M. Parker Lodge, No. 27, is to hold a social September 7. September 21 the M. M. degree is to be conferred.

Hope Lodge, No. 20, plans to confer the M. M. degree at communications to be held September 10 and 24. The M. M. degree is also to be conferred at a communication of the New Jerusalem Lodge, No. 9, September 9.

At a recent meeting of Mount Pleasant Lodge, No. 33, a board of trustees was elected to serve for one, two and three years, respectively. The board chosen comprises Edward F. Slanker, William T. Hackett and Charles W. Stewart.

Junior Warden Duncan McLaren will have charge of the E. A. degree Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the communication of King Solomon Lodge, No. 31. The Rev. Edgar C. Powers has accepted an invitation to be present and assist in the work, a new feature which Acting Master Archibald J. Rose has introduced in the first and second degrees.

The captain of the bowling team which is to represent the daylight lodge in the Masonic Duckpin League reports all in readiness for the opening of the season, Monday night, September 13, at 1321 H street northwest. The King Solomon team rolls its first game Thursday night of the opening week.

The fraternal visit of the lodge to Meridian Lodge, Richmond, will be held October 25. It is expected a large delegation from the jurisdiction will accompany the "daylighters."

ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

The beginning of September marks the renewal of activities in the Order of the Eastern Star.

The meeting of Areme Chapter, No. 10, Wednesday night, will be the opening of the fall season. The entire membership has been urged to be present. All members of the order are also cordially invited.

Miss Maud Fellheimer, worthy matron, who has recently returned from her summer vacation, has announced what is claimed to be an interesting program for the first meeting. She probably will give out at this meeting some of her plans for the events she has in mind for the chapter during the remainder of the year.

Arthur M. Poynton, worthy grand patron, is to be present. He will give an address concerning the history of the order.

Esther Chapter, No. 5, is to meet Thursday. Worthy Matron Nellie West and Worthy Patron Edwin C. Dutton announce that preparations are under way for a number of specially interesting meetings during the fall and winter months, to which all members of the order will be welcome. It is expected that degrees will be conferred at the meeting September 2 and a program given.

Ascension Chapter, No. 20, will resume its regular meetings beginning Friday, and the worthy matron, Mrs. Ida M. Huston, has extended an invitation to all members of the order to be present.

The quarterly reunion of the Matrons and Patrons' Association of 1912 will be held Tuesday evening at the Masonic and Eastern Star Home. Conveyances will meet members at 7:45 p.m. at Rittenhouse street. All who expect to attend have been requested to be prompt at the hour and place of meeting, and to notify Mrs. G. R. Haley, vice chairman, 3214 14th street.

MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA

Two applications for membership were received by Central Camp, No. 16015, at its meeting Friday night in the Perpetual Building Association Hall. Consul Moody presided. H. Z. Kidwell acted as escort. W. H. Trathen being absent in Kentucky. A special fund for the purchase of paraphernalia was created, and a committee was instructed to take action looking toward securing an outfit for the use of the degree team. A meeting of representatives of local camps for the purpose of organizing a central committee was decided upon for September 3. I. J. Newman, a member of one of the New York city camps, was a visitor, and spoke briefly. Sentry Calvin A. Broach was reported ill at his home. Remarks were made by Adviser Parthemore, District Deputy H. H. Millard, Thomas Linville, A. H. Jaeger and G. A. Casey. Clerk A. H. Jaeger advised the camp of his proposed trip to Atlantic City, and G. A. Casey was named to act for him during his vacation.

At the meeting of A. H. Talbot Camp Thursday evening in the National Bank building, Pennsylvania avenue southeast, Lamont A. Williams was obligated as a member of the camp. C. E. Miller and Escort C. S. Thomas performing the initiatory ceremonies under the short form. Consul V. W. Potter presided. Two applications were received. District Deputy H. H. Millard spoke of the large number of Woodmen taking in their excursion to Chesapeake Beach recently. The camp is to hold an open meeting early in September. Adviser Robert O. Reichard of Georgetown Camp and Banker G. A. Casey of Central Camp spoke briefly. A committee composed of Adviser A. F. Dobrowolski, Banker B. G. Cowles and Clerk J. K. Duncan was appointed to represent the camp on the central committee. A. F. Dobrowolski and B. G. Cowles are at present on their vacations.

West End Camp, No. 12089, met Monday evening in Pythian Temple, Past Consul Harry Atchison presiding. Four applications for membership were received. Frank S. Brown was initiated into the order. The organization of a general committee for the several camps in the District to consider and supervise matters of general interest to all camps having been proposed by Central Camp, Banker Daniel Webster, Clerk R. J. Cooley and Dr. M. H. Darnall were appointed to represent this camp on the committee. It was decided to hold an open meeting Monday, September 20, a committee composed of the representatives to the central committee and of J. L. Kuhn and Dr. S. H. Rosenthal being named to make proper arrangements. District Deputy H. H. Millard, State Medical Examiner John W. Sutherin of Central Camp and Past Consul Narcle of Washington Camp were visitors. Each spoke briefly.

IMPROVED ORDER OF RED MEN

Several applications for membership were received at a meeting of Logan Tribe, No. 8, Thursday evening at Red Men's Hall, Wisconsin avenue and N street northwest. The meeting was well attended, those present including a number of visitors. The condition of Past Great Sachem Hester of Ohio was reported as being improved.

The submission and consideration of reports from various committees was the principal business transacted at a meeting of Osage Tribe, No. 6, Monday evening at Society Temple, 5th and G streets. Sachem Galbrum presided. Past Sachem Alexander is in San Francisco.

Several applications for membership were considered at a meeting of Seneca Tribe, No. 11, Friday evening at 316 Pennsylvania avenue southeast. Preparations are being made by the tribe for the initiation of new members October 29. The initiatory team, headed by Past Sachem J. B. Altman, Jr., is practicing.

Committee reports were submitted and considered at a meeting of Mineola Tribe, No. 14, Friday evening at Masonic Temple, Anacostia.

Past Sachems Kobb and Thompson were speakers at a meeting of Idaho Tribe, No. 15, Tuesday evening at Northeast Temple, 12th and H streets northeast. A class of candidates is being organized for initiation this fall.

Plans are under way for the opening of the Red Men's clubs the second Wednesday in October.

Announcement that Past Sachem Custard is on a vacation at Atlantic City was made at a meeting of Osceola Tribe, No. 19, Wednesday evening at Masonic Temple, Tenleytown. The condition of the chief of records, O. M. Burrows, is reported as being improved.

ODD FELLOWS

LODGES.
Monday—Union Lodge, No. 11; Beacon, No. 15, and Langdon, No. 26, business.
Tuesday—Washington, No. 6; Golden Rule, No. 21, and Amity, No. 27, business.
Wednesday—Eastern, No. 7, and Harmony, No. 9, business; Federal City, No. 20, degree; Friendship, No. 12, business.
Thursday—Columbia, No. 10, degree; Covenant, No. 13, business; Salem, No. 22, degree.
Friday—Central, No. 1; Metropolis, No. 16, and Phoenix, No. 28, business.
ENCAMPMENTS.
Wednesday—Mt. Nebo, No. 6 (meets 14th and Kenyon streets northwest), degree.
Friday—Magenenu, No. 4, business.
PATRIARCHS MILITANT.
Saturday—Canton Washington, No. 1, business session.

Columbia Lodge, No. 10, is to confer the second degree Thursday evening on a class of candidates. Past Grand Sample has been appointed as a representative on the committee having in charge the arrangements for the convenience and entertainment of the Grand Army Veterans who are members of the order and who are expected to attend the session of the G. A. R. encampment the last week of September.

Past Grand E. C. Grumley, the representative of the Grand Lodge on the committee of arrangements for extending the hospitality of the order to the G. A. R. veterans and their families, called a meeting of the committee Friday evening in the blue room of I. O. O. F. Hall. Representatives were present from every subordidate and Rebekah lodge and from the Grand Encampment, subordinate encampments and from Canton Washington, No. 1. Subcommittees were appointed by the chairman and plans were considered whereby the order would keep open house for all visiting members and committees would be at the hall on every day of the encampment to receive the visitors and see after their wants and furnish refreshments for them. Past Grand Grumley, being an active G. A. R. veteran of this jurisdiction, is familiar with the details of the encampment.

Excelsior, No. 17, held its last meeting for August last Thursday evening. A large number of visiting members were present and degrees were conferred on several candidates. Noble Grand Staves requested all officers to attend their weekly school of instruction so that each may be proficient in the work of the order when the officers are examined by the grand master at his annual visit. The visitation is to take place the last part of October.

Golden Rule, No. 21, received by transfer from Damascus Lodge, No. 586, of Damascus, Ohio, L. H. Bailey at the session Tuesday evening. The committee engaged in revising the by-laws reported that the revised regulations had been approved by the grand master and committee on by-laws of the Grand Lodge. It is expected to have printed copies ready for distribution at an early date. Grand Patriarch P. H. Leary was reported as improving.

Grand Master William J. Rich has been requested to consider the proposition of instituting a daylight lodge in the near future. Many members believe that the order requires a lodge which will hold its meetings in the early afternoon. The grand master has promised to give the matter careful consideration, and if he finds that it is necessary to the progress and development of the order will give it his approval and assist in instituting the same. It is reported that more than twenty-five members have petitioned in various ways the grand secretary to assist in a movement that will eventually result in instituting a daylight lodge. The grand master has requested all interested in this movement to communicate with him or the grand secretary or any member of the Grand Lodge.

Mount Nebo Encampment, No. 6, is to hold its meeting in its new quarters, 14th and Kenyon streets northwest, over the Park Savings Bank. The degree will be conferred upon a class of candidates who are members of the new Mount Pleasant Lodge, No. 29. All members of the encampment have been invited to be present, as new features will be added by the degree director, Past Grand Patriarch S. G. Taylor. This encampment has had Past Grand Representative T. W. Fowler as its scribe for more than fifty years.

Fred D. Stuart Encampment, No. 7, conferred the royal purple degree upon several candidates at the last meeting. Chief Patriarch Green urged the members to present applications at an early date so that the degree team could make definite arrangements for conferring degrees. A large number of visitors were present.

At the meeting of Columbian Encampment Wednesday evening Past Grand Patriarch R. E. Wines was appointed the representative from the encampment to the G. A. R. committee and Grand Senior Warden A. H. Nokes as the representative on the Rebekah anniversary committee. All members were urged to assist in making the Rebekah anniversary the best that has ever been held in this city.

REBEKAH LODGES

Wednesday—Assembly Home Circle.
Thursday—Rebekah anniversary committee meets.
Friday—Miriam Lodge, No. 6, business.

Many matters of importance are expected to come up at the assembly home circle to be held in the blue room of I. O. O. F. Hall Wednesday evening. Mrs. Anna Billings, president of the home circle, is expected to be present. She has been absent on a vacation during July and August. In her absence Past Noble Grand Emma J. S. Murray presided over the meetings of the circle. The excursion committee will submit its final report. Reports are also expected from several other committees. Representatives from the several Rebekah lodges are being urged to be present in order that plans may be made for active work of the circle during the remainder of the year.

The Rebekah anniversary committee was organized at a meeting Thursday evening, officers being elected as follows: Assembly Marshal Belle M. Carter, chairman; Past Noble Grand Mollie Edmonston, vice chairman; Past Noble Grand E. J. S. Murray, secretary, and Past Noble Grand Flora O. Schwinger, treasurer. The chairmen of the various subcommittees were appointed by Marshal Carter, each chairman choosing her assistants.

President Annie E. Grigsby has announced that she will be accompanied by officers of the Rebekah Assembly on the following visits: Esther Rebekah Lodge, No. 5, October 25; Fidelity, No. 7, November 2; Martha Washington, No. 3, November 12; Ruth, No. 2, November 15; Naomi, No. 1, December 6; Dorcas, No. 4, December 10, and Miriam, December 17. The officers of each lodge will be examined in the work of the order, including the manner of opening and closing the lodge and the transaction of business.

President Grigsby while absent from the city at her country home in southern Virginia has kept in close touch with every detail of the work and business transacted by the several lodges during her absence. One of the most important subjects she has been considering is the instituting of a new Rebekah lodge to be located in Anacostia. Following an address by President Grigsby on Rebekahism at an entertainment given by Salem Lodge, No. 22, last spring the members requested that she institute a new Rebekah lodge to be located in Anacostia. She has considered the proposition and immediately on her return to the city September 15 will actively take up the organization of a new Rebekah lodge. President Grigsby will call a special session of the assembly late in September to consider several important subjects she desires to place before the members for their consideration.

Following a recent business meeting of Esther Rebekah Lodge, No. 5, the members enjoyed themselves an hour or more playing games. The members of the degree team and their friends expect to go in a body on a moonlight excursion tomorrow evening.

Communications for any of these columns must be received by The Star not later than noon Thursday of each week. Items which relate to events that occur after that time, or contain new and important announcements that cannot be sent in earlier, will be received up to noon Saturday, but not later.

Communications written on both sides of the paper will not be accepted. All communications must be signed with the name and address of the person sending them.

DAUGHTERS OF LIBERTY

The meeting of Hope Council, No. 1, Tuesday evening was well attended. In the absence of the councilor the vice councilor, Mrs. Mamie M. Prender, presided. The relief committee reported the condition of Mrs. Emma V. Schaffer as improved; also the conditions of Mrs. Clara J. Lusby and Mrs. Sadie Divins, a visiting member from Atlantic City Council. Many encouraging reports were given by the other committees. Mrs. Mary Williamson was reported as being sick. Miss Grace Gibson Beasley of Petersburg, Va., a visitor to the council, spoke briefly.

JR. O. U. A. M.

Charles S. Jones, state councilor of the Junior Order United American Mechanics of the District of Columbia, has announced that the state council visitation will begin at the home of Dwight L. Bromwell, state vice councilor, Columbia Council, No. 32, 419 10th street northwest, Tuesday, September 14, and will continue to the following councils during the fall: Edward J. Ross Council, No. 26, September 22, Old Masonic Temple, 9th and F streets northwest; Capital Council, No. 25, September 27, Northeast Masonic Temple, 8th and F streets northeast; America Council, No. 54, October 6, 304 B street southeast, and Liberty Bell Council, No. 55, October 14, Northeast Temple, 12th and H streets northeast.

Potomac Council, No. 20, at a meeting Tuesday evening in Odd Fellows Hall, Georgetown, acted favorably on several applications for membership.

Harry S. Stowe, councilor, announced that he and several members of this council had visited Washington Council, No. 13, and completed arrangements with them to hold a class initiation the first Tuesday in October in their hall. Samuel M. Dixon, past councilor, and a charter member of Potomac Council, spoke briefly.

J. H. Hummer, outside sentinel of State Council, who suffered a relapse from a recent illness and had to return to the hospital, is improving. He expects to be able to go out in a few weeks.

Three new members were taken into Liberty Bell Council, No. 55, when it met in the Northeast Temple Tuesday evening. Councilor W. W. Dyer presided. The meeting was well attended and all officers were present except the warden. The degree team, under the leadership of C. W. Walker and M. E. Bachman, conferred the initiatory work upon the candidates. Mr. Walker of the excursion committee reported that the excursion to Chesapeake Beach was a success. The council is to send a committee to Ross Council Wednesday evening for the purpose of forming a duckpin team. Refreshments were served by the good of the order committee.

All officers and a large percentage of the members of Thomas Jefferson Council were present at the session Thursday night. Two candidates were received, one by reinstatement and one by initiation. This makes nineteen new members received in the council this year. Refreshments were served after the close of the council.

Mount Vernon Council, No. 10, had a large attendance at its meeting Wednesday evening. Owing to the absence of both councilor and vice councilor, Past National Deputy William M. Bobb presided. One application for membership was received. An invitation was received by the council from the secretary of the general good of the order committee of the District to attend a reception to be tendered National Councilor Webb, September 17, at the hall, 12th street and Pennsylvania avenue northwest. Under the good of the order brief talks were made by Past Councilor James E. Thomas of Anacostia Council, No. 16; Past National Deputy J. A. H. Hargett, Past Councilor F. F. Kress and W. H. Keys.

Edward J. Ross Council, No. 26, Junior Order United American Mechanics, Wednesday evening received an application for membership by transfer from Belle Haven Council of Alexandria, Va. An article from an educational magazine was read by G. W. Meetze, showing increased cost to the several states in the maintenance of the public schools, and a larger percentage of students than there was ten years ago. Committees were present from other councils to confer with a committee from the council on the proposition of organizing a duckpin league.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF RECHABITES

One candidate was initiated into Loyal Tent, No. 1097, when it met Wednesday evening in Rechabite Hall, 463 Louisiana avenue northwest. Mrs. Sadie E. Hussey presided in the absence of Chief Ruler G. T. Markward, who was reported ill. Resolutions of regret were adopted on the death of Miss Christine F. Carrothers' mother. Charles F. Carroll of John Henderson Tent congratulated the members for the good work they had done, in adding to their membership. Brief talks were also made by John C. Moore, Sam DeNedry, T. W. Newman, Mr. Millican and Mr. Morgan. Musical selections were given by the junior members, with Miss Viola Markward at the piano.

United Order of the Golden Cross.

Members of the United Order of the Golden Cross are mapping out their work for the fall months. All commanderies met during the last week, these including Potomac, Columbia, Capital, Meridian and National. "The strollers" are preparing to make visits to all the commanderies to "bring good cheer, some bright talks, witticisms, songs and lots of good things." The commanderies are being urged to have a good attendance to greet the "strollers" when they pay their visits.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

LODGES.
Tuesday—Webster, No. 7; Excelsior, No. 14; Capital, No. 24, page rank, and Myrtle, No. 25.
Wednesday—Mount Vernon, No. 5, and Equal, No. 17.
Thursday—Franklin, No. 2.
Friday—Syracusians, No. 10.
UNIFORM RANK.
Thursday—J. T. Coldwell Company, No. 7, monthly assembly.

Amaranth Lodge, No. 28, is beginning activity in work which promises excellent results for the fall and winter, it is stated. The lodge will omit the convention calendared for September 6, on account of the holiday, but has announced the esquire rank for the next meeting, September 20.

A meeting of the ways and means committee was held last night at Pythian Temple, when reports of various committees were made and discussed at length.

Samuel M. Pearson, keeper of records and seal of Syracusians Lodge, No. 10, who has been on the sick list for some time, is to leave the first of this week for a "rest cure" in New York state. Mr. Pearson is preparing an article on "The Methods of Pythian Relief Work in the District of Columbia," the publication of which has been delayed a short time by his indisposition.

The room occupied as the Grand Lodge headquarters, in which are offices of the grand chancellor and grand keeper of records and seal, has recently been recarpeted and other additions made for its attractiveness and convenience. The board of directors of the Knights of Pythias Hall Association contemplates other improvements about the building, it is said.

Grand Chancellor William A. Kimmel, with Mrs. Kimmel, was on a visit to New York city during the past week.

Calanthe Lodge, No. 11, reports much interest in the indoor polo game to be played by the teams from Quaker City Lodge at the Pythian Temple, Monday night, September 13. The committee having the entertainment features in charge for the visiting team and the party accompanying it, has held a meeting and made final arrangements. Announcements have been sent to all the subordinate lodges and temples of Pythian Sisters and all Pythians and their friends, inviting them to attend this event in the auditorium of the Pythian Temple.

The teams will leave Philadelphia Saturday, September 11, arriving here at 5 o'clock. They will be entertained here, sightseeing and in other ways, returning to Philadelphia after the game the following Monday night.

At the last regular convention of Calanthe Lodge the rank of esquire was conferred and the rank of knight postponed until the second meeting in September.

PYTHIAN SISTERS

Wednesday Friendship Temple, No. 9, is to meet, and Friday Rathbone Temple, No. 8, is to hold a meeting.

Friendship Temple, No. 9, Pythian Sisters, was entertained at a social session after the meeting Wednesday night. D. M. Freeman acted as host to the members and visitors, and opened a jug of cider received from his farm. Brief talks were made and many stories told. The visitors present included Mrs. Hudson of Petersburg, Va., who gave an account of her observance of the work of the Pythian Sisters.

NATIONAL UNION

The following program is announced for this week: Tuesday, headquarters open; Wednesday, General Deputies' Association meets; Thursday, W. H. Collins Council meets, Perpetual Building Association Hall, and Saturday, Government Printing Office Council meets, Typographical Temple.

Potomac Council at its last meeting appointed a special committee consisting of S. B. Reeder, F. E. Ferguson, J. E. Rhodes, J. E. Borland and W. E. Recher, to take charge of the fall campaign for new members. This committee met Thursday evening at National Union headquarters, and made arrangements for an "identification meeting," to be held September 20, at which time an entertainment will be held. It is the intention of the committee actively to take up the work of extending the order.

At the last meeting of Columbia Council, Crawford Bennie was elected financial secretary, to fill out the unexpired term of Frank W. Donn, recently deceased. Mr. Donn had been financial secretary for a number of years.

UNITED SPANISH WAR VETERANS

At a meeting Tuesday night in the Perpetual building, 11th and E streets northwest, the Col. James S. Pettit Camp, No. 3, gave its unanimous indorsement to Past Commander William W. Fentress, applicant for the position of superintendent of the Temporary Home for Soldiers, Sailors and Marines, of this city.

An order issued by the adjutant general of the army, relative to the sale of campaign badges to former officers and soldiers, now in civil life, of the Spanish-American war, was read at the meeting. It was stated that the dies were being cut at the Philadelphia mint, and that the badges would be ready for delivery in the next few months.

By a motion of the camp, any United Spanish War Veteran camp in the department of New York was authorized to muster into the organization Capt. George G. Broom, who was commander of Company A, 4th United States Volunteer Infantry (Immunes) during the Spanish war, as a member of Pettit Camp, No. 3. Capt. Broom, while in Washington a few weeks ago, filed his application for membership in the camp, but was compelled to leave the city for his home in Brooklyn, N. Y., before he could be made a member of the order. Capt. Broom expressed the desire that this course be taken in the matter when it was found he could not remain to be mustered into the camp here.

Pettit Camp will be represented at the national encampment to be held in Scranton, Pa., August 30 to September 3, by Commander L. E. Felton. Commander Felton goes uninstructed.

A campaign for recruits is to be started by the members of the camp, and prizes will be awarded to those bringing in the three largest numbers above a certain minimum, between now and January 1, 1916.

MACCABEES

Meetings for the week are scheduled as follows:

Monday—National Tent, No. 1, meets in Old Masonic Temple; Anacostia Tent, No. 7, meets in Masonic Hall, Anacostia.

Tuesday—Mount Vernon Tent, No. 4, meets in Masonic Temple, 8th and F streets northeast; Brightwood Tent, No. 5, meets in Maccabee Hall, Brightwood.

Thursday—Georgetown Tent, No. 6, meets in Bank Hall, Wisconsin avenue and M street northwest; District Tent, No. 8, meets in hall, 4½ and G streets southwest.

The state deputy supreme commander has given nearly all of August to the tents in Virginia, having visited Norfolk, Newport News, Richmond and Lynchburg. He reports the conditions in these places improved.

National Tent, No. 1, at its meeting Monday night discussed the purchasing of a hall jointly with the several tents in the District. It authorized the appointment of a committee to visit the several tents and ask for a joint committee to consider the advisability of obtaining a suitable building, to be known as Maccabee Temple.

September 6 the state deputy supreme commander will hold a meeting in Richmond with Jefferson Tent, No. 16, at which the state commander and state record keeper will make official visits, and the following night the deputy supreme commander will make an official visit to Richmond Tent, No. 4. He is also to take steps to organize a division of the uniform rank in Richmond.

D. W. Gall, who has Virginia under his supervision, is urging the members of the order living in that state to put forth their best efforts to increase its membership. He is urging similar campaigns in West Virginia and Maryland.

PATRIOTIC ORDER AMERICANS

Camp No. 2, at a meeting Wednesday at 623 Louisiana avenue northwest, accepted an invitation from Camp No. 1, to attend a visitation Wednesday next. Members of Camp No. 2 are to make the visit in a body.

The camp decided to invite all the camps to visit it September 15. The camp is also to hold a social and tea September 8. District President C. Nace was present.

DEGREE OF POCAHONTAS

Several reports from committees were submitted and considered at a meeting of Waneta Council, No. 6, Tuesday evening at Society Temple, 5th and G streets northwest.

DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA

Mizpah Council, No. 3, met last Friday evening in Odd Fellows' Hall, Georgetown, with the councilor, Mrs. Cora A. Marcey, presiding. The relief committee reported the conditions of Mrs. Laura E. Burdette, past state councilor, and Mrs. S. D. Walmer improved.

Mrs. Julia A. Gaskins, past state councilor, who was a member of this council, died Sunday evening. The recording secretary was instructed to send a letter of sympathy to the family of the deceased. The charter of the council is to be draped for a period of thirty days.

Mrs. Ella V. Ritchie was elected as associate vice councilor, to fill the vacancy of Mrs. Catherine D. Brewton, who resigned several weeks ago. She was installed by Mrs. Naomia E. Swann, inside sentinel of the National Council.

Addresses were made by Mrs. F. M. Reagan, state vice councilor; Mrs. Hattie Ruppert, past state councilor; Mrs. Swann and Mrs. Lottie Stewart.

At the meeting of Mayflower Council, No. 11, Thursday evening in Society Temple, 5th and G streets northwest, the relief committee reported Mrs. Lacarionuce, councilor, and Mrs. A. Peacock both improving, and Mrs. Jessie Richards and Miss Nellie Jones both very ill.

Mrs. Hallie Martin, past state councilor, presented Mrs. Ella Powell with a past councilor's jewel. The council has postponed the class initiation until the second Thursday in October.

American Flag Council, No. 5, had a number of guests at its meeting Monday evening in Society Temple, 5th and G streets northwest. Mrs. Jennie Calvert, councilor, presided. The relief committee reported Mrs. Alice Watts, chairman of the good of the order committee, very sick at Johns Hopkins Hospital of Baltimore, Md.

Past Councilors Mrs. Ruth McClellan Payne, Miss Belle M. Marcey and August D. Shseele of Mizpah Council, No. 3, and Grover E. Payne, deputy state councilor, the guests, all spoke briefly of the conditions of the order.

Talks were also made by T. Ed Skinner, junior past councilor; Charles Magill, treasurer, and Mrs. Annie M. Vanscriver, past state councilor.

The nineteenth annual session of the State Council is to convene for a two-day session September 13. Committees and deputy state councilors and officers of the council have been requested to send in their reports to Secretary of State Council Charles H. Miller, 702 16th street northeast, at once.

Members of Fidelity Council, No. 4, Tuesday evening gave a "kitchen shower" to Miss Marion Lewis of Ballston, Va. Miss Lewis is to be married on September 3 at the Ryland M. E. Church.

Among those present were State Councilor Mrs. E. Viola Thompson, Mrs. Ida Kerper of Old Glory Council, No. 12; Mr. and Mrs. James H. Howell, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Bushy, Mrs. Mary E. Ferguson, Mrs. Nellie Stowe, Mrs. Vessey, Mrs. Cora Jones and daughter, Mrs. Laughton, Miss Flora E. Laughton, Misses Eva Little, Annie Berry, J. Harriss, Mrs. Grace Woodward, Mr. Caslege and Mrs. Frank Evans of the Ryland Church.

Appropriate music was given by Mrs. Ida Lewis, mother of the bride to be.

The members of the order extended the best wishes of the council to Miss Lewis. At the next meeting of this council, Thursday evening, an initiation is to be held.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The annual election of officers will be held one month earlier this year, being scheduled for the first meeting of the various councils held in September, in accordance with the rule adopted by the Supreme Convention for the subordinate councils of the order. Elections of officers for the local councils will be held at meetings as follows: Spalding Council, Thursday evening; Carroll Council, September 7; Keane Council, September 9; Potomac Council, September 13; Washington Council, September 14. A joint installation of the newly elected officers of all five councils will take place Thursday evening, September 30, under the direction of State Deputy Normoyle and staff.

ROYAL ARCANUM

The only councils meeting this week are Municipal, in Northeast Masonic Hall, 8th and F streets northeast, and Francis Scott Key, in Potomac Bank building, 32d and M streets, Georgetown, both Wednesday evening. At Municipal Council Col. Glendie B. Young, past grand regent, will deliver an address on the recent encampment of the National Guard, from which he has just returned, and Capt. John E. Brooks, past regent of Municipal, also will relate his experiences at the camp.

Oriental Council last Tuesday evening discussed plans for a membership campaign to be started next month. Past Grand Regent J. Ed Swaine was made chairman of the committee in charge, with Corbin Birch as secretary. The entertainment for the evening was in charge of T. C. Carlin, acting orator. Brief addresses were made by Grand Regent Edwin A. Niess, Past Grand Regent J. Ed Swaine, Past Regents Charles J. James, R. E. Logan and A. B. Keefer and Dr. Paul Richmond. Mr. Keefer reported that at the laying of the corner stone of the United Brethren Sunday school house at North Capitol and R streets last Sunday, the last article reposited in the box was his Royal Arcanum button. Mr. James thereupon on behalf of the council and with appropriate remarks presented to Mr. Keefer a new button.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD

Forest Camp, No. 13, was unusually busy at its meeting Thursday evening at Pythian Temple. Twelve candidates were initiated into the order, eight applications for membership were accepted and seven transfers from other camps were also received.

Addresses on the growth and success of Forest Camp and of the order in general in the District were made by Sovereign Harry O'Neal of Elm Camp, No. 8, and Sovereigns Benjamin Noles and Louis F. Litz of Maple Camp, No. 13, Capitol Heights, Md., as well as several other visiting sovereigns.

Counsel Commander Ruby Downs and Clerk L. R. German announced to the camp their intention of organizing a uniform degree team which is to start work at the next meeting, September 9. The meeting of the camp was well attended. Refreshments were served at the close of the business session.

Knights of the Golden Eagle.

Monarch Castle, No. 2, is to be consolidated with American Castle, No. 3, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Supreme Chief John W. Ford and Supreme Master of Records John B. Treibler of Philadelphia, Pa., are to attend the consolidation ceremony. It is also expected that other officers of the supreme castle will be present. In addition to these, R. M. Burroughs, grand chief of the order in the District of Columbia, is to be present, attended by the entire body of officers of the grand castle here.

A degree team composed of members of both castles is to confer degrees on a class of candidates. Invitations to attend the exercises have been sent to all members of the order in this jurisdiction. Supreme Chief Ford is to deliver an address in which he will outline the history of the organization. Following the regular session refreshments will be served.

It is the intention of the consolidated castle to devote one night each month to a social, with refreshments. The last meeting of each quarter is to be a "ladies' night," when families and friends of the members will be invited to be present.

NATIONAL DEFENSE PROBLEMS.

VIII.—Lessons of the War. New Weapons.

By Frederic J. Haskin.

The war abroad has not only developed great new fighting machines, like the aeroplane, the armored automobile and the submarine, but it has perfected a number of smaller weapons which, in themselves, are quite as important as the big epochal arms which have revolutionized warfare and made modern war so entirely different from the conflicts of fifty or even fifteen years ago. Every one of these smaller thunderbolts of Mars is important in its particular sphere and, as there are many of these lesser weapons which are being used for the first time in this war, the United States has taken particular pains to study them and estimate the effect they will have upon future conflicts. Full reports upon these miscellaneous weapons, made by Uncle Sam's military observers, are now on file at the Army War College at Washington.

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Beacon Lights for Airships.

For example, there is one addition to the science of aviation which has been found most important in the direction of air scouts during the present war. This is a system of "war beacons," lighthouses for airships, which literally mark the way of the aeroplane and the dirigible at night.

These beacons are of three kinds, the flash, the fixed and the revolving; but instead of operating horizontally as do lighthouses, the beac