SECRET SOCIETY NEWS AND NOTES

Gossip of the Various Fraternities and News and Personals From the Local Lodges and Orders.

Ladies of the Maccabees.

Missouri lodges, Ladies of the Maccabees, have made the largest gain in the Union of all the States during the last year. This is due to the confidence of the membership in their splendid leader, Mrs. May A. C. Balkie, and their cooperation with her.

The ladies of Sina M. West Hive will give a bazaar at Hart's Hall, Semple and Easton avenue, on Wednesday afternoon, December 6. Admission will be free. In the evening an entertainment and hop will be given, for which an admission of 25 cents will be charged, including refreshments. One of the attractions of the evening will be an exhibit of foreign art, loaned by a friend of the Maccabees. All Lady Maccabees, Sir Knights and their friends are cordially invited.

Crystal Hive reports a splendid increase and are making active preparations for a class to be initiated some time in December. This class will be initiated by Mrs. Esther Tracy Risdon, supreme representative, assisted by the officers of the hive and Oak Hill Hive Guards.

Pansy Hive at Fulton, Mo., entertained Miss Sanford, D. S. C., last week. Nine applications were received and preparations made for a class.

Ad Astra Hive had six applications at its last review. Miss Sadie Jeffers, lieutenant commander, presided in the absence of Mrs. Risdon, lady commander.

Cuatro Hive had several applications at their last review. They expect to receive their charter and are making preparations for same.

Oak Hill held a rousing meeting, with Mrs. Abbstatt, commander, in the chair. Preparations for a big banquet are on foot at this splendid hive.

Tented Hive was organized in the office of the State commander, Mrs. Balkie, and starts out with a splendid force of members. Congratulations are due Tented Tent for this splendid auxiliary. Meetings will be held in Tripp's Hall.

Order of Columbian Knights.

Plymouth Lodge held a splendid meeting on Tuesday evening, November 28, at Louisiana Hall, and much important business was transacted. The annual election of officers will be held at the last stated meeting of December, owing to the entertainment which takes place at the first regular meeting on December 12. Progressive euchre will be played. Fifty tables will be reserved and 100 prizes will be distributed among the winners. The following programme has been arranged: Overture, Professor Deveereux and orchestra; "Good of the Order," Supreme Secretary Edwin H. Peiffer and official staff from Chicago; musical selection, Electra Mandolin Club; character impersonations, Hubert J. Jobson; banjo solo, John W. Meyer; vocal selection, "The Duty Done," Doctor L. A. Real; "Timely Topics of the Day," Eugene Deprez; banjo solo, Professor Pearson; choral selection, Electra Mandolin Club. More than 2,000 invitations have been issued.

St. Louis Lodge met on Monday evening, November 27 at Odd Fellows' Hall, half the membership being present. Two applications were received and three candidates were initiated, the floor work being exemplified by the St. Louis degree team. The annual election of officers will take place at the next stated meeting, on Monday evening, December 11. The last meeting was addressed by Deputy Supreme President Wm. Mullen, Grand President John P. Ryan, and others. President Chas. Sagle presided.

Phoenix Lodge will hold its next regular meeting on Thursday, December 7, at Oriental Hall. The annual election of officers will be held. At the close of the business session the members will be entertained by a vaudeville programme and smoker.

Express Lodge will convene on Thursday, December 14, at Withnell Hall, when a large class of candidates will be ready for initiation. The annual election of officers will also take place.

Bond Lodge will meet on Friday, December 15, at Barton's Hall for election of officers and other important business.

Cheltenham Lodge will hold its next regular meeting at Odd Fellows' Hall for annual election of officers and other important business.

Protected Home Circle.

Social League, No. 166, had a rousing time on Saturday night, when a dozen new candidates were initiated. Officers were nominated for the next six months, and as the old officers have proved themselves so capable few changes were made. All new candidates wishing this year's age rate are expected to attend the meeting on December 16. However, a special initiation for all the circle's candidates who may be too late for that meeting of the last meetings of the eighteen circles in their December meetings will have all candidates come to P. H. C. headquarters on the evening of December 26. Only those already approved at Sharon can come under this privilege. The Social League will have more than a score for this special initiation, and other circles will have many.

Dulania, No. 639, enjoyed a delightful meeting with a class of five initiates on Friday night, December 1. New officers were nominated.

Carondelet, No. 444, had the largest annual meeting, and the most excellent programme ever given. The Geschwister orchestra delighted all. Brief addresses were made by Grand President J. E. Reid, Supreme Chaplain Miller and others. After a piano selection by Secretary Vail of Rainbow circle the ladies served sandwiches and cake.

The funeral of Mahomed and Past President Theodore C. Sandking of Chouteau Circle, No. 230, was held in the Wagner M. E. Church Thanksgiving afternoon. Uniform G. A. C. brothers, I. O. O. F., and 19 members of the circle, in full regalia, formed a procession from the home to the church.

Woodmen of the World.

Shoppe Camp will hold its annual election on Thursday, December 7. Several important matters are to be considered at this meeting and it is expected that many of the clinkers will be present. The following candidates will be initiated: Messrs. A. M. Dernegar, H. Turner and J. W. Lyons.

On Sunday, December 10, the monuments of the late Sovereigns J. G. Remer and John Stuart will be unveiled.

Missouri Fraternal Congress.

The annual meeting of the Missouri Fraternal Congress will take place in the office of the president, at room No. 100 of the Chemical building, Saturday, December 9, at 1 p. m. sharp. There will be but the election officers for the ensuing year. The annual reports of the officers and committees will be submitted. All members are urged to be present.

Knights of Pythias.

During the last week the lodges have been very busy selecting their officers for the coming year. In some of the lodges a lively contest took place. The results so far reported to the Grand Keeper of records and seal are as follows:

Missouri, No. 2: George W. Parr, chancellor commander; John L. Kay, vice chancellor; George H. Keller, prelate; William H. Haverty, master of work; Charles F. Fischer, keeper of records and seal; M. Greenhaus, master of finance; J. T. Lucas, master of exchequer; Thomas H. Whitten, master-at-arms; Walter H. Hewitt, inner guard; John D. Dalton, outer guard; Charles Schmidt, trustee for three years; C. Matheney, trustee; J. F. Hickey, W. and G. trustee; W. H. Brown and Clarence Martin, W. and G. trustees.

Damon Lodge, No. 2: Charles G. Hornberg, chancellor commander; George F. Weber, vice chancellor; H. J. Bishop, prelate; George W. Hiram, master of work; H. R. Bormel, keeper of records and seal; Charles E. Wenzler, master of finance; George A. Lewis, master of exchequer; William Mock, master-at-arms; Charles F. Siebmacher, inner guard; H. J. McLaughlin, outer guard; F. S. trustee; F. T. George A. Fry, H. Knamon and F. M. Insleen, widows and orphans trustees; L. Wolmever, relief committee; Charles G. Hornberg, burial-list representative; H. R. Bormel, the moral-list representative.

Golden Chain Lodge, No. 6: J. E. Reeves, C. C.; Paul Eitinger, V. C.; Jas. M. Mai Murphy, prelate; R. A. Ryan, M. of W.; H. R. Bormel, K. R. and S.; Wm. Cull, M. of F.; F. C. Billeter, M. of E.; W. G. Smallstie, M. at A.; C. M. Ernst, I. G.; W. T. Hay, O. G.; J. H. Pohlman, trustee three years; G. W. Davis, relief bureau.

Chester Lodge, No. 7: Henry J. Faces, C. C.; Leroy F. Black, V. C.; Charles J. Schurer, M. of W.; Louis W. Sargeant, K. R. and S.; Wm. R. Semlitz, M. of F.; Charles H. Schurer, M. of E.; John Schumann, M. at A.; Wm. McQuern, inner guard; Frank M. Brooks, outer guard; Wm. J. Summers, trustee for three years; Joseph R. Hager, Samuel H. Brown and Edgar C. Bednar, W. and G., trustees; Theo. J. Bormann, representative relief bureau.

Lafayette Lodge, No. 8: had a very large attendance of members at the regular meeting Wednesday evening, every chair in the hall being occupied. The election of officers resulted as follows: John C. Werner, C. C.; Edw. J. Gillespie, V. C.; Jas. H. Kaiser, prelate; Wm. J. Koch, M. of W.; Fred Horn, K. R. and S.; Wm. Molitz, M. of F.; Charles C. Hom, M. of E.; Jos. W. Fleck, M. at A.; H. Gunsling, I. G.; R. Eiler, O. G.; Jas. H. W. Allen, finance trustee; Chas. B. Cox and Geo. H. Moore of Valley and J. F. Miebert of Benton Council, F. J. Filipore of South End was also a visitor. Short talks on good of the order were made by all the visitors. An adjournment was taken to the banquet room, where an old-fashioned sumptuous Hickory repast was in waiting, after discussing which after-dinner talks were made by Theo. H. Witte, O. F. Kohr, J. C. Schall, F. H. Bacon and F. P. Miebert, who also gave a recitation. During the evening A. G. Kohrn and Moritz C. Koch favored the meeting with vocal and instrumental solos.

North Broadway Council had an enthusiastic meeting Regent F. C. Hausman presiding. The sister reported the event had to have been a financial and social success. A vote of thanks was tendered the committee having the affair in charge. An extended discussion ensued on council work, which was generally participated in.

Euclid Council had one initiation, Past Regent Lester J. C. Nideiet presiding in the absence of Regent Breyer. It was voted to meet Revarter at Hibernian Hall, No. 2019 Finney avenue, on the second and fourth Mondays of the month, the change to take effect with the next meeting, December 11. Doctor M. R. Windhorst of Benton Council addressed the meeting.

The Hoffmann Council at its meeting next Wednesday will be presented by the Grand Council with an elegant set of arcana, which have been awarded it for its remarkably successful work in the grand regent's class campaign.

Compton Hill Council's Thanksgiving Eve ball was a pleasant event, entirely in line with the council's reputation for social functions. The attendance was large and the perfect arrangements of the Committee on Arrangements made it a success in all respects.

The time for reinstation without medical examination expired December 1. Olivette, Carl Miller, Mentor, Delmar, Marquette, Carr Lane and other councils held their stated meetings on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, and acted upon a large number of applications.

Council meetings this week: Monday, Compton Hill, Ella Park Lane, Magnetic, Banner, Vandeventer, Marquette, Gate City, Tuesday, Mercury, Laclede, Olivette, Mound City, Flower Park, Mentor, North End, Boonville, Grattot, Joplin; Wednesday, St. Charles De Hoffmann; Thursday, South End, Cote Brilliante, Fulton, Osage, Carl Miller, Westport; Friday, Benton, Victoria, Spring River, Cape Girardeau, Poplar Bluff; Saturday, Spanish Lake, West Plains.

Legion of Honor.

Mr. G. A. Gilbert has been employed by the Executive Board to take the field as supreme organizer. Mr. Gilbert will, no doubt, call on the subordinate councils in the near future.

The Committee on Revision of the Constitution and laws met again last Wednesday evening, transacted considerable business and adjourned at a late hour to meet again next Thursday evening.

Compton Hill Council had its regular meeting last Monday evening and nominated officers to serve during the ensuing year.

Empire Council at its last meeting entertained a number of its friends with an interesting programme. Brother C. O. Fischer, Sister Chase, editor and member of the Executive Board, acted as master of ceremonies and introduced several interesting numbers. Judge Leo Rassieur, on behalf of Empire Council, made an address of welcome.

At the last meeting of Bonaparte Council there was a good attendance. Nominations for officers to serve during the ensuing year were made and one candidate, Mr. Frank Schultz, was initiated and instructed in the secret work of the order.

Assistant Supreme Organizer O. W. Jennings has arranged for a preliminary meeting of the applicants for the new council in the North End, to take place next Thursday evening at Hockel's Hall, at Florissant and Gano avenue.

The progressive euchre given by Unity Circle at the last meeting of Unity Council was successful in attracting a large attendance of the members and their friends. The first prize, a silk umbrella, was won by Brother Charles L. Moss, who captured every game played. The second prize, a pair of military brushes, fell to Mr. James K. Wood, a guest, who signed an application for membership. The third prize, a triple shaving mirror, fell to E. R. Hull. Mr. Money got the booby, a drum imported "Easy to Beat." Three applications were obtained and the session furnished much enjoyment to all participating. Past Supreme Chancellor Oberbeck was director of ceremonies and awarded prizes.

On Thursday evening Franklin Council held its regular meeting, securing two applications, and nominated its officers for the coming election, which will take place next meeting. Refreshments were served to the members, together with a nice musical programme rendered by the Franklin Council orchestra.

Hyde Park Council initiated one candidate at the last meeting, Doctor Joseph J. O'Malley being the recipient of the first and second degrees. Several applications were filed. Nominations for the election of officers for 1907 to take place December 13, were made as follows: Chancellor, H. W. Stebbins; supreme representatives, E. M. Wadsworth, Pierce C. Murphy, B. D. Turner, Anson Murphy, George Kelly, E. C. Keevil, J. M. Smith, J. H. Rakel, R. H. Walsh and B. J. Hynes; vice chancellors, Anson Murphy and Pierce C. Murphy; recorder, E. C. Keevil; treasurer, R. H. Walsh; chaplains, E. M. Wadsworth and W. J. O'Hanlon; guides, Pierce C. Murphy, A. H. Gall and John Rakel; overseers, W. J. O'Hanlon, E. J. Hynes and W. A. Fanning; sentinel, James M. Smith; trustees, G. A. Lenz, E. C. Addy, George Kelly, L. W. Versen, B. J. Hynes and Ed Turner.

Nomination of officers and representatives to the Supreme Council was the special order of business at the last meeting of Alpha, November 28. One candidate, A. J. Gorly, was initiated. The Entertainment Committee was instructed to prepare a programme for next meeting of the council, as a large attendance is expected on that date, when the election of officers will take place. The following were nominated for the respective offices: Chancellor, T. D. Cannon; vice chancellor, C. P. Meier Jr.; recorder and financial recorder, A. A. Bryden; treasurer, F. G. Odell; chaplain, Matthew Park; guides, G. B. Farnsworth, M. G. Wolfe and F. J. Watts; overseer, W. J. Wright; sentinel, L. C. Sanguinet; medical examiner, R. A. Vaughan, M. D.; trustees, Henry Fairbank, W. H. Dawley, Philip Eisinger and C. M. Muscelman; musical director, L. J. Dubuque; representatives, H. B. Holland, T. D. Cannon, M. G. Wolfe, J. F. Courtwell, A. A. Bryden, W. J. Wright, F. D. Rice, C. P. Meier Jr., G. S. Miller, Daniel Dillon, F. J. Watts and Henry Fairbank.

The following councils will meet this week: Monday, St. Louis and Lafayette; Tuesday, Excelsior; Thursday, Kirkwood and Webster; Friday, Carondelet and Unity; Saturday, Eugene and Bonaparte.

Royal League.

The following councils meet this week: Missouri, Wabash, Hamilton, St. Louis and Success. At all of these meetings officers will be elected for the ensuing year.

At a meeting of the Advisory Council it was decided to give a music and literary entertainment, followed by a dance, Friday evening, December 29, at the Odeon. Every member will be furnished with two admission tickets, unless he secures an application, when he will be entitled to more. Tickets will be ready for distribution this week. The advisory board is responsible for the immense gain in Councils this year. The board has decided to ask the councils to make an extraordinary effort for applications to be presented at this entertainment, which will be known as "Stanley Night."

Greeley Council members and their friends indulged in progressive euchre last Tuesday evening at Louisiana Hall. Many were present. Advisory Archon F. J. Stanley made some interesting remarks. The Entertainment Committee consisted of Karl Schoenfeld and Brothers Singer and Daniels.

Success Council celebrated the reaching of the million-mark at its last meeting. The hall was crowded. Instrumental and vocal selections were rendered by Brother B. Wades, piano selections by B. J. Novy and Sanley Goldman, songs by Brother J. G. Brackman and recitations by Alfred H. Meyer. Addresses were made by Brothers Stanley, Newman and Ennis.

West End Council celebrated the reaching of the million-mark by providing an entertainment for members and their friends in the lower hall. After the entertainment refreshments were served.

Eureka Council had an "identification meeting of old members," many of whom had not been to council meetings for years. The order provided music, recitations, etc., and it is expected that some of the older members were sufficiently enthused to attend the meetings more regularly.

Degree of Honor, A. O. U. W.

North End Lodge held a good meeting on November 21. Two applications for membership were received and two candidates were initiated, one of whom another lodge is to initiate. The excellent work given by this lodge was a decided success and all the members are planning to give another one soon.

Deputy Grand Chief of Honor Martha Brady was called home to the bedside of her daughter, Sister Ella Adler, who is seriously ill at her home, 812 McLaren avenue.

Phoenix Lodge No. 6, held its regular meeting on Tuesday, when remuneration of respect were adopted and the charter ordered draped in memory of Miss Mary Whittle, whose death occurred on November 20. At the next meeting, on December 12, the annual election of officers will take place.

Modern Woodmen of America.

The mass meeting of the Y. M. C. A. auditorium on November 23, followed by a reception and banquet in honor of Head Consul Talbot and Past Head Consul W. A. Northcott, was a decided success. The meeting was presided over by Neighbor Saul M. Pulley.

Supervising Deputy Stevens and Neighbor Truman Plantz of Warsaw, Ill., made addresses. Head Consul Northcott followed with a vigorous argument on the fraternal spirit of the age. Head Consul Talbot spoke for one hour and a half and was heartily applauded.

One of the novel features of the programme was the six manual drill put on by the foresters team of Camp No. 296, under the direction of their chief, Captain Page. Captain Roberts and his splendid team of foresters of Wellston Camp acted as ushers, and made an imposing appearance in their brilliant uniforms.

At the conclusion of Mr. Talbot's address, the Neighbors, with the ladies, went to a near-by hotel and enjoyed an elaborate banquet. The Reverend J. L. Brandt presided as toastmaster. Responses were made by Mr. Northcott, Mr. Talbot and other distinguished members.

On November 18 Chicago Modern Woodmen of America, under the leadership of Supervising Deputy John H. Harris, adopted a class of 200 candidates. This is the greatest event of its kind on record. Chicago has set the pace now and challenges the jurisdiction to surpass or even approach its splendid record. The local membership congratulate Chicago. St. Louis ranks first among great cities of the world for doing things, and in keeping with the spirit of progress and aggressiveness, Modern Woodmen of America, of the city and county of St. Louis, will on February 22 hold an even greater face exhibition, followed by the most elaborate banquet ever given here. Chicago membership is invited to be present.

Ancient Order United Workmen.

The Active Workmen's Association of St. Louis will hold its first meeting in December with Magnolia Lodge, No. 7, on Tuesday, December 5, at the corner of Shenandoah avenue and Thirteenth street. This meeting will be of unusual interest, as the captains of the six districts of the city will make their reports.

The next regular meeting of the German Workmen's Association will be held on December 10 at Holman's Hall, No. 1417 Wright street. All lodges are requested to have representatives present.

Lindell Lodge, No. 211, will hold a special meeting at its hall at Fourteenth and Angelica streets, on Friday, December 15. The resident Grand Lodge officers will be present.

On Saturday, November 25, Fred C. Erbe, D. G. M. W., assisted by Grand Recorder W. J. Howell, initiated five candidates in Beckville Lodge, No. 9. There will be another class initiation at the next meeting of this lodge.

Afton Lodge, No. 8, gave its fifteenth annual ball on Wednesday, November 29.

Grand Recorder W. J. Howell, assisted by Grand Medical Examiner Doctor E. O. Greer and Grand Receiver Louis E. Kaltmeyer, initiated a class of twenty-four candidates in Bonne Terre Lodge, No. 58, on Monday, November 27. This lodge, at the meeting on November 13, initiated twelve members and have ten applications for initiation at the next meeting. Bonne Terre Lodge has averaged fifteen candidates a month during the last ten months.

Benton Lodge held a Thanksgiving meeting on Thursday evening. Addresses were made by Master Workman Troll and Messrs. Great, Gallagher and Stumpf. The regular semi-annual election will take place on Thursday, November 30, when a delegate to the twentieth biennial session of the Grand Lodge will be chosen.

The Fourth District Visitation Delegation met with Welcome Lodge on Friday evening. Captain Troll presiding. The next meeting of the Fourth District will be held with Schiller Lodge on December 4. Oriental Lodge will be visited on December 11.

St. Louis Lodge, No. 1, on last Tuesday was addressed by Brother Finkmeyer of St. Clair, Mo., a representative to the Grand Lodge will be elected on December 12. Overseer Seamon was the winner in the semi-weekly drawing.

Hyde Park Lodge, No. 170, held an excellent meeting on Tuesday evening, November 28. The time and place of meeting of this lodge has been changed to the first and third Tuesdays of each month, at No. 2801 North Eleventh street.

Oriental Lodge, No. 28, met on Wednesday night with a large attendance and received four applications for membership. Addresses were made by O. A. Hager and J. H. Stadler. The Arrangement Committee on Christmas-tree entertainment reported satisfactory progress.

Farmers' Lodge, No. 54, will meet on December 11 when the annual election of officers will be held and two candidates initiated.

Central Lodge, No. 2, initiated one candidate on Tuesday night. Membership report continues favorable for a good increase during the winter months.

Western Lodge, No. 35, made Thanksgiving night memorable to all who enjoyed their hospitality. The open meeting called together many members and their friends, who thoroughly enjoyed the excellent programme and supper. Grand Recorder W. J. Howell spoke on the benefits derived from membership in the A. O. U. W. Other addresses were made by Henry A. Grimm, Fred C. Erbe, Thomas Sanders and Louis Wentz.

Grand Recorder W. J. Howell was a guest of Phoenix Lodge, No. 68, on Thursday night. He made an interesting address. All members are requested to be present on Thursday night, December 7, when the semi-annual election of officers will take place.

Water Tower Lodge, No. 297, held a fair meeting on Monday. On December 11 the annual election will be held.

The meeting of Jefferson Lodge on Thursday was well attended. One application for membership was received and the nomination of officers for the ensuing term took place. Captain Henry A. Grimm of the sixth district and Deputy Grand Master Workman H. Erbe addressed the lodge. On December 7 the election of officers for the next term will take place. A committee was appointed to arrange for a mask ball to be given in the early part of February.

The grand recorder reports having paid out $1,600 during the month of November to the beneficiaries of members of the jurisdiction of Missouri.

Knights and Ladies of Progress.

Central Lodge, No. 1, will hold its next meeting in the new hall at No. 2356 Lucas avenue. The date of the first session will be announced later.

St. Louis Lodge, No. 2, met on last Tuesday, with a fair attendance. Mr. Lawrence and Mr. Mitchell were elected to membership and initiated. Miss L. Hughes, Miss Georgie Proffitt, Mrs. Schuler, Mr. Proffitt and Mr. Brown, all members of Central Lodge, were among the visitors.

The first grand ball given under the auspices of the Supreme Lodge, K. L. of P., will be given on Friday evening, December 8, at the new hall. This will be a kind of dedication of the new headquarters of the Supreme Lodge. All members are requested to attend.

Knights and Ladies of Honor.

A member mass meeting of the Grand Lodge officers and members at large will be held in Sheridan Hall, No. 3001 Franklin avenue, this afternoon at 2 o'clock, to make arrangements for the benefit performance of "East Lynne" at the Olympic on the afternoon and evening of December 10. The production will be presented by the Stewart-Davis stock company of New York City, with vaudeville.

The following official visits have been scheduled for this week, at which the members of the Stewart-Davis stock company of New York City will take part in the entertainments that will follow the meetings:

Monday evening, Philippine Lodge, Nineteenth and Wright. Visiting lodges—Columbia, Officers A. Peting, L. J. Meiser, J. G. McCloskey, Doctor M. R. Windhorst, J. P. Kershaw, S. L. Finley, Regents E. S. Delapiane of Old Guard, Theodore E. Koch and Secretary Wainwright Jenkins of Catamne and visiting delegations from Benton and Old Guard councils were also present. Addresses were made by a number of the visitors, after which a turkey lunch was served in the Lanquet-room.

Dalton Council had two reinstatements and one initiation. By invitation of Regent T. J. Bruenan, Past Grand Regent S. L. Finley presided during the ceremony. A vice regent, orator and guide for the unexpired term were installed. Talks on "Good of the Order" were made by Past Grand Regents L. J. Meiser, S. L. Finley and Regent Thomas J. Brennan.

Hickory Council had a full house on official visit night with Regent O. F. Kohr in the chair. Six members were reinstated. Other important matters attended to. The visitors were Grand Vice Regent A. Peting, Past Grand Regent F. H. Bacon, Grand Secretary J. G. McCloskey, Deputy W. H. Miller, Past Regents Chas. B. Cox and Geo. H. Moore of Valley and J. F. Miebert of Benton Council, F. J. Filipore of South End was also a visitor. Short talks on good of the order were made by all the visitors. An adjournment was taken to the banquet room, where an old-fashioned sumptuous Hickory repast was in waiting, after discussing which after-dinner talks were made by Theo. H. Witte, O. F. Kohr, J. C. Schall, F. H. Bacon and F. P. Miebert, who also gave a recitation. During the evening A. G. Kohrn and Moritz C. Koch favored the meeting with vocal and instrumental solos.

Zulema Lodge, No. 21: Wm. Ellis, C. C.; Geo. Lodge, V. C.; Arthur Faircloth, prelate; C. M. Dunn, M. of W.; Max Reden, M. of E.; Chester Lodge, M. at A.; Fred Reden, M. of F.; F. E. Parlow, M. of R.; Emil Julius, I. G.; Louis Lagomarsino, O. G.; Geo. Lenz, representative to relief bureau; Jas. D. Carroll, trustee, H. Holliday, Geo. Wilpermann and Geo. Lodge, W. and G. trustees; Master Workman Monday evening four pages will be proven in the rank of Esquire.

Knights of Honor.

Mount Olive Lodge had a large attendance of members present at the last meeting. The business of the evening was promptly transacted and a short session arrangements having been made for the coming ball, which promises to be a very pleasant affair. The ball was comfortably filled by a large number of guests.

Semlitz Lodge reported a good attendance present at the last meeting. The lodge expects to give a Thanksgiving party and ball at Schuler's Hall, Thanksgiving night. Messrs. Kiser, Shaw and Grabman made brief remarks.

The following lodges will hold meetings and initiations for the ensuing year during the coming week: Olive Branch, Monday, December 4; Mount Olive, Germania and Wayne, Tuesday, December 5; Oak, Missouri, Bethania, Bethlehem, Wednesday, December 6; Bethel, Thursday, December 7; Washington, Friday, December 8; Bremen and Unity, Saturday, December 9.

Olive Lodge, at Fredericktown, is holding the record for new members, nine being initiated last week. Doctor G. Prescott, P. Dameron, Jesse and John Rice, with the assistance of Special Deputy John H. Amonds, are hard at work.

Royal Arcanum.

The election of officers in the councils for the began Friday evening, December 1, and will continue at the first meetings of the month until completed. During their progress the official calendar will be prepared.

Victoria Council had one initiation and three reinstatements, Regent W. F. O. Cornell presiding. The evening closed with an enjoyable social party, at which handsome prizes were awarded. Past Grand Regent S. L. Finley was a visitor and made an interesting talk.

Benton Council had a meeting on visitation night, Regent R. B. Saunders presiding. The attendance of members was large. Much interest was manifested when candidate was initiated and two members reinstated. A floral remembrance was sent to Grand Orator Frank G. Cook, a former deputy for Benton, as an evidence of the council's continued esteem. Under the direction of Orator H. F. Hubbitt a musical programme of unusual merit was rendered, the participants being the Benton Council Quartet, the High School Quintet and Professor F. B. Knowlton of Delmar Chapel, who presided at the piano and organ. The vocalizing of these gifted musicians was fine indeed and encores. The evening closed with Sojourner Elect by the musical talent present and the entire council. The official visitors were: Deputy G. H. Meyer, Grand Vice Regent A. Peting, Grand Secretary J. G. McCloskey and Grand Chaplain M. R. Windhorst, all of whom made addresses.

Old Guard Council had five reinstatements. Regent E. S. Delapiane presiding. Business was expedited to allow the members to attend in a body the official visit to Delmar Council.

Delmar Council had a splendid meeting and a large turnout of members and visitors. Regent William A. Shaw presiding. One member was reinstated. Professor F. B. Everden and Walworth Jenkins entertained with vocal and instrumental music. The official visitors were: Past Supreme Regent A. S. Robinson, Grand Officers A. Peting, L. J. Meiser, J. G. McCloskey, Doctor M. R. Windhorst, J. P. Kershaw, S. L. Finley, Regents E. S. Delapiane of Old Guard, Theodore E. Koch and Secretary Wainwright Jenkins of Catamne and visiting delegations from Benton and Old Guard councils were also present. Addresses were made by a number of the visitors, after which a turkey lunch was served in the Lanquet-room.

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Hickory Council had a full house on official visit night with Regent O. F. Kohr in the chair. Six members were reinstated. Other important matters attended to. The visitors were Grand Vice Regent A. Peting, Past Grand Regent F. H. Bacon, Grand Secretary J. G. McCloskey, Deputy W. H. Miller, Past Regents Chas. B. Cox and Geo. H. Moore of Valley and J. F. Miebert of Benton Council, F. J. Filipore of South End was also a visitor. Short talks on good of the order were made by all the visitors. An adjournment was taken to the banquet room, where an old-fashioned sumptuous Hickory repast was in waiting, after discussing which after-dinner talks were made by Theo. H. Witte, O. F. Kohr, J. C. Schall, F. H. Bacon and F. P. Miebert, who also gave a recitation. During the evening A. G. Kohrn and Moritz C. Koch favored the meeting with vocal and instrumental solos.

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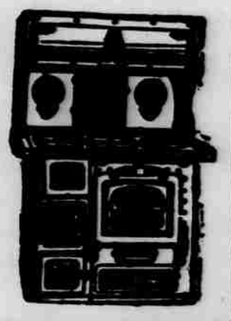

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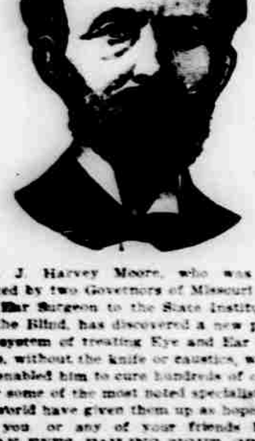

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