

FUND OF \$50,000 FOR ENTERTAINMENT OF ELKS ATLANTIC CITY IN JULY

Annual Ball Will Take Place on Famous Million Dollar Pier—Portland, Oregon, Wants Next Convention

Atlantic City, March 21.—With the Grand Lodge Reunion, an annual event of great fraternal interest to the multitude of members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks throughout America, still four months distant, reservations have been made by Atlantic City hotel men for 15,000 of the antlered fraternity, and the number of Elks and their friends who will invade the resort in July is now estimated at from 100,000 to 125,000.

Nearly every day brings additional applications for the reservation of accommodations from points near and far, and the headquarters established by the Executive Committee of Atlantic City Lodge to perfect the details of reception and entertainment is already working under heavy pressure. For the first time, it is believed, reunion city lodge is assuming the responsibility of seeing to it that every delegate who comes to meet his fellow "Elks" is properly sheltered. With a thousand hotels and boarding houses to draw upon this would seem to be a simple matter, but the early demand for reservations already indicates that it will be no easy task.

But one very important thing is assured. There will be no raise in rates on the part of grasping bonifaces during the week or ten days the army of Elksdom is at the shore. Mayor Eloy made this promise emphatically in the name of the resort when Atlantic City's invitation was proffered at the last year, and the members of the Hotel Men's Association have entered into a compact with Atlantic City Lodge to guarantee its fulfillment.

A finance committee of prominent citizens is busily engaged in raising a fund of \$50,000 for the purpose of entertainment. The Steel Pier, a magnificent structure extending nearly half a mile into the sea from the famous Boardwalk has been leased out right for the week of the Reunion. The Grand Lodge will hold its sessions in the big Music Hall, at the extreme end of the pier, and the whole structure with its numerous attractions, including three concerts daily and other entertaining features, will be entirely free to the thousands of Elk visitors.

Headquarters for Grand Exalted Ruler Herrmann and the members of the Grand Lodge, to the number of 250, will be established at the Hotel Strand, a no-licence hostelry, fire-proof and palatial. The first floor of the big hotel will be devoted to offices and committee rooms for the business purposes of the convention. The Grand Lodge will get down to business on Monday, July

10th, and the annual election of officers, an incident which promises to be of great interest with several aggressive candidates in the field for ranking office of Grand Exalted Ruler, will take place on Tuesday, the 11th.

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SUITS PILE UP ON C. A. MOORE

Mrs. Woolley Moves to Foreclose \$35,000 Mortgage on His Greenwich Home.

Greenwich, March 21.—In addition to the three attachments filed against the Greenwich property of Charles A. Moore, Jr., two of them by the Savoy Trust Company of New York on notes given or indorsed by Mr. Moore and other officials of the Carnegie Trust Company, and the third by a local contractor, proceedings were begun yesterday to foreclose a mortgage of \$35,000, which is held by Mrs. Cornelia Woolley, wife of Cornell Woolley of New York, on the North Street residence of Mr. Moore.

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MRS. SHELDON DIES

One of First Women in the Country Interested in Equal Suffrage.

New Haven, March 21.—Abby Barker Sheldon, wife of ex-Judge Joseph Sheldon, died yesterday at her late home, 364 Mansfield street, of general breaking down of the system. Mrs. Sheldon was born in Syracuse, N. Y., in 1833. She was one of the first women in the United States interested in the cause of woman's rights, and attended the first convention of equal suffragists in this country at Syracuse in 1848. Later, after her removal to New Haven, she was the founder of the first suffrage organization in this city. In connection with her work she became an ardent friend of Lucy Stone Blackwell.

At a time when woman's endeavors in the agricultural line were most unknown, Mrs. Sheldon managed the first fruit farm in the country, an enterprise which elicited the admiration and approval of Horace Greeley. Mrs. Sheldon is survived by her husband, Judge Sheldon, and two daughters, Mrs. Frances Sheldon Bolton and Mrs. Elizabeth Sheldon Tillinghast, of Arcadia, R. I. The latter stumped the piano when she was Jennings Bryan when he first ran for President.

CORPORATION CERTIFICATES

Corporation papers as follows have been filed with the state secretary: The Berkshire Yacht Club, incorporated, of Bridgeport; articles of association, signed by Herbert M. Richardson, Henry W. Ordner and B. Eugene Lockwood. The Nutmeg Park Driving Corporation of Stratford; preliminary certificate of dissolution.

HOW TO MAKE WHEAT BREAD.

Twelve cups flour, (sifted), 2 cups scalded milk, 2 cups of water, 1 even tablespoonful salt, 1 even tablespoonful sugar, 4 tablespoonfuls lard, 1 cake compressed yeast dissolved in 4 tablespoonfuls of cold water. Put shortening, sugar, salt, in a large bowl with milk and water when lukewarm; add yeast and part of the flour, beat vigorously five or ten minutes, add the remaining flour, leaving out about half a cup for kneading. Mix and turn on to a floured board, knead until smooth and elastic, return to bowl and let it rise overnight, covering with a cloth. In the morning cut down, knead and make into loaves. Let it rise until double its bulk. Bake in one hour. This makes 4 small or 2 large loaves. The small loaves will make in 3-4 of an hour.

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CHINESE HAIR

Not Out from the Dead, Says Consul General at Hong Kong

Washington, March 21.—Sensational stories circulated in this country about the origin of human hair imported from China have reached Consul General George E. Anderson at Hongkong, and his report on the subject has been made public.

According to the reports, shipments of human hair from Hongkong to the United States increased in value from \$41,880 in 1907 to \$855,137 gold in 1910. The exports to all countries in 1910 were valued at \$1,500,000.

Much of the hair that formerly went out "raw" is now "finished," he reports, and is sent to Paris, where it is exported to the United States as French hair.

"The origin of the hair shipped from Hongkong," says Anderson, "indeed from all China so far as information can be secured from the best sources here, is vastly different from that indicated by many of the published reports of the world over. The report that much of the hair shipped was taken from the dead is not only untrue but is also inconsistent with Chinese views of the dead and with Chinese thought. The hair shipped abroad from this Empire is combed from the well-to-do people, mostly women. A Chinese maid in dressing her mistress' hair simply saves and sells to a barber the combs that were formerly thrown away. Barbers also obtain considerable hair from plucking their trade. The vast mass of hair shipped abroad and invoiced for the United States is in the shape of little wads or twistings. Seldom if ever are full heads of hair to be taken nor are quees used. It is one of the strange facts of the trade that although thousands of quees have been cut in Hongkong in the past several months—some 15,000, is the report—the hair has not been sold."

A local hair establishment operated by an American expert is working hair into the most modern shape for the export trade. The hair is first combed into lengths. It is then washed in soda, soft soap, and ammonia, is dried, and then boiled for one day in plain water. It is again dried and then treated to four or five chemicals according to its condition, to sterilize, preserve and to well-to-do use. It is then bleached, washed again, and prepared in different colors and packed.

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ENGLAND WILL ACQUIRE

If This Country Should Absorb Lower California and Other Border States

Washington, March 21.—That Great Britain would welcome the acquisition by the United States of Lower California and the strip of States along the northern border of Mexico is the view which has been unofficially made known to the Washington government.

This intimation upon the part of the English government was made upon the return of a confidential agent of Great Britain from a trip into Mexico. With a view to the safeguarding of English commercial interests in Mexico, he visited the entire country and sounded the attitude of the people toward the Diaz government. He returned to England recently, by way of Washington, to present his report.

This report will declare it is understood that the country is honey-combed with anti-Diaz activities, and the people universally discontented. They would welcome any change which would relieve labor conditions.

The English believe it is stated, that their investments in Mexico would be better safeguarded under American influence than if left to the uncertainties of a people lacking in patriotism or faith in their government. For these reasons, Washington has been advised, it is declared, that Great

WAGES OF FARM HANDS

Notable Increase Between 1890 and 1910 Reported by Official Statistician

Washington, March 21.—If the farmer gets more for his crops in these days of the high cost of living, he is compelled to pay more for their production through the increased cost of farm labor. This fact is shown by the Department of Agriculture in a bulletin just issued by Chief Statistician Victor Olmstead.

The average wages of farm labor during 1910, based upon reports of agents and correspondents of the Department, with comparisons, is given by the Statistician as follows: Without board, averaged throughout the United States \$27.50 per month; with board it was \$18.33; while the farmers of the far west were compelled to pay their hired men, without board \$46.48; and with board \$34.50.

During the harvest period, the farmers paid an average of \$1.32 per day, without boarding their help; with board, an average of \$1.30. The western farmers paid \$2.32 per day, without board, and \$1.30 with board. In 1890, according to the Department, the average salary per month, paid for hired help throughout the United States, was \$13.33, without board, as compared with \$27.50 in 1910. With board, the farmers paid in 1890 only \$12.45 per month as against \$19.20 in 1910.

Far western farmers paid without board \$34.50 per month, in 1890 while in 1910 they were forced to pay their help \$46.48. With board, the hired laborers received only \$22.30 per month in 1890, while in 1910 they were paid \$32.69.

AVIATION IN NAVY

Washington, March 21.—The Navy will be obliged to discover a new aviation expert when Capt. Washington I. Chambers takes command of the battleship Louisiana, to which he has been assigned, late this spring. For more than a year, aviation progress in the navy has been under the direction of Capt. Chambers. In his position as assistant to the Aide for Material, Capt. Chambers has been constantly in Washington, and since his assignment to co-operate with the United States Aeronautical Reserve he has been recognized as the authorized director of naval experiments in aviation. When he takes command of the Louisiana, however, he will be obliged to go to sea, and will be unable to keep in touch with the aviation operations in the naval service.

Capt. Chambers is an enthusiast on aviation, though he preserves a sane and conservative view of its possibilities. He has directed the tests of flights from ships, and recently wrote a scientific sketch of the paths which aeronautical development in the navy would probably follow.

Lieutenant Richard Wainwright, now stationed at the Washington Navy Yard, will probably be chosen to succeed Capt. Chambers in the unofficial post of aviation expert. Lieutenant Wainwright has been associated with Capt. Chambers in planning and executing aviation tests in the navy. It is hoped by these two officers that the day of the aviation division is not far distant.

ART LEAGUE ENJOYS MUSIC AFTER MEETING.

At the meeting of the Bridgeport Art League yesterday a very enjoyable entertainment followed the business session. A program including recitations and music delighted the members of the league to the utmost. Among those who took part in the program following the business session were Miss Eleanor Lines, with vocal selections; Oliver Hunter, recitations; Miss Bessie Libbey, accompanist.

Among the coming events of the Art League may be mentioned the Spring exhibition, which will open in the Public Library on April 24; a lecture by Mrs. J. W. Bailey early in April; a musical early in May; and the annual luncheon in the latter part of May.

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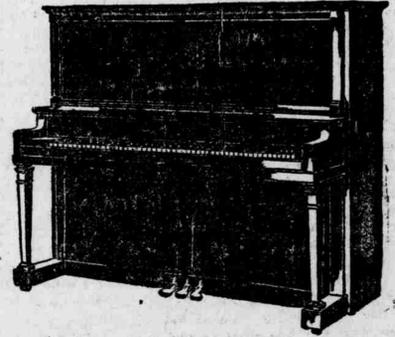
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