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Secret Societies

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD

The installation of officers at Fremont camp on Thursday night was an interesting affair. The attendance was good and several visitors from other camps of the city were present. General Organizer Peter E. Gilroy delivered one of his interesting, instructive and inspiring addresses, receiving the heartiest applause at its conclusion. Refreshments were served. The installing officer was Neighbor J. H. Clark, past consul commander of East Lake camp, who has more than a local reputation for performing this function, and he was assisted by the degree team of his camp, under charge of Capt. George Fisher. This team is recognized as one of the best on the coast, with the result that a constant demand is made upon it by the camps in and out of Los Angeles to assist at installations or initiations. With W. J. Dill in the chair as consul commander, the new set of officers of Fremont camp is an unusually efficient one, which is fortunate as the camp is planning much for the new year, both in the way of entertainments and increasing the enrollment. At the meeting "Thank You" cards were distributed and received and three candidates initiated. On account of the recent death of the beloved wife of Neighbor W. W. Scott, captain of Fremont degree team, Captain Fisher of East Lake camp volunteered the services of his team for the initiatory work as well as that of the installation.

East Lake camp installed its new officers Tuesday night. The work was excellently performed by its own team, with Past Consul Commander J. H. Clark as the installing officer. Neighbor Charles J. Letts, who was elected as consul commander, assumed the duties of his office with the assurance that he is backed up by a capable set of officers and that he will have the hearty support of the entire camp in his efforts to make the sessions of the camp interesting and to increase the enrollment to a high figure. The camp has entered enthusiastically upon another campaign. The two month campaign just closed showed a gain of about twenty members. To make the campaign interesting, the camp was divided into two sides with the consul commander and adviser lieutenant as opposing leaders, the losing side to don the aprons and serve the winners and their men friends at a banquet given by the camp the last Tuesday night in January. Consul Commander Letts lost by two certificates.

Vernon camp held a well attended meeting Wednesday night. A lively session and many interesting fraternal talks were made. All seemed well pleased with the accomplishment for the year 1909, and greater things were predicted for 1910. A number of the official officers' jewels as a reward for a net increase of twenty-five new members at the close of the general campaign and has made splendid gain since that time. Installation of officers was arranged for last night, further mention of which will be made next week.

Election night at Carnation camp, Redondo Beach, resulted as follows: Consul commander, S. G. Lindsey; adviser lieutenant, Oscar Edgar; banker, C. J. Funk; clerk, J. P. Lerch; secretary, H. Smith; treasurer, W. Winberly; manager, long term, J. G. Thomas; camp physician, Dr. E. G. Butt. The past consul commander will be R. D. Beard at the meeting. A day night nine applications were received and six candidates elected to membership. Organizer E. Hollands is keeping in the line with the organization of a sick benefit department was effected at this meeting.

Pasadena camp is drawing to the close of its campaign with interest unabated. Nine initiations were made, clerk's desk Friday night, besides several applications. The camp will join with Live Oak circle in conducting the installation of officers in January. Encouraged by success during its last campaign, David camp is making more extensive preparations for a new campaign to increase membership. This camp was the fortunate winner of the offer made by the head consul more than two months ago, initiating about thirty new members into the order.

ROYAL COURT

Monday evening Pico assembly held its first meeting of the new year and as customary the first meeting in each month refreshments were served. It has been decided to install the officers-elect of No. 3 January 10. Courtier W. D. Suttren will be the installing officer on this occasion. On Thursday evening, the Christmas tree assembly will give a progressive whist party at the home of Lady May Thayer, 715 West Pico street, for the benefit of the guards of No. 2.

The "Christmas jinks" of No. 8 on Monday evening was all the heart could desire. The attendance of members and their children was large and enthusiastic. The Christmas tree and Santa Claus Huff were the center of attraction for the children, whose hearts were made glad with the things they received. The "fish pond" and "lovers' well" afforded much amusement for the grownups. Refreshments and dancing also added to the pleasure of the evening.

Tuesday evening Los Angeles assembly No. 2 began the new year by initiating several candidates and making arrangements for the public installation of officers of the last Tuesday evening in January.

The "Christmas tree frolic" of No. 2 on Monday evening was a delightful and successful affair. More than 300 members, together with their families, were present to enjoy the bounty of Santa Claus Huff. The tree occupied the center of the hall and was beautifully decorated and heavily laden with presents for all present. Each of the officers and guards were accompanied with substantial presents accompanied with "joshing" in jingles that caused much fun. Worthy Chancellor Wright was elected a "Knight of the Garter" and presented with the emblem—a pair of garters—as a deserved promotion in recognition of his splendid stewardship of No. 2 during the past year. Worthy Chancellor-elect King was presented with a rattle as a prophecy that he would make a "rattling good" chancellor. Lady of Honor-elect Miss Corinne Black was given a footstool as a "slam" for being so short. M. or E. Wilcox was given a large purse in which he was told to keep safely the funds of the assembly. And so it went all down the line of those marked to "josh."

Wednesday evening Queen assembly No. 41 launched the new year by initiating candidates and completing plans for the installation of officers-elect.

The progressive whist party of No. 41 Wednesday evening proved to be one of the most enjoyable of the Yuletide parties of the week, and was much enjoyed by all present. Tally one more success for No. 41.

Wednesday evening Crown assembly No. 42 appointed the open meeting to arrange for the open meeting,

Merits Honors in Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias



MAJOR J. A. ROYER

THE most important function ever held in Pythian circles in California took place at Anaheim New Year's eve when Anaheim lodge No. 105 Knights of Pythias was instituted with 250 charter members. The organization of this peerless lodge was directly through the tireless efforts and splendid work of Major J. O. Royer of Anaheim and Los Angeles, who began his successful efforts November 28 when he had as his guests at his palatial home in Anaheim the start officers of the Third regiment and companies 25, 40 and 32 Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias. From that event dates the great enthusiasm and interest taken in the Pythian order in and around Anaheim. The natural sequence was the enlistment of all the leading business and professional men there and at Fullerton, and their interest efforts made this the greatest event ever held in that vicinity.

Brother Royer provided a special train to convey the Los Angeles members to Anaheim, and more than 200 local members availed themselves of the opportunity of witnessing the beautiful ceremonies.

The following officers were elected and installed: J. O. Royer, B. V. Beebe, W. M. Rose and E. R. Barnes, past chancellors; Richard Melrose, chancellor commander; Virgil U. Simpson, vice chancellor; Philip H. Krick, prelate; Jay C. Idolor, master of work; Edgar J. Hartung, keeper of records and seal; Virgil A. Holbrook, master of finance; Gerald W. Sundland, master of exchequer; Norman Woodford, master at arms; W. G. Mason, inner guard; O. Lagman, outer guard; Dr. W. H. Wickett, F. A. Yungbluth and A. S. Bradford, trustees.

More than ninety strangers are awaiting to be initiated in the mysteries of Pythian Knighthood in Anaheim lodge, and Brother Royer has promised the grand lodge officers to install this lodge with 400 members on its roster before the next session of the grand lodge in May. All who know him appreciate his splendid work for the order.

Major Royer has secured 100 recruits for Company 25. Brigade initiation will be held at Anaheim January 29, at which time General J. A. Drifill and his entire staff will be present, as will the grand officers. The prediction is freely made that Company 25 will recruit 250 members from Orange county in May, when all of the members of the company from Orange county are invited to accompany Major Royer to the next encampment at Santa Cruz as his guests. This will afford them an enjoyable outing and an opportunity to meet the next grand lodge members. After the adjournment he will take them all to Napa, his old home, to attend the annual J. O. Royer banquet given by Fidelity lodge No. 23, E. of P.

These annual banquets of Fidelity lodge are attended by the grand lodge officers and prominent members of the order from all over the state, and are January 19. Crown has doubled the membership since its institution, November 24, and proposes to accomplish the same feat again in the next thirty days.

The meeting of No. 42 on Wednesday was a very enjoyable one. One candidate initiated and several elected to membership. A visit by the royal chancellor made the meeting one long to be remembered.

Thursday evening Belvedere No. 24 made arrangements for three months' membership contest. Two new members were secured in the Belvedere district last week.

Friday evening found a hall full of members and friends of South Gate assembly No. 40, holding a "watch party at the north pole." Notwithstanding the rain of the day the "Eskimos" arrived by boat, sledges, ring machines, snowshoes and by "P. E." cars in search of the "pole," till the hall was filled with a jolly crowd of pleasure-seekers bent on seeing the old year out and the new year in. The "north pole" was "discovered" in one end of the hall and looked real chilly in its garb of cotton and furs and snow and ice. On it were found the visiting cards of Gary and Cook, and nailed to sticks stuck in the "ice" in front of the "Eskimo" skin huts were several interesting signs. On one was "Caroline on Tap," on another, "Tallow candles a la mode," on others, "Whale blubber for sale here, price ten whale teeth;" "Gasoline on ice" and "Gun drops taken here for polar bears." Several "dears" were also found in the vicinity of the "pole." A program of several musical numbers and a "phonograph story" by Ladies Stewart and Gibson, dancing, prize whist and refreshments were a part of the enjoyable "watch party at the north pole" of No. 40. After seeing

looked forward to with great pleasure. The ceremonies attending the institution of Anaheim lodge No. 105 were impressively exemplified. Gantlet lodge No. 123 had full charge of the Amplified Page rank, and gave a correct rendition of the lessons of that rank.

Marathon-Los Angeles lodge No. 182 had charge of the ceremonies attending the esquire and knight ranks. Unaltered praise was given by all the members present.

The lodge was instituted by James G. Owen, special deputy grand chancellor, who was ably assisted by Past Chancellor Charles W. Stansbury, D. C. Caselman, C. C. Crawford, A. L. Rhyman, Fred C. Williams, Andrew Francisco, W. H. Esdohr, A. F. Nordyke, Kenton A. Miller, Robert Carrett, E. A. Rott, Capt. J. C. Fowler, M. F. Oliver, Robert G. Louks, and many others.

Members from Whittier, Santa Ana, Tustin, Highland Park, Inter-Domain, Moneta, Santa Monica, Hollywood, Pomona and many other lodges were in attendance.

Special train service was provided by Brother Royer to convey the members to Anaheim and return. A cafe was kept open all night by the Anaheim committee and a splendid repast was provided for all visitors from 8 p. m. until 8 a. m. New Year's day.

Members of the entertainment committee were voted past masters in the art of entertaining.

It is a source of gratification to all members that the grand lodge officers are now working out plans to erect Pythian homes for the aged members and widows and orphans, and in this respect Brother Royer is an able ally, and to aid the good cause has already made a substantial donation and will not rest content until a beautiful home has been established in Southern California, and it is safely predicted that Anaheim will be the proud possessor of such a fine institution in the near future. No better or more beautiful location could possibly be secured, and it is hoped it will be dedicated to the order that stands for the principles of Friendship, Charity and Benevolence.

Arrow lodge (sizzling) No. 25, Knights of Pythias, will soon begin the preliminary work of organization. The Knights of Pythias having in charge the work of organizing a committee were voted past masters in the art of entertaining.

The city of Watts is coming to the front with its Old Fellows' lodge. The Watts City lodge will be instituted next Friday night at Harper's hall. Commercial, America, Rising Sun and West End lodges of Los Angeles will confer the initiation, first, second and third degrees, respectively.

Twenty candidates will be initiated. Refreshments and a general good time are promised. All community Odd Fellows are invited. E. W. Woodzey, P. Shoat and J. S. Lange are members of the committee.

Los Angeles lodge No. 35 and Paloma Rebekah lodge No. 237 will hold joint installation of officers Wednesday night.

Goodwill lodge will give instructions in the first degree next Thursday night. Angelus Rebekah lodge gave an enjoyable entertainment last Thursday night. The lodge will install its officers next Saturday night.

Una Rebekah lodge will install its officers next Saturday night.

Bone is Misplaced
It has been said that many a good man has failed because his backbone is in the place where his backbone ought to be.

MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA

Preparations are being made by the Modern Woodmen of America to hold a class adoption in Los Angeles February 9 and 10 in honor of Head Consul A. R. Talbot, who will be present at the meetings. The arrangements are in the hands of a general committee consisting of the consuls and clerks of the camps of the county, and they have about all of the preliminary work for the meetings laid out. It is intended to have a street parade on the evening of February 9, and all Woodmen who can do so will be expected to form in line after the Foresters, who will lead the procession.

District Deputy J. O. Burgess, who is at the head of the committees, is enthusiastic over the matter, and says that all the camps are preparing to bring a large number of candidates to be adopted, and it is expected that 500 candidates will be in line when the head consul gives the obligation.

Charlie Elder, deputy of Pacific camp, says he will write up fifty new men during the month of the adoption. Neighbor J. A. Herbell, deputy for Golden State camp, is not saying much, but is busy sawing wood. Neighbor Rose of Vernon camp and the deputies of all the camps in the county are busy and are doing good work for their camps, according to the report of District Deputy Burgess.

One of the busiest in the county outside of Los Angeles is Long Beach camp. No meeting is complete without one or more new members having been adopted.

The ceremonies attending the installation of officers next Wednesday night in conjunction with the Sunny South camp of Royal Neighbors and the friends of Neighbor J. O. Burgess, who is at the head of the committee of arrangements, and that means that everything will be arranged for a successful meeting.

J. O. Burgess, district deputy, will be the installing officer for the Woodmen, and Mrs. Christiana Hamill, state supervising deputy for the Royal Neighbors, will install the new officers for the Sunny South camp.

Neighbor Herbell initiated seven new candidates initiated into the mysteries of woodcraft last meeting night and seven new applications were received.

Neighbor R. E. Priddy, who has been very ill, is now convalescent. Neighbor Priddy was elected to the important position of escort for the 1910. It is to be hoped that he will be able to attend the meeting for installation next Wednesday night.

DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS

Last Wednesday evening Jessie Benton Fremont tent No. 4, Daughters of Veterans, held a joint installation with W. S. Rosecrans camp, Sons of Veterans, and their auxiliary at Mammoth hall, and friends of all the orders were in attendance.

The Sons of Veterans were the first to be installed, and their camp was presented by Dr. Charles E. Case with a banner of their colors, consisting of the color bearer's flag, and a banner for the pedestal of each of the officers. The Daughters of Veterans had the honor of making the presentation. Anna Bohannon secured the second Cross making the presentation speech in her usual charming manner, and the guide and color bearer presenting the colors to their respective stations.

The officers for the ensuing year are: Frances W. Davenport, president; Katherine Hampton, senior vice; Jean Herrick, junior vice; Elizabeth Palmer, chaplain; Fannie Stanford, treasurer; Effie May Haddock, patriotic instructor; Marie E. Scott, Olive Morgan and Mollie Carr, trustees; Florence Haines, secretary; Edna Kinney, guide; Monna Haddock Smith, guard; Lavina Guess, assistant guard; Elton Sandborn, musician; Ruth Morgan, Enid Cameron, Norma Holmes and Mildred Smith, color bearers, and Fannie D. Collins, press correspondent.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF FORESTERS

The Companion assembly gave a successful entertainment the other evening, when the committee, assisted by some of the brothers, gave a unique show. The eleven Peck sisters caused the audience to sit up and "peck," as they were very fantastically garbed, and rendered selections of solos and choruses in a manner that was a happy combination of the sublime and the ridiculous. Those who composed the aggregation "sisters" were Companions Rose Franklin, Pearl Innes, Emma Mayo, I. Hewett, Alice T. Hood, Edna Cordrey, Lena Rehaut and Hazel Franklin, also Brothers Kaempff, A. Bentz, Harry Brannan and Burnice McClintock. Santa Claus gladdened the hearts of the children with gifts. He also distributed gifts to the high court and assembly officers prior were typical of the high court and caused considerable merriment at their expense.

The officers of Court La Fiesta were installed by the high court officers Tuesday evening. The high chief ranger was assisted by High Vice Bentz, Harry Brannan and Burnice McClintock. The following officers were installed: Court Deputy E. E. Wilson; physician, F. R. Frost; chief ranger, C. Kaempff; vice chief ranger, F. L. Lull; recording secretary, Lucy Franklin; financial secretary, Alice Hood; treasurer, Companion McDonald; orator, Companion A. J. Lull; organist, Companion McClintock; senior woodward, W. W. Wood; junior woodward, B. H. Franklin; senior beadle, J. H. Hilps; junior beadle, H. Kaempff. The floor work was in charge of the La Fiesta Guard of Honor and was done in a very pleasing manner. After the ceremonies an excellent program was rendered by Companion Emma Mayo, vocal solo; buck and wing dancing, Leon Brothers; vocal solo and duet, H. C. Hainart and A. Goodrich; readings, G. W. Hood. The affair closed with a dance.

Companion Court Miramar and Court Temple had their balls filled with local interest given out Tuesday evening, on the occasion of their regular monthly social. Whist was played and Miss Frankie Savage was awarded the first prize for women, and Mrs. Anna Bohannon secured the second. The first prize for men was won by Brother E. Kleist, and the second by Brother A. R. Ridgway. Dancing was enjoyed.

The officers of Court Semi-Tropic will be installed by the officers of the high court next Tuesday evening, and all Foresters are invited to be present. The court will be open to the public and will not be open to the public.

The hall of Court Glad Hand was crowded last Thursday evening, when the high court officers installed the officers of the court and of Companion Court Glad Hand in joint session. A fitting preliminary, in typical Glad Hand style, a large class of candidates were initiated as members of both courts under the supervision of Captain Marleau and the Glad Hand team. Practically all of the high court officers were present, and also a large number of members of most of the city courts, including a large delegation of the members of Court Temple. In recognition of his splendid work for the court the high chief ranger presented to Brother S. A. Reed a handsome new motorcycle, so that now the prospects will have no chance at all to escape from Sam. The finance committee made a report showing the court to be in excellent financial condition, which, being accompanied by the marvelous growth of the court during the past year, was a

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THE FRATERNAL BROTHERHOOD

At the New Year's reception and ball a membership campaign was launched similar to the Seattle campaign of last year with a trip to Yosemite the reward for the election of the first half of the year. A round trip ticket to that point of interest will be given to each member in Los Angeles who secures eight new beneficiary members, each carrying at least \$1000 insurance. There are many who declare themselves ready to take advantage of this excellent educational opportunity.

Fraternal Brotherhood circles will for a couple of weeks experience the proverbial "calm after the storm," after which much interest in the coming campaign is expected to manifest itself.

The banquet hall of the home office building is rarely unoccupied a day at a time during these weeks of festivities. The most important event of the past week was the banquet tendered the home companies by Lieut. Gen. George S. Adolph and his staff Saturday night, January 8. Everything that the season afforded in the way of dainties was offered, and mirth reigned supreme at the smoker which followed. This courtesy was extended in recognition of a similar one which took place in the late summer with just host and guests.

SPANISH WAR VETERANS

Following are a few points of local interest given out by P. C. Mulqueeny, commander of the department of California, Spanish War Veterans:

"The department commander has been authorized to levy a tax of 12 1/2 cents on each member in good standing for the first six months of 1910, based on the membership shown by the semi-annual reports for the term ending December 31, 1909. This tax is due and payable after January 1, 1910.

"National per capita tax of 12 1/2 cents, based on the same return, is due and payable at the same time, and will be forwarded through these headquarters.

"The department commander has been authorized to levy a special assessment of 10 cents on each member in good standing as shown by the semi-annual reports for the term ending December 31, 1909. This assessment is to be expended exclusively in the work of organization, the establishment of new camps, and in increasing the membership and activity of camps already organized. There are fully 1000 Spanish War Veterans not yet affiliated with the order. The department mustering officer, W. Cozzens, Laidler camp, No. 5, of Sacramento, will have charge of this work.

"Attention of department officers is called to the necessity of putting forth every effort in the work of upbuilding the order in this state. These headquarters will welcome suggestions and render the officers every possible assistance in the work of recruiting and organizing. It is suggested that department officers attend to installation of camp officers in their respective territories and do all in their power to make the occasions memorable, and create public sentiment favorable to our beloved order."

"The instructions to Medical Examiners," prepared by Supreme Medical Director C. W. Pierce and distributed among the examining physicians of the society, should accomplish much in the way of securing successful cooperation in that department.

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