

# NEWS OF FRATERNAL AND SECRET SOCIETIES

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## ROYAL COURT

The Iris club of Pico No. 8 assembly No. 8 will give a progressive whist party Monday evening at the home of Courtier and Lady William Miles, corner Sixteenth street and Normandie avenue. The objects of the club are most worthy, its funds being devoted to the care of the sick and needy, and its social functions should be well attended by members and friends of help along the good work of practical fraternity.

At the last meeting of Pico No. 8 Ladies Bruce Rice and Fannie McCarty and Courtier Dudley Ryall were appointed a committee to arrange for the March open meeting. At the close of the session the doors of the assembly chamber were thrown open to the invited guests assembled in the parlors, and then all proceeded to engage in the postponed valentine festivities provided for the occasion. A very enjoyable time was concluded with coffee, cake and sandwiches served in the banquet room. The assembly chamber was beautifully decorated with red hearts and streamers of red crepe paper.

After a short business session of the assembly Tuesday evening, the Good Samaritan club of Los Angeles No. 2 will entertain the members of the order and their necessary escorts with a progressive whist party. The meeting will be held in Garfield hall, Walker Theater building, and all members of the order are invited to be present. Refreshments will be served by the hostesses, consisting of the officers of the club, Lady Harriet E. Tower, president; Lady D. D. Bickford, secretary-treasurer, and Ladies G. H. Felch, Fred Wilcox and George A. Getchell.

The masquerade ball of No. 2 last Tuesday evening was the most successful affair of the kind ever given by the assembly both in point of numbers in attendance and artistically. There were seventy masked couples in the grand march and as many more present who were not masked. The impersonations were both beautiful and grotesque, and in great variety. Dressed as a courtier of the order, Courtier John S. Jones took the gentlemen's first prize, the second going to Courtier Whitley, who represented a "rube." Lady Adelle Tower, in a correct costume of a colonial grand dame, captured the ladies' first prize, while Lady Flora A. Getchell was unanimously awarded the second prize for her splendid impersonation of the old street newspaper vendor so familiar on the streets of Los Angeles. The hall was beautifully decorated in red, blue and gold—the colors of the Royal Court.

The regular monthly public entertainment of Queen assembly No. 41 was held last Wednesday evening and proved to be the best one yet given by this progressive young assembly. The program was most excellent and consisted of the following numbers: instrumental duet, the Bulleser sisters; recitation, Mrs. M. Meyers; violin solo, Mrs. J. Jay Burgart; mining camp readings by Courtier and friends, Mrs. E. I. Allen and Mr. Studebaker winning the handsome prizes. Dancing and refreshments added to the pleasure of the occasion. The regular meeting of Wednesday evening will be devoted to the initiation of candidates and other routine business.

Crown assembly No. 42 will hold an interesting meeting next Wednesday evening at the hall, corner of Downey avenue and Daly street and initiate a class of candidates and launch the spring campaign for new members. The membership contest in South Gate assembly No. 40 will receive an additional boost by the presence of a new deputy at the meeting next Friday evening. The contest is between divisions of the assembly led by Ladies Stewart and Rhodes as captains, and so far they are about even in points gained.

No. 40 gave a delightful entertainment Friday evening at the home of the house. The program and dancing and cards added to the pleasures of the evening and to the fame of South Gate as royal hosts.

## WOODMEN OF THE WORLD

Another pleasant evening was passed Wednesday evening at the home of several visitors were present, including F. A. J. Shaffer of Fremont camp, J. H. Polka of La Brea camp and Maj. J. C. Jones of Portland, Ore., each of whom responded in a happy vein to a request for remarks. One application was acted on favorably. E. H. McChesney was the lucky winner of the draw, the second time in succession. Sunday, March 20, the officers, team and members will meet in Evergreen cemetery to unveil two monuments. Preparations are being made to put the ceremony on in full. The team members, under the able captaincy of W. P. Rogers, have decided to have new uniforms, style and material for which have been selected. The team will give an entertainment Wednesday night, March 20. Fremont camp met Thursday night, initiating two candidates and voting favorably on two applications. Among the visitors were Maj. J. C. Jones of Portland, Ore., and J. S. Cornell, adviser lieutenant of Los Angeles camp, both of whom made addresses. Major Jones has had wide experience in Woodmen matters.

La Fiesta camp surprised Head Consul Foley Monday night, when its officers and members tendered him a reception upon his return from an extended visit to Denver and the north-west. The chairman of the board of managers, W. H. McGill, was delegated to keep him busy until the psychological moment, when he was ushered into the camp headed by the entire uniform degree team and given the honors of his office. Dr. J. Park Dougal, consul commander, delivered the opening address of welcome and then introduced Maj. J. C. Jones of Portland, J. H. McConnell of Windsor, Ont., and Judge A. P. Tutwell, all of whom delivered addresses eulogistic of the guest of the evening. When Neighbor Foley was presented he was greeted by applause which lasted for several minutes. He gave an interesting account of his trip. La Fiesta camp will confer the protection and Joseph J. Greco and initiate a class next Monday night.

## ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS

Alpine lodge, No. 1, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, meets on the first and third Thursday nights at the True Reformers' hall, Twelfth street and Central avenue. All members of the lodge are urgently requested to attend each meeting.

## Professional and Business Men Who Are First Officials of New Helmet Lodge, Knights of Pythias



Standing, from left to right—C. J. Noyes, H. C. Aldrich, C. H. Cook, D. E. Mills, J. Janssen, P. J. Donnelly, F. T. Purdy, James G. Owen, Fred N. Yale.

HELMET LODGE No. 25, Knights of Pythias, came into being February 11 with brightest prospects of any lodge in the Pythian firmament, with more than 350 charter members, composed of the best citizens of Los Angeles, with the hall beautifully decorated with banners, flags and flowers.

Grand Chancellor James G. Owen, of Sacramento, presided at the occasion with a masterly tribute to the ennobling principles of Pythianism, and the splendid work of the organizers of Helmet lodge.

## MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA

The camps are busy adding to the membership. Golden State camp gained thirteen by adoption and eight by transfer at the last meeting, while Pacific camp took in several and received forty applications. Instead of the regular meeting Wednesday night, Golden State camp had a dance, which was attended by several hundred people. Pacific camp, Thursday night, had an open meeting at which a program of musical and literary numbers was presented, the affair closing with dancing.

Among camps in various parts of the country the matter of identification of members is being considered. In some places lists are made out and members asked to familiarize themselves both with the names and persons owning them. A later and more definite plan is to have each member file with the clerk a photograph at the time of adoption. This is preserved and at any time is available. One camp in this vicinity mounts the photos in a cabinet. Such a plan is practical for a small camp, but where the membership is large the filing plan is the better. The matter is under consideration in several camps here and before long the likeness may be called for.

## BROTHERHOOD OF AMERICAN YEOMEN

Los Angeles homestead No. 947 gave a dance February 12. About 200 guests were present. Mrs. S. J. Bailey, 73 years young, a member of Los Angeles homestead for seven years, received the silk quilt.

February 19 an interesting business meeting was held. Los Angeles homestead holds business meetings the first and third Saturdays and social dances the second and fourth Saturdays of each month in Lincoln hall, Lincoln and Figueroa streets.

Fraternal insurance should be carried in as large an amount as income justifies. One should not endeavor to carry more than he can make provision for.

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Grand Keeper of Records and Seal H. Schaffner of San Francisco spoke feelingly of his long acquaintance with the membership in the order, and the great work done by the Los Angeles members to put the order on the high plane it occupies.

Grand Prelate E. F. Bledsoe of San Bernardino spoke in high praise of the great progress made in Southern California.

A glowing account of the unprecedented progress made by the most enthusiastic knight in the south, Major J. O. Royer of Anaheim, and he promised that Anaheim lodge No. 105, his baby, would report 500 membership in the next grand lodge meeting in May. Major Royer has added 120 members to Company Twenty-five, Uniform Rank, from Anaheim alone, and will continue the good work for the order.

Entertaining speeches were made by Brother Ralph Schoonover, Santa Barbara; Judge Steve Long, Long Beach; Colonel Dan Saylor, San Francisco; Judge Charles J. Noyes, Los Angeles; Captain Charles Stansbury, Los Angeles, and many others.

The institution work was in charge of Past Chancellor James G. Owen, who was ably assisted by the officers and members of Marathon-Los Angeles, Gauntlet and Inter-Domain lodges.

## SALE BEGINS MONDAY AND CONTINUES FOR THE ONE WEEK ONLY

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Defnan, Dr. W. M. Dickie, Mr. F. Kline, Past Chancellor H. C. Aldrich, Edward R. Forsythe, Past Chancellor W. H. Hyden, Past Chancellor J. O. Royer, William Pherson, Albert E. Smith, George W. Palmer, Norman McLeod, Paul J. Van Trees, J. W. Chambers, Joseph Campbell, Past Chancellor O. P. Thomas, O. Seckler, Captain Walton, Captain Fowler, J. Warren McCoy, Past Chancellor H. G. Webb, Captain H. W. Broughton, Past Chancellor Al Rhyman and a host of other loyal Pythians contributed greatly to the success in the preliminary work of organization of Helmet lodge and this lodge will see that their names are inscribed on its roll of honor.

Helmet lodge received fifty applications for membership at its last meeting and more are coming in at every meeting. Fourteen members of The Herald staff take pride in belonging to this lodge.

Inter-Domain lodge No. 55 conferred the Page, Esquire and Knight ranks on large classes. The last class contained seventy-five members, and this work was splendidly rendered. With Chancellor Commander C. B. Guthrie, E. A. Owen, E. C. Lewis, F. M. Coulter, Dr. Howenstein, Dr. Speer and others this lodge has a great future before it.

The first officers of Helmet lodge No. 25 are C. J. Noyes, P. J. Donnelly, Dr. W. M. Dickie, past chancellors; James G. Owen, chancellor commander; Albert E. Smith, vice chancellor; Fred T. Purdy, prelate; Fred N. Yale, master at arms; Julius Janssen, keeper of records and seal; Charles H. Cook, master of finance; Henry J. Angell, master of exchange; James B. Boulden, inner guard; Dodge E. Mills, outer guard; C. J. Noyes, Dr. T. P. Harrell, Dr. R. J. Gregg, Jr., trustees.

Past Chancellor Charles Stansbury, Judge C. J. Noyes, P. J. Donnelly, Past Chancellor Charles H. Cook, E. C. Clark, James B. Boulden, Dr. S. B.

## THE FRATERNAL BROTHERHOOD

Supreme President Jas. A. Foshay and Mrs. Foshay were the guests of honor at a recent open meeting of San Diego lodge No. 18, the principal feature of which was a witty lecture on Fraternism by Dr. Lewis Thurber Guild.

Forty dollars was raised by the escort team of Golden State No. 472 at the masquerade ball for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the team to Yosemite this summer. The team put on a fancy drill, appearing in full camp uniforms, wearing sunbonnets and carrying tin pails suggestive of the popular mode of attire during the encampment for two weeks in July. It has been suggested that this team might visit the other lodges in the hope of creating enthusiasm among other escort teams.

Hollywood lodge No. 434 installed its officers Thursday evening. The work was conducted by a delegation representing the lodges of Ocean Park and Sawtelle. One candidate was initiated.

Supreme Vice President Mrs. E. R. Niddie, accompanied by Mrs. G. T. Piggott, has returned from a three weeks' trip in the San Joaquin valley, where she reports the work in a flourishing condition. She expects to be in the vicinity of Los Angeles until the middle of March, when she will depart for a several months' visit among the lodges as far east as Michigan and Wisconsin, visiting the intervening states on the trip.

The San Joaquin valley is the Fraternal Brotherhood district which is in the limelight at present. Much enthusiasm is manifested in all of the lodges in that vicinity, and classes of from twenty-four to thirty-six candidates are of frequent occurrence. Many new lodges have been instituted during the last year, and when the San Joaquin valley league holds its convention this spring it will be with an almost double membership. Twenty-two lodges stand to the credit of O. B. Read since taking charge of that district, with never at any time more than four deputies to aid him.

Hermosa lodge No. 32 will send a large delegation to the Yosemite special. Many events are being planned by that lodge between now and July. The first will be a theater party at Walker's theater March 2. The contest in this lodge is growing more interesting with each meeting.

Supreme President James A. Foshay paid an official visit to Riverside lodge No. 35 on the 23d instant, initiating a class which was presented through the efforts of Miss Anna Bernard, who is working in that section.

Home lodge No. 400 has contracted the initiating habit. There ought to be something in a name that would attract members, and it is the determination of this lodge to extend such a welcome to the new members that they will feel perfectly at home.

The open meeting of Los Angeles lodge No. 1 on Thursday evening was well attended, and like the other lodges that are conducting contests, much of the success of these meetings is due to the able manner in which each side is captained and the enthusiasm and earnestness of the followers.

Fraternal principles are a part of man's nature. He needs such organizations to educate and develop his understanding in these principles.

## INDEPENDENT ORDER OF FORESTERS

Court Mateo is the latest court to join the army of boosters, and last week had a large attendance in response to the request of Bro. Vacher, chairman of the boosting committee.

Two applications were received and one candidate was initiated. The initiatory work was in charge of High Secretary Dunckerley, assisted by Bro. W. E. Clayton, past chief ranger of Court Temple. Dr. E. H. Garrett was installed as court physician. The court unanimously endorsed Past Chief Ranger McEwen for the trip to the supreme court at Toronto, and pledged themselves to work to send him. Several applications were pledged.

The initiatory work was given at Monrovia Saturday evening to a class of candidates under the leadership of Deputy Supreme Chief Ranger J. H. Jones, assisted by several of the city boosters.

Court Temple received several applications last week and obligated two. This court, in conjunction with Companion Court Miramar, will hold its regular monthly dance and whist party Tuesday of this week, to which a general invitation is extended.

Court Los Angeles had a big crowd at whist last Thursday evening. Hand-some prizes were awarded, and after a keen contest the winners were found to be Mrs. Murphy and Marie Allen, first and second ladies respectively, and the first and second men's prizes were awarded to Bros. F. E. Cotton and N. A. Pontius, both of whom belong to Court Morris Vineyard. Refreshments were served.

Companion Court Morris Vineyard had two halls well filled Friday evening for its dance and whist party. The prize winners at the whist tables were Mrs. Montgomery and Mrs. Smith among the women and Mr. Studebaker and Mr. Dobbins among the men's prizes. The Thimble club of this court will hold its regular monthly meeting next Thursday at the residence of Companion Bohannon at 1508 East Twentieth street.

Court La Fiesta celebrated Washington's birthday last week with a patriotic banquet. Covers were laid for 100. The women were attired in colonial style. After the banquet toasting and songs were in order. Those taking part were Companion Hazel Newman, who rendered the "Star Spangled Banner"; Frank E. Hand, whose subject was "Our Flag"; and High Chief Ranger C. B. Dickson on the subject of "Our Order"; A. P. Green spoke on "Our Hand on 'George Washington'"; and Dr. J. Lee Hagadorn charmed everybody with his toast to "The Ladies." B. H. Franklin acted as toastmaster. Charles Kaempf is chief ranger.

Companion Court Los Angeles had a large attendance at the meeting Thursday afternoon, and much interest was manifested in the work of the court. A printed calendar has been issued of the good things to be provided at the meetings for the next six months.

Court Glad Hand had nineteen applications at the meeting Thursday. The initiatory work was given in the short form, and arrangements were made for a large class, probably twenty-five, to whom the full work will be given Thursday evening of this week. The boys are all working to help Sam Reed to get his free trip to the Toronto supreme court session.

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