

# NEWS OF FRATERNAL AND SECRET SOCIETIES

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## ROYAL COURT

Monday evening Pico assembly, No. 8, will hold an interesting business meeting. As questions of the utmost importance to the assembly will be discussed, every member is urged to be present. The committee on entertainment makes the following announcements: April 15, "lotto party" and dance; May 16, Maypole dance; Lady Lillian Gress, advocate of No. 8, is paying a two weeks' visit to San Diego, No. 38.

Los Angeles assembly, No. 2, will confer the membership degree on several candidates, listen to a proposition by Past Chancellor Wright to establish an assembly reserve fund to assist necessarily delinquent members and award the cut glass bowl to the holder of the lucky ticket. All who have tickets are invited to be present.

The Good Samaritan club of No. 2 will entertain members of the order and a few invited guests with music and refreshments at Garfield hall Tuesday evening at the close of the regular session of the assembly.

The public entertainment of No. 2 last Tuesday evening eclipsed all former ones for several months past. The attendance was large, the orchestral music splendid, the whist party enjoyable and the program of musical and literary numbers of general excellence. Program of songs by the orchestra; violin solo, Master John Polak, accompanied by Prof. Rudolph Polak. This young artist is a great genius of much promise, who gave one of the finest musical performances on a similar occasion. Song, Horace Keeler, a beautiful singer; sketches of mining life were rendered in his inimitable style of elocution by Casper Culver. An original poem by the order, always novel and pleasing; "The Mule," an address by Sam J. Chapel; violin solo, Miss Lounecker, a young artist with fine touch and charming personality.

Queen assembly, No. 41, is continuing its membership campaign with great vigor, and will at its meeting next Wednesday evening initiate another large number of candidates. On this occasion the members will be visited by several local officers, who will assist in the initiatory ceremony. After the meeting the whist tournament will proceed.

Crown assembly, No. 42, will have initiatory work next Wednesday evening. The last meeting was full of business, and a general awakening of members was felt and evidenced in the presentation of eight applications for membership. The following committee has been appointed for the open meeting April 20: Lady Carl Teske, chairman; Ladies Francis Raiford, Freda Teske and Corriette Willis. Miss Raiford was also elected vice chancellor of No. 42.

South Gate assembly, No. 40, has ordered "all hands to the oars," and every member is expected in loyal fashion. There will be a number of candidates to initiate next Friday evening, after which a pleasant hour will be passed at games and refreshments. The meeting Friday evening was one of unusual interest and pleasure. Several visitors were present and made interesting remarks under the good of the order.

The important matter up for consideration by all the camps in the Pacific jurisdiction is the selection of delegates to the respective district conventions. The twelfth district, comprising the counties of Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Orange, and San Diego, will meet at Ventura May 18. The district convention will select eight delegates to the head camp session in July, at which will occur the election of head camp officers and the making of laws to govern the jurisdiction for the ensuing three years. A discussion of what may take place at the head camp will not be in order at this time, but the district convention promises to be of no little interest because of numerous questions relative to the good of the order that will come up for consideration. Reports thus far received indicate a practically solid delegation to the district convention favoring the retention in office of the present efficient officials of the head camp.

The W. O. W. hall at Pomona was filled with members of the camp and visiting neighbors last night, who witnessed the initiation of fifteen candidates, the result of the efforts of Special Organizer Hollands, Vernon camp's officers and team performed the work. The circle of the Women of Woodcraft assisted the camp in the preparation of a supper following the initiation.

Tomorrow night at Ontario a class of fifteen candidates will be directed through the mysteries of Woodcraft by the officers and recently organized team of the camp. Special Organizer William Stretch, who is also doing good work at Covina, is responsible for the large class. As at Pomona, the circle members will assist in serving a supper.

San Pedro camp met last Friday night, with a fair number of its members present and several visiting neighbors from Los Angeles and other camps. The meeting was an unusually interesting one, and demonstrated that the camp is being aroused to its possibilities. The membership is determined to increase its enrollment and attendance at the camp sessions. As an evidence that the camp means business, five applications were up for consideration at this meeting, and the officers in sight for later action. District Organizer Stretch made the principal address, during the course of which he promised the assistance of the order's organs working under his direction. This was good news to the members and assured a steady growth and prosperous future for the camp.

Downey camp held an interesting meeting Tuesday night, with visitors present from Eastlake, Fremont and Whittier. Through the kindness of Neighbor A. B. Wake, the visitors were met at the Whittier electric line and conveyed by team to Downey, three miles distant. District Organizer Stretch was a fraternal address that will long remain in the memories of those fortunate enough to have heard him. Always an eloquent, instructive and pleasing speaker, Neighbor Stretch seemingly surpassed himself on this occasion, and on taking his seat was accorded the heartiest applause. Downey membership campaign, but expects to start work along this line very soon.

You can buy it, perhaps at any place, but there's one BEST place to buy it—and that place is advertised.

## Men Who Are Prominent in the Western Fraternal Association



M. J. PHILLIPS  
SUPREME SECRETARY

M. J. PHILLIPS, supreme secretary of the Western Fraternal association, is a native of California and a man of successful professional and business career. He has been connected with the schools of Los Angeles city and county for sixteen years. He is treasurer of the Southern California Teachers' association, which position he has held for the last six years. Mr. Phillips is also a business man of experience, and is the owner of considerable property in different parts of the state. He has been farmer, school teacher, member of boards of education, county surveyor, officer and director in various business organizations. He is a man of high standing in this city and county, and occupies an assistant county superintendent of Los Angeles county the second highest educational position in the county. His fraternal experience has been large and successful.

Fred E. Pierce, supreme vice president of the Western Fraternal association, was born in New York in 1866. He is one of a family of eleven children, ten boys and one girl. He came to Los Angeles in 1881 and has been



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prominently identified with the development and growth of Los Angeles. He is a member of several fraternal orders and is one of the four representatives to the sovereign grand lodge of the Odd Fellows. He is a member of the Union League club and has taken an active interest in politics. In 1907-8 he represented the seventy-second assembly district in the California legislature.

In 1908 Mr. Pierce, with several well known Los Angeles men, organized the City and County bank and served the first year as its vice president. At the second annual meeting he was elected president, which position he is now holding. He is one of the most prominent fraternal men on this coast.

Home lodge will hold its regular monthly meeting April 27 at Venice. Bathing privileges will be free to the members and their guests, after the case at the last open meeting held at the beach and the innovation of holding the meeting at the beach during the summer months has caught on with the members. As usual the W. F. A. originated this plan and the success of the undertaking is due to the untiring work of the supreme president, J. I. McLaughlin, and Charles A. Ermer, the president of Home lodge.

## KNIGHTS AND LADIES OF SECURITY

Los Angeles council No. 737, Knights and Ladies of Security, is busy with another very lively contest. The captains are Miss Elsie Sebastian and Mrs. Martha Osborne, among the best hustlers in the council. The contest will be held at the home of Mrs. Elsie Sebastian, 1633 West Twenty-second street, on the afternoon and evening of Tuesday, April 11. The glee and dramatic clubs meet at the same home every Monday evening.

The order is flourishing in this district. The stay-at-home members should extend themselves and attend the council every Thursday evening. The social club, which meets on the second Tuesday of every month, will meet at the home of Mrs. Elsie Sebastian, 1633 West Twenty-second street, on the afternoon and evening of Tuesday, April 11. The glee and dramatic clubs meet at the same home every Monday evening.

Miss Edith Wells, degree conductor, was operated on for appendicitis Tuesday, March 29, with all prospects of a complete recovery.

Los Angeles council has appointed Emma G. Cornie the press reporter for the fraternal department of The Herald.

## THE FRATERNAL BROTHERHOOD

The farce given by Hermon lodge No. 32 Monday evening was one of the best affairs ever undertaken by local talent, the attendance being 650. The entertainment, and during the intermission music by Hermon's orchestra was given.

Captain Walter Grow and Lieutenant Warren visited Pasadena lodge No. 24 Friday evening, April 1, in the interest of company No. 3 of the Uniform Rank.

March 29, Supreme President James A. Foshy visited the new lodge at Chino at an open meeting and addressed an assemblage of people in that prosperous vicinity who were interested in the insurance plan as offered by the Fraternal Brotherhood. That lodge is scarcely two months old and with an already excellent membership is desirous of adding to it many more.

Lancaster lodge No. 486 is one of the lodges that always extends a hearty welcome to Gen. George S. Adolph. His recent visit was no exception to the general rule.

The women laid aside their wisdom April 1 and joined the brothers of La Grande lodge in an all-fool's entertainment. There were surprises for everybody, the king's fool included. Good nature and merriment reigned supreme.

Company No. 2 of the Uniform Rank, Captain Greim commanding, put on an exhibition drill for the Yeoman household at Mammoth hall on the evening of March 30. The courtesy was much appreciated and the men showed much efficiency and skill in their drill.

As an example of practical fraternity the members of the order who were interested in the insurance plan, were met at the train by local members of the order, who had him taken to the California hospital. Everything that can be done to relieve his distress or supply his wants will be done for Brother Harma. Members of the order will please take notice.

## DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS

Jessie Benton Fremont tent No. 4, Daughters of Veterans, is having many pleasant social affairs.

At its last regular meeting the tent entertained eight members of Orange tent, the object being to form a closer tie with the sister tents and to prepare for work at the department convention to be held at Oakland in April, as quite a number of the Daughters expect to attend the convention.

The afternoon was devoted to discussion of the work, the department president, Mrs. Lizzie Belle Cross, and several of her staff; Mrs. Grace Marshall, organizer of the Los Angeles tent, and Mrs. Lillian Leach, president, and Mrs. Lilla Canfield, past president, of Orange tent being present. A banquet was given in honor of the guests, after which the work was exemplified and three new members were initiated. Dr. C. E. Case presented a large photo of Jessie Benton Fremont tent to Orange tent, and in behalf of N. C. Irvine, one of the loyal Sons of Veterans, he presented a large bunting flag to Jessie Benton Fremont tent.

## WISE AND OTHERWISE

Daughters—But I don't intend to marry yet!  
I want to study. Mother—Absurd! The men will only think less of you in the end if you know much.  
Daughter—Oh, now, mamma! You always expect other men to be like papa—Boston Transcript.

Turn over a new leaf.  
Supervisor—Like most men, I have my faults. Gladys—Perhaps, but they are so insignificant that no girl would feel justified in marrying you to reform you.—Smart Set.

Excess of wealth is cause of covetousness.—Marlowe.

"Sir, I heard you use the word 'jackass.' Did you apply it to me?" "No, sir. Do you think you're the only jackass in the world?"—Cleveland Leader.

He that dies pays old debts.—Shakespeare.

"Say, dad, what is hope?" asked the youngster. "Splitting apples to take a chance on making a fish," he answered.—Buffalo Express.

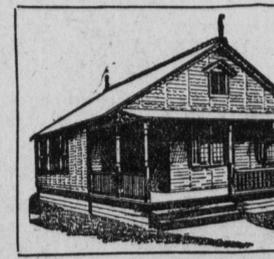
An ill weed grows apace.—Chapman.

The lady of the house—I hope you are habitually truthful, Bridget? The new maid—Yes, mum; I am on my own account. I only tell lies to the callers, fr' th' missus.—Cleveland Leader.

Hasty climbers have sudden falls.—French.

"Your wife is quite friendly," was the friend. "I don't know," answered Mr. Cumrox. "Mother and the girls used to be glad to see folks that dropped in. Now they send out invitations and seem more tickled to get regrets than acceptances."—Washington Star.

One of the hardest things in this world to do is not to be prejudiced against the kind of man who looks like he sits on the floor to put on his shoes.—Dallas News.



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## FORESTERS OF AMERICA

Lively meetings were held by all of the subordinate courts during the past week, principally in the contests for delegates to the grand court, which will convene in May at Merced. Only a partial list of those elected in the city has been reported.

Court Los Angeles, No. 30, has elected for delegates W. G. Augustine, W. J. Walsh and E. M. Starr. W. R. Ober and H. Nadeau will represent Court Olive, No. 39. A full list of those elected from the eight courts of Los Angeles will be given later.

Court Los Angeles had an exceptionally interesting session last week. More than 150 members were present. Several applications for membership were received. The debates under good and welfare are becoming very popular among the members.

Court Olive, No. 39, had initiatory work Monday night. Refreshments were served.

Court Sunset, No. 68, enjoyed an official visit from one of the grand officers, March 29. Several candidates were initiated.

The Shepherds of America will hold an interesting meeting April 4. Fred Steinberg, the genial sub-pastor and D. G. S. for Court Germania, has gone to the Yosemite valley for the summer.

Lady Maccabees of Southern California are making great preparations for a state rally to be held in Los Angeles April 27, 28 and 29. The ladies are looking forward to a rousing good time. An official visit will be made by Supreme Record Keeper Bina M. West of Port Huron, Mich.; Minnie W. Aydelotte, state commander, of Oakland, and Kate M. Russell, deputy state commander of Los Angeles. They will be present to hold a school of instruction to exemplify the new ritual and transact other important business. The wives of Los Angeles have the arrangements in charge. Lady Cora Johnson, commander of Los Angeles lodge No. 1, is chairman of the general committee.

Lady Maccabees of Los Angeles lodge No. 1 held their regular meeting Tuesday night at 431 South Hill street, Commander Cora Johnson presiding. The night was a flourishing condition, receiving many applications at each meeting and initiating many into the mysteries of the order, who are taking up the work of fraternity and benevolence, the principals and teaching of the order.

Los Angeles lodge No. 1, L. O. T. M. will give its regular dance and whist party Tuesday evening, April 12, at 431 South Hill street. Lady Carrie Axline will be the chairman.

## LADIES OF THE MACCABEES

Modern National Reserve  
Council No. 20, Modern National Reserve, meets in Fraternal Brotherhood hall, corner Lincoln and Figueroa streets, every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Open meetings are held on the first and third Wednesday nights of each month, to which the public is extended a cordial invitation. Visiting members are always made welcome. A big masquerade ball will be given April 6. All are invited.

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## INDEPENDENT ORDER OF FORESTERS

Fraternity, business and pleasure were the happy blended Monday evening, when fifty representative Foresters met at the residence of the high chief ranger, Dr. C. B. Dickson, and completed the organization of the I. O. F. purple cross relief committee. J. H. Bean was elected president; the high chief ranger, Dr. C. B. Dickson, past president, and Companion L. Franklin, Brothers A. Bricker, S. W. Kroesen and N. A. Pontius were elected vice presidents. High secretary S. G. Dunkerley was named secretary and treasurer of the committee. After the regular business of the meeting Brother and Mrs. Dickson entertained the committee with refreshments. The committee has taken the Belasco theater for a benefit performance, to be held Tuesday, April 26. Tickets are on sale by the committee and at the high court office. As this is a very worthy cause it is hoped every Forester will boost this benefit. This committee will more fully care for such cases of distress among the Foresters, which are constantly occurring in Los Angeles, and the calls that have already been made on the committee is an evidence of the need of this work. Court La Fleeta had a good meeting last week, the feature being entertainment, given by the younger to the older members. A program of songs and readings was rendered.

There were big doings at Court Glad Hand Thursday evening when Judge Curtis Wilbur led a class of nineteen candidates in the mysteries of the Forestry initiatory ceremonies, and all had to admit that full justice was done. The judge remarked that many a man had had five years for less. There was a large number of visitors present, including the high chief ranger, who was heartily received on the subject of "Our Fraternity." Brother Sam Reed, the active deputy of court Glad Hand, who was injured in a runaway some weeks ago, is doing nicely, and is full of praise for the attentions that have been shown him.

Deputy Supreme Chief Ranger J. A. McCahill is still hustling in court. Temple and last week turned in fourteen applications for membership with four initiations to his credit. The boys are loyally supporting him, and will make good in reaching the coveted "50" membership mark very soon. A big smoker is planned for the third Tuesday in April, in addition to the regular dance and whist party, to be held Tuesday of this week, in which latter companion court Miramar will participate as usual. The Companions are not ready to participate in the "smoke" yet.

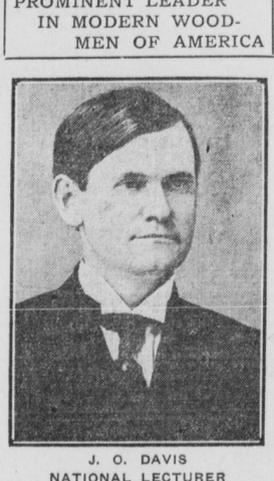
## PROMINENT LEADER IN MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA

J. O. DAVIS, national lecturer for the Modern Woodmen of America, who will be here April 13 to present the prize banner to Golden State camp and give a lecture, illustrated by stereopticon views on the Woodmen sanatorium, is one of California's distinguished citizens as well as a prominent man in the order he represents. For several years he was state deputy in charge of organization work, but at the head camp session of the Woodmen in 1908 he was assigned to his present position. As lecturer he is sent to all parts of the country, assisting local organizers in building up the order.

Mr. Davis has achieved a proud position in political life. He has always been a Democrat of the anti-machine type and was very active in assisting to free the organization from that sort of domination. As a member of the state senate he stood so well with the members of his party that he was named to oppose Senator Perkins in United States senator the last time he was elected.

During the agitation carried on in several states in recent years to compel insurance orders to raise their rates by a hard and fast rule instead of regulating such themselves, Mr. Davis visited various state capitals and assisted materially in defeating such measures.

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## MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA

When Head Consul Talbot was here in February he said he planned to have lantern slides made of scenes at the Colorado Springs sanatorium and then have them shown by the lecturers on their travels. As this is the first chance Los Angeles people will have to see these views it is expected a large number of Woodmen will turn out to learn more about the big institution they are building. At the office of J. I. Taylor, clerk of Golden State camp, there is a picture postal showing the tent donated by that camp, while C. C. Williams of Alhambra and G. H. Hatherford of Pomona are standing at the door. They went to the sanatorium to be treated for consumption, are doing well, and it is expected they will be discharged cured. That brings this feature of the Woodmen work right home to California, and Mr. Davis will more fully explain these things.

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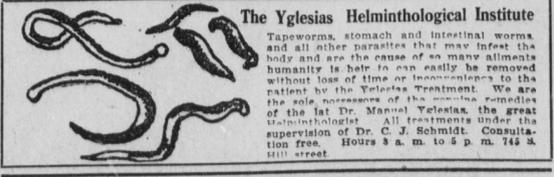
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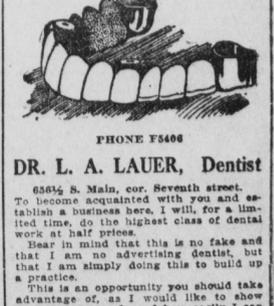
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