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CLARKSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA--THE FUEL CITY OF THE FUEL STATE-- TUESDAY NOVEMBER 15, 1904.

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GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS IN SESSION

Companions From All Over West Virginia Meet in Thirty-Fourth Annual Convocation in Masonic Hall With All Grand Chapter Officers and Large Attendance Present.

Banquet Will be Held at Waldo Hotel Tonight--Annual Convention of Order of High Priesthood Will be Held Wednesday Forenoon--Fortieth Annual Communication of Grand Masonic Lodge of West Virginia Follows Chapters.

The state meetings of Masons constituting the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M., and the Grand Chapter R. A. M., which occupies the most of the present week in Clarksburg, practically began Tuesday at noon when the Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons convened in the lodge rooms of the local Masonic lodge, on the third floor of the Leggett building on Third street, opposite the court house.

The Royal Arch Masons will continue the meeting of their branch until Wednesday forenoon when it will be concluded with the annual convention of the Order of High Priesthood. Then the Grand Blue Lodge will convene in the lodge room Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock and continue until Thursday night, when the week's meetings will conclude with the election and installation of the Grand Lodge officers.

Monday afternoon, evening and night delegates from the subordinate lodges and chapters, as well as a number of visiting Masons, arrived on the various trains. They were met by the members of the reception committees of the local lodge and chapter, who assisted them in procuring hotel accommodations and getting them settled and acquainted.

Masons from all points of the state were arriving all day Tuesday and many more are expected on the evening and night trains. It is expected that from 300 to 350 Masons will attend the meetings. There are 150 subordinate lodges of the Masonic lodge in the state and nearly all of these will send representatives to the Grand Lodge meeting. Each subordinate lodge is privileged to send one official delegate to the Grand Lodge meeting. There are 29 chapters of the Royal Arch Masons, which is a degree of the Masonic order proper, in the state and each chapter is privileged to send three official delegates to the Grand Chapter meeting.

A stated meeting of Hermon Lodge, No. 6, A. F. & A. M., was held in the lodge rooms in the Leggett building Monday evening commencing at 7:30 o'clock. Besides the members of the local lodge of which there was nearly the full membership present, the visiting Masons were in attendance. The usual work of a stated meeting was transacted and interesting matters pertaining to the state meeting were discussed. There was work in the E. A. or first degree and two candidates received the initiatory rites.

Tuesday morning the reception committee of the local chapter entertained the visiting Masons with a trolley ride over the entire system of the street car lines. The party left the Waldo hotel corner at 9 o'clock and went to O'Neil and from there to Union park. This ride was enjoyed very much and many of the visiting Masons who had not been in Clarksburg for some time were somewhat astonished at the wonderful progress of the city and suburbs as presented to them on their ride.

The Grand Chapter convened at 12:00 o'clock noon in the lodge rooms. Grand High Priest C. M. Lamar, of Martinsburg, was the supreme presiding officer, and all of the Grand Chapter officers were at their respective stations. The Grand Chapter officers are as follows:

Grand Chapter Officers. Grand High Priest--C. M. Lamar, of Martinsburg. Grand King--Hiram B. Howard, of Pt Pleasant. Grand Scribe--George M. Ford, of Wheeling. Grand Treasurer--George Hatch, of Wheeling. Grand Secretary--Frank E. Nichol, of Fairmont. Grand Chaplain--Rev. P. C. White. Grand Lecturer--Joseph Hall, of

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Home For the Aged and Infirm Will Be Voted On--Wheeling Is After Election of Grand Secretary is Another Important Feature.

WHEELING, W. Va., Nov. 15--The Grand Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of the State of West Virginia convened in Wheeling at ten o'clock this morning and will adjourn this evening. As the Grand Lodge of this state also assembled, going in session at ten o'clock today there is a large attendance of delegates from the various orders in the state. Nearly 300 members of both orders are expected, which is about the same number as last year.

CHURCH DEDICATION

Will Take Place at West Milford On Thanksgiving Day--Ceremonies Will Be Elaborate.

The new Baptist church building at West Milford has been completed and will be dedicated with elaborate ceremonies Thanksgiving Day. There will be services in both the forenoon and afternoon in the church and a large concourse of people is expected to attend. Ample provision will be made for their accommodation says Rev. L. W. Holden, the pastor of the church.

Revs. L. E. Peters and R. B. McDaniel, of this city, and Rev. M. A. Summers, of Parkersburg, two of the most prominent ministers of the state and a very eloquent speaker, will participate in the exercises. Rev. Mr. Holden extends through these columns a cordial invitation to all to attend.

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Grand Master--George Hatch, of Wheeling. Deputy Grand Master--L. H. Clarke, of Kyle. Senior Grand Warden--Tom G. Strickler, of Ellenboro. Junior Grand Warden--George W. McClintic, of Charleston. Senior Grand Deacon--James A. Bryan, of Parkersburg. Junior Grand Deacon--E. M. Snowball, of Fairmont. Grand Pursuivant--H. B. Bagnley, of Wheeling. Grand Marshal--F. W. Clark, of New Martinsville. Grand Secretary--George W. Atkinson, of Charleston. Grand Treasurer--S. N. Myers, of Martinsburg. Grand Chaplain--P. C. White. Grand Lecturer--J. M. McConishay. Grand Tyler--W. H. Rose, of Wheeling.

OLD LADY SUICIDES

By Jumping From An Upper Window--Dead Body Found in Rear Yard.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 15--Mrs. Theodore Baur, aged 70 years, was found dead in the yard in the rear of her residence on Milton street today. The coroner said it was a case of suicide. She had thrown herself out of an upper window. She had recently been dejected. Her husband is employed in the First National Bank. Miss Clara Baur, of the Conservatory of Music, is her daughter.

The Grain Market. By Associated Press. CHICAGO, Nov. 15--Wheat, 1 1/2; corn 5 1/2; oat, 2 1/2.

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CELEBRATION POSTPONED

President Purinton, of the West Virginia University, Announces in Open Letter.

The following letter has been sent out by President D. B. Purinton, of the West Virginia University:

"I regret to be obliged to announce that our plans for a celebration of the 90th anniversary of the founding of Monongalia academy on the 29th instant have not been successful as we could wish. We have encountered a number of difficulties. It has been hard to find the names even of the living members of the old academy, and hard still to locate their addresses. We have written to a large number, and have failed to receive responses from a majority of them. Of those who have responded, a large proportion are unable to attend. Some of those who as first thought it possible to be with us have later expressed their inability to come. Among these are some of our speakers, on whom we relied for entertainment and instruction at the celebration. In view of these, and other circumstances, the council of the university, after carefully going over the matter, are of the opinion that the prospect of making the anniversary worthy of the occasion is not promising. They have, therefore, decided that it is unwise to go further with the arrangements. This is a great disappointment to myself, as I have no doubt to all concerned, but knowing the circumstances as I do, I am compelled to feel that the decision of the council is a wise one."

Party Goes South. M. M. Carr, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Alexander and several others left Monday night by way of Washington City for Georgia, on a winter excursion, and to view town properties down there for the purpose of making investments. They will be gone a month or more. Mr. Carr is directing the party.

Portugal Rulers Visit England. By Associated Press. PORTSMOUTH, Eng., Nov. 15--The King and Queen of Portugal arrived here today. They were met by the Prince of Wales and departed in a royal train for Windsor Castle.

RENOUNCES CATHOLIC FAITH

Foundress of the Divinity Catholic University at Washington Returns to Protestantism.

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, Nov. 15--A letter from Rome, written Oct. 30, and addressed to the editor of the Associated Press, from Marguis Des Monstiers, conveyed the information that his wife, who founded the Divinity Catholic University, at Washington, has renounced the Catholic faith and returned to Protestantism, the faith of her ancestors. She was Miss Mary G. Caldwell, daughter of William S. Caldwell, of Richmond, Va., who married Mrs. Breckenridge, of Kentucky. Her father left her an estate valued at two million dollars.

Rough Riders Will Meet. The Republican Rough Riders Club will meet in the court house tonight to make arrangements for participation in the Republican jollification parade to be held Wednesday night. John Higginbotham will preside as chairman. The meeting will be called to order at 7 o'clock sharp.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUERS

Are in Annual Convention in Ohio With Four Hundred in Attendance.

By Associated Press. COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 15--400 delegates from churches and religious organizations are here attending the second annual convention of the Anti-Saloon League. Dr. Hunt, president of Denison University, presided. Some expressions about Governor Herriek's attitude toward the Brannock law is expected.

Maccabees Going to Wilsonburg. The Maccabees team and fifty other members of the local tent will go to Wilsonburg this evening to assist the tent fare in initiatory ceremonies. They will meet at the corner of Third and Pike streets at 6:55 o'clock and go out on the car that passes that point at that hour.

Afternoon Tea Given. By Mrs. Estill at Her Home on Mulberry Street in Honor of Her Sister-in-Law. Mrs. John F. Estill entertained at her home on Mulberry street Tuesday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock in honor of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Dies, who is our guest. The occasion was enjoyed by all present. The entertainment was in the nature of an afternoon tea and Mrs. Estill was a most charming hostess on this occasion.

FAIRBANKS AT FAIR

Vice President-Elect is Guest of President Francis at the Big Show.

By Associated Press. ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 15--Vice President-elect Fairbanks arrived here today and was met by President Francis and taken to breakfast at the St. Louis Club, and later escorted to the World's Fair.

Call For Bank Statements. By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Nov. 15--A call was issued today for a report of the condition of National Banks at the close of business November 10th.

SALARY IS RAISED

Stewards of the Methodist Episcopal Churches in Clarksburg District Testify to Dr. Ash's Good Work.

A meeting of the stewards of the Methodist Episcopal churches in the Clarksburg district was held in Goff chapel at 1:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Among the business done was the fixing of Presiding Elder David L. Ash's salary for the year. Dr. Ash is a very able, efficient, faithful and successful presiding elder and is very popular with all the many Methodists in the district. In testimony of his excellent work as such the stewards decided to raise his salary this year one hundred dollars, and they, accordingly, fixed it at \$1,600. Reports were received and the benevolences were apportioned and the session was one of profit.

Those present were E. A. Rider, of the Mt. Clare charge; F. M. Davis, of West Milford; E. W. Williams, of Clarksburg, and R. T. Gordon, of Salem.

MEATS ARE BURNED

In Cold Storage in Big Fire in Union Stock Yards in Jersey City.

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, Nov. 15--Fire early this morning in the Union Stock Yards, in Jersey City, destroyed much valuable property, including a considerable quantity of dressed meats in cold storage. The loss is \$100,000.

Revolution is Crushed. By Associated Press. RIO JANEIRO, Nov. 15--The revolutionary movement has been crushed, and two of the leaders have fled. Others have been arrested. Many persons were killed or wounded.

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DIVIDEND IS DECLARED

By the Standard Oil Company of Seven Dollars a Share--Was Much More Last Year.

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, Nov. 15--The Standard Oil Company today declared a dividend of seven dollars a share. It was twelve dollars a year ago. The total dividend this year was 36 per cent, and last year 44 per cent.

Agency Director Here. F. E. Armbruster of Wheeling, agency director for the New York Life Insurance Company, is here to spend a few days with S. R. Bailey, the efficient local agent of the company. Mr. Armbruster finds Mr. Bailey's office and work in fine shape and praises him for the eminent success he has had since assuming the agency some months ago.

AFTERNOON TEA GIVEN

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SENATOR SCOTT COMING

Junior United States Senator Scott Will Attend the Jollification.

Hon. Charles W. Swisher, Our Next Secretary of State and Staff, Will Be Here.

Governor-Elect Dawson Will Likely Be Here and Make a Speech--Other Noted Men of the State Will Be Present.

United States Senator Nathan B. Scott has announced his intention to be present at the Republican jollification tomorrow night and will arrive some time tomorrow.

Hon. W. M. O. Dawson, governor-elect, will likely also be present and make an address. Hon. E. Add Hall, of Weston, has accepted an invitation to make a speech.

Secretary of State-elect Charles W. Swisher will attend from Fairmont, with his special staff, and a large delegation will accompany him from Marion county.

Other noted men will be present and participate in the exercises.

The various committees have been busy completing arrangements in every line and have good reports to make at a special meeting to be held in the Republican headquarters tonight at eight o'clock.

There is every indication that large crowds will be in from the country and that neighboring cities and towns will send large delegations. Several bands will be in the line of march, besides many drum corps and there will be a perfect jollification to the finish.

All who can should get their material for illuminations and decorations early in the day, while there is an abundance at places that deal in these lines.

RELYEA SUICIDES

Chief of Division Office in the Treasury Department Shoots Himself at His Desk.

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 15--Albert Relyea, chief of the division office of the United States Treasury, committed suicide today by shooting himself in the head while at his desk.

Still Canvassing Returns. The county court met in two capacities Tuesday. One was as canvassing board of the election returns and the other was in special term to apportion the railroad taxes for 1904 among the various districts, through which railroads run in this county. The work of canvassing the election returns will not be finished until Wednesday morning.

Marriage License Issued. Deputy County Clerk Guy Tetric has issued a marriage license to Darinus Morris and Flora A. Pickett.

FELICITATIONS EXCHANGED

Between the Emperor of Japan and the President of the United States.

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Nov. 15--Prince Fushimi, of Japan, today called on President Roosevelt and conveyed the assurance of friendship and good wishes from the Emperor of Japan, with hopes for closer and stronger relations between the two countries. The President in response said the American people reciprocated that sentiment, and he wished the Japanese people prosperity.

TORPEDO BOATS NOT THERE

According to the Evidence at the Inquiry Into the North Sea Incident.

By Associated Press. HULL, England, Nov. 15--Inquiry into the North Sea incident conducted by England began today. Those who have been preparing the case found no evidence of torpedo boats.

HOFF BLOCK BEING PAINTED

The Hoff block, on West Main street, occupied by N. Baker's clothing store, is being re-painted in white and red with splendid effect.