UNDERTAKERS TO OPEN CONVENTION HERE TOMORROW

Elaborate Three Days' Program Prepared: State Gathering.

The fifteenth annual convention of the Oklahoma Funeral Directors' association will open tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock, in the Lee-Huckins hotel and so that none may mistake the nature of the gathering a banner, perfectly of the hostelry, Laymen may then see at the hostelry. Laymen may then see serve the extraordinary advance made by undertakers and funeral directors may inspect one of the latest products of hearse makers.

Officers of the organization are: George H. Stanley of Tulsa, president; James D. Humphrey of McAlester, vice president; W. S. McAfee of Oklahoma City, secretary; Mrs. I. M. Jackson of Norman, treasurer; W. J. Bohanon of Granite, sergeant-at-arms. The program, as prepared in advance, follows:

Tuesday—Meeting called to order at preceding committees; a committee on the Rev. Frank Barrett of Oklahoma City; address of welcome by a representative of Oklahoma City; response, A. P. Bracken, Kingfisher, Okla.; roll call; report of membership committee; election of new members; communications; appointment of special committees; introduction of Prof. Clement Williams, Kansas City, 2:00 p. m. Report of embalming board. "The Proper Method of Handling Funeral Flowers," by Lou Ottesen, Ferrick & Co., Oklahoma City; music; Ladies' quartet; lecture by Prof. Clement Williams.

Wednesday Sessions.

Wednesday, 9:30 A. M.—Reports at 9:30 by President Stanley; invitation to Enid; a committee on constitution and by-laws; a committee on membership; special committees; annual address of President George H. Stanley; address, "The Flower Business As An Aid to the Funeral Director," by George Stiles of Stiles & Co., Oklahoma City; short talks by Hartley page, Ponca City; Prof. Clement Williams of Kansas City. 2:00 P. M.—Address, "Legislation Affecting the Profession," by H. H. Hansen of West and Hagan, attorneys in Oklahoma City; reading by Mrs. John C. Black, department of dramatic art, Normal, Oklahoma City; address, "The Advantage of Good Roads to the Undertaker," by F. E. Boswell, highway engineer, Oklahoma City; lecture by Prof. Clement Williams of Kansas City.

Program on Thursday.

Thursday, 9:30 A. M.—Address, "Management and Arrangement of a Modern Cemetery," by Will H. Clark, superintendent of Fairlawn cemetery, Oklahoma City; report of national convention; address, "Is the Layman Less for Close Care?" by Grace C. Black, attorney, Oklahoma City; lecture by Prof. Clement Williams of Kansas City. 2:00 P. M.—Report of treasurer, Mrs. I. M. Jackson, Norman, Okla.; report of secretary, W. S. McAfee, Oklahoma City; reports of standing and special committees; a. Report of resolution committee; b. Report of executive committee; c. Report of finance committee, allowing of all claims, unfinished business, new business. 3. Election of officers; b. Election of delegates to national convention; c. Electing delegate names to submit to the governor from which he may select one member of the embalming board; selection of next meeting place of the convention; installation of officers; adjournment.

HIGH SCHOOL BOY ENDS HIS LIFE WITH POISON

ALEXANDRIA, La.—Alex Ryan, a high school boy, a member of a class which is to be graduated this month, is dead at his home here as a result of taking a dose of poison. Young Ryan left no statement as to the cause of the act.

He had said his throat was sore and that he was going to gargle it with a Great Wash. A moment later he called his mother and told her he had taken carbolic acid. A physician was summoned but the boy died before he could arrive.

LANSING TO BE NEXT PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, May 22.—The next president of the United States will be Robert Lansing of New York, the present secretary of state.

This is merely the statement of a fact which having the merits of restoration of secretary Lansing is as certain as anything can be.

Mr. Lansing's term of office does not depend on the action of the political conventions, it is, as we see, irrespective of any primary or direct election. In 1908 a law was passed providing that in the event of death, removal, resignation or inability of both the president and the vice president of the United States, the secretary of state shall act as president.

March 4, 1917, will fall upon a Sunday, and it is contrary to all precedent to hold an inauguration on Sunday. Therefore the incoming chief executive will take the oath of office and commence his term shortly afternoon on March 5. President Wilson's term begins at noon on March 4, 1912, therefore according to the constitution, his tenure of office will be over at noon on March 4 and, even if he is elected to succeed himself, he cannot take the oath of office until noon on the following day. Vice President Marshall, of course, is under the same disability as the president. Therefore the secretary of state, Mr. Lansing, will be president of the United States for the twenty-four hours and some minutes elapsing between noon on Sunday, March 4 and the time that the new president takes the oath of office on the following day.

This brief term of office is not a mere formality. It is an actual occupation of the power of president, with all its authorities and prerogatives.

Moreover, this is the first time in the history of the nation that a secretary of state has had this honor bestowed upon him.

Tabloid News for Busy Folk

EX-SHERIFF ON TRIAL.—Bob Sheriff, ex-sheriff of Coal county, is on trial today on a charge of forging a Kickapoo ex-Brownie cancel card. The defendant testified he had served four years in the United States army and four years in the navy. He said he was honorably discharged on May 25, 1915.

SQUIRREL ARTIST IN TOWN.—Mike Kennedy, been wanted in Texas a year for grand larceny, and Lew Davis, wanted for burglary in Kansas, are in the county jail here. The prisoners admit the crime. The sheriff expects to arrive and accompany the crooks to prison. They were arrested in Los Angeles, Mo., the day before, and had a squirrel concert after they were "hobbled" in the prisoners' cage. The squirrels were sent back to Texas.

HAVING GOOD VACATION.—Mayor Lee Cruce and family, of Oklahoma City, Okla., are now at Galveston, Texas, where he will spend his days fishing. This is his annual vacation.

NO TRACE OF MISSING BOY.—No trace has been discovered as to the whereabouts of A. T. Ross, 212 North Robinson avenue, who disappeared Saturday morning, it is said. He is an employee of the Oklahoma Railway company, it is said.

POLICEMAN WITHDRAWS STORK.—A baby expected by Mrs. Lulu this morning at noon at home of her and Mrs. Ollie Estes, 401 East Ninth street. The father is a motorcycle patrolman on the Oklahoma City police department.

SQUIRREL TO GATHER.—The state squirrel's association will hold its annual convention and tournament at Cushing, Okla., May 22, 23, 24 and 25. At this meeting a course of training and instruction in the subject will be held, several cash prizes will be awarded for hunts, for hickory and pecan.

SLEEPY BOYS ARRESTED.—Harold Bowers and F. D. Cooper, young boys, arrested last night, were placed in charge of County Probation Officer Sara Offutt today. The boys were charged with breaking into the home of Frisbee Henderson, 24 East Ninth street, a few days ago. It is claimed that Bowers has already been committed to the state training school at Pauls Valley.

POLICE BUSY ON SUNDAY.—Sunday was a busy day at the police headquarters, thirty-nine arrests being made.

WATONGA MEN HERE.—Bert R. Willis, county treasurer, and E. R. Taylor, court clerk, both of Blaine county, are in Oklahoma City today on business. They live at Watonga.

TWO PEDESTRIANS HELD UP.—Two highwaymen held up and robbed J. G. Morris, 2101 North McKinley avenue, and E. D. Chisam, 1016 North Olie avenue, late Sunday night near the corner of Ninth street and Robinson avenue. The two victims claim the robbers secured several dollars and a gold watch.

LODGE TO MEET.—Oklahoma City Court No. 1, Order of Amaranth, will hold its regular meeting tonight at 8 o'clock at the Masonic temple. There will be initiations and the election of a secretary, consequently all members are urged to be present.

IMPRESSIVE FUNERAL SERVICE.—Rose Creek funeral services for the late Ray Cooke, secretary of the state banking board in the Haskell administration, were held in Indo temple last midnight. Cooke died suddenly at the Kingkade hotel Saturday afternoon. He was a member of the Elue lodge of Sulphur, the Scottish Rite of Guthrie and the Shrine of Oklahoma City.

BACK TO NATURE COLONY.—Oklahoma City's first "back to nature" colony will be opened here Decoration day in charge of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Meachan. It is planned to allow all indoor workers of this city an opportunity to get outdoors for their vacations. Tents have been arranged for and the scheme has been indorsed by Major Overholser and prominent ministers of the city. The colony will be located at Western and Chickasaw.

C. E. CONVENTION.—The Oklahoma Christian Endeavor Union annual convention will convene in Oklahoma City June 12-15. Much interest is being manifested throughout the state. Speakers of national reputation will be present.

POSTMASTER'S WILL TALK.—Postmaster Claude Weaver will deliver an address before the state convention of the Texas Postmasters' association, in Fort Worth, on Thursday, May 25.

BAIL WAS ARRAIGNED.—C. B. Ball, head of the Success Realty company of Oklahoma City, charged in an indictment returned early this month by a grand jury in Indianapolis, Ind., with one of the United States mails to defraud, was arraigned late last week in federal district court in the Indiana capital. He pleaded not guilty and was held for trial. Whether or not he made bond in the sum of $2,500 is not known.

WINE CASE CONTINUED.—The case of Charles Finley was continued Saturday until May 27 by Justice of the Peace G. L. Price. Finley is charged by the sheriff's force to have been in possession of twenty-three barrels of wine. Finley is asking that the alleged wine be returned to him on the ground that it is not wine but grape vinegar. The twenty-three barrels were seized by search warrant methods May 1.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS.

To THE WIFE of Jack and Anna, at Home, 1000 Kelley avenue, April 19, a girl, Ruth Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ferguson, 1000 Kelley avenue, April 19, a girl.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Stanley, 1001 West Park place, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Little, 1013 West Fifth street, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Dixie, 1023 West Fifth street, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Noland, 1101 West Thirteenth street, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Abee, 1212 West Twenty-fifth street, girl.

DEATHS.

Raymond Albert, 17 years, hospital.

Mrs. Dolie Cooper, 28 years, hospital.

Mrs. Nancy E. Lanham, 74 years old, died at her home, 416 North Dorrach, at 2 o'clock this morning. She is survived by a husband. H. H. Lanham. No funeral arrangements have been made.

BUILDING PERMITS.

Stokes & Williams, 426 West Thirty-sixth street, dwelling, cost $1,800.

THE SANDMAN STORY FOR TO-NIGHT

Hans and the Unicorn.

ONCE upon a time a little boy named Hans had nothing to eat. It was an orphan. Old and feeble, living far away with an old woman, who obliged him to go out early every morning to the field and tend the sheep.

Presently down the road came the sound of galloping feet. And around the bend swept a black pony, its feet flying as it madly sped toward the bank of the stream. On its back was seated a beautiful child, dressed in a purple riding suit. Her cap had fallen off and her long, golden hair was streaming in the wind. Hans knew at once that it was the Princess Ada, the only daughter of the old king.

"Save me! Save me!" screamed Ada, as she caught sight of the boy.

How leaped to his feet. Alongside his head was the big branch of a tree which overhung the road. In a moment he had grasped the limb, then throwing his legs around it, letting his head swing down. As the pony swept under him he seized Ada by the waist and lifted her from the saddle, while the frightened beast raced over the cliff to its death below. Hans let the Princess drop gently on the ground.

"My pony was scared by the Great Unicorn," said Ada, when she had recovered her breath. "It came suddenly out of the bushes and jumped toward us."

Hans helped the little Princess back to the castle, then ran away without waiting to be thanked by the king.

"I must hasten back to the sheep or they will stray," he called back to the guard, who wished to detain him.

So back he ran, and gathered up his sheep, returned to the straw bed in a shed and the poor supper in the old woman's hut.

A few months later he was eating his bread by a spring, when a Brownie with whom he was great friends told him that the king was in a terrible trouble on account of the Unicorn, which was frightening every one in the country. It roamed about at will and no man dared face it.

"The king says he will give half of his kingdom and the hand of the Princess Ada to the one who will destroy the monster," concluded the Brownie, as he took out his walking stick and stuck it in the soft mud. That gave Hans an idea: he knew how he could get the Unicorn and get it alive for the king's son.

"The beast has a long horn in the middle of his forehead," he laughed to himself. "I can make him chase me till I get to that soft bark tree down the road; then if I jump behind it he will stick his horn right into the tree and I can put a rope around his feet."

Just then he heard a loud voice and knew at once that the Unicorn was coming. Men, women and children were running away in terror. After they had passed Hans went into the road and when the animal saw the boy it ran after him. But the Unicorn was tired and Hans a fleet runner, so that the lad kept well in front of the beast for half a mile. Then the boy let the Unicorn get very close at his heels. Just then he saw he was right by the soft bark tree, and sprang behind it. The Unicorn did not have time to stop; its head was lowered to hit the lad, but instead it ran slap bang into the tree and the long horn stuck fast. The beast could not move his head at all.

So Hans tied up all of its legs and ran to the castle to call the soldiers. The guards came and, finding the beast bound, they sawed off the horn, then led it into the great garden of the king's son.

They also made Hans accompany them back.

"You have caught the Unicorn," they said, "and the king must see you, for he promised half of his kingdom and the hand of the Princess Ada to the one who could free us of the beast." In came the king with a big golden crown on his gray curls, and behind him was pretty little Ada.

"Oh, papa!" exclaimed Ada, "that is the boy who saved me when my pony ran away; he has also caught the Unicorn."

"My," said the king, "he is just the kind of a son-in-law I want. I don't want much fuss about the wedding, so hurry up and get married quietly and don't disturb my afternoon naps. From now I leave the charge of the kingdom to you and Hans."

So the sleepy old king went back to playing checkers and napping, while King Hans and Queen Ada ruled the land happily for a long, long time.

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BABY EVIDENCE IN ESTATE CASE

Jury to Decide Which Woman Disputed Infant Resembles.

CHICAGO, May 22.—If the illness of Mrs. Dollie Ledgerwood Matters does not further delay court proceedings in the prosecution of Mrs. Matters on the charge of offering a spurious heir to the $200,000 estate of Fred Matters, her deceased husband, the state will close its case Monday with the calling of the one witness and the asking of one question, according to attorneys for the prosecution.

The baby in the case is claimed by Mrs. Matters and Margaret Ryan, a young Canadian girl, as their child. One of the chief points in the defense will be the claim of resemblance of the baby to Mr. Matters. Attorney Horres has said he would bring the baby and Mrs. Matters and Miss Ryan before the jury and would ask that body to decide whether the baby looks like Mrs. Matters or Miss Ryan in an effort to establish its parentage.

THIEF DESTROYS DOLLS.—When Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Willey, 1913 West Twelfth street, returned home late Saturday evening from a trip downtown, they found that someone had attempted to rob the house. The would-be robber failed to find loot of any great value, as he spent the time tearing up several dolls.

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